

**Nagaland Board of School Education
Kohima**

NOTIFICATION NO.24/2019
Dated Kohima, the 20th June, 2019

NO.NBE-8/Ad-Misc(10)/2019-20:: It hereby notified for information of all concerned that the **Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam IGNITE 19 Competition** under the initiative of the National Innovation Foundation (NIF) under the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, is underway and entries are being accepted till **31st August 2019**. This nationwide competition aims to harness the creative and innovative spirit of school children. The awards are announced on 15th October, the birthday of Bharat Ratna, former president of India Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, which is celebrated as Children's creativity and Innovation Day by the National Innovation Foundation (NIF).

This competition is organised by the National Innovation Foundation (NIF) under the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India in collaboration with the Honey Bee Network, CBSE, National/State Education Boards and other partners. Till date NIF has filed over **227 applications for patents and design registrations in the name of the student awardees**. For those idea which have market or social diffusion potential, NIF also engages designers/fabricators to develop value added prototypes/products so that companies or partners for non-commercial diffusion can be approached.

Apart from the awards and incubation support, NIF also provides IGNITE winners an opportunity to participate in events like Festival of Innovation and Entrepreneurship (FINE) at the Rashtrapati Bhavan, Indian Science Congress, etc. For the last three 'Innovation Scholar in Residence' programs of the Rashtrapati Bhavan, nine IGNITE award winners were selected for residency where they got an opportunity to interact with the Honourable President, Prime Minister, Vice President, Ministers, Scientists and Policy Makers among others.

The Head of Institutions are therefore informed to disseminate the IGNITE campaign information to the students and encourage them to actively participate in this competition, the details are given below:

The last date of submission of entries to NIF directly by the students or through schools at the following address or through email at ignite@nifindia.org is **31st August 2019**.

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam IGNITE 19 Competition
National Innovation Foundation – India
Grambharti, Amrapur, Gandhinagar – Mahudi Road
Gandhinagar, Gujarat – 382650
Tel: 02764261131/32/38/39

- a) Entries may be submitted in the following categories:
- i. Technological practical ideas to solve any problem in day to day life.
 - ii. Real life technological projects demonstrating innovative ways of solving problems or reducing drudgery or generating efficiency or conserving resources (projects demonstrating application of known scientific concepts or theories will not be accepted).
- b) Each entry (in case of i and ii above) should be accompanied with a certificate from parents and teachers saying that the idea/innovation has been developed and documented by the student concerned entirely on his/her own without any guidance or support from them.
- c) NIF will provide support for patenting and incubating innovative projects into products in all deserving cases. For the last few years, NIF has been able to file patents for each award winner of the IGNITE competitions apart from facilitating prototype development in most of the cases. Winners of the earlier IGNITE competitions have also won awards in NIF's National Competition at the hands of the President of India and other awards.
- d) **IGNITE Awards winners are also eligible to get 3.5 bonus points while applying for admission in B. Tech. program at Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology Delhi (IITD), an autonomous institute of the Government of Delhi.**

Sd/-Asano Sekhose
Chairman

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A. Copy for information and necessary action:

1. The Heads of Registered Institutions under NBSE.

B. Copy for information:

1. The Principal Secretary to the Government of Nagaland, School Education & SCERT, Nagaland, Kohima.
2. The Director, School Education, Nagaland, Kohima.
3. The Director, SCERT, Nagaland, Kohima.
4. The, Director, National Innovation Foundation, India.


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Addl. Secretary