

# OSSAE- OUTSIDE KERALA REGION

SSFC & CLASS XII Examinations - 2015

## Rules and Regulations for the units in Gulf

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Greetings in the name of our Lord!

As the SSFC & Class XII Examination are approaching us, I would like to draw your attention to various aspects regarding examination.

#### 1. Date and Time of the Examination

As per the Annual Circular 2015, the SSFC and Class XII Examinations for this year will be held on Friday, 4th December 2015 in Gulf. There will be only a Single paper with hundred marks and the maximum time allotted will be 3 hours. The HMs have to consult their parish priest and organize the examination. For the UAE Zone the examination timing should be from 10 am to 1 pm and for the rest of the Gulf (Kuwait, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Doha and Oman) should be 11 am to 2pm, all times are local. The time should be announced in the Church at least one week prior to the date of examination. The Question paper will be in English, but answer can be written in English, Hindi or Malayalam. There would be a Center at Devalokam, Kottayam for the students of Gulf Zone who are in Kerala during exam time. Those students would be granted permission only with the prior written application undersigned by their Respective Vicar and Head Master to OSSAE - OKR Director.

## Syllabus

#### SSFC Examination

- a) Textbook Published by OSSAE Central Office, Devalokam
  - Chapters 2,4,6,7,8,11,12,15,16,19,20,23,24, 25,26,28,29,30,31
- b) History of the Catholicate
- c) Life History of Parumala Thirumeni
- d) Liturgical Song

- Chapters 1, 3,4
- Full text
- a) Vellum Sathrukale ninnal njangal.....aakatte kotta
- b) Nadha savithe ulprakaare.....

- e) Psalms
- f) Prayers

- Psalm 119:1-8
- a) Mahonnathante maravil irrikunnavanava karthave ninte karunayin chirakukalude....
  - b) Mariam Paranjathu enthennal....(St Luke 1-46:55) (Ourbana kramam)

### Class XII Examination

- a) Textbook published by OSSAE Central Office, Devalokam
  - Tabore Category

- Maintext
  - Chapters 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,17,18,19,21,22,23,24,27

- b) Rituals are meaningful
- c) Liturgical Song

 a) Mochanamacharyar kekuka...... b) Mashiha raajavam naadhan......

- Chapters 2,3,4,5,6

d) Psalms

- a) Nicene Creed

e) Prayers

- b) Athmavil daridrarayavar......(St Mathew-5:3-12) (Qurbana kramam)
- Psalm 148:1-8

## 3. Invigilation of the Examination

It is the responsibility of the HM to see that the SSFC and Class XII examinations are conducted fair and without any complaints. They have to assign the job of supervision to a selected to a group of teachers of her unit. It is preferable to ask the teachers whose children write the examinations, to be exempted from the examination duty.

4. The pattern of questions for both SSFC and Class XII will include objective type questions such as:

Answer the following

Choose the following

Fill in the blanks

Define the following,

State Whether True or False

Write a Paragraph each.

General essays can be asked from any portion of the syllabus mentioned above. Prayers and Psalms are important parts of the question paper. There can be genera; essays to weigh the ability of the student in the application of the knowledge that a student learnt in the class.

## 5. Internal Assessment

The written examination will have only 70% weightage and the internal assessment carry 30% marks for regular students.

The marks for the internal assessment will be as under:

- a) 10 % of the marks obtained for the half-yearly examination will be added to the final score.
- b) It is important that those who get Xth or XII examination certificates should be an active participant in our Sunday School classes and church services, Regular candidates of the examinations will get five marks for this. if the student attends all the sunday services/classes, he/sge will get five marks and if he/she has the marks for church attendance will beten. The HM can calculate it as per the above proportions. Teachers are expected to assess this with sincerity and character. However, all the above marks are to be verified by the parish priest.
- c) 5% marks will be for the extra-curricular activities of a child. If a child gets any of the first five positions of any item such as elocution, essay, single song, group song, Bible verse, drawing he/she will get a mark each. The maximum mark a student can obtain in this manner will be five. HMs are asked to be impartial and fair in calculating these marks.
- d) Project Reports

As per themes given in the annual circular, project reports are to be either by the Diocesan Director or by any of the priests who bear the following offices: Diocesan Vice President/Zonal Vice President/District Vice President. Each diocese is free to take its own decision in this regard. However, the HMs have to send these to the above for valuation on or before 19 November 2015. This marks allotted for the project will be divided as follows:

Particulars	Regular Students (10%)	Private Students (20%)
Punctuality of the work	-2 marks	- 4 marks
Comprehension of the Idea	- 3 marks	- 6 marks
Layout of the Text	- 3 marks	- 6 marks
Photos, Interviews, Data, Tables etc.	-2 marks	- 4 marks

- 6. This marks given by a teacher for the internal assessment should be verified by the HM and certified by the Vicar after examining the registers. We need the signatures of both in the prescribed form, which will be sent along with the hall tickets. Those who evaluate the project reports have to send their mark lists directly to the OKR office with their titles and signatures along with the answer sheet to the OKR Office. All projects of students who get 25 marks and above for internal assessment are to be sent directly to the OKR office for a second valuation. The OKR has setup a special committee to see the quality of the project and to give a final grade. Malpractices are to reported to the OKR office along with the names of those who help the students violate the examination rules.
- 7. District Inspector/Head Master Should Fill up the attendance sheet and return it along with the answer sheet to the OKR office. Make sure that the attendance and the number of answer scripts tally. But for the UAE Zone (Abu Dhabi, Al Ain, Dubai, Sharjah, Ras Al Khaimah, Fujairah) the respective inspectors / Head Masters should fill up the attendance sheet and return it along with the answer sheet to Mr John Eapen, P.O Box 939, Abu Dhabi, UAE. Mob No: 0097156150327, Tel No: 097124449908.email: myrtle\_john@hotmail.com.Answer sheet should be packed and sealed in the presence of the Inspector/HM, after arranging them in the ascending order. The chief supt. should send the sealed packet of answer sheets along with the list of students to OKR office on the day after the examination. The examination paper would be evaluated at OSSAE OKR, Nagpur.
- 8. Students should fill up the facing sheet before answering the questions. No answer should be written in any part of it. Facing sheet is strictly set apart for its specific purpose mentioned thereof. The blank pages of it should not be used for writing answers. In case if any violates this rule, then the answer sheet will not be valued.
- 9. The units will have to provide ruled papers for writing the answers. All units are requested to use uniform paper Like in the previous year. The blank papers distributed to the students for writing the answers should catty neither the name of the student nor theseal of the church or school, or the signature of any supervisor. papers which carry entries of that sort will not be valued.
- 10. Except UAE Zone Zone the answer sheets of all other units should be packed and sealed in the presence of the Inspector/HM, after arranging them in the ascending order. The chief supt. should send the sealed packet of answer sheets along with the list of students to OKR office, Nagpur on the day after the examination. Registered posts are to be sent to: The director, OSSAE-OKR, St. Thomas orthodox Theological Seminary, Brahmani P.O., Kalmeshwar, Nagpur 441 501.Ph No: 09823740567. Those who private courier Service, are requested to send them in the above address only by using DTDC. Kindly mention the phone No. All the correspondence regarding the valuation of answer sheets and internal assessments should be made with the Director, OSSAE-OKR only.
- 11. The examination hall should be supervised by the HM/ a senior teacher of the sunday School. The supervisors Should keep in mind that the examination duty would reflect their character and they should not give bad models for the spiritual values, which we teach our students. Those values are more important than the marks and renks.
- 12. The HMs should report all kinds of malpractices to the vicar of the parish and to the OKR Director in written form immediately after the examination. Complaints received ten days after the examinative ons will not be accepted.
- 13. Since this is a Board exam all units should conduct the examination on the stipulated date. Results will be declared on February 12, 2016 at around 5 pm and the certificates will be available only by March 12, 2016.

Kindly follow the above rules strictly. I earnestly solicit your prayers and co-operation for the successful conduct of examination. I wish the students every success!

Dear Friends,

Kindly pay your attention to the following matters as well.

## 1. Sunday School Day 2015

The sunday School Day of 2014 is on 6th December 2015 in india. All the HMs are asked to give an attention in this matter, special prayers should be made for the OSSA in general and for the OSSAE OKR in Particular. It is good that talented students of each Sunday School get a chance to speak in that day in the middle of the Holy Qurbane. We have sent the envelops to all Sunday School. All the families of a Parishnot simply the parents of Sunday School children-have to contribute their share for the Sunday School Day cover collection. All are urged to follow the Kalpana of his Holiness the Catholicos in this matter.

## 2. Inter-Diocesan Competitions 2015

As per the decision of the annula genera; Body 2015, the Inter-Diocesan Completion will be held at STOTS on 07th August 2016 for the winners of the seven Metro-Dioceses for the following titles in 4 items in two categories-Seniors and secondary. Participants can use only of the following languages-Malayalam, Hindi or English.

Elocution -Suday School Prathibha Solo Song -Sunday School Gana Sugandhi

Quiz - Sunday School Praveen Essay - Sunday School Vijnani

In the case of Quiz Competition, there can be a maximum of 3 students in a group representing a Diocese. All 3 will be given the title Suday School Praveen. The Syllabus for the contest will be that of 2015 as per Annual Circular. Those who get the first prize at the diocesan level have to send their entries on or before 15th february, 2016. The entries should be endorsed by the Diocesan Director. Late entries and entries without the endorsement will not be accepted. In order to participate in the Inter Diocesan Competition held at STOTS, Nagpur the student should carry a written letter of the Diocesan Director for identification along with the candidate's age proof duly attested by the Vicar. It is the candidates responsibility to see to it that all the above mentioned documents are available before appearing for the Inter Diocesan Competition at Nagpur. The prize will be distributed in the General Body Meeting held on 17th and 18th September 2016.

May God continue to bless us to shape our students in the light of the Gospel so that they could also be Christ-like. May the Holy Spirit guide us. Please uphold us also in your prayers.

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Thanking you,

Yours in His Mission

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