



GOOD SHEPHERD INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

OOTACAMUND - 643 004, INDIA



**The International General Certificate of Secondary Education
(IGCSE)**

**The Cambridge International Primary Programme
(CIPP)**

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

The International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE)

The International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) is a globally recognized qualification, offered by Cambridge International Examinations (CIE), United Kingdom, taken at the Class 10 level, similar to the Class 10 examinations of the CBSE and ICSE.

IGCSE, formed in 1986, is a comprehensive two-year programme, spread over Class 9 and 10, and leads to the final examinations offered every year in May. A student who has passed IGCSE is eligible for any +2 level qualification such as :

- Class 12 CBSE / ISC
- The IB Diploma
- Advanced Placement (United States) and
- CIE's own A / AS Level (United Kingdom).

IGCSE at GSIS

Of the five subject Groups in IGCSE, GSIS offers the following groupings :

- Group A : English, French / Thai, English Literature / Geography, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics, Business Studies / Computer Studies
- Group B : English, French / Thai, English Literature / Geography, Combined Science, Mathematics, Economics, Accounts, Business Studies / Computer Studies

Please note that the choice of subjects / combinations (IGCSE) is to be decided in consultation with the Admissions and Section Coordinators. It is recommended that students wishing to pursue higher studies in Science or Commerce may choose Group A or Group B subjects respectively.

Assessment in IGCSE :

The candidates have a choice of entering either in the Core or Extended level and they are graded between C and G (Core Level) and A* and G (Extended Level). IGCSE offers a wide range of subjects and encourages high academic standards through a practical approach to teaching and learning. Assessment is not limited to conventional written papers and it consists of a variety of tests, including oral and listening tests for the languages.

Recognition for the IGCSE :

IGCSE is recognized by colleges and universities worldwide and by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) for admissions into Indian colleges. Students will be eligible for the International Certificate of Education after studying the above combination offered at GSIS.

The Cambridge International Primary Programme (CIPP)

The Cambridge International Primary Programme (CIPP) is a comprehensive provision for teaching, learning and assessments in English, Mathematics and Science for students of Class III – Class VI.

This Programme is introduced for students intending to follow the Cambridge, or any other International Curriculum at a later stage. The Primary Programme helps to identify a student's strengths and weaknesses and supports the holistic learning and development of the student in early schooling.



CIPP at GSIS

CIPP aims :

- To develop a range of knowledge and skills that will provide a sound foundation upon which the secondary phase of education can be built.
- To provide a progressive framework of learning outcomes that is appropriate for students in the Primary Phase.
- To provide a structure that emphasizes the development of skills as well as knowledge.
- To provide a positive educational experience for all students.

Assessment in CIPP :

1. Cambridge International Primary Progression Test
2. Cambridge International Primary Achievement Test

The students will be assessed at the end of Class III, IV and V by the Cambridge International Progression Tests and at the end of Class VI, by the Cambridge International Primary Programme Achievement Test. This assessment is an external examination, internally evaluated, and moderated by the Cambridge International Examinations. All the students will be awarded a Cambridge Certificate of Achievement at the end of primary schooling.

The school proposes to introduce the Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme (CLSP) for classes VII and VIII in the near future.

For more information on the academic programme and any further details contact

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