All Heads of Institutions affiliated to CBSE

Subject: Orientation cum Training Programme on the Alternative Academic Calendar

In view of the extraordinary situation prevailing in the world due to COVID-19 pandemic, the Board, vide its circular no. 47/2020 dated 7th July 2020, had announced the ‘Revised Academic Curriculum for classes IX-XII for the session 2020-21’. The reduced topics will not be part of the internal assessment or for the Board examination to be held in 2020-21. The rationalization of syllabus up to 30% has been undertaken by the Board for nearly 190 subjects of class IX to XII as a one-time measure only. The objective is to reduce the examination stress of students due to the prevailing health emergency situation and prevent learning gaps.

CBSE, vide its circular no. 30/2020 dated 25th April 2020, had earlier advised schools to adopt/adapt the Alternative Academic Calendar developed by NCERT for Primary and Upper classes, which was again reiterated by the Board through its circular no. Acad-48/2020, dated 8th July 2020.

The closure of the schools and lack of face to face interaction, may pose challenge in achieving the desired level of learning. The rationalized topics are to be covered by using the various strategies mentioned/narrated/provided in the Alternate Academic Calendar. This calendar includes not only generic guidelines and subject specific activities, but also detailed material on the use of different technological and social media tools as well as strategies for reducing stress and anxiety in the present time. These guidelines also contain activities related to art education, health & physical education and reference of many learning resources along with textbooks.

To ensure uniformity and standardization in the transaction of the rationalized curriculum without compromising on the quality and learning level of students, the Board is organizing a virtual Orientation Programme for Principals and Teachers on 17th July 2020 at 3pm onwards. Sri Manoj Ahuja, IAS, Chairman CBSE and Dr Hrushikesh Senapaty, Director, NCERT have kindly consented to give special address and interact with the Principals.

The Programme will be live streamed at following link
https://stream.meet.google.com/stream/5458f984-641e-4841-847b-61c30d2d3a9f

Principals can join through the device in which they are logged in with email id available on cbseshiksha.in domain. Programme shall also be webcasted through social media platforms of CBSE and link of the same shall be circulated through CBSE-CoEs and e-Sandesh.

The Principals of all the affiliated schools of the Board, are thereby directed to ensure that they along with their teachers participate in this programme, so that the rationalized curriculum is transacted in the right spirit.

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Director (Training & Skill Education)
Copy to the respective Heads of Directorates, Organizations and Institutions as indicated below with a request to disseminate the information to all the schools under their jurisdiction:

1. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18-Institutional Area, SJS Marg, Delhi-110016.
3. The Additional Chief Secretary(School Education), Government of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim –737101
4. Principal Secretary(School Education), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar
5. The Principal Secretary (School Education), Government of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi - 54.
6. The Principal Secretary(School Education), Union Territory Secretariat, Sec- 9, Chandigarh
7. The Principal Secretary (School Education), Govt. of A&N Islands, Port Blair
8. The Principal Secretary (School Education), Govt. of Odisha
9. The Principal Secretary(School Education), Govt. of Chhattisgarh
10. The Principal Secretary(School Education), Govt. of Tripura
11. The Principal Secretary(School Education), Govt. of Haryana
12. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi
13. The Director of Public Instructions (Schools), Union Territory Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh-160017
14. The Director of Education, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim –737101
15. The Director of School Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar –791 111
16. The Director of Education, Govt. of A&N Islands, Port Blair - 744101
17. The Director, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESSESSPlaza,CommunityCentre,Sector3,Rohini
18. The Additional Director General of Army Education, A–Wing, SenaBhawan, DHQ, PO, New Delhi-110001
19. The Secretary AWES, Integrated Headquarters of MoD (Army), FDRC Building No. 202, Shankar Vihar (Near APS), Delhi Cantt-110010
20. All Regional Directors/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 for compliance.
21. All Regional Director/Heads/ In-Charges, CBSE-COE's with request to disseminate the information
22. The Head Public Relations , CBSE
23. EO to Chairperson, CBSE
24. SPS to Secretary, CBSE
25. SPS to Director (Information Technology), CBSE
26. SPS to Director (Academics) CBSE.
27. SPS to Controller of Examinations, CBSE
28. SPS to Director(Training & Skill Education), CBSE
29. SPS to Director(Professional Exam), CBSE
30. In charge IT Unit with the request to put this circular on the CBSE Academic website

Director (Training and Skill Education)