BOARD OF SECONDARY EDUCATION ODISHA, CUTTACK

NEW SCHEME OF ASSESSMENT FOR CLASS-IX & CLASS-X BOARD EXAMINATION, 2022

Circular No 878 / (Syllabus)/ Dt 09.08.2021

Amidst the ongoing novel corona virus pandemic, the Board of Secondary Education, Odisha has come up with a New Scheme of Assessment for the session 2021-22 both for Class-IX & Class-X.

The students have been witnessing school closure and examination disruption due to COVID-19 since 2020. This year Board of Secondary Education had to cancel the year end board examinations due to second wave of the Pandemic and publish the results basing on Alternative Method of Assessment.

In the meantime, B.S.E., Odisha has notified for continuing the reduced syllabus that existed during 2020-21 for the current session 2021-22. This quantum reduction in syllabus has eased off a lot of pressure both on the teachers and students. The sole purpose behind reducing the syllabus is to compensate for the loss of education that students in the under privileged areas have suffered and to ensure that they do not feel unnecessary stressed and anxious.

The students who filled up forms for Annual HSC Examination, 2021 had appeared two examinations in class-IX and four practice tests in Class-X and therefore Board could develop an Alternative Method of Assessment for publication of results. In comparison, for the students of this academic session 2021-22., no examinations have been conducted either at school or Board level in Class-IX during the session 2020-21.

Under the above circumstances, the B.S.E., Odisha focuses on assessment based on Continuous Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE), by which internal assessments could be directly conducted at school level. Other Summative assessments could be conducted by Board directly or by school under monitoring control of Board & other Govt agencies.

Therefore the B.S.E., Odisha has developed a New Scheme of Examination, both for class –IX & X of HSC and Madhyama course to be introduced exclusively for the current academic session 2021-22 owing to the novel corona virus pandemic which has been approved by the Government, Department of School and Mass Education vide Letter No- 14448/SME, Date-06/08/2021.

1. NEW SCHEME FOR 2021-22

A. Academic Session for 2021-22

Academic session for 2021-22 will be from July, 2021 to April, 2022 without any long vacation. The Academic session will be divided into two TERMS. 1st Term will be from July, 2021 to November, 2021 and 2nd Term from December, 2021 to April, 2022. Approximately 50% of the syllabus will be covered in each term.

B. Syllabus for 2021-22

Board of Secondary Education, Odisha has already notified vide Notification No. 723/ Syllabus/ Dtd. 23/06/2021 regarding continuance of reduction in syllabus that has been followed during 2020-21. However Board will soon notify the quantity of syllabus to be covered in each term for both Class-IX & X.

C. Introduction of Internal Assessment

Internal Assessments will be done at the school level in line with pattern of CCE.

2. CURRICULUM TRANSACTION FOR INTERNAL ASSESSMENT

A. Internal Assessment will be done by the Class/ Subject teachers periodically in continuous manner. It will be done in the form of Formative Assessments (FAs).

B. Two FAs will be conducted in each term with period flexibility as given below.

Assessment	Class-IX	Class-X
FA-1	2 nd Week of September	2 nd Week of September
FA-2	1 st Week of November	1 st Week of November
FA-3	2 nd Week of January	2 nd Week of January
FA-4	2 nd Week of March	2 nd Week of March

C. How the Assessment will be Done

- (i) Each Formative Test will be done out of 20 marks.
- (ii) The details of division of Formative Assessments has been worked out at Annexure I.

3. EXAMINATIONS

A. For Class-IX

There will be two term end examinations

- → one at the end of Term-I during 3rd week of November, 2021 covering 50% of the total syllabus. Pattern of Examination will be multiple choice questions of 20 marks and subjective questions of 20 marks of 1 hour total duration. The examination will be conducted at own school and questions will be prepared by the BSE, Odisha. The evaluation will be done by a neutral school to be notified by the Board.
- → Final Examination will be conducted at the end of Term-II during 2nd week of April, 2022. Questions will come from the entire syllabus. However 30% of the questions will be from the 1st 50% of syllabus and rest 70% of the questions will be set from the 2nd 50% of syllabus. Pattern of examination will be multiple choice questions of 50 marks and subjective questions of 30 marks. Test will be of two hours duration. Questions will be set by B.S.E., Odisha. Examination will be conducted at own school and evaluation will be done by neutral school to be notified by the Board.
- → At the end of the final examination the result will be published by own school taking weightage of different examinations conducted. However marks of four FAs and two Term end examinations shall be uploaded by the Mentor school in the format attached at Annexure-III & IV.
- → In case the term end examinations could not be conducted at schools, the students can appear the examinations at their homes and submit the answer books with the schools in schedule time. Evaluation will be done as usual by the neutral school.

Weightage to be given for final results.

SI. No.	Examination	Weightage
i.	Internal Assessment	20%
ii.	1 st Term end Examination	30%
iii.	Final Examination	50%
	(2 nd Term end Examination)	

B. For Class-X :-

There will be two examinations, one each at end of each term. Both the examination will be directly conducted by the Board. The students are to fill up the forms online to appear at examination centres selected by the Board. Other details of the examination are given below.

- → First examination will be conducted during last week of November, 2021. Pattern of examination will be multiple choice questions of 50 marks of 1 hour duration to be answered in OMR Answer Sheets. Questions will be from 1st 50% of the syllabus. Evaluation will be done by the Board through computer.
- → Final examination will be conducted during last week of April, 2022.

 Pattern of examination will be multiple choice questions of 50 marks and subjective questions of 30 marks. Questions will be set from the whole syllabus. Multiple Choice Questions will be answered in OMR Answer Sheets
- → In case the examinations could not be held due to worsening of pandemic situation, the students have to appear the examination from homes. Evaluation will be done by neutral school and marks shall be uploaded in Board's portal to be notified by the Board.
- → The District Education Officers will determine the neutral schools where evaluation will be done.
- C. The detail procedure for conduct of examination at home and record for maintenance and uploading of marks is given at Annexure-II.

4. MODE OF ASSESSMENT FOR DIFFERENT SITUATIONS FOR CLASS-X

A. In case both the examinations are held:

In case both the examinations are conducted, the results will be processed taking the following weightage for different examinations.

Examination	Weightage
Internal Assessment	20%
	30%
	50%
	Examination Internal Assessment 1st Term end Examination Final Examination (2nd Term end Examination)

However the difference between Internal Assessment marks and Term End examination marks should be within 30%. In case the percentage of difference is more with Internal Assessment on higher side, the marks of Internal Assessment will be brought down so that difference in percentage remains at 30% level.

B. In case 1st term end examination could not be held and Final examination is conducted:

The results will be processed as per the marks obtained at the final examination along with the Internal Assessments marks & marks obtained in 1st term examination conducted at home with the weightage as given below .

SI. No.	Examination	Weightage
i .	Internal Assessment	20%
ii.	1 st Term end Examination	20%
iii.	Final Examination	60%
	(2 nd Term end Examination)	

However the marks of 1st Term end examination will be moderated as per moderation policy of the Board and difference in percentage of marks between Internal Assessment and final examination shall be brought down to 30% in case Internal Assessment mark is in higher side.

C. In case 1st term end examination is held and final examination could not be conducted:

The results will be processed as per the marks obtained at the 1st term end examination along with performance of candidates in Internal Assessment and Final examination conducted at home with the weightage as given below.

SI. No.	Examination	Weightage
SI. NO.	Internal Assessment	20%
l. ———	1 st Term end Examination	50%
ii.		30%
iii.	Final Examination (2 nd Term end Examination)	

However the marks of final year examination will be moderated as per moderation policy of the Board and difference in percentage of marks between Internal Assessment and 1st Term end examination shall be brought down to 30% in case Internal Assessment mark is in higher side.

D. In case both the examinations are cancelled :

The following weightage will be given to different examinations for determination of school wise merit list. Last 5 year results will be analysed and results will be published basing on moderation policy of the Board to ensure validity and reliability of the assessment.

SI. No.	Examination	Weightage
51. 140.		20%
i	Internal Assessment	2070
		30%
ii.	1 st Term end Examination	
	Final Examination	50%
iii.	(2 nd Term end Examination)	

5. The B.S.E., Odisha may change the Scheme of Examination in subsequent years with regard to Academic Session, Syllabus, Pattern of Examination and Moderation Policy keeping in view of the then prevailing situation.

The circular for New Scheme of Examination for class- IX & X will be implemented with immediate effect.

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