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(An autonomous Organisation under the Union Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India)

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CBSE/CU/143 online/2013

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All the Heads of the Institutions affiliated to CBSE

**Subject: Conduct of Problem Solving Assessment (PSA) on 18.01.2014 for Classes IX and XI and Improvement for Classes X and XII**

Dear Principal,

As you are aware that the First Problem Solving Assessment (PSA) for students of Class IX and Class XI for Summer Bound schools was conducted on 16th February, 2013 for academic session 2012-13, with the objectives of assessing students' abilities to analyse given life situations, to comprehend and interpret written text and other essential higher order thinking skills.

You are requested to refer to point-8 and point-9 of the **Circular No. Acad-40/2012** dated 01.08.2012 which are as follows:

Point-8: The 'Problem Solving Assessment' (CBSE-PSA) will be counted towards FA-4 which is 10% of total assessments of Class IX. This assessment will also be carried forward towards the FA-4 in Class X. This score will be reflected in one Language (English or Hindi), Mathematics, Science and Social Science w.e.f the session 2012-13 for Class IX and 2013-14 for Class X. The same score will be reflected in FA-4 for class IX and Class X.

Point-9: The students will have the option to improve their PSA Score in Class X, as they can sit for the test with Class IX students of the Session 2013-14 in January–February 2014. The best scores will be reflected in the final certificate in case of those applying for improvement

Accordingly, in order to reiterate its decision for considering best score the schools were requested that if a candidate wishes to improve performance in Problem Solving Assessment (PSA) in Class X/XII may opt for the same along with Online List of Candidates (LOC) for Classes X/XII for Academic Session 2013-14 by paying Rs 100/- per candidate. PSA for such candidates will be conducted on 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 with summer bound schools along with Class IX/XI candidates.

Candidates from winter bound schools registered in Class IX/ XI for academic session 2013-14 upto 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2013 were permitted to appear in PSA on 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2013.

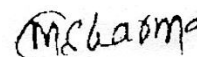
It has been observed that while submitting the Online **List of Candidates (LOC) for Classes X/XII for Academic Session 2013-14** many schools forgot to provide the details of candidates who wish to improve performance in Problem Solving Assessment (PSA) in Class X/XII.

In view of demand from various schools, they are given one more chance to provide the details of those candidates who wish to improve performance in Problem Solving Assessment (PSA) in Class X/XII. The details for such candidates, if not provided earlier, **may be submitted online by 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2013.**

The following Steps 1 to 04 are to be followed in sequence for online submission of details of those candidates who wish to improve performance in PSA in Class X/XII.

| Steps | Activities to be done for submission of details of those candidates who wish to improve performance in PSA in Class X/XII.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Nature of Activity |
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| 1     | Click on the link ' <b>Submission of details of Candidates for improvement of PSA in Class X/XII for Academic Session 2013-14</b> ' in the website <a href="http://www.cbse.nic.in">www.cbse.nic.in</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                    |
| 2     | Login:<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Use your <b>affiliation number</b> as <b>user-ID</b></li> <li>➤ Use <b>password</b> as given by you at the time of submission of details of <b>List of Candidates (LOC) for Classes X/ XII for academic session 2013-14.</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Online             |
| 3     | On Main Menu, following four sections shall be available (to be selected in sequential order) :<br><b>a) For generation of Check List and Updation of Improvement cases in PSA :</b><br>To generate the list of candidates for selected class. The list will be having only those candidate whose Improvement in PSA option was not submitted earlier and the data was finalised. The option for Improvement in PSA exam can be selected by ticking/un-ticking against each candidate. When all the records are checked then click "UPDATE I-PSA STATUS" to update the data.<br><br><b>b) Finalisation of data of Improvement cases in PSA :</b><br>This option should be run only when selection of Improvement in PSA option is done using option(a). Once this option is run, no modification in Improvement in PSA option is possible. Hence this should be run when you are sure that all the candidates opting for Improvement in PSA are covered. On finalisation of data, a lot no. will be generated and shown on the screen, note down this lot no. which will be required for fee details submission.<br><br><b>c) Submission of fee Details for Improvement cases in PSA</b><br>You can submit fee details after finalisation of data. Enter the lot no., which was shown at the time of finalisation of data in option (b), and select class.<br><br><b>d) Generation of FINAL LIST for Improvement cases in PSA</b><br>Final list can be generated after submission of fee in option (c). This list is to be signed and submitted to the Regional Office concerned. | Online             |
| 4     | Submission of FINAL LIST for Improvement cases in PSA along with Fee to concerned Regional Office by Post                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Manual             |

Yours faithfully,



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