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All Heads of Institutions
Affiliated to the Board

Subject: Clarifications about ongoing Examination Reforms for the Session 2010-2011

Dear Principal,

You are aware that the scheme of Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE) and Grading System was introduced by Central Board of Secondary Education at Secondary Stage in all schools affiliated to it from the academic session 2009-2010. The reforms are continuing and being strengthened further during the ongoing session. The detailed information about the same is being given to schools from time to time through different circulars which are also available on CBSE website www.cbse.nic.in.

Some of the salient features of these reforms are being reiterated below for clarification, reinforcement and implementation.

- (a) The recently announced scheme of Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE) for classes IX and X is to be **followed in all schools** affiliated to the Board.
- (b) Under the CCE, an academic year has been divided into two terms-Term I extending from April to September and Term II from October to March except for winter closing schools. The latter will have Term I from Jan to June and Term II from July to December.
- (c) The syllabus in each subject for Classes IX and X has been distributed term wise. This term wise syllabus is available on the CBSE website at the CCE Corner under the section Secondary School Curriculum 2012.
- (d) The assessment scheme to be followed in Secondary as well as Senior secondary schools in classes IX and X is exactly the same except that Class-X students studying in secondary schools will take **Board conducted Summative Assessment-II (SA-II)** in place of **School conducted Summative Assessment-II (SA-II)** in Senior Secondary Schools.
- (e) All the students irrespective of their studying in secondary or senior secondary school or continuing or leaving the CBSE Board after class-X, will be required to undergo various assessments in co-scholastic areas in classes IX and X at school level as indicated earlier.

- (f) For assessment in scholastic areas the schools will undertake both Formative and Summative Assessments in both the classes IX and X. For Formative Assessments, detailed guidelines have been issued separately. For Summative Assessments, the question papers in every subject for classes IX and X for SA-I will be based on Term I syllabus and for SA-II on Term II syllabus.
- (g) Various assessments under scholastic areas and students required to appear therein are again clarified below:

	Class-IX		Class -X	
	Secondary School	Sr. Secondary School	Secondary School	Sr. Secondary School
Formative Assessment-I (FA-I)	All students	All students	All students	All students
Formative Assessment-II (FA-II)	All students	All students	All students	All students
Summative Assessment-I (SA-I)	All students	All students	All students	All students
Formative Assessment- III (FA-III)	All students	All students	All students	All students
Formative Assessment- IV (FA-IV)	All students	All students	All students	All students
Summative Assessment-II (SA-II) School conducted	All students	All students	Not applicable	All students except those leaving the CBSE Board
Summative Assessment-II (SA-II) Board Conducted	Not applicable	Not applicable	All students	Only those leaving the CBSE Board

- (h) The Summative Assessments-II (SA-II) conducted by the school (School conducted) and conducted by the Board (Board conducted) will be
 - 1. Based on same syllabus prescribed for Term II only,
 - 2. Will carry the same weightage of 40% towards final grade,
 - 3. Will be based on the same types of question papers in term of question paper design, blue print and difficulty level
 - 4. Will be evaluated on the basis of similar marking schemes prepared by the Board.
- (i) Both the School conducted SA-II and Board conducted SA-II will based on the question papers sent/vetted by the Board.
- (j) The students appearing in the School conducted SA-II will be assessed by the schools themselves and their answer books will be randomly verified by the Board. However, the students appearing in the Board conducted SA-II will be assessed by the External Examiners as has been the practice in the past for Board Examinations.

- (k) At the end of class-X, every student (irrespective of his/her studying in secondary or senior secondary school or continuing or leaving the CBSE Board after class X) will get the same Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation Certificate of School Based Assessment prepared, printed and signed by the Board. For this, the board will collect the data electronically from all the schools. The Board reserves the right to randomly verify the records of different assessments done by the schools and moderate the same if required. Detailed procedure for collection of data will be sent to the schools in due course of time.
- (I) All schools except winter closing schools are expected to conduct Term I Summative Assessment (SA-I) in the month of September and Term II Summative Assessment (SA-II) in the month of March. The Board will provide/vet the question papers and marking schemes in all the subjects for classes IX and X for SA-I as well as SA-II. For details regarding question papers for SA-I, the Board's Circular No. 43/2010 dated 02.8.2010 may please be referred to.

> Term I and Term II will have following weightage:

- **Term I**: FA1 (10%) +FA2 (10%) +SA1 (20%) = 40%
- **Term II**: FA3 (10%) +FA4 (10%) +SA2 (40%) = 60%

Formative Assessments:

• FA1 (10%) +FA2 (10%) + FA3 (10%) +FA4 (10%) = 40%

Summative Assessments:

• SA1 (20%) +SA2 (40%) = 60%

The schools may adapt the Report Card to some extent in terms of the size, colour, paper to be used, however, the divisions and the content must follow as given in the format. The Model Format of the Report Card is already provided to the schools. Schools are requested to use the current format w.e.f. this session both for Classes IX & X.

It is observed that information related to ongoing examination reforms which is put on CBSE website and sent to schools through different circulars from time to time does not reach all stakeholders. It results in undue anxiety and worry amongst them. Therefore, it is also requested that the above information may be shared with all students, teachers and particularly the parents.

The Board has initiated series of additional measures related to strengthening of scheme of Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation. Some of these include Monitoring and Mentoring programmes, development of supplementary materials on Formative Assessment in all subjects for classes IX-X, collection of feedback and suggestions on the scheme and organization of teacher training programmes on CCE. It is expected that all affiliated schools will make necessary efforts to understand, appreciate, implement and disseminate the ongoing examination reforms.

Yours sincerely,

(VINEET JOSHI) CHAIRMAN Copy with a request to respective Heads of Directorates/KVS/NVS/CTSA as indicated below to also disseminate the information to all concerned schools under their iurisdiction:

- 1. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18-Institutional Area, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi-110 016.
- 2. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, A-28, Kailash Colony, New Delhi.
- 3. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi-110 054.
- 4. The Director of Public Instructions (Schools), Union Territory Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh-160 017.
- 5. The Director of Education, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim 737 101.
- 6. The Director of School Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar- 791 111
- 7. The Director of Education, Govt. of A&N Islands, Port Blair-744 101.
- 8. Director of Education, SIE, CBSE Cell, VIP Road, Junglee Ghat, PO 744103, A&N Island.
- 9. The Secretary, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESS ESS Plaza, Community Centre, Sector 3, Rohini, Delhi-110 085.
- 10. All the Regional Officers of CBSE with the request to send this circular to all the Heads of the affiliated schools of the Board in their respective regions.
- 11. The Education Officers/AEOs of the Academic Branch, CBSE.
- 12. The Joint Secretary (IT) with the request to put this circular on the CBSE website.
- 13. The Library and Information Officer, CBSE
- 14. EO to Chairman, CBSE
- 15. PA to Secretary, CBSE
- 16. PA to Director (Acad.)
- 17. PA to HOD (AIEEE)
- 18. PA to HOD (Edusat)
- 19. PRO, CBSE

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