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RACE TO TOP: Capital Ninth Among 10 Regions; Kendriya Vidyalayas Best Performing Institution

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New Delhi: Like in the CBSE Class XII results this year, the Dehradun region did exceedingly well, accounting for 35 of the 97 toppers, while Delhi NCR had 39.

Region-wise, Trivandrum topped with a pass percentage of 99.85, followed by Chennai at 99 and Ajmer at 95.89. Contrary to the Class XII results, Delhi is in the ninth position among the 10 regions, though it has improved its overall pass percentage from 78.6% in 2018 to 81% this year. This region had the largest number of students appearing for the examination. Guwahati region is at the bottom with a pass percentage of 74.49%.

Speaking to TOI, Shivika Dudani, Delhi topper and ranked second all-India, said she worked extremely hard but had not expected to be one of the toppers. "They say an accomplishment has to be accompanied by intense hard work in order to make it worth the recognition. I want to pursue a medical career and have opted for science with biology stream."

In the Children with Special needs (CWSN) category, too, the number of students scoring 90% and above is at 275 and those scoring 95% and above are 48 of them. A total of 5,233 CWSN had appeared for the exam.

Among the institutions, Kendriya Vidyalayas have outperformed the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas this year. The KVs this year have a pass percentage of 99.47%, improving from 96.9% last year. Though they have mis-

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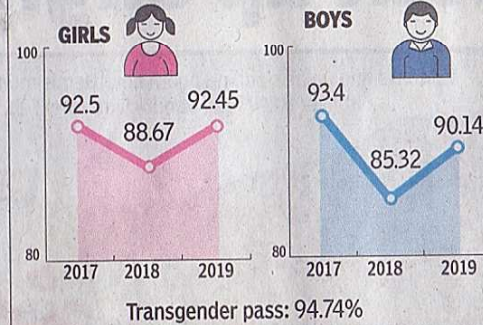
1 Overall pass percentage up from 2018, the year when Class X Boards made a comeback



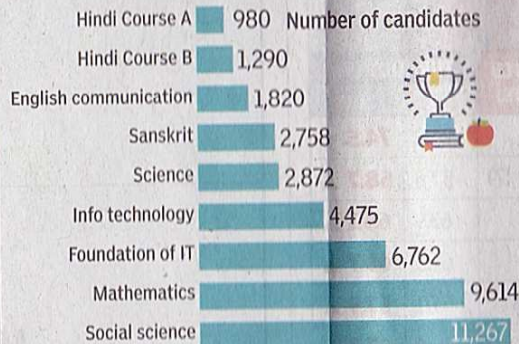
2 South leads the charts, Delhi 9th among 10 regions



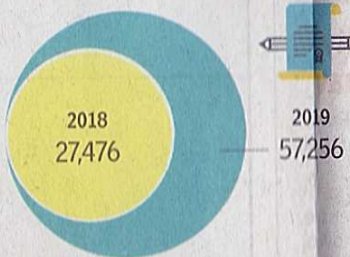
3 Girls outperform boys



4 Maximum number of 100% marks scored in social sciences, least in Hindi



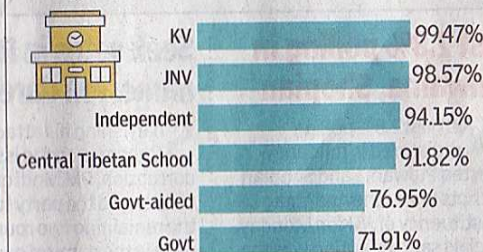
5 No. of students scoring 95% or above doubles from last yr



6 Differently abled candidates battle odds to impress



7 KVs and JNVs do well, just as they did in Class XII



sed the first slot, the pass percentage of the JNVs have improved to 98.57% from 97.3% last year. Lowest in rank among institutions are the government schools with a pass percentage of 71.91%, which however is an improvement from 63.9% last year. Even the number of candidates placed in compartment has decreased from 11% last year to 7.88% this year.

Anurag Tripathi, secretary, CBSE, said: "For Class X, there was a high court ruling due to which we had to declare the results on time. Class X, too, evaluation done simultaneously, was made this possible. We want to continue this trend."

Though the board increased the number of vigilators, the number of candidates found using unfair means increased from 118 in 2018 to 137 this year.

In what has brought a boost to NCR, as many as six students from Noida and Ghaziabad have scored 499 out of 500 marks, finishing themselves among the 10 national toppers in India.

In Ghaziabad, Ankur Khosla of SAJ School, Ishmit of Ch. Chhabil Dass Public School and Apporva Jaiswal of Uttam Public School secured the highest marks; all three were placed in the top 10. Ghaziabad scored 498 out of 500 and were placed joint second toppers in the country. Also, 10 students scored 497 out of 500 to place in the joint third spot in the country. Siddhant Pengra of the topper from Noida, Kirti Valley International School lost only one mark in English but scored 499 out of 500 in all subjects.