

School students and others after the inauguration of the CISCE National Pre-Subroto Cup 2023 at New Town Kolkata Development Authority's football ground on Sunday. Eleven football teams from schools across the country will battle it out in the Under 17 tournament, organised by the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE), from Monday to Thursday. The 11 teams qualified for the national championship after playing in regional tournaments, in which 200 teams

participated.

"Apart from... conducting examinations, the CISCE encourages sports and games among students," said Gerry Arathoon, chief executive and secretary of the CISCE. Cricketer-turned-politician Manoj Tiwari was the chief guest at the event. As a prelude to CISCE's participation in the Subroto Cup International Tournament, the council organises the regional and national Pre-Subroto Cup tournament every year.

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