National Talent Search Examination

National Council of Educational Research and Training Sri Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi – 110016

(ONLY FOR THE INDIAN NATIONAL STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD IN CLASS X)

THE NATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION for the students studying abroad in Class X is meant to identify and nurture talent. The examination is conducted every year at two levels: Stage-I (State Level) and Stage-II (National Level), however, the students studying abroad are exempted for State Level Stage-I of NTS examinations as per NTS Scheme.

Scholarships: About One thousand scholarships are awarded for different stages of education as follows:

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Eligibility for Scholarship: If a candidate is selected, the scholarship shall be paid for pursuing studies in India only.

Reservation: 15% for students belonging to the SC category, 7.5% for students belonging to the ST category and 3% for Physically Challenged Group of Students.

Qualifying Marks: Qualifying marks for candidates from General category is 40% in each paper and for candidates from SC, ST, PH is 35% in each paper.

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Important Dates:

| National Level Stage-II NTS Exam | Dates |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Last Date for Submission of | 29 th February 2016 |
| Application Form | |
| Date of Examination | 08 th May, 2016 (Sunday) at 36 centres only in India |

Examination: The pattern of stage II Examination will be as under:

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|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| | | Questions | | (in minutes) |
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- 6. NCERT is not responsible, if any other item, which is not given in the common application form, has been included by the State/UT.

APPLICATION FORM NATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION, 2016 (For the Students Studying Abroad in Class X)

Read the instruction carefully given on the next page before filling the application form. You may take the help Space for the from your teacher/ parent for filling up the application form. Photograph $: \ \ 08^{th}\ May, 2016$ - Date of Examination (Passport size) - Name of the Examination Center * (Only in India) (where candidate is likely to appear in Exam) (State/UT) The Photograph should be endorsed by the State Code Date of birth Head of the Institution/ Gazetted Officer 10 Date Year Month 1. Name of the Candidate (Do not write Miss/ Master) Father's Name (Do not write Mr./ Dr./ Prof.) Mother's Name (Do not write Ms./ Dr./ Prof.) 6. Category of candidate 4. Sex 5. Area in which candidate resides 7. Disability Status 1 2 2 1 2 3 1 1 2 3 4 General SC Hearing Visually Orthopaedic Rural Urban None Impaired Impaired (Please enclose a copy of the relevant reservation certificate in support of information at Sr. No.6 & 7) Postal address of the candidate for correspondence (Do not write father's or your name) Name and address of the school/institution in which studying at Class X level Pin Code 10. Type of the institution in which studying at Class X level (see definition overleaf*) 11. Area in which the school is located Private Local Private 2 Govt. 3 Rural 2 Urban Body Aided Unaided 13. Father's education 14. Father's occupation 12. Medium of examination at the NCERT Level 15. Mother's education 16. Mother's occupation 17. No. of family members living in the house 18. Number of brothers 19. Number of sisters 20. At what number is the candidate among his/her brother and sisters 21. Parental annual income in Rs. 2 3 4 5 Up to 50,000 50,001 to 100,000 100,001 to 2,00,000 2,00,001 to 5,00,000 More than 5,00,000 22. Telephone: STD Code 23. * E-mail address * (Do not leave this column blank) 24. Mobile* To be filled by the Head of the Institution/ Gazetted Officer Certified that: % marks in the Class IX annual Master/Miss. is a regular student of this School/Institution and he/she has secured examination i.e. when he/she was promoted from Class IX to Class X. He/ She has secured marks out of (Candidate must fulfill the criteria announced by State/UT)
The particulars given by him/her in the application form have been verified and found in order. belongs to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe category as per the records maintained in the Institution. (to be filled for SC/ST (3) Master/Miss candidates only) Signature of the Headmaster/Headmistress/ Gazetted Officer

With Seal (See Instructions overleaf)

Date

Signature of the candidate

Coding Plan

- Read Instructions carefully before filling up the Application Form

 1. Use only Blue or Black Ball Point Pen. WRITE IN CAPITAL LETTERS. Do not mark or write outside the boxes.
- Leave one box blank between two words. Limit your name and/or address within the space provided for it. Please see example as given below.
- 3. 4.
- Cross (x) only one of the appropriate boxes in item nos. 4,5,6, 7, 10, 11 and 21.

 Please write code number in item nos. 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 as given overleaf.

 It is the responsibility of the candidate and the Principal of the school to deposit the filled in form with the State concerned Officer before the last date. **No request** for condoning delay in submission will be entertained whether it is due to the fault of the Candidate or the Headmaster/Principal of his/her institution. Incomplete or defective applications are liable to be rejected.

Example for writing Name and Address

| I | ather' | 's Nam | e: | О | | P | | G | U | P | Т | A | | | | | |
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| I | Postal | Addres | ss: Do 1 | not try | to writ | e comp | lete ad | ldress | in one | line. B | eak it | approp | riately | as sho | wn bel | ow. | |
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| Medium of Examinat | tion | Education of Father or Mother | | | |
|--------------------------------|------|-----------------------------------|------|--|--|
| (Refer to item 12) | | (Refer to item Nos. 13 & 15) | | | |
| Medium of Examination | | Education | Code | | |
| Code | | | | | |
| Assamese | 11 | No formal Education | 1 | | |
| Bangla | 12 | Up to Primary | 2 | | |
| English | 13 | Upper Primary | 3 | | |
| Gujarati | 14 | Secondary | 4 | | |
| Hindi | 15 | Senior Secondary | 5 | | |
| Kannada | 16 | Graduation | 6 | | |
| Marathi | 17 | Post graduation | 7 | | |
| Malayalam | 18 | Doctoral | 8 | | |
| Oriya | 19 | Professional degree (Engineering, | 9 | | |
| | | Law, Medicine, MCA, MBA, | | | |
| | | etc.) | | | |
| Punjabi | 20 | | | | |
| Tamil | 21 | | | | |
| Telugu | 22 | | | | |
| Urdu | 23 | | | | |
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| (Refer to item Nos. 14 & 16) | |
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| Occupation | Code |
| Professional | 1 |
| Executive and Managerial | 2 |
| Clerical | 3 |
| Business | 4 |
| Agriculture, Fishery | 5 |
| Production and Transport | 6 |
| Operators and Labourers | 7 |
| Not employed | 8 |

*TYPE OF SCHOOL/INSTITUTION (Refer to item No. 10)

| GOVERNMENT | A Government School is that which is run by the State Government or Central Government or Public Sector Undertaking or an Autonomous Organization completely financed by the Government. |
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| LOCAL BODY | A Local Body School is that which is run by Panchayati Raj and local body institutions such as Zila Parishad, Municipal Corporation, Municipal Committee, Notified Area Committee and Cantonment Board. |
| PRIVATE AIDED | A Private Aided School is that which is run by an individual or a private organization and receives grant from government or local body. |
| PRIVATE UNAIDED | Private Unaided School is that which is managed by an individual or a private organization and does not receive any grant either from government or local body. |

| Region | State/UT | Code |
|----------------|----------------------|------|
| North- East | Arunachal Pradesh | 11 |
| | Assam | 12 |
| | Manipur | 13 |
| | Meghalaya | 14 |
| | Mizoram | 15 |
| | Nagaland | 16 |
| | Sikkim | 17 |
| | Tripura | 18 |
| East | A & N Islands | 19 |
| | Bihar | 20 |
| | Jharkhand | 21 |
| | Orissa | 22 |
| | West Bengal | 23 |
| North | Chandigarh | 24 |
| | Delhi | 25 |
| | Jammu and Kashmir | 26 |
| | Haryana | 27 |
| | Himachal Pradesh | 28 |
| | Punjab | 29 |
| | Rajasthan | 30 |
| | Uttar Pradesh | 31 |
| | Uttarakhand | 32 |
| West | Chhattisgarh | 33 |
| | Daman & Diu | 34 |
| | D & N Haveli | 35 |
| | Goa | 36 |
| | Gujarat | 37 |
| | Madhya Pradesh | 38 |
| | Maharashtra | 39 |
| South | Andhra Pradesh | 40 |
| | Karnataka | 41 |
| | Kerala | 42 |
| | Lakshadweep | 43 |
| | Puducherry | 44 |
| | Tamil Nadu | 45 |
| | Telangana | 46 |
| Abroad | | 47 |

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