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To,  
All the Heads of Secondary Schools  
Affiliated to this Board

### **Sub: Implementation of INSPIRE Award – MANAK Scheme**

Sir/Madam,

As you might be aware that “Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research (INSPIRE) Scheme is one of the flagship programmes of Department of Science & Technology (DST), Govt. of India. The INSPIRE Awards – MANAK (Millions Minds Augmenting National Aspirations and Knowledge), being executed by DST with National Innovation Foundation – India (NIF), An autonomous body of DST, aims to motivate students in the age group of 10-15 years and studying in classes 6 to 10. The scheme is aligned with the Action Plan for “Start-up India” initiative launched by the Hon’ble Prime Minister of India.

Under this scheme, students may submit their innovative ideas /innovations through schools in any Indian language. The best one lakh ideas/innovations will receive Rs.10,000/- each and get a chance to participate in the District Level Competition. Ten percent students will shortlisted further to participate at State Level Competition. One thousand students will showcase their innovations at National level and finally, sixty innovative projects will be incubated completely (patent filing, value addition in technology and product development etc.) by NIF and will be displayed at the annual Festival of Innovation and Entrepreneurship (FINE) at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.

You are therefore, informed to bring the above to the notice of all the students from class 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of your school. The online nominations for the year 2018 will remain open till 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2019 through E-Management of Inspire Award Scheme. (E-MIAS - [www.inspireawards-dst.gov.in](http://www.inspireawards-dst.gov.in)). For further details or query , please contact Director, National Innovation Foundation-India, Grambharti Amrapur, Gandhinagar, Mahudi Road, Gandhinagar – Gujarat 382650. E Mail: [inspire@nifindia.org](mailto:inspire@nifindia.org) Phone: 02764-261131/32/38/39, Mobile: 9638418605.

Yours faithfully,

s/d

(Bhagirath G. Shetye)  
Secretary