CENTRAL BOARD OF SECONDARY EDUCATION "SHIKSHA SADAN", 17, ROUSE AVENUE, INSTITUTIONAL AREA, NEW DELHI – 110 002

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Circular No.61/10 September 21, 2010

All the Heads of the CBSE affiliated schools

Subject: Observation of "Year of the Gram Sabha for empowered people and accountable Panchayat" from 2.10.2009 to 2.10.2010, regarding

Dear Principal,

This is to intimate that the Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MOPR) is observing "Year of the Gram Sabha for empowered people and accountable Panchayat" from 2.10.2009 to 2.10.2010, the year being the golden Jubilee year of the Panchayati Raj. The objective is to highlight the criticality of the Gram Sabha in true self governance and as a vibrant forum for promoting planned economic and social development. The Social Science (Political Science) textbook of Class X also finds references of local government in the village and city in Chapter 2 on Federalism As a part of formative assessment in Social Science, the schools may also organize "Gram Yatras" for the students of Classes IX and X with the purpose of create awareness among them about real grassroots democracy.

After the visit, essay competition be organised by schools to judge the level of awareness among students about the participatory democracy at the grassroots. Essays could be judged by the school authorities and prizes awarded at the School / District / State level. Three best judged essays could be sent by the State Govt. to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MOPR) for publishing in the Ministry's Newsletter. These may be further awarded prizes.

This may kindly be brought to the notice of all concerned. It will be appreciated if a report on activities undertaken along with photographs is sent to the undersigned for official purpose.

Yours faithfully,

Suganoh Sharma.

Ms. Sugandh Sharma Education Officer (Commerce)

Copy with a request to respective Heads of Directorates/KVS/NVS/CTSA as indicated below to also disseminate the information to all concerned schools under their jurisdiction:-

- 1. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18-Institutional Area, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi-110 016.
- 2. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, A-28, Kailash Colony, New Delhi.
- 3. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi-110 054.
- 4. The Director of Public Instructions (Schools), Union Territory Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh-160 017.
- 5. The Director of Education, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim 737 101.
- 6. The Director of School Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar-791 111.
- 7. The Director of Education, Govt. of A&N Islands, Port Blair-744 101.
- 8. The Secretary, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESSESS Plaza, Community Centre, Sector 3, Rohini, Delhi-110 085.
- 9. All the Regional Officers of CBSE with the request to send this circular to all the Heads of the affiliated schools of the Board in their respective regions.
- 10. The Education Officers/AEOs of the Academic Branch, CBSE.
- 11. The Joint Secretary (IT) with the request to put this circular on the CBSE website.
- 12. The Library and Information Officer, CBSE
- 13. EO to Chairman, CBSE
- 14. PA to CE, CBSE
- 15. PA to Secretary, CBSE
- 16. PA to HOD (AIEEE)
- 17. PA to HOD (Edusat)
- 18. The PRO, CBSE

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