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To

All the Heads of independent schools affiliated to CBSE

Subject: National Competition for Technological Innovations and Traditional Knowledge

Dear Principal,

You may recall that the 11<sup>th</sup> National Conference of CBSE Sahodaya School Complexes was held during October, 2004 at Bangalore. The conference extensively deliberated on the theme of Nurturing Creativity in Schools. Prof. Anil Gupta from the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad had addressed the delegates on his vision of making India innovative. He gave many instances of innovative ideas coming from extraordinarily talented students from all over the country. The data base of such innovations that he has developed is available with us in the form of a CD and if you want a copy, you may write to us.

To extend this initiative further, the CBSE is collaborating with National Innovation Foundation to identify and nurture the innovative and creative spirit of the student community. You will agree that there are many talented students who have innovative ideas in both modern technology and traditional knowledge, Prof. Gupta quotes the instance of a student harnessing the power of flowing drainage by inserting a shaft with a dynamo into the sewer pipes. There is another example of a class VIII student from Guwahati who has employed traditional knowledge of herbs to prepare a herbal mosquito repellant.

The National Competition invites entries from students on innovations in both technological and traditional knowledge. Entries from students on plain paper providing all the details such as the idea/device, drawings, materials needed etc., accompanied by samples, if any and certified by the Principal as the original work of the student, may be sent to the following address under intimation to the CBSE.

National Coordinator (Scouting & Documentation)
National Innovation Foundation
Satellite Complex, Bungalow No. 1
Premchand Nagar Road, Jodhpur Tekra
AHMEDABAD ◆ 380 015
Tel. 079/26732095, 26732456, 26753338
Fax 079/26731903

The last date for the receipt of entries at the above address is 31st August 2005. Selected innovations will be suitably rewarded and the young innovators will be honoured at an appropriate forum. You are requested to give wide publicity to this programme and to encourage as

many students as you can to participate in this competition. For enquiries and correspondence please contact Mr. P. Mani, Education Officer (H&L), CBSE, 2, Community Centre, Preet Vihar, Delhi • 110 092. Tel. 011/22459734.

Yours sincerely,

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