



# केन्द्रीय माध्यमिक शिक्षा बोर्ड

(मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, के अधीन एक स्वायत्त संगठन)

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Circular No. Acad-19/2012

All Heads of Institutions  
Affiliated to CBSE

**Subject : To discontinue the use of rare/endangered plants and animals in school laboratories and classrooms**

Dear Principal,

Kindly refer to the CBSE Circular no. 72/10, dated November 9, 2010, wherein the CBSE had asked its affiliated schools to surrender the preserved museum specimen of plants and animals that are rare and threatened (*as per the Wildlife Protection Act 1972*) to the Ministry of Environment and Forest Department, Govt. of India w.e.f. the date of the issue of the circular.

The presence of wild animals and birds being kept in captivity in schools has been noticed during visits by rights activists, which has been viewed seriously. A committee of experts met at the CBSE and unanimously agreed to follow the WP Act in its spirit and the need to sensitise students towards care and protection of Biodiversity.

Kindly ensure that no threatened (*rare and endangered*) species of plants and wild animals including birds and insects are kept in captivity and used for classroom/laboratory study in your school.

In the age of ICT, virtual specimens can be used for studying plant and animal diversity. For any further queries / clarifications, you may contact Education Officer at [synapsecbse@gmail.com](mailto:synapsecbse@gmail.com)

This may be brought to the notice of all concerned teachers.

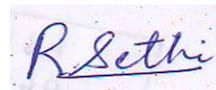
With best wishes and regards,

Sincerely,

(DR. RASHMI SETHI)  
EDUCATION OFFICER

**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 - 110 016.
2. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, A-28, Kailash Colony, New Delhi.
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.
8. Director of Education, SIE, CBSE Cell, VIP Road, Junglee Ghat, PO 744103, A&N Island.
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 schools affiliated with 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 publish this circular on the CBSE website.
13. The Library and Information Officer, CBSE
14. EO to Chairman, CBSE
15. PS to Chairman, CBSE
16. SO to CE, CBSE
17. PA to Secretary, CBSE
18. PA to Director (ACAD.)
19. PA to Director (AIEEE)
20. PA to Director (EDUSAT)
21. PRO, CBSE



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