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Sub:- 23rd National Children's Science Congress - 2015
Ref:- 023/ENV/15/CSTE of the letter dated:09/06/2015 from the Director,
KSCSTE

The Director, Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment in his letter cited above has informed that National Children's Science Congress is a National activity conceived and sponsored by the National Council for Science and Technology Communication, Department of Science and Technology, Govt of India, New Delhi and organised through the NCSTC-Network, New Delhi. He has informed that Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment is the Nodal Agency in the State for conducting National Children's Science Congress from 2012 onwards. Dr. Kamalakshan Kokkal, Joint Director, KSCSTE is the State Co-ordinator of the programme. He has requested that circular instruction may be issued as in the previous years to ensure the co-operation and assistance of teachers especially those have been associated with the implementation of Science Clubs/ Ecoclubs activities in the schools.

The Focal theme prescribed for 23rd National Children's Science Congress 2015 is "*Understanding Weather and Climate*" with the following subthemes

I: Weather and Climate around you

II: Impact of Human activities on weather and climate

III: Weather, Climate and Ecosystems

IV: Weather, Climate, Society and Culture

V: Weather, Climate and Agriculture

VI: Weather, Climate and Health

The children between the age groups 10-14 (junior) and 14-17 (senior) are eligible to participate in Children's Science Congress. A group of 5 children and a teacher guide can do Projects on the above theme or subthemes for the District Level Competition and later the State level to be organised by KSCSTE. The 16 best projects from State level Congress will be selected to participate in the 23rd National level Children's Science Congress- 2015.

The State Co-ordinator has informed that the following programmes are planned in connection with the 23rd National Children's Science Congress 2015.

1 The State level resource training: Between 22nd & 27th June 2015 workshop for District Coordinators/ District Academic Coordinators

2 District level workshop for : 2nd & 3rd week of July 2015 teacher guides

3 Duration of Project preparation : August - October 2015

4 District level Children's Science : First week of November 2015

Congress

5 State level Children's Science : Last week of November 2015

Congress

6 National Children's Science : 27-31st December 2015

Congress

7 Indian Science Congress : 3-7th January 2016

The gifted children undergoing promotion of excellence programme of the Department of Education will also be associated with the National Children's Science Congress Project preparation and present their work at the District level Children's Science Congress.

It is informed that all the District Co-ordinators of National Green Corps Programme and Secretaries of Science Clubs at District level are respectively identified as the District Co-ordinators and District Academic Co-ordinators of National Children's Science Congress in Kerala.

Considering all the facts The Deputy Directors of Education. District Educational Officers, Assistant Educational Officers are requested to render all assistance for the conduct of activities as part of National Children's Science Congress 2015. They are requested to give timely instructions to the Headmasters and Revenue District Science Club Secretaries to ensure the active involvement of teachers in this matter with due intimation to this office.

The participation of the school teachers, without adversely affecting their duties to the programs will be treated as on duty based on the attendance certificate issued to the participants by the State Co-ordinator, NCSC-2015.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
(Full Additional Charge)

To

- 1. All the Deputy Directors of Education
- 2. All the District/Assistant Educational Officers
- 3. All the Revenue District Science Club/ Ecoclub Secretaries for information.
- 4. All the Co ordinators of gifted children of all districts
- 5. Office Copy & Stock File