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To,  
All the schools that are offering Vocational Courses  
Under hospitality and Tourism Sector

**Subject: Introduction of New Vocational Courses in Food Production and Food & Beverage Services under Hospitality and Tourism Sector.**

Dear Principal

You might be aware that India offers diverse opportunities for Hospitality & Tourism. Over 5 million foreign tourists come to India every year. By comparison, domestic tourism is significantly greater. Recent statistics reveal that India is likely to witness a further increase in both domestic and international tourists' strength. Annual demand for trained manpower in hotels and restaurants is approximately 2.03 lakh per year. Huge expansions are envisaged in the fast food/café segment as well as hotels.

Keeping in view the acute shortage of trained professionals and the emphasis of Govt of India on development of employability skills, the CBSE has introduced two vocational packages under Hospitality and Tourism Sector and the packages are

1. Food Production (Subject codes 734-735)
2. Food & Beverage Services.(Subject Codes 736-737)

The new course consists of two vocational subjects each in classes XI & XII. Besides these two vocational subjects students can take one language and two academic elective subjects relevant to the field. Students also have the option to take up any two academic elective subjects besides two

vocational subjects. The students can also opt for sixth additional subject which can either be a language or an academic elective subject.

It has been observed that some of the schools are still offering the following vocational packages (old) under H&T Sector:

1. Food Service & Management (Subject codes -675-677)
2. Hotel Management and Catering Technology (Subject codes-690-692)

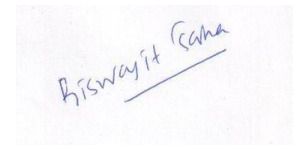
These schools are hereby given the option to take up the revised newly introduced vocational packages (734-735& 736-737) mentioned above instead of the old vocational packages (675-677 & 690-692) so as to enable the students better suitability for the job market under the current scenario. It is advisable that no fresh admissions in the old vocational packages are made from the coming academic session (2013-2014).

Successful students of the two vocational streams who wish to make career in hospitality, would be able to find ready employment in this sector. The National Council of Hospitality and Catering Technology NCHMCT, which is the professional body for the joint certification, is exploring possibilities for providing the students passing out this course with an additional weightage in the entrance examination for graduate courses in Hotel Management in the institutes of Hotel Management in the country.

Looking forward to continued support and cooperation towards the growth and development of Vocational Education in your State.

However, please note that students who have enrolled for the old vocational package in the academic session 2012-13 may appear for the final examination for Class XII in 2014 under the same old package itself and no further admissions be done under the old vocational package w.e.f. the next academic session i.e. 2013-14.

With regards.



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