OFFICE MEMORANDUM

The Central Advisory Board on Education (CABE) at its 64th meeting held on 6th and 7th September, 2005 considered and approved the National Curriculum Framework (NCF) for Secondary Education 2005. The CABE also recommended that a Monitoring Committee be set up to oversee the process of syllabus formation and textbook writing, publication and distribution. It has accordingly been decided to constitute a Monitoring Committee with the following terms of reference:

1. To ensure that syllabi and textbooks finalised by the NCERT reflect the values enshrined in the Constitution in the organization of knowledge in all subjects.
2. To ensure that the main thrust of the NCF 2005, i.e. to reduce curricular burden is fully reflected and carried out in the syllabi and textbooks,
3. To ensure that textbooks encourage classroom pedagogy which enables both teachers and children to explore and use other resources of learning,
4. To ensure that all textbooks reflect sensitivity to gender, caste and class parity and the needs in all subjects of children with disability,
5. To ensure that environmental education, peace, health issues and work related attitudes and values are infused in all subjects,
6. To ensure that textbooks are free of errors and distortions, and
7. To review the schedule of textbook publication.

2. The Committee will consist of the following:-

(ii) Prof. G. P. Deshpande, 10, B, Althashree, Pashan – Sus Road, Pashan, Pune-411 021. Co-Chairman

Representatives of State Governments

(iii) Smt. Anshu Vaish, Principal Secretary (School Education), Govt of Madhya Pradesh, Vallabh Bhawan, Mantralaya, Bhopal-462 004.
(iv) Shri D. Chakravorty, Principal Secretary (School Education), Govt of West Bengal, Bikiash Bhavan, Salt Lake City, Kolkata-700 091.
(v) Shri R.R. Rashmi, Secretary (School Education), Govt of Manipur, Manipur Secretariat, Imphal-795 001, Manipur.
(vii) Smt. Lida Jacob, Secretary (School Education), Govt of Kerala, Secretariat, Thiruvanthapuram-695 001.
(viii) Shri M.G. Marathe, Director, SCERT, Pune, Maharashtra
(viii) Ms. Nini Meru, Chairperson, Nagaland Board of School Education, Kohima-797 001.

CABE Members

(ix) Dr. Vinod Raina, Bharat Gyan Vigyan Samiti, Basement of YWA Bldg, Hostel No.2, Block-G, Saket, New Delhi
(x) Dr. J. S. Grewal, 29 Sector-11, Chandigarh-160 016.
(xi) Shri Ashok Ganguly, Chairman, CBSE, Preet Vihar, New Delhi.

NCERT Governing Council Members

(xii) Prof. Krishna Kumar, Director, NCERT, Sri Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi-110 016.
(xiii) Prof Chandrakant Deotale, Shaskiya Awas Griha, Rajasva Colony, Opposite ADM Bunglow, Ujjain-456 010
(xiv) Dr. Nandana Reddy, Director, 303/2, L.B. Shastri Nagar, Vimanapura Post, Bangalore-560 017, Karnataka.
(xv) Smt. Shobha Vajpeyi, Middle School, Uda, District Harda, Madhya Pradesh.

Educationists

(xvi) Prof. A. K. Sharma, former Director (NCERT), A-18, Sector-33, NOIDA-201307.

Chairpersons of National Focus Groups on Curricular Areas

(xvii) Prof. R. Ramanujam (Mathematics), Institute of Mathematical Science, 4th Cross, CIT Campus, Tharamani, Chennai-600 113
(xviii) Prof. Arvind Kumar (Science), Centre Director, Homi Bhabha Centre for Science Education, V.N. Purao Marg, Mankhurd, Mumbai-400 088.
(xix) Prof Gopal Guru (Social Sciences), Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, JNU, New Delhi-110 067.
(xx) Prof. Ramakant Agnihotri (Indian Languages), Department of Linguistics, University of Delhi, Delhi-110 007.
(xxii) Prof. Amrita Valli (English), Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Hyderabad-500 007.

Member Secretary

(xxii) Smt. Anita Kaul, Secretary (NCERT) Sri Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi-110 016.
The Monitoring Committee will commence its work immediately and will continuously review the activities related to finalisation of syllabi and textbook writing, publication and distribution.

TA/DA to non-official members will be paid by the NCERT at approved rates. Secretarial and other assistance to the Committee will be provided by the NCERT.

(Keshav Desiraju)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India
Tel.: 23384359

Copy to:

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(2) All State/UT Government Secretaries (Education)
(3) Chairman, CBSE, New Delhi
(4) JEA(Planning) Deptt of S&HE, with a request that this may be forwarded to all CABE Members
(5) Director (NCERT) with the request that this may be forwarded to all Members of the NCERT Governing Council
(6) PS to HRM
(7) Sr. PPS to Secretary (EE&L)/Sr. PPS to Secretary (S&HE)
Office Memorandum

In continuation to this Ministry’s Office Memorandum of even number dated the 13th September, 2005 through which a Monitoring Committee has been constituted, the undersigned is directed to say that in the first sentence of the OM under reference, there has been a typographical error. The words “64th meeting” have been erroneously mentioned in place of “54th meeting”.

2. It has been further decided to include the following two names who are also the members of the Central Advisory Board for Education (CABE), in the Monitoring Committee:

1. Prof. Zoya Hasan, Chairperson, Centre for Political Studies, 139, Uttra Khand, JNU, New Delhi-110016.
2. Shri Praful Bidwai, 1st Floor, A-26, Jangpura Extension, New Delhi-110014.

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