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The Member Secretary, Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment in his letter cited 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. 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. P. Harinarayanan, Senior Scientist, KSCSTE is the State Co-ordinator of the programme.

The Focal theme prescribed for 26th National Children's Science Congress 2018 is "Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) for a Clean, Green and Healthy Nation" with the following subthemes

1. Ecosystem and Ecosystem Services
2. Health, Hygiene and Sanitation
3. Waste to Wealth
4. Society, Culture and Livelihood
5. Traditional Knowledge Systems

The children between the age groups 10-14 (junior: date of birth between 1st January 2005 and 31st December 2008) and 14-17 (senior: date of birth between 1st January 2002 and 31st December 2004) are eligible to participate in Children's Science Congress. From 2018, two children of same age group will form a team. The study is carried out under the supervision of a guide. It is noteworthy that CSC programme is not only for the school going children but also open for children outside the formal boundary of schools. A group of **only two 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 26th National level Children's Science Congress- 2018.

The State Co-ordinator has informed that the following programmes are planned in connection with the 26th National Children's Science Congress 2018.

- 1 The State level resource training : 28th July 2018
workshop for District Co-ordinators/
District Academic Coordinators**
- 2 District level workshop for teacher : Before 15th August 2018
guides**
- 3 Duration of Project preparation : August - October 2018**
- 4 District level Children's Science : Before 31st October 2018
Congress**
- 5 State level Children's Science Congress : 16 & 17th November 2018**
- 6 National Children's Science Congress : 27-31st December 2018**
- 7 Indian Science Congress : 1st week of January 2019**
- 8 Kerala Science Congress : Last week of January 2019**

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 Regional Deputy Directors of Higher Secondary Education and Principals of Higher Secondary Schools are requested to render all assistance for the conduct of activities as part of National Children's Science Congress 2018. They are requested to give timely instructions to the Teachers 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/ District Co-ordinator, NCSC-2018.

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DIRECTOR

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1. All the Regional Deputy Directors
2. All the Principals of Higher Secondary Schools
3. Office Copy & Stock File