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To: Heads of all CISCE Affiliated Schools

Subject: Implementation of INSPIRE Awards - Manak Scheme

Dear Principal

CISCE is in receipt of a letter no. 127453 dated July 31, 2020 from the National Innovations Foundation – India, an Autonomous body of the Department of Science & Technology, Government of India regarding the implementation of INSPIRE Awards – MANAK. A copy of the concerned circular is attached herewith for your kind perusal and necessary action.

The INSPIRE Awards – MANAK, are being executed by the Department of Science & Technology with the National Innovation Foundation – India (NIF) for the students in the age group of 10-15 years and studying in classes 6 to 10. The objective of the scheme is to target one million original ideas/innovations rooted in science and societal applications to foster a culture of creativity and innovative thinking among school children.

You are requested to motivate students of your school to participate in the programme.

For further details kindly refer to the INSPIRE Awards – Manak website: http://www.inspireawards-dst.gov.in/

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

Gerry Arathoon

Chief Executive & Secretary

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> Date: 31st July 2020 Outward No: 127453

To,
Dr. G. Immanuel
Chairman
Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations,
Pragati House, 3rd Floor, 47-48, Nehru Place,
New Delhi-110019

Subject: Implementation of INSPIRE Awards - MANAK Scheme - regarding

Dear Dr G. Immanuel

As you might be aware that 'Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research' (INSPIRE) scheme is one of the flagship programme of Department of Science & Technology (DST), Government of India. The INSPIRE Awards - MANAK (Million Minds Augmenting National Aspirations and Knowledge), being executed by DST with National Innovation Foundation – India (NIF), an autonomous body of Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India (DST), aims to motivate students in the age group of 10-15 years and studying in classes 6 to 10. The scheme is aligned with the Action Plan for "Start-up India" initiative launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.

The objective of the scheme is to target one million original ideas/innovations rooted in science and societal applications to foster a culture of creativity and innovative thinking among school children. Under this scheme students may submit their innovative ideas through school in any Indian language. The best one lakh ideas/innovations will receive Rs. 10,000/- each and will get a chance to participate in District Level Competition. Ten per cent students will be shortlisted further to participate in State Level Competition. One thousand students will showcase their innovations at National level and finally, sixty innovative projects will be incubated completely (patent filing, value addition in technology and product development etc.) by NIF and will be displayed at the annual Festival of Innovation and Entrepreneurship (FINE).

I request you to officially announce to all your affiliated schools to actively participate in the INSPIRE Awards-MANAK program. The online nominations for the year 2020-21 will remain open till 30th September, 2020 through E-Management of Inspire Award Scheme (E-MIAS, <u>www.inspireawards-dst.gov.in</u>). Due to the current unprecedented pandemic, the schools might not be open now, but we should make best use of this time by inclining our students towards ideas and innovations.

I seek your active support to mobilize maximum number of original ideas/innovations, so that maximum students can get benefit of the scheme.

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