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Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of School Education & Literacy
EE.16 Section

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 11thSeptember, 2017.

To

Pr. Secretaries/Secretaries, In-charge of School Education of all States/UTs.

Subject: Painting and Essay competition in schools - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the D.O. letter dated 16th August, 2017 from Secretary (SE&L) regarding the abovementioned subject and to say that this Ministry had requested all States and UTs to encourage and ensure participation of the school children in these competitions. A time-line was also given for submission of entries in the competitions for Painting (one category for Class I to V) and Essay (two categories, one for Class VI to VIII and second for Class IX to XII), with the request that the award winning entries (3+3+3) from the State may be sent to this Department by 18th September, 2017, so that National level award can be given to the best entries on Swachh Bharat Mission anniversary on 2nd October, 2017 by Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation:

Level (from - to)	Time-line for submission of selected entries to next level
School to District	5 th September, 2017
District to State	11 th September, 2017
State to National	18 th September, 2017

- 2. The States have been requested to scan and e-mail **State level winning entries** for essays and District level winning paintings to swachhsankalpessaysp@gmail.com.
- 3. In this regard, it is stated that this Department is receiving numerous phone calls from different schools in various States seeking clarification on submission of selected entries for paintings/essay to next level. Some of schools are directly sending selected entries to this Department by e-mail.
- 4. It is therefore requested to issue necessary instructions in this regard, alongwith the following information:
 - (i) Name, address and email of the District Authorities may be intimated to the participating schools to facilitate them to submit the award winning entries to the concerned district.

- (ii) Similarly, name, address and email of the State Authority may be intimated to the District Education Authorities, for submitting the District Level winning entries for paintings and essays to the State.
- 5. It is once again requested that maximum number of schools and students may be encouraged to participate in the painting and essay competitions and top 3 entries from the State/UT in each category may be sent by 18th September, 2017 as indicated above..

Yours faithfully,

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