



केन्द्रीय माध्यमिक शिक्षा बोर्ड

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, के अधीन एक स्वायत्त संगठन
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Circular No. ACAD 13/2016

The Heads of all CBSE affiliated schools

Subject: Use of NCERT/CBSE Textbooks.

Dear Principal,

This is in continuation of our Circular No Acad-41/2015 dated July 20, 2015 regarding use of textbooks for various classes by schools affiliated to CBSE.

In spite of many directions from the Board, it has been found that some of the schools affiliated to CBSE still force children and their parents to buy textbooks other than NCERT/CBSE textbooks as is evident from the complaints received in the Board.

In this context, CBSE would like to reiterate in unequivocal terms that prescribing of too many textbooks and coercing parents and children to buy them is unhealthy practice that is educationally unsound, specially since NCERT textual materials are the base for preparing test items in the Board Examinations and the Question Paper of CBSE is set according to prescribed syllabus of the subject.

NCERT is running its own sales counters at Ajmer, Bhopal, Shilong, Bhubaneswar, Mysore, Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Kolkata, Guwahati and New Delhi for catering to the needs of individuals and schools. Any school affiliated to CBSE can procure their requirement of NCERT text books in bulk from all the Centres. It is also informed that the books published by the NCERT for classes I to XII are available free of cost at epathshala.nic.in and the publication by CBSE are available free of cost at e-cbse portal at www.cbse.nic.in. Schools may share this information with the students and parents so as to let them avail the benefits of this facility.

It is once again requested that schools should not force parents to buy additional textbooks and follow the guidelines laid down by the Board in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

(Sugandh Sharma)
Additional Director

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