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**All the Heads of
Residential Private Schools affiliated to the CBSE**

Sub: Scheme For Residential Education For Students in High Schools in Targeted Areas (SHRESHTA) (AY 2023-24) of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India

Madam / Sir,

The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MoSJE), Government of India is running a Scheme for Residential Education for SC Students in High Schools in Targeted Areas (SHRESHTA). This scheme aims at providing residential educational opportunities for meritorious SC students (both boys and girls). Scheme Details are available on the MoSJE website <https://socialjustice.gov.in/scheme-cat>.

Following points may be noted by schools intending to associate with the scheme:

1. Scheme is applicable only for private residential schools affiliated with the CBSE upto Class 12th. Schools must be in operation for 5 years or more and must be having its pass percentage 75% or more in Class 10 and 12 in last 3 years. Schools must have adequate infrastructure for admitting additional at least (10) SC students in 9th and 11th Class (together) and the school's status must be a residential one as per OASIS data.
2. Entry for student is in Class 9 and 11 till the completion of education upto Class 12. Every year, 3000 fresh students are selected under the Scheme through a national level test NETS (National Entrance Test for SHRESHTA) conducted by the National Testing Agency. Allocation of schools is done by web counselling process, allocating the seats as per merit and choices of the students.
3. For details such as maximum admissible scholarship, number of seats, the obligations on the part of selected schools, the scheme document must be carefully perused to know the specifics and also to ascertain the school's suitability and eligibility for the Scheme.
4. Schools selected for the Scheme by the DoSJE, must add this information on their website showing year-wise grade-wise numbers admitted in the school under the Scheme. Selection of school for the scheme is done by the Deptt. of Social Justice and Empowerment (DoSJE). Board shares the list of residential private affiliated schools with the DoSJE based on the **OASIS data**.
5. Schools **MUST NOTE** to ensure that they meet the **SCHEME'S CRITERIA** while **GIVING THE CONSENT** to the DoSJE. Interested schools may convey their consent directly to the DoSJE in response to the notification issued by the DoSJE. For this, website of the MoSJE may be regularly visited by the schools.
6. Once consented, the selected school, must not refuse the allotted students and must adhere to the scheme Guidelines. On all matters relating to selection of school, consent, seat allocation, fund etc, schools are required to correspond directly with the DoSJE as the scheme is owned and funded by the DoSJE, Govt. of India.

Eligible and keen schools may avail the scheme and adhere to the guidelines issued by DoSJE.

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