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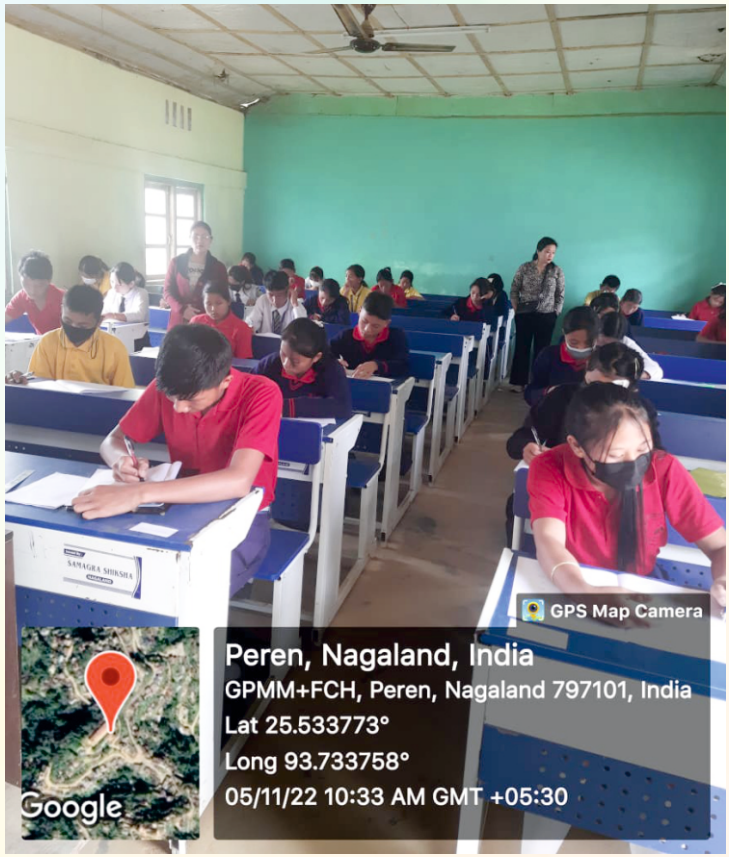
Application Form: Application Forms can be collected from the State Nodal Officer, NMMSS, SCERT; Nagaland, District Education Officer (District Nodal Officer for NMMSS) or may download from SCERT, Nagaland website: https://scert.nagaland.gov.in/



NMMSS Examination - 2023

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The National Means Cum Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme to award scholarship to the meritorious students of economically weaker sections with the objective to reduce the dropout rate at secondary stage and encourage them to continue their study at higher secondary stage.

The SCERT, Nagaland conducts the NMMSS examination for selection of the students on behalf of the Government of Nagaland.

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National Means Cum Merit Scholarship(NMMSS)

Under this Scheme the Ministry of School Education, Government of India, awards 1,00,000 scholarships every year. The NMMSS scholarship is only for a regular student studying in Government Schools whose parental income is not more than Rs. 3,50,000/- per annum from all sources. The qualified students are awarded scholarship amount of Rs. 1,000/- per month from class - 9 to 12. The Scholarship amount will be disbursed in one instalment by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, through the National Scholarship Portal (NSP).

Nagaland has a quota of 180 scholarships under this Scheme which is further divided into District wise Quota.

Procedure for Selection:

The examination consists of two papers - **Mental Ability Test (MAT) & Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT):** The duration of the examination is 90 minutes for both the papers. Physically Challenged group of children will be given 30 minutes extra time for each paper/test. The maximum mark in each paper is 90.

a) **Mental Ability Test (MAT):** MAT consists of 90 Multiple Choice Question (MCQ). The questions in the test may be on Verbal Test such as number based problems, alphabet based problems, coding and decoding, analogy test, venn diagrams related problems, logic based problems, inter-locking regions analytical reasoning etc. and under Non-Verbal Tests questions may be on series, classification/ categorization, analogy tests, completion of figures, mirror image, paper folding and punching etc,.
b) **Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT):** SAT consists of 90 MCQ covering Science, Social Science and Mathematics as taught in class – 7 and 8.

Eligibility: Regular Students of class - 8 studying in a Government schools who have passed class - 7 with 50% marks for ST/SC category and 55% marks for general category are eligible to appear for the NMMSS Examination.

Qualifying Marks: Qualifying marks for candidates from general category is 40% in each paper and 32% for ST/SC and Physically Challenged category.

Reservation: 27% OBC (non creamy layer and strictly as per central list), 15% Schedule Caste, 7.5% Schedule Tribe, 4% Physically Challenged (within the category) and 10% Economically Weaker Section (EWS) as per national norms.

For continuing the scholarship, the awardees must pass with 55% marks relaxable by 5% for ST/SC candidates in the first attempt from class - 9 to 12.

The awardees under this NMMS Scheme must register/submit/renew their scholarship on-line on National Scholarship Portal (NSP) as and when the NSP gets activated.

On qualifying the Examination the awardees/ candidates will be asked to open addhar seeded Bank Account in any Nationalised Bank in their own name and register themselves in the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) on-line. After the registration is done on NSP, the students have to download their particulars as registered in the Scholarship Portal; submit it to the School Nodal Officer (Principal/ Headmaster) for verification at the Institute Level (Level-1 verification). The Institute Nodal Officer, after verification of the student particulars will then forward the particulars of the student to the District Nodal Officer (District Education Officer) for final verification and validation (Level-2 verification) for payment of Scholarship. Scholarship payment will not be possible without going through the system.