

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA  
SCHOOL & MASS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

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**NOTIFICATION**

**No. SME-MSSA-MSSA1-0039-2025- 17705 - /S&ME, Dt. 30/06/25 -**

As per the mandate of the National Education Policy, 2020 and in the interest of strengthening Foundational Learning and Early Childhood Education (ECE) the State Government for the first time has opened "Sishu Vatikas" in all Government Primary Schools where children in the age group of years 5-6 are admitted for Pre-School Education from the academic year 2025-26 onwards.

After careful consideration, in order to provide a better support system to the Primary Grade teachers and in the interest of achieving better learning outcomes for the Pre-School Education of young learners, the State Government have been pleased to decide as follows:-

**1. Engagement of Sishu Sevika:**

"Sishu Sevika" shall be engaged in Government school having Sishu Vatika with prescribed enrollment strength.

**2. Honorarium :**

The Honorarium for "Sishu Sevika" shall be of Rs. 3000/- per month.

**3. Hiring Process:**

The School Management Committee (SMC) at the school level shall be responsible for the engagement of Sishu Sevika.

Detailed guidelines for the hiring process and the duties of Sishu Sevikas will be issued separately by Odisha School Education Programme Authority (OSEPA).

The financial implication for hiring of Shishu Sevikas (with remuneration at par with Cook-cum-Helpers) has been approved by the Department of School Education and Literacy, Government of India, to be met from the annual budget of Samagra Sikshya.


**Order:** Ordered that this Notification be published in an extraordinary issue of the Odisha Gazette.

By order of the Governor

  
30/06/25  
Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt.

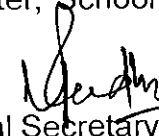
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Special Secretary to Govt. 20/6/2025

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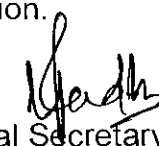
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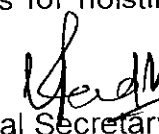
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