To,
All Heads of Institutions of CBSE Affiliated Schools.

Subject: Registration for Student’s Global Aptitude Index (SGAI) – 2013 reg.

Dear Madam/Sir

Greetings!

The Secondary stage becomes the most defining phase in the school spectrum as it influences higher studies and career choices later in life. More often than not, it is seen that the choice of subjects is determined by the marks as also by the parental, peer pressure or the role models. In an ideal situation a child should be allowed to choose subjects based on his aptitude and interest.

Aptitude Test

The aptitude reflects the inherent capacity, or talent of a child. Aptitude testing is a student friendly, universally accepted mode of rating capabilities for a particular activity. Aptitude tests are known to be reliable predictors of future scholastic achievements as they provide a profile of the strengths and weaknesses of a student.

CBSE Student’s Global Aptitude Index (SGAI)

CBSE has developed an indigenous assessment tool called Student’s Global Aptitude Index (SGAI) in 2011 which is first of its kind in the country. CBSE- SGAI emphasizes upon the fact that each individual is unique. In the interest of new schools, it is reiterated that:

- SGAI is a psychological tool of assessment with the purpose of empowering adolescents with “Self- Knowledge” in terms of the Aptitude, Interest and Personality.
- This is an Optional Activity for students and schools designed for class X Students.
- Unlike the conventional Aptitude Tests, which indicate professional orientations the CBSE SGAI attempts to indicate subject orientations at + 2 level.
- It has been customized to suit the Indian context and variety of student population in CBSE affiliated Private, Government and Aided Schools.
CBSE- SGAI is not an examination. It is a simple paper and pencil test. There are no right or wrong answers, negative marking, pass or fail. No syllabus and special preparation is required for CBSE- SGAI. Mental preparedness and sincere responses are the only pre-requisites for this test. SGAI scores may depend upon child’s environmental stimulus and motivation level. The purpose of CBSE SGAI is limited to help the larger population including parents, teachers and students to initiate a dialogue on subject choices that lead to effective career planning later in life. Final decision on the subject choices may however be taken in consultation with teachers and parents.

Started in the year 2011, the second edition of CBSE SGAI was held in 2012. More than 3,00,000 students have so far opted for CBSE-SGAI in the last two years worldwide. Among the other valuable responses received from schools, parents and students, the need for such an assessment has also been highlighted.

CBSE SGAI for Himachal Pradesh Board also

It is a matter of great satisfaction that within one year of inception of SGAI, the CBSE was approached by Himachal Pradesh Board of Higher Education to conduct SGAI-2012 for its secondary school students in 12 districts of Himachal Pradesh.

Advocacy Material and Orientation

The Board has specially designed Teacher Manual comprising of various activities to be conducted with students and parents for sensitisation and climate building. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ’s) have also been designed for facilitation of public. This material is accessible on CBSE website [www.cbse.nic.in](http://www.cbse.nic.in)

Registration for CBSE SGAI-2013

The third edition of CBSE SGAI will be held on Sunday, 20th January, 2013. Schools have been given online registration facility at [www.cbse.nic.in](http://www.cbse.nic.in) till 31st October, 2012. Kindly ensure that registration form is downloaded and sent along with fee (₹ 100/- per student) by 10th November 2012 to:

Smt. Rama Sharma  
PRO & Project In-Charge (SGAI)  
Central Board of Secondary Education  
Shiksha Kendra, 2, Community Centre, Preet Vihar, Delhi – 110092

It is important to mention here that the Board has been receiving several requests directly from the parents and students where schools have not opted for CBSE – SGAI. There is no provision for individual or direct registration of such
students as of now. Therefore, schools are requested to co-operate with such parents and students and enable them to avail the facility of CBSE-SGAI assessment.

**Assessment and Score Cards of CBSE-SGAI 2013 by the Board**

The assessment and interpretation of scores will be done by the board under the supervision of an expert panel. Schools are expected to send the response-booklets after **20th January, 2013** at the above address. The board will issue school wise score cards to individual students after analysis and interpretation.

(Vineet Joshi)
Chairman

**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:**

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.
9. The Secretary, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESS ESS Plaza, Community Centre, Sector 3, Rohini, Delhi-110 085.
10. 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.
11. The Education Officers/AEOs of the Academic Branch, CBSE.
12. The Joint Secretary (IT) with the request to put this circular on the CBSE website and arrange for On-line registration / confirmation.
13. PRO, CBSE
14. The Library and Information Officer, CBSE.
15. E.O. to Chairman, CBSE.
16. PA’s to all HOD’s.
17. Guard file.