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The 14th annual **EducationWorld India School Rankings (EWISR) 2020-21** survey was released in Bangalore today. The survey rates and ranks the country's Top 2,000 schools in six main and twelve sub-categories – **Day**: Co-ed, Boys and Girls, Day-cum-boarding; **Boarding**: Co-ed, Girls and Boys; **International**: Day, Day-cum-boarding and fully Residential. It also rates and ranks India's best Special Needs; Private Budget and Government schools. This is the most comprehensive, indepth and extensive league tables of any schools ranking survey worldwide.

EWISR 2020-21 will be released over the months of November and December. The league tables of India's top Co-ed day, Day-cum-boarding, all Boys and all Girls schools, Government Day & Boarding schools and Special Needs schools were released today. League tables of Legacy Boarding schools (Co-ed, all Boys, exclusively Girls), New Genre International schools (Day, Day-cum-boarding and wholly Residential) and Budget Private Schools will be released in December.

Heritage Xperiential Learning School, Gurugram (Day co-ed), SAI International School, Bhubaneswar and DPS, RK Puram, Delhi (Day-cum-boarding), Carmel Convent School, Chandigarh (all Girls) and St. John's High School, Chandigarh (all Boys) are ranked India's #1 Day Schools in EWISR 2020-21.

To conduct the 2020-21 EWISR survey, the Delhi-based market research and opinion polls company Centre for Forecasting and Research Pvt. Ltd (C fore, estb.2000) constituted a sample respondents database of 11,368 individuals including school principals, teachers, educationists, fees-paying parents in SEC (socio-economic category) 'A', and senior school students in 28 major cities and education hubs across India. The sample respondents were persuaded to rate India's most well-known 2,000 primary-secondary schools on 14 parameters* of education excellence. To rate and rank the best government and private budget schools, parents in SEC 'B', 'C' and 'D' categories were also interviewed.

"We believe the comprehensive EWISR league tables will enable parents to choose the most suitable day schools for their children and also provide institutional managements insights into ways and means to continuously raise teaching learning-standards for the greater good of the community and country," says **Dilip Thakore, Founder-editor** of **EducationWorld**.

In addition to private schools, India's top Government Day and Residential schools are also rated and ranked. Kendriya Vidyalaya, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram is ranked as India's #1 Government Day School and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV), Chennithala is ranked #1 Government Boarding School. The Aditya Birla Integrated School, Mumbai is the top-ranked Special Needs School.

"The 14 wide-spectrum parameters on which all schools are assessed in EWISR surveys have set new benchmarks in provision of holistic education — which is reflected in the new National Education Policy 2020. This year taking note of the huge education disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, a new parameter — curriculum and pedagogy (digital readiness) has been introduced to rate and rank schools' online teaching-learning practices. I am confident that the EWISR 2020-21 league tables are robust and uncompromising and indeed an improvement over past C fore-EW surveys." says **Premchand Palety, Chief Executive of C fore**.

The 14 parameters of education excellence on which the schools were ranked are -

- · Academic Reputation
- · Competence of Faculty
- · Individual Attention to Students
- · Leadership/ Management Quality
- · Curriculum and pedagogy (digital readiness)
- Co-curricular Education
- · Safety and Hygiene
- · Community Service
- Internationalism
- · Parental Involvement
- · Teacher Welfare and Development
- · Value for Money
- · Sports Education
- · Infrastructure Provision

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