

**INFORMATION BROCHURE
AND
GUIDELINES
ON
KALINGA MODEL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL SELECTION TEST
(KMRSSST): 2026-27
FOR
ADMISSION TO CLASS-VI
(CBSE COURSE- ENGLISH MEDIUM, NCERT SYLLABUS)**

Last date to apply : Dt. 31.01.2026

**ODISHA MODEL TRIBAL EDUCATION SOCIETY (OMTES)
ST & SC DEVELOPMENT, MINORITIES & BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE
DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA**

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 LOCATION OF SCHOOLS:

To provide quality education to the ST, SC and PVTG students from Class-VI to secondary level as per CBSE norms, State Govt. in ST & SC Department has established 09 no. of Kalinga Model Residential Schools. The detailed list of 9 KMRSs and number of students to be admitted are given below.

Sl. No.	Name of the District	Name of the school	Category of Students to be admitted in class-VI		Submission of Application form and Examination Centre
			Boys	Girls	
1.	Malkangiri	KMRS, Balimela, Korkunda	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	KMRS, Balimela, Korkunda
2.	Kandhamal	KMRS, Raikia	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	KMRS, Raikia
3.	Kandhamal	KMRS, Khajuripada	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	KMRS, Khajuripada
4.	Nawarangpur	KMRS, Umorkote	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	KMRS, Umorkote
5.	Gajapati	KMRS, Mahendragarh	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	KMRS, Mahendragarh
6.	Rayagada	KMRS, Bissam Cuttack	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	KMRS, Bissam Cuttack
7.	Deogarh	KMRS, Deogarh	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	EMRS, Kalamati
8.	Keonjhar	KMRS, Kulam, Joda	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	EMRS, Ranki
9.	Balasore	KMRS, Jharanaghati, Nilagiri	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02)	EMRS, Saladarh

1.2 ADMISSION TO CLASS-VI:

The admission of ST & SC students to Class-VI in the above schools is made through KALINGA MODEL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL SELECTION TEST which emphasises to limit the numbers of students for boarding facility within prescribed boarders strength every year.

1.3 NUMBER OF SEATS:

30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02) seats for boys and 30 (ST-25, SC-03, PVTG-02) seats for girls in Class-VI are available in each KMRS. Two seats each are earmarked exclusively

for PVTG boy & girl students. The PVTG students can also avail the seats meant for ST category students on their merit. If the 04 seats meant for PVTG students are not filled up, these may be filled up by ST Category students.

2. IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW MODALITIES IN THE ADMISSION PROCESS (OFFLINE & ONLINE MODE)

In exercise of the administrative powers vested in OMTES for regulating, supervising, and facilitating the admission process for KMRSs, the following modalities are hereby notified for strict compliance by all concerned authorities, institutions, and stakeholders for the Academic Year 2026–27.

2.1. Compliance with OMTES Guidelines

All institutions, officials and stakeholders associated with the admission process shall mandatorily comply with the provisions contained in the Admission Guidelines issued by OMTES. No deviation, alteration or relaxation of any clause shall be permitted unless specifically authorised in writing by the competent authority. Any act or omission inconsistent with the guidelines shall be treated as non-compliance and may attract appropriate administrative action.

2.2. Preparation and Dissemination of Information Pamphlet

OMTES shall prepare a bilingual (English–Odia) information pamphlet clearly outlining the revised provisions for enrolment into Class VI in KMRSs. The pamphlet shall be widely disseminated through schools, PRI institutions, block and district offices, digital platforms and community-level outreach measures to ensure equitable access to information, particularly in remote areas. The pamphlet shall be deemed as an official communication of OMTES and shall be used uniformly across all districts.

2.3. Orientation of Institutional Heads and Nodal Personnel

OMTES shall organise mandatory orientation programmes for all Principals and nominated teachers of KMRSs on or before 24.12.2025. The orientation shall cover revised modalities, timelines, verification norms, digital procedures, institutional responsibilities and accountability mechanisms. Attendance in such orientation shall be compulsory and considered official duty.

2.4. Orientation of Stakeholders for Better Outreach

To ensure wider outreach and uniform understanding of the admission process, Principals of KMRSs shall conduct orientation sessions for PRI Members, Principals of SSD Schools, teachers of KMRSs and Welfare Extension Officers (WEOs) from 25.12.2025 to 31.12.2025. These sessions shall focus on admission procedures, documentation, examination processes and outreach strategies for students from remote and inaccessible areas. Each Principal shall maintain attendance records and submit a consolidated report to OMTES.

2.5. Public Notification of Admission Tests

Public notices and advertisements for the KMRS Selection Tests shall be published in three Odia and three English daily newspapers on 25.12.2025. The notification shall include eligibility criteria, application procedures, examination schedules and other relevant details. Such publication shall constitute adequate public notice under administrative law principles and shall be treated as formal commencement of the admission process.

2.6. Online and Offline Registration Modalities

Candidates may apply either through the online mode or offline mode. Online applications shall be submitted through the OMTES website (omtes.odisha.gov.in), to be operationalised by OCAC, and the portal shall remain open from 01.01.2026 to 31.01.2026. The online process shall include data entry, document upload, choice of examination centre and acknowledgement generation. Alternatively, candidates may obtain the prescribed offline application form from the nearest KMRS and submit it to the opted examination centre as per existing practice. The Principals of all KMRSs shall ensure that all offline application forms are uploaded to the online portal on a daily basis, failing which administrative accountability may be invoked. All admit cards, irrespective of mode of application, shall be generated exclusively through the online portal.

2.7. Verification of Documents

Document verification shall be undertaken from 01.01.2026 to 05.02.2026 in both online and offline modes. Verification shall occur at the concerned school where the student is enrolled or at the designated verification centre notified for the purpose. Verifying authorities shall authenticate documents, maintain digital records and upload verification status promptly to ensure transparency and procedural integrity.

2.8. Intimation to Shortlisted Candidates

Candidates shortlisted on the basis of eligibility and verification shall be intimated through SMS, email, letter and telephone. OMTES shall not be held responsible for non-receipt of such communication arising from incorrect or non-functional contact details provided by applicants.

2.9. Issue of Admit Cards

Admit cards shall be issued in both online and offline formats on 10.02.2026. Schools shall facilitate downloading of admit cards or distribution of printed copies to ensure that no student is deprived of participation due to digital constraints.

2.10. Conduct of Entrance Examination

The entrance examination shall be conducted on 15.02.2026 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon. Divyang candidates shall be permitted an additional 30 minutes in accordance with inclusive education norms, allowing them to appear for the examination until 12:30 P.M. All

examination centres shall comply with prescribed norms relating to confidentiality, safety, invigilation and incident reporting.

2.11. Evaluation, Entry of Marks and Declaration of Results

After evaluation of answer scripts, the concerned schools shall upload the marks to the web portal on or before 25.02.2026. The results displayed on the portal shall be treated as the official results for all administrative purposes.

2.12. First Merit List and Admission

Intimation to candidates included in the first merit list shall commence from 25.02.2026 through all permissible communication channels. Admission of candidates under the first merit list shall be carried out from 02.03.2026 to 05.03.2026. Notices to absentees shall be issued on 05.03.2026, and failure to respond within the stipulated time shall result in forfeiture of the allotted seat.

2.13. Second Merit List and Admission

Candidates in the second merit list shall be intimated on 16.03.2026. Admissions under the second merit list shall be conducted from 16.03.2026 to 25.03.2026. Notices to absentees shall be issued on 25.03.2026.

2.14. Third Merit List and Admission

Candidates in the third merit list shall be intimated on 31.03.2026, and admissions under this list shall be carried out from 31.03.2026 to 15.04.2026. Any remaining vacant seats thereafter shall be dealt with in accordance with instructions issued by the competent authority.

2.15. Commencement of Academic Session

Distribution of textbooks and commencement of the new academic session shall begin on 01.04.2026. Schools shall maintain proper records of book distribution and ensure that all enrolled students receive learning materials within the prescribed period.

3. APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Advertisements in Odia and English languages inviting applications for the Entrance Examination indicating the date & centre of examination etc. is issued centrally by Additional Secretary to Govt.& Secretary, OMTES for publication in leading Odia & English dailies.

Notices about the Entrance Examination are also to be displayed in different Schools and Govt. offices for wide publicity. Students have to submit their application forms both in online and offline mode. For offline submission, they will submit the application in the prescribed format at the concerned school where examination will be held.

The child is required to submit 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.

3.1 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Students belonging to ST & SC who are studying in Class/Standard-V from any School in Odisha are eligible to appear in the said examination. Reservation for the differently abled students is as per Govt. rules.

Admission of a student if found ineligible, even at a later date after admission in a school, will be cancelled.

The minimum and maximum age limit (as on 31st March of the year in which admission is sought) for admission in KMRS in Class VI is given Below: (Child born on 1st April should also be considered)

Class	Minimum age on 31 st March of the year in which admission is sought	Maximum age on 31 st March of the year in which admission is sought
VI	10 Years	13 Years

Note:-

The maximum age limit can be relaxed by two years in cases of Differently abled children.

3.2 FEE STRUCTURE

No fee is to be paid by the students for appearing the examination.

3.3 EXAMINATION PATTERN:

The entrance examination would consist of one paper with objective type questions of Mental Ability (50 marks), Arithmetic (25 marks) & English (25 marks).

The Question Paper will be based on Competencies in accordance with the Level prescribed for Class V students by NCERT / SCERT / CBSE.

The test would be of two hours duration. 100 questions carrying one mark each will be there in total. Answers will be ticked on the question booklet itself.

3.4 SELECTION OF STUDENTS:

On the basis of performance in the entrance examination, separate merit list for boys and girls will be prepared. Merit list will be published in OMTES website i.e., **omtes.odisha.gov.in**

3.5 SCHEDULE OF EXAMINATION:

The Entrance examination for 2026-27 will be conducted on **15.02.2026 from 10.00 AM to 12.00 Noon.**

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

4. FORMS:

The Application form shall be submitted in the following format.

4.1 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 Students: _____
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 in the present class:

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: _____

TC/ SLSC 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:

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

Signature: _____

Name & Designation: _____

Seal/ Stamp of the School

4.2 Application Form

Kalinga Model Residential Schools (KMRS) , Odisha

Class.....

Self
attested passport size
colour photograph

Session.....

1.	Name of the Child	
2.	Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	
3.	Age as on 31.03.2025Yrs.....Months
4.	Gender (Boy/ Girl/ Transgender)	
	In case of transgender, Orientation towards Boy/Girl	
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	
21.	Contact Number	
	Father	
	Mother	
	Guardian	
22.	Achievements, if any , in	
	Co-curricular Activities	
	Games & Sports	
	Scouts & Guide, NCC, NSS, Adventure Activities	
	Other Activities	
23.	Medium of Instruction for KMRSST	
24.	Have you ever been rusticated from any School ? If Yes, furnish details: Name of School from where you were rusticated Year of Rustication Reason of Rustication	Yes/ No
25.	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.	
26.	Signature (s)/ Thumb impression	
	Father/ Mother/ Guardian	
	Child	

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.	
9.	Has the child ever been rusticated	
10.	Eligible for Admission or not. In case of non-eligibility, mention reason	
11.	Signature of Dealing hand	

4.3 Self-Declaration Father/ Mother/ Guardian

I, Sh./ Smt./ Ms. Father/ Mother/ Guardian of Master/ Miss submit that my child/ ward is yrs old and his/her Date of Birth is as per the date of birth certificate.

I hereby declare that my child / ward (name) has not received formal education in any recognised school but have received informal education and attained required competencies appropriate to his age in accordance with the syllabus prescribed by the concerned Authorities of State/ Central Government and is eligible for Selection Test to Class

Signature:

Name:

Relation with the Child :

Date :

5. PROCEDURE FOR CONDUCTING THE EXAMINATION:

5.1 CONTROL AND SUPERVISION:

The KMRSST 2026-27 will be conducted under the overall control and supervision of Odisha Model Tribal Education Society (OMTES).

5.2 INVIGILATION:

Keeping in view the number of applications and the availability of rooms at the examination centre, the invigilators shall be appointed from among teachers or local officers @ 1 Invigilator for 30 students. Instructions to be followed by the invigilators as given at **Annexure-A**.

5.3 CO-ORDINATION

PA, ITDA/DWO will co-ordinate the conduct of the entrance test.

5.4 EVALUATION

The evaluation of Answer sheets shall be done by the Examination Committee constituted at the School level under the Chairmanship of PA, ITDA/DWO as the case may be. Answer sheets will be collected from centre and authorised person will deposit the same in the control room at respective Examination Centre.

5.5 PAYMENT OF HONORARIUM:

Invigilators-Rs. 200/-

Centre Superintendent & Observer-Rs.1500/-

Examiners shall be paid remuneration for the Examination duty performed by them at the rate as prescribed by School & Mass Education Department for similar nature of work.

5.6 ADMISSION DATES:

Admission of first merit list students- 02.03.2026 to 05.03.2026

Admission of second merit list students- 16.03.2026 to 25.03.2026

Admission of third merit list students- 31.03.2026 to 15.04.2026

5.7 MISCELLANEOUS:

In case of any doubt or in any other matter not provided in the preceding paragraphs, the centre superintendent is empowered to take necessary decisions. Other general instructions to be followed by all concerned have been outlined in **Annexure-B**

ANNEXURE-A

INSTRUCTION FOR THE INVIGILATORS

1. Please see that the examinees feel comfortable and are not much apprehensive of the test-taking situation.
2. Do not allow parents/outsiders to enter into the examination hall.
3. Verify the number of students with reference to the Question paper cum Answer sheet supplied to them.
4. Do not allow any examinee to receive any help from or assist another examinee in any manner.
5. If an examinee has any problem in following the instructions of the test, explain to him/her the instructions clearly using, if possible, the examinees' dialect.
6. If an examinee has any problem with his/her writing instruments, he/she should be provided with a pen, pencil or eraser as the case may be.
7. Fill in the Attendance sheet and take the full signature of the examinees, which should be verified with their signatures on the original application forms as well as Admit Cards.
8. Please ensure that no examinee leaves the examination hall without handing over the Question paper cum Answer sheet.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. The examination halls/rooms shall be kept open for the students half an hour before commencement of the examination.
2. Late comers may be allowed to appear. But the time limit for the examination need not be extended for them. No student can be permitted after 30 minutes of conduct of the examination.
3. All necessary instructions should be given to the examinees as politely as possible both inside & outside the examination halls/ rooms.
4. If any examinee has not received the Admit Card, copy of the same may be downloaded from the website and provided to the student.
5. No student without special permission of Centre Superintendent or Invigilator concerned, will be allowed to leave his/ her seat or Examination room until the full duration of the paper is over.
6. Additional time of 30 minutes will be allowed for “Divyang students” (differently-abled students).

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Sl no.	Responsibility	Assigned to
1	Centre Superintendent and overall responsibility	PA, ITDA/ DWO /Representative of District Administration
2	Coordination with the State office and KMRS	DWO
3	Observers	Head Quarter Officials/DWO/Principal KV/JNV/PA, ITDA
4	State Level Control Room	All staff/officers of OMTES
5	School Level Control Room	Respective School
6	Any Query related to Entrance Test	Joint Director, OMTES Consultant, NESTS PM (HR), OMTES

6.RELEVANT DATES AT A GLANCE

ANNEXURE- C

Sl. No.	CONTENTS	SCHEDULED DATES
1	Orientation of stakeholders (PRI members/SSD schools/KMRSs/WEOs)	25.12.2025 to 31.12.2025
2	Advertisement / Notification for KMRSST by OMTES	25.12.2025
3	Online registration of application start date	01.01.2026
4	Last date for submission of application	31.01.2026
5	Verification of documents (online /offline)	From 01.01.2026 to 05.02.2026
6	Issue of online/offline admit card	Till 10.02.2026
7	Date of KMRSST	15.02.2026 (10 AM)
8	Last date of entry of marks and display of result in web portal	25.02.2026
9	First merit list with issuing intimation letter through SMS, email, phone, letter	25.02.2026 onwards
10	Admission of first merit list students	02.03.2026 to 05.03.2026
11	Notice to absentees	05.03.2026
12	Issue of second merit list with issuing intimation letter	16.03.2026
13	Admission of second merit list students	From 16.03.2026 to 25.03.2026
14	Notice to absentees (second list)	25.03.2026
15	Issue of third provisional merit list (if required)	31.03.2026
16	Distribution of books/Commencement of new academic session	01.04.2026
17	Admission of third merit list students	From 31.03.2026 to 15.04.2026

Note:-

If any of the dates happens to be a public holiday, the next working day shall be treated as opening / closing date.