

# राष्ट्रीय आदिवासी छात्र शिक्षा समिति

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F. No. NESTS/EMRS/Sickle Cell/591/2023-24 /1285

Dated: 07<sup>th</sup> June, 2024

The Nodal Officers,  
State/UTs EMRS Society,  
(As per list).

Subject: Observing World Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Day on 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 in EMRSs-reg.

As you are aware that the sickle cell gene is prevalent among many tribal population groups in India, leading to a weakened immune system and medical complications at a later stage. This genetic disorder significantly impacts a considerable portion of the ST community in India.

To effectively prevent and manage Sickle Cell Disease, it has been decided that screening tests shall be conducted in 25 selected EMRSs on 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 (as listed in **Annexure-I**), to mark World Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Day. This initiative would not only facilitate the early identification of sickle cell cases among these students but also ensure prompt medical intervention, if necessary.

Further, it has also been decided that by 15<sup>th</sup> November 2024, which marks the birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda and also celebrated as the annual Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas, all functional EMRSs as well as 25% of the PVTG population will be screened.

Additionally, it is essential that each school designates one nodal teacher or hostel warden for the disease, specifically for students who test positive, to maintain constant contact, help them understand the disease, act as the first point of contact for any symptoms, and take care of them within the EMRS premises.

In view of the above, it is requested to designate one nodal teacher/hostel warden in each EMRSs to provide a conducive school environment for students who may be diagnosed with the disease. Additionally, for better management and control of the Sickle Cell Disease, an awareness and capacity-building event will be organized for the EMRS Principals and nodal teachers/hostel wardens on 20/06/2024 or 21/06/2024. In this regard, you are requested to kindly take necessary action.

Looking forward to your support and coordination.

Encl: - D.O. letter received from Ministry of Tribal Affairs (Copy enclosed)

  
(Anupam Sonalkar)

Joint Commissioner, NESTS.

Copy to:

1. The Principal Secretary, Tribal Welfare Department, (as per list), Govt. of India, with similar request.
2. EMRS Principals for necessary action.
3. PS to Commissioner, NESTS.

**Annexure-I**

<b>List of 25 EMRSs</b>				
<b>S.No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Name of the School</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Block/ Taluka</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	EMRS Kodavalur	SPS Nellore	Kodavalur
2	Andhra Pradesh	EMRS Dumbriguda	Visakhapatnam	Dumbriguda
3	Andhra Pradesh	EMRS Munchigaput	Visakhapatnam	Munchingi Puttu
4	Gujarat	EMRS Jagana	Banas Kantha	Palanpur
5	Gujarat	EMRS Shamalaj i- 1	Arvalli	Bhiloda
6	Gujarat	EMRS Shamalaji-2	Arvalli	Bhiloda
7	Gujarat	EMRS Puniyavant	Chhota Udepur	Chhota udepur
8	Gujarat	EMRS Kharedi	Dahod	Dahod
9	Gujarat	EMRS Lukhadiya	Dahod	Dhanpur
10	Gujarat	EMRS Kadana	Mahisagar	Kadana
11	Jharkhand	EMRS Kathijoria	Dumka	Dumka
12	Jharkhand	EMRS Bhognandih	Sahebganj	Barhait
13	Jharkhand	EMRS Torsinduri	West Singhbhum	Khuntpani
14	Madhya Pradesh	EMRS Bhopal (Phanda)	Bhopal	Phanda
15	Maharashtra	EMRS Ajmer Saudane	Nashik	Baglan
16	Maharashtra	EMRS Peth Road	Nashik	Nashik
17	Maharashtra	EMRS Borgaon	Gondia	Deori
18	Maharashtra	EMRS Chikhaldara	Amravati	Chikhaldara
19	Odisha	EMRS Chandragiri	Gajapati	Mohana
20	Odisha	EMRS Mahasingi	Kandhamal	Baliguda
21	Odisha	EMRS Rampilo	Jajapur	Danagadi
22	Odisha	EMRS Ranki	Ranki	Kendujhar Sadar
23	Odisha	EMRS Dhanghera	Mayurbhanj	Khunta
24	Sikkim	EMRS Swayem	North District	Kabi/ Mangan
25	Sikkim	EMRS Gangyep	West District	Yuksom



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Additional Secretary



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D.O. letter No.34/1/2024-THC (e.No. 27714)

Dated:- 04<sup>th</sup> June, 2024

Dear Ajeet,

As you are aware, the World Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Day falls on 19<sup>th</sup> June every year. During this year, this Ministry has proposed that the EMRS students would be screened for the disease, since they fall within the category of population covered under the Mission for Elimination of Sickle Cell Disease. It has been proposed that screening in at least 25 EMRSs may be covered on 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.

In addition, it has also been decided that all the functional EMRSs as well as 25% of the PVTG population would be screened by 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2024, which is the birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda and celebrated as the annual Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas.

Further, it may be noted that in the case of students who test positive for the disease or who are with the SCT (Sickle Cell Trait), there is a need for the concerned school authorities to be aware of the protocol of handling such students. Hence, it is essential that each of the schools designate a nodal teacher (s)/hostel warden for the disease. The number of such teachers may be decided by the NESTS/EMRS concerned. This nodal person shall be in constant contact with the student, enable him/her to understand the disease, be the first point of contact in case the student exhibits any symptoms and generally be the mentor and non-medical care provider for the student during his/her stay in the EMRS.

Keeping the above in view, the NESTS is requested to furnish the plan of action (i) for screening the 25 EMRSs on 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2024, and (ii) for the screening of students in all the functional EMRSs by 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2024, i.e. by Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas, 2024.

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Further, it has been decided to organize an awareness cum capacity building event for the EMRS principals and nodal teachers/persons to enable them to provide a conducive school/ hostel environment for the children who may be detected positive for the disease. Hence, the nodal teachers/persons may be identified for participation in this event. This event may be planned to be held on part of the observation of the SCD Awareness Day perhaps on 20.06.2024 or 21.06.2024.

With regards,

Yours Sincerely

*R. Jaya*  
4/6/24

(R. Jaya)

To,

**Sh. Ajeet Kumar Srivastava**  
Commissioner,  
NESTS,  
New Delhi.

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