## Government of Tripura State Council of Educational Research & Training

Abhoynagar, Agartala, West Tripura.

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## **NOTIFICATION**

This is for information of all concerned that the State Level National Talent Search (NTS) Stage- I Examination among the regular students of class X for the year 2019-20 will be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2019 (Sunday). On the basis of the result of this Examination, category wise candidates as per state quota (50) will be selected to appear in the Stage-II National Talent Search (NTS) Examination, 2019 which will be held on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 (Sunday) at the National Level.

2. Eligibility criteria for Stage-1 National Talent Search (NTS) Examination: All students of class X studying in Govt./ Govt. aided/ Govt. recognised schools are eligible to appear in the NTS State-I Examination conducted by the state. Students registered under Open & Distance Learning (ODL) are also eligible for the examination, provided the students is below the age of 18 years (As on 31<sup>st</sup> July,2019), the student is not employed and S/he is appearing in class X examination for the first time .

## 3. Programme of Examination:

SI no.	Name of the Paper	Date	Time	
1.	Mental Ability Test (MAT)	3 <sup>rd</sup> November,2019	10:30 am to 1:00 pm (For PH candidates, it will continue up to 1:30 pm)	
2.	Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)	3 <sup>rd</sup> November,2019	2:00 pm to 3:30 pm (For PH candidates, it will continue up to 4:00 pm)	

## 4. Venues of the Examination are as follows:

- a. Umakanta Academy & Umakanta Academy Eng. Med West District.
- b. Khowai Govt. H/S School, Khowai Tripura for Schools of Khowai District.
- c. Bishramganj H/S School, Shepahijala Tripura for Schools of Shepahijala District.
- d. Bhagini Nibedidita Girls H.S. School, Udaipur, Gomati Tripura for schools of Gomati District.
- e. Santirbazar H/S School, Santirbazar. South Tripura for Schools of South District.
- f. R. K. Institution, Kailashahar, Unokoti Tripura for schools of unokoti District.
- g. B.B.I Institution Dharmanagar, North Tripura for schools of North District.
- h. Chandraipara H.S School, Ambassa, Dhalai- for schools of Dhalai District.



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Component of Examination:

Test	No. of Questions	Time Limit	Segmentwise break -up	Nature	Qualifying marks	Remarks
Mental Ability Test (MAT)	100	120 minutes (30 minutes compensatory time for candidates with benchmark disabilities)		Marks		
Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)	100	120 minutes (30 minutes compensatory time for candidates with benchmark disabilities)	40 science,20 Mathematics , 40 social science	included for deciding merit	40% General & 32% SC/ST/PH candidates	No negative marking

- 6. **How to apply:** Application forms will be available in the website of SCERT-www.scerttripura.org on and from 06.08.19. All intending candidates are asked to download the application form and to submit the filled in application form with requisite documents to the concerned school authority. The school authority will send the same to the Director, State Council of Educational Research Training (SCERT), P.O, Abhoynagar, Agartala Pin-799005.
- 7. **Last date of application**: Last date of submission of the filled in application forms through the respective school to SCERT, Tripura is 31st August, 2019.

SCERT, Tripura will not entertain any application form after the closing date of the receipt of application i.e. 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2019.

Further, SCERT will not be responsible if any student is not permitted to appear at the NTS Stage-I Examination due to late submission of forms or incomplete application forms.

Application forms must be submitted by the respective school otherwise, it will not be entertained.

- 8. Reservation: 31% Scholarship will be reserved for students belonging to the ST category, 17.5% for S.C category, 4% for Physically Challenged group of students, with benchmark disabilities of which, 1% each shall be reserved for persons with benchmark disabilities under clauses (a), (b) and (c) and 1% for persons with benchmark disabilities under clauses (d) and (e) namely:
  - a. Blindness and Low Vision (BLV)
  - b. Deaf and Hard of hearing (DH)
  - c. Locomotors disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy (LD).
  - d. Autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness (AID)
  - e. Multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deafblindness in the posts identified for each disabilities

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Students belonging to Physically Challenged group will be required to submit the PH certificate in prescribed form issued in their favour and signed by the three Specialists including the specialist of the concerned disability.

As the no. of state quota is 50, category wise selection of seats for NTS Stage-I Examination will be as follows:

SC	ST	UR	PH
09	15	26	Including 4% PH seats

However, for NTS Stage-II Examination, conducted by NCERT, New Delhi, reservation will be followed as per the reservation policy followed by NCERT i.e. 15% for students belonging to the SC category, 7.5% for the students belonging to the ST category, 27% for the students belonging to OBC category ( List of OBC under Central list –State wise, is available at <a href="http://www.nic.in/user-panel/centralliststateview.aspx">http://www.nic.in/user-panel/centralliststateview.aspx</a>), 4% for the physically challenged group and 10% seat will be reserved for Economically Weaker Section (EWS), who are not covered under the scheme of reservation for SCs, STs and OBCs. These candidates (EWS) have to produce income & asset certificate issued by the competent authority. If a candidate belongs to any of the categories as per the policy followed by NCERT, s/he should also submit supporting document(s), which may be required, if s/he is selected, in NTS Stage-II Examination conducted by NCERT.

- 9. For any query, the office of the undersigned may be communicated.
- **10.** Assessment and evaluation of the answer scripts done by the SCERT shall be final and shall not be opened to scrutiny by any external authority.
- **11.** Admit card of NTS Stage-I Exam are required to be collected by the school authority (not by the student) from 14th October, 2019 to 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019 from SCERT, Abhoynagar, Agartala.

(U.K Chakma) Director,SCERT

Enclo:- One Specimen copy of the Application form.

To:

- 1. HM of all Govt./Govt. aided/Govt. recognised High and Higher Secondary Schools for doing the needful please.
- 2. The District Education Officers of West, Sepahijala, Khowai, Gomati, Dhalai, North and Unokoti District

Copy to: 1. PS to the Secretary, Education for kind information of the Secretary.

(U.K Chakma) Director,SCERT Tripura