ABSTRACT

Syllabus - Received syllabus from Standards VI to XII - Implementation from 2003-2004 - Approval of revised curriculum and syllabus and approval of important points in the principles of curriculum - Orders issued.

School Education (Q2) Department

G.O. Ms. No. 46

Dated: 14-5-2004


ORDER:

In the G.O. first read above, Government issued orders constituting a High Level Committee to revise syllabi for all subjects from Standards VI to XII to suit the present needs of the Student Community. The Director of School Education has stated that the above said High Level Committee met several times and framed the School curriculum and also constituted separate Expert Committees for various subjects which have developed syllabi for various courses.

2. In the G.O. second read above, the Government issued orders constituting a High Level Expert Committee to introduce new syllabus in schools.

3. The Director of School Education in his letters read above, has furnished the "Principles of Revised Curriculum" and syllabus for Standards VI to XII and requested the Government to approve and publish the same in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette. The Director of School Education has also requested Government orders approving the important points that are incorporated in the Principles of Curriculum, which attracts some changes in the curriculum. The Director of School Education has also recommended to conduct Orientation courses to teachers so as to teach the new text materials effectively by using teaching appliances.


5. The Government accept the recommendation of the Director of School Education and approve the following Important points incorporated in the Principles of Curriculum with certain modifications:

1. To Introduce new text books in a phased programme in the following manner:

   (i) VI, IX & Tamil Text only for Std. X: 2003-2004
   (ii) VII, XI and all other subjects except Tamil Text in Std. X: 2004-2005
   (iii) VIII & XII: 2005-2006

2. To Introduce one paper for the Higher Secondary Public Examination in Languages under part - I and Part - II, instead of two papers in Higher Secondary Courses in the Board Examinations.

3. To delete the following languages from the school curriculum, that are permitted in the present system, since the number of candidates appearing for the Higher Secondary Examination is less than 50.

   (a) Gujarathi   (b) Persian   (c) German   (d) Latin
4. To introduce Computer Science as one of the subject from IX standard and later on be extended from VI to VIII standard.

5. To introduce the newly recognised groups as mentioned in Annexure-1 to the Stream as stated in the Principles of Curriculum.

6. To drop the following eleven subjects from the present list of subjects for Secondary classes due to poor demand:
   (1) Ayurveda
   (2) Drawing & Painting
   (3) Foundation Science
   (4) Indian Music
   (5) Logic
   (6) Philosophy
   (7) Psychology
   (8) Sociology
   (9) Siddha
   (10) Western Music
   (11) Advanced English

   Advanced Tamil shall be retained as one of the optional subject in Group II.

7. To introduce five new subjects in Higher Secondary Courses, as follows with effect from 2004-2005.
   1) Bio-chemistry
   2) Micro Biology
   3) Nursing
   4) Nutrition & Dietetics
   5) English for Communication

8. Out of 2 periods allotted for value education, one period be utilized for enhancing the skill of spoken English from standards VI to X.

9. To introduce Science Experiments for Stds. IX and X. One period per week will be allotted for practicals and have a separate practical note book.

10. To fix, a minimum of 30 students per group in respect of academic stream and 15 students for Vocational stream in respect of schools located in urban areas and 10 for Vocational stream in respect of schools located in rural areas.


12. To fix the total number of working days into 200 days, out of which 180 days will be exclusively devoted for actual teaching learning process.

13. Working hours
    The No. of working hours per day will be 5 hours and 40 minutes as follows:
    Forenoon 4 periods x 45 minutes = 180 minutes
    Afternoon 4 periods x 40 minutes = 160 minutes
    Total = 340 minutes
    = 5 hours 40 minutes

14. Allocation of periods at secondary and Higher Secondary stage are as stated in Annexure-I/6

15. Based on the revised syllabus and textbooks, orientation courses will be conducted to the teachers by Director of Teacher Education, Research and Training. The development of training manual for the orientation courses will be prepared and training programs conducted in collaboration with Director of Teacher Education, Research and Training.

6. The Director of School Education has reported that as per the Principles of Curriculum, it is necessary to follow the Language books prescribed in the CBSE system for the Languages viz. Hindi, Sanskrit, Arabic, and French, since the present text books followed for these languages are at elementary level. In connection, the Government directs the Director of School Education to obtain the Expert opinions from Professors of these languages, before taking a final decision in this matter.
7. The Government also accept the proposal of the Director of School Education to conduct courses to teachers during June and July of every academic year and to prepare training material by the Director of School Education in consultation with the Director of Teacher Education, Research and Training without involving any financial commitment to Government.

(By ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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In Higher Secondary Stage: (XI and XII):

Each student should choose one group of study which consists of four subjects under Part - III, including three core subjects and one optional subject except Group IIA.


             History/Psychological Science/Ethics and Indian Culture/Advanced Language

4. Optional: Political Science/Computer Science/Statistics/English for Communication/Ethics
             and Indian Culture/Advanced Language (Tamil)

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ANNEXURE - II
Allocation of periods at Secondary Stage: (VI to X std)

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**ALLOCATION OF PERIODS AT A HIGHER SECONDARY STAGE ACADEMIC STREAM:**
- Tamil or any other Indian Language : 4 periods
- English : 4 periods
- Electives: 4×7 : 28 periods
- Scientific Tamil, Value Education, Library Education:
  - Community Service and Physical & Health Education : 4 periods

Total : 40 periods

**ALLOCATION OF PERIODS AT HIGHER SECONDARY STAGE VOCATIONAL STREAM:**
- Tamil or any other Indian Language : 4 periods
- English : 4 periods
- Vocation subjects including related subjects, theory and practicals : 28 periods
- Scientific Tamil, Value Education, Library Education:
  - Community Service and Physical & Health Education : 4 periods

Total : 40 periods

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