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# Students to get 4-day residential training

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THE programme has been launched following the positive responses received for the film training classes imparted for students in Alapuzha and Thrissur districts the previous year. Under the 'Introduction to film-making' initiative, an online test has been conducted for over 20,000 students of classes VIII, IX and X.

A total of 420 students, 30 from each district, have been shortlisted on the basis of objective and descriptive questions pertaining to film studies. "These students will be provided a four-day residen-



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tial training programme in five centres across Kerala," says B Aburaj, SIET director.

The classes, conducted by field experts and KRNNIVSA faculty, will focus on fundamentals of screen-writing, editing and basics of cinematography, followed by critical evaluation of short films.

The students will be introduced to software and possible careers they could have in the field. The training programmes in Thiruvananthapuram and Thrissur have already been completed, while the camp in Kozhikode, consisting of students from Malappuram and Wayanad districts, was inaugurated by Transport Minister A K Saseendran on Monday.

"Once the entire session is completed, we will select the creamy layer of students who have given their best inputs and conduct intensive coaching programmes for them in the upcoming academic years," says Aburaj.