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BACKGROUND

The Central Board of Secondary Education had, earlier this year, scheduled the Class XII Board Examination (Main) to be conducted from 04th May, 2021. The exams were scheduled little late this year, to compensate for the loss in transactional time because of closure of schools due to Covid-19 pandemic. The Board had made all the preparations for the conduct of examinations including fixing of examination centres, printing of question papers, preparation of guidelines of students, sending blank answer books to the centres, etc. However, because of sharp increase in number of COVID cases, and keeping in view the safety and wellbeing of the students and teachers, the exams were cancelled vide notification No. CBSE/CE/Exam.2021 dated 01.06.2021.

After cancellation of the examinations, CBSE with the help of Expert Committee started preparing the Policy for tabulation of marks for Class XII Board Examination 2021. It was a challenging task to develop the fair and transparent policy for the valid, reliable, fair and unbiased assessment, hence, after detailed deliberations and lots of data analysis, the policy was framed and issued on 17.06.2021. This policy was also approved by the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India in writ petition Civil No. 522 of 2021 dated 17.06.2021. This policy was quite comprehensive in order for it to be able to deal with the variety of schools affiliated to CBSE, both in India and abroad in 26 countries.

CBSE was also very much concerned about the best performing students and thus in the policy several checks were introduced to protect their interest.

MODE OF ASSESSMENT

As per the information available, schools have conducted examinations in different modes and in different numbers of Class XII for session 2020 – 2021. Also due to school closure, most of the classes and examinations were conducted online by the schools. After detailed deliberations and testing the policy formula on data, committee suggested the following for preparing result:-

1. 40% contribution of the marks of Class XII based on Unit Test/ Mid Term / Pre-Board exam.
2. 30% contribution of the marks of Class XI based on the theory component.
3. 30% marks of Class X based on the average theory component of best 3 performing subject out of main 5 subjects.
In addition, to above the marks of Practical / Internal Assessment of Class XII were to be taken into consideration on actual basis as uploaded by the schools on the CBSE portal.

SUPPORT TO TEACHERS / RESULT COMMITTEE / SCHOOLS

After announcement of the policy, a process of communication through webinars and resource material was developed to explain to the schools the procedure to be followed so that correct result could be prepared.

To ensure the accuracy and fairness of the results, a Result Committee was also constituted by each school. This Result Committee consisted of 05 members, who were assisted by subject teachers, and had 02 external members.

COMPREHENSIVE RESULT COMPILATION & TABULATION SYSTEM FOR CLASS XII – A BIG GAME CHANGER

For implementation of tabulation policy successfully and in the given time frame, it was considered important to facilitate the work to be done by teachers. So, in order to facilitate schools and help them in compilation and moderation of result and reduce any inadvertent errors on their part, a comprehensive and feature rich system was developed by IT team of the CBSE under the leadership of Dr. Antriksh Johri, Director (IT & Project) in a record time. This portal not only helped schools in verifying Class X information but also uploading of internal grades, practical marks and the theory marks of grade 11/12th.

The system also automatically calculated weightage at each level. For final tabulation sheet the portal was having 2 stages, 1st stage was uploading of class XI theory marks and calculation of its 30% component, 2nd uploading of class XII marks and computation of its 40% component.

The system also calculated Class X component based on data taken from various Boards. The system also facilitated schools in uploading of class X marks for non-CBSE candidates whose data could not be received from concerned Board and calculation of its 30% component.

The system also facilitated schools in:

1) The system was having user friendly interface for both subject wise and overall moderation process.
2) Automatic calculation of subject wise mean mark based on the data entered.
3) Dynamic calculation of permissible limit at subject level and overall.
4) Giving a comprehensive analytical view to schools for current mean with distribution and permissible mean with distribution.

5) System guided schools for moderation at every step of marks entry, so that schools do not commit error and get to know the permissible moderation limit.

6) Automatic calculation of overall mean marks based on the data and moderation given by schools vis-à-vis previous performance and aligning the same in consonance of reference year.

7) It also helped school in strictly aligning the high achievers with the best high achiever year, thus distinguishing between high achievers and others.

8) Schools were doing login to do the above activities of marks entry, rest everything was taken care by system itself.

9) Once everything was in order, the system allowed schools to finalise the data.

This Comprehensive Result Compilation & Tabulation System was highly praised by Principals & schools’ community at large

HELPING HAND

To facilitate the preparation of timely results, CBSE provided full support to the schools in understanding the policy and preparation of fair and correct result. The measures undertaken were as follows:

1. An online webinar was conducted to explain the Tabulation Policy. This webinar was viewed by more than 50000 teachers. This was a live program on the YouTube wherein after explaining the policy, queries of the schools were also resolved by the CBSE.

2. Queries received on email, WhatsApp and on phone were converted into Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and uploaded on website and sent to all the schools by CBSE with the help of E-sandesh of the CBSE.

3. Several other webinars were convened with the help of Sahodaya School Complex of the CBSE to help the schools time and again.

4. An email was meant specially to address the problems of the schools pertaining to class-XII result.

5. A help desk was setup by the CBSE in Examination Department to assist the Committee.

6. Several meetings were conducted with the Regional Offices wherein the queries received by the Regional Offices from the schools were resolved.

7. City Coordinators were briefed by the Regional Offices about the policy and further guidance as required by the schools.

8. Calls received on mobile number of the officials were also responded.
METHODOLOGY ADOPTED TO COMPILE THE RESULT

The following methodology was followed to compile the result with the help of the teachers –

1. As 30% component of the average theory marks of the 3 best performing subjects out of main 5 subjects of class-X was to be taken for preparation of results hence, CBSE provided marks and the 30% component to the schools with the help of the software. There were about a lakh student who were from the Boards other than CBSE, the schools were requested to verify their roll numbers, name of candidates and name of the Board so that their data could be taken from the concerned Boards. After doing the needful, CBSE has provided 30% component as per scheme of Class X to the schools.

2. In the second step, schools were instructed to upload the theory component of the final examination of Class XI. Once schools submitted Class XI marks, calculation of 30% was done immediately by the software.

3. In third step, schools were asked to upload the marks of Class XII of Unit Test / Mid Term / Pre-Board exams as decided by them. As soon as the schools uploaded the marks, 40% component was calculated, and once this step was over, schools were able to see the overall performance of the student in the subject and overall averages.

4. In the fourth step, entire data on the portal was made available to the schools to moderate the marks as per the tabulation policy for which CBSE provided all the information online, as to what extent moderation could be done on individual student in each subject.

5. In the fifth step, schools were allowed to moderate the overall marks of the schools. In case, the uploaded marks and moderation was as per policy of the Board, marks were submitted on the portal. In case moderation was not as per policy, information was provided to the schools along with action needed to be taken by them to bring the uploaded data at par to the policy.

Factually the software has changed the game in preparation of result as there were more than 30 crores fields which were to be filled in by the schools. Except for a very few schools, all the schools have submitted their data successfully and timely on the portal.
VERIFICATION OF RECORDS BY CBSE

To ensure the integrity of the process of preparation of results in a fair and proper manner, CBSE also deputed several teams across the country to oversee the work being done. It is a point of great satisfaction that almost all the schools have in toto adopted the assessment policy and adhered to it. CBSE also appreciates the role of the schools and teachers who put in tireless efforts to compile the results in a very short time following a transparent process.

CONDUCT OF COMPARTMENT EXAMINATION

CBSE has taken a decision that examination will be conducted by the Board after declaration of result between 16th August, 15th September, the dates of these examinations will be announced soon. Following category of candidates will be allowed to appear in this examination:-

1. Students not satisfied with their assessment done based on the policy
2. Private / Patrachar / Second Chance Compartment candidates.
3. Students who have registered for 2021 examination for improving their performance in only one subject.
4. 1st chance compartment candidates

DISPUTE SETTELMENT

As stated in the policy at point 32 that disputes regarding computation of results will be referred to a committee constituted by CBSE, it is informed that shortly a detailed process will be communicated to the students in case they are having any dispute regarding their result preparation.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. As per practice of the Board, no merit list will be prepared by the Board for Class XII 2021 result.
2. As a special case, the Board will neither declare subject wise 0.1 merit list of students and nor issue merit certificates to the students
3. The result of about 1060 new schools is still under process as there was no reference year hence, looking into the interest of candidates the result if these schools will also be declared within a weeks’ time. Accordingly, result of about 60000 students of these schools and some few other schools will be shown as “Result Later”. As stated above, their result will also be declared within a week’s time.
4. CBSE will be issuing a combined mark-sheet cum certificate this time to the students of Class XII in place of separate mark-sheet and passing certificate.
GREAT TEAM WORK

Preparing the result without conduct of the examination was not possible without the support of all stakeholders in and outside country. CBSE is really grateful to the members of the result committee and the principals who had done a commendable job by putting their best efforts in the preparation of result. All the schools and their staff has come out as a best team and leave no stone unturned to achieve the target assigned to them during pandemic. All the school education Board who had provided the result of the students who have done Class X from their Board timely also deserve a sincere thanks from the CBSE.

The committee prepare the policy is indeed deserve an appreciation from everyone for showing the path to prepare the result under adverse circumstances. Not the last but the least friends from media required applause from CBSE for spreading positivity in the environment which has helped the students and their parents in supporting to the schools and CBSE. CBSE cannot forget the contribution of the students and parents for supporting CBSE and the schools unconditionally during the year in teaching learning process. Contribution of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, Navodaya Vidyalaya Sangathan, Directorate of Education, NCT Delhi and other state governments was immense and thus required thanks from the CBSE.

CBSE wishes all the students good luck for their future and pray to the almighty that they should get the part of their pie and also become a good human being to serve the humanity.

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