Press Note

Date: 29.08.2023

Department of Posts has launched a **philately scholarship scheme Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana (Scholarship for Promotion of Aptitude & Research in Stamps as a Hobby)** for generating interest regarding Philately amongst students. Students of class **VI to IX** having good academic record and pursuing philately as a hobby will be awarded scholarship on the basis of Philately Quiz & Philately Project to be conducted by circle offices.

1. **Eligibility Conditions:** a) A Candidate must be a student (class VIth to IXth) of a recognized School within India. b) Concerned School should have a Philately Club and the candidate should be a member of the Club, c) In case the School Philately Club hasn't been established a student having his own Philately Deposit Account may also be considered. d) The candidate must have good academic record. At the time of selection for award of scholarship the candidate must have scored at least 60% marks or equivalent grade/ grade point in the recent final examination. There will be 5% relaxation for SC/ST.

2. **Selection Process:** The Selection Process will be consisting of two levels (Level 1- Philately Written Quiz & Level- 2- Philately Project). Level 1: A Philately Written Quiz at regional level. Level 2: Students selected at the Regional Level Written Quiz will have to submit a Philately Project for final selection.

3. **Syllabus:** Philately Written Quiz will be a Multiple Choice Question quiz consisting of 50 (Fifty) questions from following subject: Current Affair, History, Science, Sports, Culture, Geography and Philately (local & national). Philately Project should not be of more than 4 to 5 pages. In the project, student may use not more than 16 stamps and not more than 500 words. Detailed guidelines regarding the Project & sample project template will be issued by Circles after announcement of Philately written quiz to the selected candidates.

The tentative date for submitting the application is from **09th Aug to 08th Sept 2023** to the office of **"Sr. Supdt. of Post offices, Goa Division, 1st Floor, Tapal Bhavan, Panaji-Goa-403001"**

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