



## केन्द्रीय माध्यमिक शिक्षा बोर्ड

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, के अधीन एक स्वायत्त संगठन  
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Heads of Schools affiliated to CBSE

**Subject: Awareness about piracy of the textbooks published by the NCERT**

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. The syllabus prescribed by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) recommends the textbooks published by the NCERT for classes IX-XII for all the major subjects. For classes I-VIII, as per Rule 15-1(d) of the Affiliation Bye-Law "The school will follow the textbooks published by NCERT for the Middle Classes as far as practicable".
2. The piracy of textbooks is illegal and leads to the financial loss to NCERT and also precludes the availability of quality textbooks to students. The pirated textbooks are printed on cheaper quality paper and may not have the authentic content which can negatively affect the scholastic performance of students.
3. In order to curb the piracy of the textbooks published by it, the NCERT has taken several measures such as:
  - publication of a list of wholesale agents found guilty of selling pirate textbooks on the NCERT's website ([www.ncert.nic.in](http://www.ncert.nic.in))
  - Insertion of NCERT WATERMARK in the textbooks
  - legal action against people guilty of indulging in the piracy of the textbooks
4. As the schools affiliated to the CBSE are the major clientele of the textbooks published by the NCERT, you are requested to disseminate the following information to parents, teachers, and students regarding textbooks published by the NCERT:
  - i. All teachers and students must ensure that they are using genuine NCERT textbooks, which carry the watermark of the NCERT logo on several pages.
  - ii. Booksellers cannot charge more than the price printed on the book (e.g. by rubber stamping another price or by using a sticker of another price).
  - iii. The customer has the right to demand the NCERT textbook in its original form i.e., without any additional binding and, at the price printed in it.
5. You may also ask parents and students that if they doubt the quality of a textbook published by the NCERT, they may bring the details of the textbook and the bookstore which sold it in the notice of NCERT authorities at [vigileg.ncert@gmail.com](mailto:vigileg.ncert@gmail.com) and help prevent piracy.

Yours faithfully,

(D T Sudarshan Rao)  
Joint Secretary and In-charge (Academics and Training)

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**Joint Secretary and In charge (Academics and Training)**

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**Buy only original NCERT textbooks, not the fake ones.**

Before buying any NCERT textbook, make sure it carries the watermark of the NCERT logo shown below, on many pages in it.

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