

Port Blair, dated the 19th November 2019

## **NEWS ITEM**

In order to inculcate the spirit of patriotism and unity among school students, the Department of School Education and Literacy, MHRD GOI is organizing Inter-school Band competition (ISBC) throughout India. This year, the ISBC is scheduled to be conducted in six zones across the country followed by a National level competition at New Delhi scheduled prior to the Republic Day 2020 celebrations. Out of the six zones, A & N Islands is placed in the Eastern Zone and the Coordinating State is Jharkhand.

As a part of Zonal level selection, State Level Inter School Band Competition was organised by the Samagra Shiksha, UT Mission A & N Islands on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at Govt. Boys' Sr. Sec. School at 3.00 pm to select the best school band both under Boys and Girls categories.

Altogether 3 teams in both Boys and Girls categories have participated in the competition. The competition was judged by eminent Band masters from Defence and Police Departments. **Govt. Boys' Senior Secondary School, Middle Point, Port Blair** was declared winner under Boys category and **Govt. Girls Senior Secondary School, Port Blair** was declared as winner under Girls category.

In his address as chief guest the Director (Education) Shri. Kamlesh Kumar, DANICS, appreciated the artistic endeavours of the students and congratulated the winners of the competition. He also extended his best wishes to the winners to do their best at the Zonal Level Band Competition (Eastern Zone) and make the Islands proud. He also gave away the trophies and certificates alongwith cash prize @ Rs.9000/- for first Position, Rs. 8000/- for second position and 7000/- for third position.

Earlier Shri Biswanath Sen, Nodal Officer, Band Competition welcomed the gathering and briefed about State Level Inter School Band Competition. He also introduced the Jury Members of Panel of Judges. Shri.R.K.Singh, State Project Officer, Samagra Shiksha proposed vote of thanks.

