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All the Heads of Schools
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INSPIRE AWARDS 2015

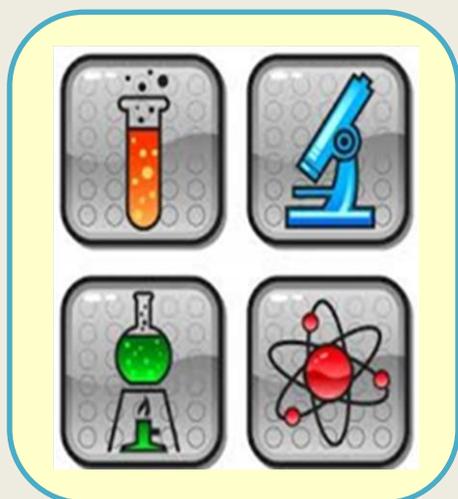
Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research

[An initiative of the Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India]

Science is an intensely human, intensely creative enterprise. Science dominates our lives and presents society with tremendous opportunities and tremendous challenges. Therefore the Central Board of Secondary Education, joins hands with the Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India, to invite talented students to compete for scholarships that will support their higher study and research.

ABOUT THE AWARDS SCHEME:

1. **INSPIRE Award:** During a Five Year Plan period, two students are selected from every middle and high school of the country [all 29 states & 7 UTs], government or private, for an INSPIRE award of Rs. 5000/- each, for preparing a Science Project / Model.
Eligibility : 10-15 years [Classes VI -X]
2. **INSPIRE Internship** at a science camp, with opportunity for interaction with global science leaders.
Eligibility: 16-17 years
3. **INSPIRE Scholarship** for Higher Education (SHE) @ Rs. 80000/- per year for continuing education at B.Sc. and M.Sc. levels:
Eligibility: 17 -22 years



BACKGROUND:

A three- tier competition:

- I. District
- II. State
- III. National

The scheme is being implemented in the 12th Five Year Plan. To date, four National Level Exhibitions and Project Competitions (NLEPCs) have been conducted in 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014, in which 3437 science projects / models were selected. The projects were evaluated by a jury of experts.

Under the DST - Sakura Exchange Programme with Government of Japan, INSPIRE Awardees have taken up the opportunity to visit or tour Japan in recent years.

The Board, therefore, requests all School Heads to enthusiastically respond to the scheme by nominating two most deserving students for the awards. School Heads may also ensure that all their stakeholders are aware of this scheme, by making this information easily accessible to them. For more information, please go to the EMIAS website at: inspireawards-dst.gov.in.

Sd/-
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