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Circular No. 75

All the Chairpersons of Sahodaya School Complexes.

Subject: 17th National Annual Conference of Sahodaya School Complexes

2010 to be held from 19th – 21st December, 2010 at Bangalore.

Dear All,

The Central Board of Secondary School launched a networking concept among its schools called "SAHODAYA" in the year 1986. The concept of Sahodaya is imbued with the spirit of 'caring & sharing' and is meant to facilitate closer networking and collaboration among the schools of the CBSE family aimed at excellence in education.

The Sahodaya School Complex is a group of neighborhood schools who voluntarily come together to share best practices and innovative strategies in various aspects of school education including curriculum design, evaluation and pedagogy and also in providing support to teachers by regular capacity building exercises. Some Sahodaya clusters also engage with parents and leaders in the community to build partnerships and network for a larger cause.

At present there are around 250 active Sahodaya School Clusters across the country with the networking of 4500 schools. In order to bring Sahodaya members on a common platform the Board conducts a **National Annual Conference of Sahodaya School Complexes** every year on an identified theme of current educational relevance. Besides facilitating broad interactions among practitioners, it also serves as an effective channel of interaction between schools and the CBSE and thereby helps the Board in formulating its policies in a progressive and pragmatic manner. The deliberations on the issues arising out of the conference theme trigger meaningful thought processes which are then encapsulated in the form of Recommendations and disseminated to the other members of the Sahodaya.

The Board proposes to conduct the 17th National Annual Sahodaya Conference at Bangalore on 20th and 21st December 2010, with a pre-conference dinner on 19thDecember, 2010. The detailed schedule will be communicated shortly and will also be available on the Bangalore Sahodaya Schools Complex website at www.bangaloresahodaya.org. The theme of the conference is "Managing Change for Better Learning". The sub-themes for the conference will be the following:

- 1. School Based Assessments
- 2. Addressing Resistance to Change
- 3. Teacher empowerment
- 4. Supporting teachers in implementing CCE
- 5. Embedding Technology in CCE Environment
- 6. Strengthening Formative Learning

- 7. Responding to diversity through CCE
- 8. Aptitude and Proficiency Going beyond Achievement
- 9. Dimensions of Co-scholastic Skills
- 10. Life Skills Education

You are requested to kindly depute two or three principals from your Sahodaya School Complex to attend the proposed conference. In the event of more Principals from your Sahodaya School Complexes intending to attend, you may send the list to the undersigned marking a copy to the host Sahodaya before 30th November, 2010. The delegates would be required to report at the venue by 5.00 pm in the evening of 19th December, 2010 for registration so that they can attend the formal inauguration at 6.00 pm to be followed by pre conference dinner and leave only after the conclusion of the conference on 21st December, 2010.

The proposed venue for the conference is NIMHANS Convention Centre, PB No. 2900, Hosur Road, Bangalore-560029. It is located 45 kms from Airport. The contact person for the conference is: Mr. Praseed Kumar (PRO) and tel.no. 080-26995010-11, 26562121, 26995000 or Fax No.: 080-6564830. Please note that the travel expenditure and the board and lodging expenses have to be borne by the individual participant Sahodaya Complex and the Board will not reimburse any expenditure.

The SSC Bangalore will be sending you complete details of the conference in due course. A separate website is also being created so that you can make online registration www.bangaloresahodaya.org. Details of the same will be communicated to you by SSC Bangalore. The details will also be available on CBSE website www.cbse.nic.in shortly.

The Board looks forward to your active participation in the conference.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(VINEET JOSHI) CHAIRMAN