To,
Principal,
All Sainik Schools
First Secretary, Embassy of India
Thimpu, Bhutan.

Subject: **Sainik School Entrance Examination 2020-2021 Session**

The Programme for the entrance examination is given below:

a) Online Registration for admission 05\(^{th}\) August, 2019 to 23\(^{rd}\) September, 2019

b) Issue of Admit Card 02\(^{nd}\) December, 2019

c) Date of Entrance Exam (First Sunday of January) 05\(^{th}\) January, 2020

d) Completing evaluation of Answer Scripts 12\(^{th}\) January, 2020 to 20\(^{th}\) January, 2020

e) Publication of Final Merit List Roll No. wise 03\(^{rd}\) February, 2020 to 07\(^{th}\) Feb, 2020 & issue of Call Letters.

f) Medical Exam 20\(^{th}\) February 2020 to 10\(^{th}\) March, 2020

g) Publication of Merit List with Waiting List. 20\(^{th}\) March, 2020

h) Overall admission to wards of willing Parents based on Combined Merit List, Category-wise by deficient schools 28\(^{th}\) March, 2020 to 30\(^{th}\) March, 2020

i) Intimation of surplus/deficient candidates Category-wise, to all Sainik Schools with a copy to Sainik Schools Society. 31\(^{st}\) March, 2020
Note:-

i) The above dates are to be strictly adhered to. No extension of date will be granted.

ii) ‘Surplus’ means qualified candidates who cannot be admitted in the school of domicile, being low in merit and ‘deficient’ means lack of qualified candidates to fill in the available vacancies in each category. The deficient schools would fill in their vacancies based on combined merit list prepared from the surplus candidates willing for admission in that school in each category available from all schools.

2. The Entrance Examination will be held for admission to classes VI & IX. Boys (or Girls in the case of Sainik School Chingchhip) who are between the age of 10 to 12 years and 13 to 15 years respectively on 31st March of the year in which admission is sought are eligible to take the Entrance Examination. For admission to Class IX, the children should be studying in Class VIII in a recognised school. Admission will be made strictly in the order of merit only in classes VI and IX. In case the Entrance Examination cannot be conducted in any State/UT on account of administrative problem, a separate order will be issued to conduct another Entrance Examination on a date fixed by the Honorary Secretary.

3. The Registration charge is to be paid online while registering for entrance examination at the following rates:-

   a) General and Defence Category : Rs.400/-

   b) SC/ST : Rs.250/-

4. Previous years question papers can be viewed on the website. It may be noted that from the year 2018 onwards the format of exam is being changed to OMR based exam.

5. The intake into class IX will be so regulated that after passing class X, when the students of class IX this year reach class XI and XII, the number of sections in classes XI and XII need not be increased at any rate from what exists in the school at present. Similarly, the authorised strength of the school should not be exceeded. Category wise number of vacancies (tentative) in class VI and IX available in the school may be determined and intimated to the Society by 01st August, 2019. The number of vacancies may also clearly be indicated in the advertisement.

6. Wide publicity may be given about this examination particularly the change in the format of this exam from subject to OMR based through Akashwani, Doordarshan and by means of advertisements in leading newspapers, both in Hindi, English and regional language as well as by posters, pamphlets and by any other means suited to the local conditions. State Directors/Directorates of Publicity may be contacted for having press handouts issued. The reservations of seats for SC/ST candidates and the availability of scholarships from various sources may be explained properly. Each school will be responsible for making its own advertisement arrangements indicating that the school does not patronise any coaching institutes/agent and the admissions will be strictly in accordance with the merit and medical fitness of candidates in the Entrance Examination.
7. The school will make its own arrangements for the conduct of the Entrance Examination. The responsibility for publicity and the conduct of the examination in respect of the following States and the Union Territories where Sainik Schools are not established will be that of the schools indicated against each.

(a) Delhi  
Sainik School, Kunjpura
(b) Chandigarh  
Sainik School, Kapurthala
(c) Tripura  
Sainik School, Imphal
(d) Lakshadweep & Mahe  
Sainik School, Kazhakootam
(e) Puducherry & Karaikal  
Sainik School, Amaravathinagar
(f) Goa  
Sainik School, Satara
(g) Dia & Daman, Dadra & Nagar Haveli  
Sainik School, Balachadi
(h) Meghalaya & Sikkim  
Sainik School, Goalpara
(i) Andaman & Nicobar Island  
Sainik School, Purulia.
(j) Yanam & Telangana  
Sainik School, Korukonda

8. The written Entrance Examination will be held on 05th January, 2020 from 1000 hrs onwards. Detailed programme will be intimated by the conducting Schools.

9. Medium of Examination for Class VI examinations will be English, Hindi and regional language. The question papers for Class VI will continue to be set in English and all recognised official languages of the State where Sainik Schools are located. But question papers for class IX will be set in English only and students are required to answer in English.

10. The minimum qualifying marks for general category candidates as well as children of Defence Services Personnel and ex-servicemen will be 25% in each subject with 40% in aggregate unless these qualifying standards are revised or amended by issue of written directions by the Honorary Secretary. In the case of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates, minimum qualifying standards are not required and they will be admitted on the basis of inter-se merit at the Entrance Examination within these categories. In case a SC/ST candidate comes in the general merit on his own, he would be admitted against general seat and will not be adjusted against the reserved share of SC/ST seats.

11. 300 marks are prescribed for Written Examination for class VI and 400 marks for class IX. The merit list for admission to the Sainik School will be compiled on the basis of marks obtain by the candidate. In case there is a tie with regard to overall marks, the marks for mathematics would be considered. In case there is a tie here also the marks for English for Class IX and Intelligence Test for class VI will be considered and thereafter the marks for General Science for class IX and Language for class VI. In case there is a tie there also the candidate younger in age will be selected. Marks obtained in the written test will determine his position in the final merit list.
12. It should be made clear while declaring the final results that detailed marks list can be supplied only to the parent/legal guardian of the candidates on remitting payment of Rs.100/- online in favour of the School concerned.

13. **Reservation.**

(a) 15% of the total seats are reserved for Scheduled Castes and 7½% seats for Scheduled Tribes.

(b) Out of the remaining, 67% of the seats will be reserved for children from the State in which the Sainik School is located. Balance 33% left over of seats will be thrown open to children from other States and Union Territories in the ratio of their male population. Any unutilized seats in this category will be merged with home State seats (In this connection, please refer to this office letter No. 4(1)/SSS/2016 dated 5th July, 2017) in order of merit.

(c) 25% seats are reserved for children of service personnel including Ex-servicemen.

14. The Principals will take up the matter of selection of centers with the State Govt. The State Government and NCC Dte. will separately be addressed by them to provide necessary assistance for the conduct of the Entrance Examination.

15. It should be noted that the medical examination in respect of the candidates are completed within the prescribed time frame, so that the candidates and guardians are not inconvenienced. The school will not be responsible for any delay in receiving medical examination notice/letters by the cadets, including postal delay. The cadets who intends to appear in the medical examination on a date other than the mentioned in the notice/letter will be obliged on a case to case basis on request.

16. Your attention is invited to the contents of the paper on reforms in Entrance Examination systems, Sainik School, which was circulated vide our letter No. 5(5)/2003/D(SSC) dated 26th September, 2003. The directions given therein will strictly be complied with.

17. Staff children seeking admission to class VI and IX as day scholars will also appear in the Entrance Examination. Their admission will be carried out subject to their qualifying in the Entrance Examination and in accordance with the existing Rules and Regulations on the subject.

18. Demand for question paper(s) is required to be forwarded by the Principals to Sainik School, Satara under intimation to Sainik School Society by 25th September, 2019.

Yours sincerely

[Signature]

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Under Secretary

For Honorary Secretary, Sainik Schools Society

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