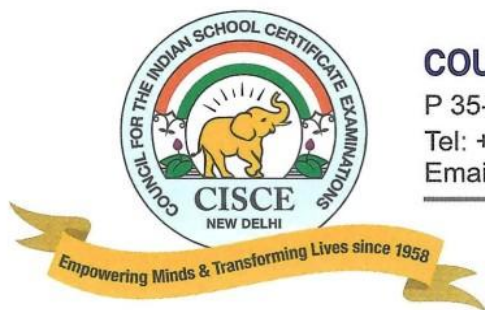




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To: All Heads of CISCE Affiliated Schools

Subject: Student and Alumni Survey for Developing Suitable Support Measures for Sports Students in CISCE Schools

Dear Principal,

Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE) acknowledges the enthusiasm and discipline of our student athletes across the country. Many of them represent their schools, districts, states and the country in tournaments and at the same time continue their academic journey with equal seriousness. CISCE recognises their efforts to balance academics with regular training and travel for tournaments. These demands become more difficult to manage in Classes IX to XII, especially for students preparing for the ICSE and ISC Examinations.

In keeping with the emphasis placed by the National Curriculum Framework for School Education 2023 on physical development, health and well-being, CISCE is exploring ways to better support student athletes who are engaged in any sports. The aim is to ensure that such students do not have to choose between education and sports and are able to prepare well for future pathways without compromising on either.

To understand their needs better, CISCE is undertaking a needs analysis among current students and alumni from its affiliated schools. The purpose is to gather direct feedback on the academic and examination-related challenges faced by sports students, before suitable support measures are planned. The inputs received will help the Council examine practical measures that may support student-athletes with genuine sporting commitments.

As part of this exercise, two needs analysis Google forms have been developed:

For Current Students Engaged in Sports

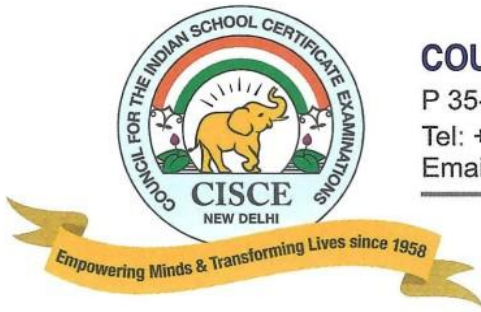
Link: <https://forms.gle/41NbUAybAKKiRbzM6>

This form may be shared with students currently studying in CISCE affiliated schools who are actively involved in sports at the school, district, state, national or international level. Schools are requested to especially ensure that the form reaches student-athletes in Classes IX, X, XI and XII.

For CISCE Alumni Engaged in Sports

Link: <https://forms.gle/yoec5xM7oUqg8RmJ9>

This form may be shared with alumni who pursued any specific sports and sports training during their years in a CISCE school, or who continue to be involved in sports as athletes, coaches, trainers, officials, mentors or professionals in the field of sports. Schools may seek the assistance of the Physical Education teacher/sports department to identify current students and relevant alumni for this exercise.



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Inputs from alumni will help CISCE understand what kind of support would have made a real difference during their school years, while responses from current students will help CISCE understand the nature of concerns within the present school ecosystem. Altogether, the feedback received will help CISCE examine possible support measures, including academic flexibility, attendance-related support, examination-related support and sports-linked academic pathways.

Schools are requested to circulate the above forms and encourage eligible students and alumni to submit their responses by **31st October 2026** in the given Google form links.

Kindly note that the forms are meant only for needs analysis and do not constitute an application for any concession, exemption or special provision.

Your cooperation will help CISCE develop a more informed and practical support framework for student-athletes across its affiliated schools.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Joseph Emmanuel
Chief Executive and Secretary