

Basic Guidelines for INSPIRE Awards

INSPIRE Award component of the INSPIRE program shall have following guidelines for its implementation:

- ❖ The Award for the students in the class of 6th to 10th Standards.
- ❖ No examination in the identification process. Names of the Students will be nominated by the Principal/Headmaster/Headmistress.
- ❖ One million awards in five years spread over to about 4.5 lakhs Middle & Secondary level schools in the country.
- ❖ Each student will get an amount of Rs 5000 for making a Project and transportation cost for displaying the exhibits/ project in the exhibition.
- ❖ There will exhibitions at the District Level, State Level, Regional level and National Level for displaying the best exhibit/project of each level. Separate budget provision will be made to District/ State for arranging the exhibition of projects of INSPIRE Awardees at District & State level.
- ❖ Award money will be released directly to the Awardees by an arrangement with SBI.
- ❖ The concerned State will provide the list of all Middle & Secondary level Schools including in Government/Government aided/Private etc.
- ❖ Names of one selected student each from Classes 6th , 7th & 8th in one Group and 9th & 10th in another Group of each School with an indication of preferred one name from each Group, viz. 6th -8th Std. and 9th -10th Std. will be provided by the Headmaster/Headmistress/Principal of each School through respective State Education departments.
- ❖ State Education Department will exercise their convenient method of selection of students from each school in the State. Both academic records of the student and exhibition/project done by the student would be preferred in the selection process. Criteria used by the State will be shared with DST.
- ❖ DST shall bear the cost of organizing the Exhibitions at the District & State Level and also make the necessary arrangements for engaging Scientists/Academicians as Jury in these Exhibitions.