# ADMISSION GUIDELINES FOR LATERAL ENTRY TO CLASS VII - IX & XI for ACADEMIC YEAR- 2025-26.

EKLAVYA MODEL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL
(EMRS)

**NATIONAL EDUCATION SOCIETY FOR TRIBAL STUDENTS (NESTS)**

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# GUIDELINES FOR LATERAL ADMISSION IN EKLAVYA MODEL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

In supersession of all the guidelines governing admissions in Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) that have been issued in the past by any of the Authority, the following guidelines are issued to have uniformity in lateral entry admissions in the Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) for the academic session 2025-26.

## Part – 1 Definitions

Unless the context suggests otherwise, the definition of the following terms used in these guidelines would be as below: -

I. **"MoTA"** refers to Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India.

II. **"NESTS"** means the National Education Society for Tribal Students, an autonomous body (registered as a Society under the Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860) set up by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India, to plan, construct, establish, endow, review/monitor and advise the State/UT EMRS Societies to administer EMRSs.

III. **"State/ UT EMRS Societies"** are the Societies set up by the respective State/ UT to administer EMRSs.

IV. **"EMRS"** means Eklavya Model Residential School.

V. **"CoE"** means Centre of Excellence

VI. **"EMRSST"** means Eklavya Model Residential School Selection Test.

VII. **"EMRSLT"** means Eklavya Model Residential School Lateral Entry Test.

VIII. **"ST"** means Scheduled Tribes.

IX. **"PVTG"** means Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group.

X. **"DNT"** means Denotified Tribes.

XI. **"NT"** means Nomadic Tribes.

XII. **"SNT"** means Semi-Nomadic Tribes.

XIII. **"LWE"** refers to Left Wing Extremism.

XIV. **Child with special needs and suffering from disability** to be determined as per the provision mentioned in RTE Act 2009 or as defined by the concerned State Govt.



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# Part 2 – General Guidelines for Lateral Entry in EMRS

## 2.1 Admission Eligibility:

The minimum and maximum age limit (as on 31st March of the year in which admission is sought) for admission in Eklavya Model Residential Schools in various classes is given below: (**Child born on 1st April shall also be considered.)**

| Class | Minimum age on 31st March of the year in which admission is sought | Maximum age on 31st march of the year in which admission is sought |
|---|---|---|
| VII | 11 years | 14 years |
| VIII | 12 years | 15 years |
| IX | 13 years | 16 years |

**Note:**

1. The maximum age limit can be relaxed by two years in case of Differently abled children by the State/UT EMRS Societies.
2. Upper age limit for admission to Class XI is 18 years as on 31st March of the year in which admission is sought. provided the student is seeking admission in the year of passing Class X examination.

## 2.2 Admission for Class VII – IX and XI

Lateral entry in EMRSs in the classes VII – IX & XI will be allowed subject to availability of vacancies.

## 2.3 Procedure of Admission for Class VII – IX

Admission to Class VII – IX in EMRSs shall be done on the basis of an entrance test called EMRSLT (Eklavya Model Residential School Lateral Entry Test). The candidates desirous to get admission in class VII – IX in EMRSs shall have to appear and qualify the EMRSLT. Depending upon the availability of vacancies, the State/ UT EMRS Societies may allow EMRSs to conduct EMRSLT for the classes VII – IX in respect of the candidates' seeking admission in their schools.

## 2.4 Reservations in Admission:

**Lateral entry admission is allowed only against the vacant seats in classes VII, VIII, IX and XI, if any.** As per the approval of the 15th GBM, the reservation in EMRSs is as under:



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| Revised reservation criteria in admission guidelines | | | | | |
| | **Reservation Category for the State** | **In %** | In terms of seats | | |
| | | | BLOCK (50%) | DISTRICT (30%) | STATE (20%) |
| (i) | ST Children. | 80 | 24 | 15 | 9 |
| (ii) | Children belonging to PVTG communities. | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| (iii) | Children belonging to DNT/NT/SNT community. | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| (iv) | a) Children who have lost their parents to LWE*/ insurgencies/ Covid | 7 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| | b) Children of widows | | | | |
| | c) Children of Divyang parent, orphan child etc. | | | | |
| | d) Land donor | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| | Total | 100 | 31 | 20 | 9 |
| (v) | Children of Staff of EMRSs/ EMDBSs/CES/ Doctors/ Paramedical staff of Government Hospital serving in the same block. | Over and above the sanctioned strength of 30 students per section per Class with the restriction of maximum 40 students in one section. | | | |
| Note: | | | | | |
| 1. * It includes citizens victim of LWE and Police/ Paramilitary/ Armed Forces personnel who have lost their lives fighting LWE. | | | | | |
| 2. 5% i.e 3 seats out of 60 are reserved for Children with Benchmark Disability. These seats shall be carved out @ 2 seats from ST and 1 seat from others. | | | | | |
| 3. If candidates are not available either under (iv) a, b & c or (iv) d, the seats may be filled from any category of (iv) on merit | | | | | |

It should be ensured that after the admission of lateral entry students, overall admission of students is as per reservation criteria.

## 2.5 Key notes for Lateral Entry Admission:

**(i)** Lateral entry admission is allowed only against the vacant seats in classes VII, VIII, IX and XI, if any. Vacancies may be assessed by considering the reservation criteria and the categories of existing students. It should be ensured that after the admission of lateral entry students, overall admission of students is as per reservation criteria. For example, if five seats of boys and two seats of girls are vacant, selection for lateral entry admission is to be done by selecting 5 boys & 2 girls accordingly so that the ratio of boys & girls will be maintained as 1:1 as per policy of NESTS.



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(ii) Transgender category students shall not be denied admission subject to fulfillment of eligibility conditions. Transgender category to be considered under boys'/ girls' category depending upon the orientation towards either gender. Hostel accommodation, upon selection, shall also depend upon the same.

(iii) If a child belongs to more than one reservation category then he/ she shall be allowed to avail the benefit of only one reservation category with the highest reservation percentage.

(iv) The merit list for each category shall be prepared separately on the basis of the Selection Test. The cut off marks shall be different for different reservation categories and for boys' & girls.

(v) Children of Staff of EMRSs/ Doctors/ Paramedical staff of Government Hospital serving in the same block shall be granted admission directly in any class in addition to Class VI.

(vi) States/UT EMRS societies may include income as one of the eligibility criteria for admission to EMRSs, based on local requirements and conditions. The purpose of incorporating an income threshold is to deter ineligible cases. Additionally, it is mandatory for States/UTs EMRS societies to specify this income criterion when issuing the admission notification.

## 2.6 Composition of EMRSLT for Class VII – IX

The entrance test (EMRSLT), conducted in offline mode only, may be a pen-paper test of three hours duration with both objective & descriptive type questions from 5 sections. The questions for EMRSLT shall be asked from NCERT/ SCERT textbooks of preceding viz. Class VI-VIII in case of CBSE / State Board affiliated EMRSs respectively. There shall be total of 100 questions for 200 marks. The medium of instruction for the Examination is English/ Hindi/ Regional Language/ Bilingual.

| **Subject** | **Number of Questions** | **Marks** |
|---|---|---|
| English | 10 | 20 |
| Hindi/ Regional Language | 10 | 20 |
| Mathematics | 30 | 60 |
| Science | 30 | 60 |
| Social Science | 20 | 40 |
| **Total Marks** | **100** | **200** |

Additional time of 30 minutes will be allowed for "Divyang students" (differently-abled students).

Other modalities of EMRSLT shall be same as that of EMRSST.



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## 2.7 Procedure of Admission for Class XI

No entrance test shall be conducted by State/ UT EMRS Society for admission to class XI. The candidates are selected on the basis of marks/ CGPA obtained by them in class X in State Boards/CBSE/ ICSE/ NIOS/Other central-State recognized boards

**EMRS Students:**

The students declared Passed in Class X by the CBSE/ State Board shall be automatically granted admission to class XI in the same EMRS. However, offer of stream viz. Science, Commerce, Humanities will be strictly on merit.

The Merit List may be prepared on the following criteria:

- **Science Stream with Mathematics:** Aggregate marks scored in class X + marks scored in science + marks scored in Mathematics.
- **Science Stream without Mathematics:** Aggregate marks scored in class X + marks scored in science.
- **Commerce Stream with Mathematics:** Aggregate marks scored in class X + marks scored in Social Science + marks scored in Mathematics.
- **Commerce Stream without Mathematics:** Aggregate marks scored in class X + marks scored in Social Science.
- **Humanities Stream:** All students declared passed in Class X by CBSE/ State Board.

**Subject Combinations to be made available in various streams:**

- **Science Stream with Mathematics:** English, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics & Computer Science/ Biology/ Hindi/ Regional Language/ Informatics Practices/ Any other subject.

- **Science Stream without Mathematics:** English, Physics, Chemistry, Biology & Computer Science Computer Science/ Informatics Practices/ Informatics Practices/ Any other subject.
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- **Commerce Stream with Mathematics:** English, Accountancy, Business Studies, Economics & Mathematics, Computer Science /Informatics Practices/ Any other subject.



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- **Commerce Stream without Mathematics:** English, Accountancy, Business Studies, Economics & Informatics Practices/ Computer Science /Hindi/ Regional Language/ Any other subject.

- **Humanities Stream:** English, History, Geography, and 2 subjects out of Economics, Political Science, Hindi, Regional Language/ Informatics Practices/ Computer Science /any other subject.

**Note: -**

- A student may opt for 6th subject as an additional subject out of the subjects offered by an EMRS.

- An EMRS may offer any subject as prescribed by the CBSE/ State Board provided 15 or more students opt for the same.
- The State/ UT EMRS Societies may exercise the option of running either all the three streams viz. Science, Commerce & Humanities in class XI & XII or one or two streams in the EMRSs running in their State/ UT depending upon local circumstances. The frequent change in streams is **not** allowed i.e if a School opts for running 2 sections of Science Stream & one Section of Commerce Stream in one year and then opts for all the three streams next year and then two streams following year.

- If seats remain vacant in class XI even after admitting the children of EMRSs, then the admissions to non-EMRS children belonging to other systems may be considered in such a way that the overall reservation after lateral entry is as per the reservation table at 2.4

- A student who was earlier not found eligible for admission to a particular stream may be allowed fresh admission to a particular stream in class XI in the next academic session, if he/she improves his/her performance within one year from the same Board.

## 2.8 Students of State Boards/CBSE/ ICSE/ NIOS/Other central-State recognized boards for Admission in Class XI in Eklavya Model Residential Schools

The students of State Boards/CBSE/ ICSE/ NIOS/Other central-State recognized boards may be considered for admission in class XI, if vacancies exist.

State/ UT EMRS societies are empowered to frame a policy in respect of their State/ UT for deciding equivalence of different recognized boards.



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## 2.9 De-Reservation

In case of insufficient registration/ non-registration/ insufficient selection in (EMRSST) or EMRSLT/ insufficient turn out for admissions, the seats reserved for a particular reservation category shall be de-reserved into other reservation categories as mentioned below:

| S. No. | Reservation Category | De-reserved into | When to de-reserve |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | ST Children | PVTGs | As per Admission timeline, i.e. **11th May, 2025 onwards** |
| | If vacancy still exists | DNT/NT/SNT | |
| | If vacancy still exists | Reservation category at Point No. iv. | |
| 2. | PVTGs | ST Children | |
| | If vacancy still exists | DNT/NT/SNT | |
| | If vacancy still exists | Reservation category at Point No. iv. | |
| 3. | DNT/NT/SNT | ST Children | |
| | If vacancy still exists | PVTGs | |
| | If vacancy still exists | Reservation category at Point No. iv. | |
| 4. | Reservation Category at Point No. iv. | ST Children | |
| | If vacancy still exists | PVTGs | |
| | If vacancy still exists | DNT/NT/SNT | |
| 5. | Boys' seats shall be de-reserved for Girls' and vice versa as per the criteria given above. | | |

**However, it is expected that dedicated concerted efforts are put in wide publicity, information of the EMRS Scheme & Admission Process and necessary support have been extended to the desirous students.**

- Special drives, if required, for filling up of vacant seats in existing EMRSs needs to be conducted.



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## 2.10 Timeline for Lateral entry Admission in EMRSs

| S. No. | EVENT | TIMELINE (On or before) |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Conduct of EMRSLT | First week of May. |
| 2. | Declaration and display of provisional selected candidates for class VII onwards. | By the end of Second week of May. |
| 3 | Admission of eligible candidates of selected list after due verification of documents. | Third week of May. |
| 4 | Display of waitlists and Admission of eligible waitlisted candidates after due verification of documents. | By the end of Fourth week of May. |
| 5 | Last date of admission for Classes VII,VIII & IX | 15th June. |
| 6 | Registration for admission in class XI – for EMRS Students. | Within 10 days after declaration of class X results. |
| 6 | EMRS students: Display of admission list & admissions for Class-XI. | Within 20 days after declaration of class X results. |
| 7 | Non-EMRS students: Registration, display of admission list & admissions in class XI (Subject to availability of vacancies). | After the admissions of EMRS students in class XI. |
| 8 | Last date of admission for class - XI. | 30 days from the date of declaration of class-X results. |



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# Part 3: Sample Forms

## 3.1 Sample Transfer Certificate

**Kindly type the below mentioned text on the Letter Head of School, if the school does not have their own Transfer/ school Leaving Certificate.**

1. TC / SLC No.: _____
2. Name of the Student: _____
3. Mother's Name: _____
4. Father's Name: _____
5. Nationality: _____
6. Date of Birth (in Figures): _____
   (in Words): _____
7. Aadhar Number of the Student (not mandatory):
   _____
8. Blood Group of the Student:
   _____
9. Category of the Student:_____(General/ SC/ST etc.) Sub-Category of the Student: _____
10. Whether the Student belongs to Divyang Category:_____
    (Yes/No)Type & Percentage of Disability: _____
11. Class to which the student was first admitted:_____Year:
    _____
12. Class in which the student is presently studying: _____
13. Date of enrolment in the present Class: _____
14. Result through which the student has been enrolled in the present class:

a) Passed and Promoted to Class:_____Year:
   _____

b) Detained in the Class:_____Year: _____

15. Date of last attendance in the school: _____
16. Attendance of the Student till the issuance of TC/ SLC: _____
17. Date of Application for TC/ SLC: _____
18. Date of issue of TC / SLC: _____
19. Has the Student ever been rusticated from the school: _____
    If Yes, Reasons of rustication: _____
    Reasons for re-admission of the Student in the School: _____
20. General Conduct of the Student: _____



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TC/ SLC issued by:

Signature: _____

Name & Designation: _____

TC/ SLC checked & verified by:

Signature: _____

Name & Designation: _____

Signature of the Principal/ Head Master: _____

Name of the Principal/ Head Master: _____

Seal/ Stamp of the School:

Countersignature by Education Officer/ any other Govt./ CBSE Authority:

Signature: _____

Name & Designation: _____

Seal/ Stamp:



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## 3.2 Sample Registration Form

Name of State / UT EMRS Society……. (State)

Class……

Session……..

Self-Attested
Passport Size colored
Photograph

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Name of the Child | |
| 2. | Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy) | |
| 3. | Age as on 31.03.20….. | …… Yrs……Months |
| 4. | Gender (Boy/ Girl/ Transgender) | |
| | In case of transgender, Orientation towards Boy/ | |
| 5. | Aadhar Number / Residence Proof | |
| 6. | Blood Group (if available) | |
| 7. | Reservation Category (as per Admission Guidelines) | |
| 8. | Name of the tribe, if applicable | |
| 9. | Disability Status (Yes/ No) | |
| 10. | Type of Disability and its Percentage | |
| 11. | Resident of Block, Taluka, Tehsil & District | |
| 12. | Father's Name | |
| 13. | Mother's Name | |
| 14. | Name of Guardian | |
| 15. | **Occupation** | |
| | Father | |
| | Mother | |
| | Guardian | |
| 16. | Native Language/ Mother Tongue | |
| 17. | Class in which currently studying | |
| 18. | Medium of Instruction | |
| 19. | Name of the school attending | |
| 20. | Address for Correspondence along with PIN | |



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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 21. | **Contact Number** | |
| | Father | |
| | Mother | |
| | Guardian | |
| 22. | **Class XI only** | |
| | Choice of Stream (Science/Commerce/Humanities) | |
| | Percentage & Marks Obtained/ CGPA in Class X | |
| | Subjects Chosen | |
| 23. | **Achievements,** if any, in | |
| | Co-curricular Activities | |
| | Games & Sports | |
| | Scouts & Guides, NCC, NSS, Adventure Activities | |
| | Other Activities | |
| 24. | Have you participated in Student Exchange Programme? if yes, give details. | |
| 25. | Options for Admission in EMRSs of the State | |
| | Option No. 1 | |
| | Option No. 2 | |
| | Option No. 3 | |
| | Option No. 4 | |
| | Option No. 5 | |
| 26. | Medium of Instruction for EMRSST/ EMRSLT | |
| 27. | Are you a drop out of any of EMRSs? if yes, furnish details: | **Yes / No** |
| | Name of EMRS last studied | |
| | Year of Drop out | |
| | Reason for dropping out of EMRS | |
| 28. | Have you ever been rusticated from any School? if yes, furnish details: | **Yes / No** |
| | Name of School from where you were rusticated | |
| | Year of Rustication | |
| | Reason of Rustication | |
| 29. | I …….. Father / Mother / Guardian of …… hereby declare the information provided by me in the application form in respect of my child/ ward is true to the best of my knowledge, belief and information. | |
| 30. | **Signature(s) / Thumb impression** | |
| | Father / Mother/ Guardian | |
| | Child | |



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**Acknowledgement Receipt:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Registration Number | |
| 2. | Date | |
| 3. | Class in which admission is sought | |
| 4. | Name of Child | |
| 5. | Father's / Mother's/ Guardian Name | |

**For Office use:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Registration Number Allotted | |
| 2. | Date | |
| 3. | Class in which admission is sought | |
| 4. | Name of Child | |
| 5. | Father's / Mother's/ Guardian Name | |
| 6. | Eligibility in terms of Age | Eligible / Not Eligible |
| 7. | Documents found attached in respect of | Tick ( ) Mark |
| | Date of Birth Certificate | |
| | Aadhar Card / Residence Proof | |
| | Blood Group | |
| | Domicile Certificate | |
| | Reservation Category | |
| | Disability Certificate | |
| | Bonafide Certificate from the school currently attending or self-declaration in case of not attending any school but studying at home/ NIOS Registration or Passing Certificate. | |
| | Achievement in Sports for the students to be admitted under Sports quota | |
| | For admission in Class XI | |
| | Class X Mark sheet | |
| | Certificates for claiming concession in admission | |
| 8. | Score in EMRSST / EMRSLT / % in Class X | |
| 9. | Is the Child drop out of any of the EMRSs | |
| 10. | Has the child ever been rusticated | |
| 11. | Eligible for Admission or Not. In case of non-eligibility, mention reason. | |
| 12. | Signature of Dealing hand | |



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