

**Nagaland Board of School Education
Kohima**

NOTIFICATION NO.22/2015
Dated Kohima, the 17th August 2015

NO.NBE-8/Ad-Misc(10)/2015-16:: It is hereby notified once again for information of all concerned that the National Innovation Foundation (NIF) under the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India has decided to commemorate IGNITE awards as **Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam IGNITE Awards** in memory of Bharat Ratna Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam, former President of India. This nationwide competition which aims to harness the creative and innovative spirit of school children, is underway and entries are being accepted till **31st August 2015**. The awards will be announced on 15th October, the birthday of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, which is celebrated as Children's Creativity and Innovation Day.

This competition is organized 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 120 applications for patents and design registrations in the name of student awardees. NIF has helped convert the idea "Walker with adjustable legs" of a Class 8 student from Patna, Ms. Shalini Kumari (IGNITE 11 Awardee) into a product and then licensed the technology to an entrepreneur in 2014 for commercialization. The student received licensing amount and would receive royalty on sales as well. This is call the 'Inverted Model of Innovation' where children ideate, engineers fabricate and companies commercialize.

The Heads of Institutions are requested to inform the students and encourage them to actively participate in this competition, the details of which are mentioned below:

The last date for submission of entries to NIF directly by the students or through schools at the following entries or through email at ignite@nifindia.org is **31st August 2015**.

IGNITE 15

**National Innovation Foundation - India
Satellite Complex, Premchand Nagar Road,
Vastrapur, Ahmedabad 380 015, Gujarat**

a) Entries may be submitted in the following categories:

i. Technological practical ideas to solve any problem in day to day life.

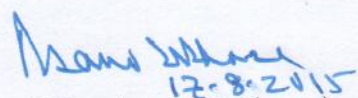
- ii. Real life technological projects demonstrating innovative ways of solving problems or reducing drudgery or generating efficiency or conserving resources (projects demonstrating application of known scientific concepts or theories will not be accepted).
 - iii. Traditional knowledge practices documented from elders in and around one's family.
 - iv. Information about some other innovators in the neighbourhood.
- 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 incubation support (patenting, prototyping, etc) in all deserving 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.

(Mrs. Asano Sekhose)
Chairman

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✓ A. Copy for information and necessary action:
1. The heads of Registered Schools.


17.8.2015
(Mrs. Asano Sekhose)
Chairman