

More than 2.5 Lakh Students from the State Appeared in the National Means cum Merit Scholarship Examination

Why in News?

 On November 7, 2022, the Director of State Education Center Dhanraju S informed that in the National Means cum Merit Scholarship Examination, this year a record 2 lakh 52 thousand students from Madhya Pradesh have participated.

Key Points

- Director Dhanaraju S said that in the last years, the number of students appearing in this scholarship examination has been only one lakh in the year 2019.
- This year, a total of 811 examination centers were set up across the state for the smooth conduct of this examination. A total of 2 lakh 52 thousand 410 students have appeared for the scholarship.
- The director said that till last year, the application process for this examination was done through MP online kiosk, in place of which this year the state education center has developed a mobile app system and provided the facility of registration of students through the principals of the schools.
- The purpose of the National Means Merit Examination is to provide scholarships by selecting economically weak but talented students. For this examination, only such students studying regularly in class 8th in government and government-aided or local bodies-run schools located in the state, who have obtained at least C grade in class 7th, are eligible.
- The annual income of the parents of the students should not exceed Rs 3.50 lakh. A quota of 6,446 students has been fixed by the Union Ministry of Education for the state of Madhya Pradesh for the scholarship. In this, the selected students get scholarship from class 9th to 12th at the rate of Rs 12 thousand per year.

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