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All Heads of institutions

affiliated to CBSE

Subject: Encouraging Indian Classical Music and Culture

Dear Principal,

CBSE has been advocating the imperative need for holistic education for the all-round development of the child. Besides scholastic areas schools should pay equal attention to co-scholastic activities such as music, dance and art. Providing opportunities for children to nurture and develop their innate creative talents is a responsibility of the school in particular and the society in general. Performing arts and fine arts help the children develop aesthetics, balance and self-fulfillment.

In a fast changing social order that is characterized by global pressures and consumerism it is crucial to strengthen the cultural roots by preserving, promoting and popularizing national heritage. The ideal way to do it is by encouraging the youth to develop a taste and interest in classical music and classical dance. The Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Among Youth (SPIC MACAY) has been rendering yeomen service in this field for many years. It organizes musical concerts and dance events in different parts of the country, creating opportunities for the youth and children to enjoy the live performances of renowned artistes. Besides providing an exposure for the students to classical music and dance, such events also inspire children to appreciate the intrinsic value of our national heritage. These concerts also serve the purpose of refining and elevating the taste of children in music and dance.

It is an opportunity that the affiliated schools should utilize to bring great artistes to the portals of their institutions. Clusters of schools in a locality or Sahodaya School Complexes wherever they are active may organize SPIC MACAY cultural events/workshops to benefit a large section of student population. Schools may get in touch with the following address for details :-

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Yours sincerely,

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