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Royal Government of Bhutan
Ministry of Education
Department of School Education



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Press Release

1. The Bhutan Certificate of Secondary Education (BCSE) March 2021 Examination Results

- 1.1. The 2020 BCSE (Class X) examination was held in March 2021. A total of 12,925 (12,656 Regular, 256 Private failed and 13 Supplementary) students from 130 Secondary Schools (124 governments and 6 private schools) were registered and 12,813 of them actually appeared the examination of which 12,374 passed the examination, 439 failed and 112 were absent.
- 1.2. The overall pass percentage of 96.57% which is 2.94% more than the 2019 pass percentage of 93.63%.
- 1.3. All the Bhutanese National Students who are awarded Pass Certificate in March 2021 BCSE- X shall be eligible for admission in both Government and Private Higher Secondary Schools (HSS) for the academic year 2021.
- 1.4. The intake in Government HSS for 2021 in class XI projected at 9894 students including Taktse Rigzhung HSS and approximately 1800 students will be supported through government scholarship to study in Private HSS.

2. Admission in Government HSS

- 2.1. The admission in Government HSS will take place upon completion of admission in private schools.
- 2.2. The Dzongkhag/Thromde Education Office will place the remaining students in Government HSS as follows
- 2.3. The admission for Government HSS shall take place in a designated cluster placement center on 24th April 2021 chaired by respective Chief DEOs/TEOs or as appropriate.
- 2.4. The schools should maintain a class size of maximum 34 students.
- 2.5. The school will admit the students as per the projection submitted to the Ministry of Education.
- 2.6. The Dzongkhag Education office and School for the compliance of the Advisory Note on Students Admission issued through vide letter no. DSE/SPCE/ADM(1.2)/2017/84 dated 25th January 2017.
- 2.7. The students opting to study Rigzhung Studies in Taktse HSS will apply online from 18th – 22nd April 2021 and the selected students would be confirmed by 22nd April 2021.
- 2.8. Dzongkhags/Thromdes shall facilitate in admitting those students who couldn't be absorbed in the nearest Dzongkhag/Thromde HSS.

3. Merit Listing:

The merit listing for the choice of stream in both Government and Private HSS shall be as follows:





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- 3.1. **Science:** Candidate should have minimum of **40 % in Mathematics** and **55% in Science** with **grades C** in all 3 Sciences. Merit order listing shall be based on sum of **Science and Mathematics**.
- 3.2. **Commerce:** Candidates have a minimum of **40 % in Mathematics**. Merit order listing will be based on marks in **Mathematics**.
- 3.3. **Arts:** The Merit listing should be based on the aggregate of English, Dzongkha and best three subjects.
- 3.4. **Rigzhung:**
 - 3.4.1. Bhutan Certificate for Secondary Education (BCSE)/ Language and Culture Studies Certificate (LCSE) pass candidates with minimum of **50% in English and 60% in Dzongkha**.
 - 3.4.2. Merit ranking shall be based on the ability ranking as below:
 - i. Dzongkha x 5
 - ii. English x 5
 - iii. Best subject 1 x3
 - iv. Best subject 2 x 3
 - v. Best subject 3 x 3

The details of the class XI admission procedures for the Government HSS will be announced on 21st April 2021 by the Department of School Education through mass media (Education website, radio, TV and Newspaper).

Director General
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