



COUNCIL FOR THE INDIAN SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS

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Dear Principal,

SUBJECT: CISCE'S MODIFIED PLAN FOR ASSESSMENT AT THE ICSE (CLASS X) AND ISC (CLASS XII) LEVELS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-22

In view of the continuing pandemic situation in the country and the disruption in educational activities brought about due to extended lockdowns, and the various alternate modes of syllabus transaction that need to be adopted, due to closure of schools, the CISCE had carried out an extensive exercise of Syllabus review.

As a part of this exercise, syllabi for various subjects at the ICSE and ISC levels specifically for Classes X and XII, for the Examination Year 2022 were examined by subject experts to identify portions which may be reduced, without compromising on the quality of content. This **Reduced Syllabus** for the ICSE (Class X) and ISC (Class XII) Year 2022 Examinations is available on the CISCE website under the PUBLICATIONS section.

In addition to reduction of Syllabus at the ICSE (Class X) and ISC (Class XII) levels, the CISCE will follow a different method of conducting Examinations for the Academic Year 2021-22. The details of this modified Assessment Plan for ICSE (Class X) and ISC (Class XII) levels for the Academic Year 2021-22 are given below:

DIVISION OF THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2021-22 INTO TWO SEMESTERS

- The Academic Session 2021-22 will be divided into **TWO** Semesters, with approximately 50% of the syllabus being covered in each Semester.
- The Reduced Syllabus for ICSE (Class X) and ISC (Class XII) for the Examination Year 2022 has accordingly been bifurcated, and Units/subunits to be covered in each Semester specified clearly.
- The **Semester-wise Bifurcated Theory Syllabus for Classes X and XII** is available on the CISCE website under PUBLICATIONS.

CONDUCT OF EXAMINATIONS BY CISCE AT THE END OF EACH SEMESTER

- The CISCE will conduct **Examinations** at the end of each Semester.

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION

- The first Semester Examination will be conducted in **November 2021** and will be based **ONLY** on the portion of Syllabus (Reduced Syllabus for ICSE/ISC Examination Year 2022) specified for the **First Semester**.
- This will be an MCQ based examination, which will be conducted online.



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SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION

- The Second Semester Examination will be conducted in **March/April 2022** and will be based **ONLY** on the portion of Syllabus (Reduced Syllabus for ICSE/ISC Examination Year 2022) specified for the **Second Semester**.
- This Examination will be conducted in online/offline mode, depending upon the pandemic situation in the country.
- The question papers for each Semester Examination will be of 80/100 marks for ICSE and 70/80 marks for ISC, as per the maximum marks currently allocated for the Theory component of the subjects. However, the weightage of marks (for each of the Semesters) to be finally used for computation of the Board results would be brought down to half.

DETAILS PERTAINING TO THE CONDUCT OF THE SEMESTER-WISE EXAMINATIONS WILL BE SHARED WITH THE SCHOOLS IN DUE COURSE.

PRACTICAL /PROJECT WORK AT THE ISC LEVEL AND INTERNAL ASSESSMENT AT THE ICSE LEVEL

- In addition to the Examinations conducted at the end of each of the two Semesters during the academic year 2021-22, candidates will also be assessed on Practical/Project Work at the ISC level. The Mark weightage of the same remains unchanged (Refer to ISC Reduced Syllabus for the Year 2022 Examination).
- If the situation permits, the ISC Practicals will be conducted as per Option 1 (Visiting Examiners set the Practical Question Papers based on detailed guidelines and instructions from the CISCE). In case the situation is not conducive due to the pandemic, and candidates are unable to come to their respective schools to take the Practical Examination, Option 2 (Online/Virtual mode) will be exercised.
- Similarly, in addition to the Semester Examinations conducted by the CISCE during the academic year, candidates will also be assessed on Internal Assessment at the ICSE level. The Mark weightage of the same remains unchanged (Refer to ICSE Reduced Syllabus for the Year 2022 Examination).

UPLOADING OF MARKS FOR PRACTICAL/PROJECT WORK/INTERNAL ASSESSMENT/SUPW GRADES

- Schools will be required to ensure that all candidates finish the stipulated Practical/Project Work/Internal Assessment, as specified in the ICSE and ISC Reduced Syllabi. The same may be evaluated and marked by the Visiting Examiners (for ISC)/Internal Examiners (For ICSE), as per the existing practice.
- Schools will be required to upload marks for Practical/Project Work/Internal Assessment/ SUPW grades on the CAREERS portal at the end of the second Semester, by a specified date.



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- Schools must maintain a record of all work done by candidates for Practical/Project Work/Internal Assessment. The CISCE may ask schools to send sample/s of work done by the candidates, should the need arise.

CLASSES IX and XI

There is **NO CHANGE** in the syllabus for Classes IX and XI. For ICSE (Class IX) and ISC (Class XI), schools are required to follow the ICSE and ISC Regulations and Syllabuses for the Year 2023, respectively, as available on the CISCE's website.

Please note that the CISCE will not be conducting the Class IX and XI Examinations during the academic year 2021-22.

You are requested to ensure that all concerned, including the candidates and teachers are apprised of the above-mentioned changes.

I look forward to your cooperation in this regard.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

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