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Press Statement

1. The news report which has appeared in a prominent newspaper today stating that **'50% of class XII CBSE students who asked for re-evaluation got more marks'** does not withhold the scrutiny of any facts. Out of the approximately 1.5 crore answer copies (of 28 lakhs candidates of class X and XII Board), over 61 lakhs copies were from class XII. Of these, there were 66,876 applications for the first stage verification process. Out of these 66,876, finally there were changes in marks in only 4632 cases, which is 6.9% of the total. Hence overall, out of about 61 lakh copies, marks changed in case of only 0.075 % cases. Therefore, these news reports are completely misleading and have twisted the facts.
2. Re-evaluation is not a facility provided by all Secondary or senior secondary Boards in India. However, the CBSE provides for the facility of verification of marks, obtaining photocopy of evaluated answer books and Revaluation of answer books in a three process format which are interlinked and have to be complied by a student, for getting their answer sheets re-evaluated.
3. It is also important to mention here that earlier the Board's policy was to not affect any changes after re-evaluation if the changes ranged between 1-5 marks, as it is an accepted international norm that there will be 5-7% differences in evaluation between one evaluator and another. However, **in compliance of the orders of 2017 of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, CBSE in 2018 considered changes in marks even in the range of 1-5** which has led to an increase in the number of cases where changes have been recorded after revaluation.
4. It is also pertinent to mention here that out of 4632 cases where there has been an increase in marks, there are 3200 such cases which fall in the increase by 1-5 marks category, which otherwise was considered zero error by the Board earlier. **Board has already initiated suspension and strict action in case of 214 teachers for callous evaluation.**
5. It is reiterated that to minimise human error further CBSE will further strengthen the system with teachers and evaluators training and increasing appropriate technological interventions aimed towards the overall improvement for the benefit of students.

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