



Circular No: Acad - 47/2016

**Subject: Availability of the text material for Open Text Based Assessment (OTBA)
for classes IX & XI, 2017**

The Central Board of Secondary Education recommends that multiple modes of assessment need to be provided to cater to the varied abilities of individual strengths of learners. Accordingly, an element of Open Text Based Assessment for classes IX and XI was introduced by the Board in 2014 Examination. These are meant to incorporate analytical and higher order thinking skills, thus moving away from rote memorization. The following open text materials for Classes IX and XI are being provided for the Examination in 2017 as per the curriculum issued.

Class IX

Sr.No	Subject (Code)	Specified Units/Themes as per syllabus	Themes for OTBA	Marks Distribution for one Theme
1	हिंदी (अ) (002) हिंदी (ब) (085)	-----	1. समावेशी शिक्षा एक चुनौती 2. स्वाधीनता आन्दोलन में महिलाओं का योगदान	2x(5) =10
2	English (Communicative) (101) English (Language and Literature) (184)	Reading section (Based on the themes found in the course book)	1. Nurturing Compassionate Citizens Don't Repair & Repent	2x(5)=10
3	Mathematics (041)	Unit -I Chapter 4, Quadrilaterals	1. Solving Mystery of messed up fields 2. Quadrilateral in Architecture WAH TAJ !	3+3+4= 10
4	Science (086/090)	Our Environment	1. Solid waste Management – How to bring best out of waste? 3. Healthy Environment, Healthy people	2+3+5= 10
5	Social Science (087)	Unit-II; Chapter 4: Climate	1. Rainfall- An important factor governing Indian economy 2. Drought in Maharashtra: Issues and Implications	5+5 =10



Class XI

Sr.No	Subject (Code)	Specified Units	Themes for OTBA	Marks Distribution for one Theme
1	Geography(029)	Unit-VI; Life on Earth	1. Organic Farming 2. Naturalization of Humans and Humanization of Nature	5+5=10
2	Biology (044)	Unit-V; Human Physiology-(A)	1. Long Live Humanity 2. 'Learn to live well'	5+5=10
3	Economics (030)	Unit VI; Development Experience of India - A Comparison with Neighbors	1. One Child Policy of China 2. Role of FDI in Economic Development	5+5=10

The detailed guidelines to teachers and frequently asked questions are enclosed for reference. Please note that no questions shall be sent to the schools for conducting class XI examination. The schools are advised to prepare their own question papers as per curriculum. For class IX, the question paper which can be downloaded from the ITMS shall have the component of OTBA.

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Encl: Annexure 1 : Guidelines to teachers for Open Text Based Assessment

Annexure 2 : Frequently asked Questions

Annexure 3 : Open Text Material for Class IX, 2016

Annexure 4 : Open Text Material for Class XI, 2016

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-110016.
2. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, B-15, Sector-62, Institutional Area, Noida-201309.
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 – 737101.
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 - 744101.
8. The Director of Education, S.I.E., CBSE Cell, VIP Road, Junglee Ghat, P.O. 744103, A&N Islands.
9. The Secretary, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESS Plaza, Community Centre, Sector 3 Rohini, Delhi-110085.
10. The Additional Director General of Army Education, A –Wing, SenaBhawan, DHQ, PO, New Delhi-110001.
11. The Secretary AWES, Integrated Headquarters of MoD (Army), FDR Building No. 202, Shankar Vihar (Near APS), Delhi Cantt-110010.
12. The Under Secretary,(EE-I), Ministry of Human Resource Development, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
13. All Regional Directors/ 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.
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15. All Additional Director/ Joint Director/ Deputy Director/ Assistant Director, Vocational Cell.
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