



GBSHSE/ACAD/Syllab/X-XII/2021

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**CIRCULAR NO. 39**

To,  
The Heads of all recognized  
Secondary & Higher Secondary Schools,  
within the jurisdiction of this Board.

Sub:- **Special Scheme of Assessment for Board Examination Class X & Class XII for the academic year 2021-2022.**

Sir/Madam,

With reference to the above cited subject, it is informed that Board has approved Special Scheme of Assessment for class X & XII to be implemented for the academic year 2021-2022 in view of current Pandemic situation to facilitate students assessment in Offline/Online Mode.

1. For most part of the Academic session of 2020-21, almost all schools under Jurisdiction of Goa Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education were functioning in virtual mode due to COVID 19 pandemic. GBSHSE had to cancel Class X and Class XII Board Examination of the year 2020-2021 as it was risky to conduct the Board Examination during the Second Wave in April 2021. The Results of both the Examination were declared on the basis of objective unbiased, authentic, flexible and valid alternative assessment policy.
  - This, in turn, also necessitated deliberations over alternative ways to look at the learning objectives as well as the conduct of the Board Examinations for the academic session 2021-22 in case the situation remains unfeasible. GBSHSE has held discussion with different Stake holders and Academic Council of the Board, Examination Committee of the Board, President of Principal Forum and Goa Headmaster Association in this regard.
  - The Board has also considered the concerns regarding differential availability of electronic gadgets, connectivity and effectiveness of online teaching and other socio-economic issues especially with respect to students from economically weaker section and those residing in far flung areas of the State. It is revealed that the rationalized (curtailed) syllabus notified for the session 2020-21 was effective for schools in covering the syllabus and helped learners in achieving learning objectives in a less stressful manner.
  - In the light of above, and in line with the Board's continued focus on assessing stipulated learning outcomes by making the examinations competencies and core concepts based, student-centric, transparent, technology-driven, and having advance provision of alternatives for different future scenarios, the following scheme is approved for the Academic year 2021-22 for Class X and Class XII with immediate effect for implementation.



❖ **A. Academic Year 2021-22 to be divided into 2 Terms one ending in November-December and other in March-April:**

Terminal Examination with 50% for First Term in the form of MCQs & one mark questions and 50% Second Term in the form of subjective questions. The Syllabus for the Academic Year 2021-22 will be divided into two terms and topics will be divided accordingly by the Board of Studies. The Board will conduct the Examination at the end of each term on the basis of bifurcated syllabus.

**B. Syllabus for the Board Examination 2021- 2022:**

The syllabus for the Board examination 2021-22 will be the rationalized similar to that of the last academic year notified by Circular No.32 dated 08/07/ 2021.

**C. Efforts will be made to make Internal Assessment/Practical/ Project work more credible and valid** as per the guidelines to be notified by the Board to ensure fair distribution of marks.

❖ **DETAILS OF CURRICULUM TRANSACTION.**

- Schools will continue teaching in Online mode till the authorities permit Offline mode of teaching in schools.
- **Class X & XII Internal Assessment** throughout the year irrespective of Term I and II would include three periodic Test of which the Third One would be creative one beside there would be practical work and other activities. That will also include end of topics or Unit test/exploratory Activities/Practical Project.
- Schools would create a student profile for all assessment undertaken over the year and retain the evidences in digital format.
- Board will facilitate schools to upload Marks of Internal Assessment on the Board's IT Platform.
- Guidelines for Internal Assessment for all subject will also be released along with the rationalized term-wise divided syllabus for the session 2021-2022. Additional resources like sample assessments, question banks, teacher training etc., for more reliable and valid Internal Assessment.

❖ **DETAILS OF ASSESSMENT FOR CLASS X & CLASS XII**

➤ **For Class X and XII General Stream: Non Practical Subjects:**

- First Term 40 marks of 90 minutes Duration.
- Second Term 40 Marks of 90 Minutes duration.
- Two Internal Tests in the first Term of 20 Marks each and one test in the Second Term carrying 20 Marks (**Innovative Test**) to round up the average to 20 Marks of the three Tests.

**Non Practical Subjects:**

FIRST INTERNAL TEST	SECOND INTERNAL TEST	THIRD INTERNAL TEST	FIRST TERM EXAM	SECOND TERM EXAM	GRAND TOTAL
A	B	C	D	E	F
20	20	20	40	40	100
A+B+C = 60/3 = 20					



➤ **For Class X and Class XII General Stream: (Practical Subjects)**

- First Term 40 marks of 90 minutes Duration.
- Second Term 30 Marks of 75 Minutes duration.
- Year end Practical of 20 marks.
- Two Internal Test in the first Term of 20 Marks each and one test in the Second Term carrying 20 Marks (**Innovative Test**) to round up the average to 10 Marks of the three Tests.

**Practical Subjects:**

FIRST INTERNAL TEST	SECOND INTERNAL TEST	THIRD INTERNAL TEST	FIRST TERM EXAM	SECOND TERM EXAM	YEAR END PRACTICAL	GRAND TOTAL
A	B	C	D	E	F	G
20	20	20	40	30	20	100
<b>A+B+C = 60/6 = 10</b>						

➤ **For Class XII Vocational Stream : (ECS/GFC subjects)**

- First Term 40 marks of 90 Minutes duration.
- Second Term 30 Marks of 75 Minutes duration.
- Two Internal tests in the first Term of 20 Marks each and one test in the Second Term carrying 20 Marks (**Innovative Test**) to round up the average to 30 Marks of the three Tests. These tests also include Practical Exam for English Communication Skill and General Foundation Course.

**For English Communication Skill & General Foundation Course Subjects:**

FIRST INTERNAL TEST	SECOND INTERNAL TEST	THIRD INTERNAL TEST	FIRST TERM EXAM	SECOND TERM EXAM	GRAND TOTAL
A	B	C	D	E	F
20	20	20	40	30	100
<b>A+B+C = 60/2 = 30</b>					

➤ **For Class XII Vocational Stream: (Practical subjects)**

- First Term 20 marks of 60 Minutes duration.
- Second Term 20 Marks of 65 Minutes duration.
- Two Internal Tests in the first Term of 20 Marks each and one test in the Second Term carrying 20 Marks (**Innovative Test**) to round up the average to 10 Marks of the three Tests.
- Internal Year round Assessment of 100 Marks.

**Practical Subjects:**

FIRST INTERNAL TEST	SECOND INTERNAL TEST	THIRD INTERNAL TEST	FIRST TERM EXAM	SECOND TERM EXAM	INTERNAL YEAR ROUND ASSESSMENT	GRAND TOTAL
A	B	C	D	E	F	G
20	20	20	20	20	100	150
<b>A+B+C = 60/6 = 10</b>						



➤ **For CWSN SSC/HSSC (Non-Practical Subjects)**

- First Term 40 marks of 120 minutes Duration
- Second Term 40 Marks of 120 Minutes duration.
- Two Internal tests in the first Term of 20 Marks each and one test in the Second Term carrying 20 Marks (**Innovative Test**) to round up the average to 20 Marks of the three Tests.

**Non Practical Subjects:**

FIRST INTERNAL TEST	SECOND INTERNAL TEST	THIRD INTERNAL TEST	FIRST TERM EXAM	SECOND TERM EXAM	GRAND TOTAL
A	B	C	D	E	F
20	20	20	40	40	100
<b>A+B+C = 60/3 = 20</b>					

➤ **For CWSN SSC/HSSC - General Stream: (Practical Subjects)**

- First Term 40 marks of 120 minutes Duration.
- Second Term 30 Marks of 90 Minutes duration.
- Year end Practical of 20 marks.
- Two Internal Test in the first Term of 20 Marks each and one test in the Second Term carrying 20 Marks (**Innovative Test**) to round up the average to 10 Marks of the three Tests

**Practical Subjects-I:**

FIRST INTERNAL TEST	SECOND INTERNAL TEST	THIRD INTERNAL TEST	FIRST TERM EXAM	SECOND TERM EXAM	YEAR END PRACTICAL	GRAND TOTAL
A	B	C	D	E	F	G
20	20	20	40	30	20	100
<b>A+B+C = 60/6 = 10</b>						

➤ **For CWSN & Pre-Vocational SSC (Practical Subjects)**

- First Term 20 marks of 75 minutes Duration.
- Second Term 20 Marks of 75 Minutes duration.
- First Term Practical of 20 Marks.
- Second Term Practical 20 Marks.
- Two Internal Tests in the first Term of 20 Marks each and one test in the Second Term carrying 20 Marks (**Innovative Test**) to round up the average to 20 Marks of the three Tests.

**Practical Subjects-II:**

FIRST INTERNAL TEST	SECOND INTERNAL TEST	THIRD INTERNAL TEST	FIRST TERM EXAM	FIRST TERM PRACTICAL	SECOND TERM EXAM	SECOND TERM PRACTICAL	GRAND TOTAL
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
20	20	20	20	20	20	20	100
<b>A+B+C = 60/3 = 20</b>							



❖ **INTERNAL TESTS 2021-2022:**

- ◆ First Internal Test (Formative Test) to be conducted by second week of August 2021. Duration will be of 01 hour.
- ◆ Second Internal Test (Formative Test) to be conducted by second week of October 2021. Duration will be of 01 hour.
- ◆ Third Internal Test (**Innovative Test**) in the form of presentation/ project / Practical / Unit Test / reading / group assignment. To commemorate India's 75 years of Independence and 60 years of Goa Liberation Day, students to submit an article or any activity on the progress or development of India & Goa at the State, National and International level as a part patriotism on the subject preferably on Education/ Agriculture/ Health / Science & Technology / IT / Economics/ History/ cooperation / Art & Culture etc.,. This activity will carry 10 marks out of 20 Marks of third test. This may be included in any one of the six subjects. Test to be completed mid-February 2022.

❖ **TERMINAL EXAMS 2021-2022:**

➤ **First Terminal Exam:**

- ◆ Paper will be in the form of MCQs based 01 mark questions to be conducted in November-December 2021 covering 50% of the portion and of 90 minutes duration.
- ◆ Exam will be conducted by the Board under the supervision of External Centre Conductors and Observers appointed by GBSHSE.
- ◆ The responses of students will be captured on OMR Sheets which after scanning may be directly uploaded at Board's Portal or alternately may be evaluated and marks obtained will be uploaded by the school on the very same day.
- ◆ Marks of the First Term Examination will contribute to the final overall score of the students.

❖ **Second Terminal Exam:**

- ◆ Paper will be in the form of subjective questions (case based/situation based, short answer/long answer type) to be conducted in March-April 2022 covering 50% of the portion and of 90 minutes duration.
- ◆ Exam will be conducted by the Board at the Examination Centre fixed by the Board.
- ◆ In case the situation is not conducive for normal descriptive Examination a 90 minutes MCQs based Exam will be conducted at the end of Term II also.
- ◆ Marks of the Second Term Examination would contribute to the final overall score of the students.



❖ **Passing Criteria is same as per Circular No. 19 Dated: 25<sup>th</sup> April 2012 and Circular No. 41 Dated: 03/11/2015.**

❖ **ASSESSMENT / EXAMINATION AS PER DIFFERENT SITUATIONS.**

**A. In case the situation of the pandemic improves and students are able to come to schools or centres for taking the exams:**

Board would conduct Term I and Term II examinations at schools/centres and the theory marks will be distributed equally between the two exams.

**B. In case the situation of the pandemic forces complete closure of schools during November-December 2021, but Term II exams are held at schools or centres.** Term I MCQ based examination would be done by students online/offline from home - in this case, the weightage of this exam for the final score would be reduced, and weightage of Term II exams will be increased for declaration of final result.

**C. In case the situation of the pandemic forces complete closure of schools during March-April 2022, but Term I exams are held at schools or centres.** Results would be based on the performance of students on Term I MCQ based examination and internal assessments. The weightage of marks of Term I examination conducted by the Board will be increased to provide year end results of candidates.

**D. In case the situation of the pandemic forces complete closure of schools and Board conducted Term I and II exams are taken by the candidates from home in the session 2021-22.**

Results would be computed on the basis of the Internal Assessment/Practical/Project Work and Theory marks of Term-I and II exams taken by the candidate from home in Class X/XII subject to the moderation or other measures to ensure validity and reliability of the assessment.

In all the above cases, data analysis of marks of students will be undertaken to ensure the integrity of internal assessments and home based exams.

- ❖ The syllabus and Weightage to the topics at different Tests/Exams for class X & XII will be available shortly on Board's official website.
- ❖ The Head of the institution shall download the same from the official website of this Board for further necessary action.

The content of this Circular should be brought to the notice of all concerned.

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