

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH & TRAINING
MEGHALAYA, SHILLONG**

No.DERT/NMMS/1/2024/38

Dated Shillong the 20th August, 2024

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The Directorate of Educational Research & Training, (DERT) Meghalaya, Shillong invites application from eligible Candidates for National Means-cum- Merit Scholarship (NMMS) Examination for Class VIII for the year 2025 which will be held on the 9th November, 2024 (SATURDAY) to select 231 students (State Quota allotted by Ministry of Education, New Delhi).

Eligibility:

- Students currently studying in Class VIII (Academic Session 2024 in State Government, Government Aided and Local Body Schools only).
- Students should have scored atleast 55% (50% for SC/ST) marks in Class VII Promotion Examination.
- Students studying in Kendriya Vidyalayas, Jawahar Navodayas, Residential Schools run by Central and State Government and students studying in Private Schools are **Not Eligible** for Scholarship under the Scheme.
- **Parental Annual Income from all sources should not exceed ₹3, 50,000/-(Rupees Three Lakh Fifty Thousand) only.**
- The Scholarship is provided to the students studying as regular students in Class IX in Government, Government-Aided and Local Body Schools which are renewed till Class XII subject to fulfilment of certain terms and conditions of the Scheme. The awardees must obtain a minimum of 60% marks in class X (relaxable by 5% for SC/ST) Examination or equivalent Examination for continuation of the Scholarship at Higher Secondary Stage.
- Selected Candidates will be awarded Scholarship of ` 12,000 per annum by Ministry of Education and the Selected Candidates will have to apply On-line through NSP, NMMS Portal.

The Examination comprises of two papers as mentioned below:-

Paper	Type of Test	No. of Questions	Marks	Duration	Qualifying	Selection Criteria
Paper-I	Mental Ability Test (MAT)	90	90	120 mins.	32% SC, ST and PWD and 40% for General Category & OBC separately in both papers.	• There will be No Negative Marking. • Students must pass the Exam with an aggregate of SAT and MAT to be taken together at minimum of 40% (32% for Sc/ST students).
Paper-II	Scholastic Aptitude Test(SAT) comprising of Science, Social Science & Mathematics	90	90	120 mins.		

The Candidates have to submit the Application Form duly filled up in all respect along with the following Documents to the respective Sub Divisional School Education Officer (SDSEO).

1. Two passport size (School uniforms)
2. Report Card (Class VII).
3. SC/ST/ Certificates from Competent Authority
4. Disability Status Certificate from Competent Authority (if any).
5. Parental Income Certificate from Competent Authority.

The Last Date for submission is 27th SEPTEMBER, 2024

Information in the Form should be Correct and will be treated as Final. Do not use INITIALS while filling up the Form. Application Forms containing instructions can also be downloaded from DERT website www.megeducation.gov.in or contact the Office of the SDSEO of respective District.

NB: Application Forms without supporting documents and incomplete information will be summarily rejected.

Sd/-
Director
Directorate of Educational Research & Training
Meghalaya, Shillong

Coding Plan

Read instruction carefully before filling up the Application Form.

1. Use only Blue or Black Ball Point pen. WRITE IN CAPITAL LETTERS. Do not mark or write outside the boxes.
2. Leave one box blank between two words. Limit your name and/or address within the space provided for it. Please see example as given below.
3. Cross(x) only one of the appropriate boxes in items nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11 and 21.
4. Please write code number in item nos. 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 as given overleaf.
5. It is the responsibility of the Candidate and the Principal of the School to deposit the filled- in form with the State concerned Officer before the last date. No request for condoning delay in submission will be entertained whether it is due to the fault of the Candidate or the Headmaster/Principal of his/her Institution.
6. Incomplete or defensive applications are liable to be rejected.

Example for writing Name and Address.

Father's name

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Postal Address: do not try to write complete address in one line. Break it appropriately as shown below:

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Medium of Examination (Refer to item 12)		Education of Father or Mother (Refer to item Nos 13 & 15)	
Medium of Examination	Code	Education	Code
Assamese	11	No Formal Education	1
Bangla	12	Up to primary	2
English	13	Upper primary	3
Gujarati	14	Secondary	4
Hindi	15	Senior secondary	5
Kannada	16	Graduation	6
Marathi	17	Post graduation	7
Malayalam	18	Doctoral	8
Oriya	19	Professional degree(Engineering, Law, Medicine, MCA, MBA, etc)	9
Punjabi	20		
Tamil	21		
Telugu	22		
Urdu	23		

Region	State/UT	Code
North East	Arunachal Pradesh	
	Assam	11
	Manipur	12
	Meghalaya	14
	Mizoram	15
	Nagaland	16
	Sikkim	17
	Tripura	18
	East	A & N island
Bihar		20
Jharkhand		21
Orissa		22
West Bengal		23
North		Chandigarh
	Delhi	25
	Jammu & Kashmir	26
	Haryana	27
	Himachal Pradesh	28
	Punjab	29
	Rajasthan	30
	Uttar Pradesh	31
	Uttarakhand	32
	West	Chhatisgarh
Daman & Diu		34
D&N Haveli		35
Goa		36
Gujarat		37
Madhya Pradesh		38
Maharashtra		39
South		Andhra Pradesh
	Karnataka	41
	Kerala	42
	Lakshdweep	43
	Pondicherry	44
	Tamil Nadu	45
Telangana	46	
Abroad		47

Father's/ Mother's occupation (refer to item Nos 14 & 16)	
Occupation	Code
Professional	1
Executive and Managerial	2
Clerical	3
Business	4
Agriculture , fishery	5
Production and Transport	6
Operators and labourers	7
Not employed	8

***Type of School/Institutions (refer to item No.10)**

GOVERNMENT A Government School is that which is run by the State Government or Public Sector undertaking or an Autonomous Organization completely financed by the Government

LOCAL BODY A Local Body School is that which is run by Panchayat Raj and local body institutions such as Zila Parishad, Municipal Corporation, Municipal Committee, Notified Area Committee and Cantonment Board

GOVERNMENT AIDED A Government- aided School is owned by the private management but gets aid from the Government.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE
(For the students studying in Class VIII)

1. Make Sure that the Admit Card is not detached from the Application Form. Admit Card will be sent to the Chief Superintendent of the Examination Centre after allotting the Roll Numbers. Candidate can collect the Admit Card from the Centre Superintendent of the Examination Centre **at least one week** before the Examination.
2. Reach the Examination Centre at least half an hour before the commencement of the Examination; and occupy the seat that bears your Roll Number.
3. **DO NOT** take Mobile Phones, Calculator, Mathematical or Physical table or any other kind of ready reckoned to the Examination Hall.
4. The Examination will be conducted in two sessions on the same day.
5. You have to take the Examination as per details given below:
 - Mental Ability Test (MAT)
 - Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)

Type of Test	No. of Question	Duration
Mental Ability Test (MAT)	90	120 Minutes
Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)	90	120 Minutes

The Applicants are requested to refer/consult State Nodal Officer for the composition of the test.

6. Each Question carries 1(one) mark.
7. Write your Roll Number, as given in the Admit Card on the OMR Sheet and on the Cover Page of the Question Booklet in the space provided.
8. All Questions in the Booklet are Objective Type. For each question, four possible answers are given, but only one is correct. Your task is to find out the correct answer and mark your choice in the OMR Sheet.
9. Record your answer-using **Ball Point Pen only**. You have to indicate your answer on the OMR Sheet as advised by the State /UT.
10. During the State Examination follow the Instructions of the Invigilator strictly.
11. **Hand over your OMR Sheet to the Invigilator before you leave the Examination Hall.**
12. **Hand over the Admission Card to the Invigilator before leaving the Examination Hall.**

Full Postal Address of the Candidate for despatch of Admission Letter:

_____ **PIN Code** _____