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All Heads of Institutions Affiliated to CBSE

Greetings for June Solstice 2012

Subject : Transformation of public perception of Biodiversity through sensitization at schools.

Slogan :- Prakruti Rakshati Rakshita, Nature Protects if She is Protected

Dear Principal,

With increasing awareness of need of biodiversity as an esssential natural, national and global resource, the government(s) and people have started participating to save life on planet earth.

Biodiversity constitutes the framework in which variety of life forms can coexist. In the past, humans have been living in harmony with nature which includes differnt kind of living organsisms.

Development due to technology has influenced life styles of people. This has altered previous patten of harmony with nature. As a result, we have experienced disturbances in nature as habitat fragmentation, global warming and imbalance in population of different plants and animals.

In this context the Ministry of Environment and Forests (Govt. of India) has taken the initiative to host the Eleventh conference of the Parties (CoP-11) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and the Sixth conference of the Parties serving as Meeting of the Parties (CoP/MoP-6) to the CBD's Cartagena Protocol on biosafety in Hyderabad from 1-19 October, 2012.

In sync with the national event and concern for Biological Diversity, the CBSE considers it important for its schools *to participate and popularize the awareness through optimum use of formative tasks* related to issues and concerns about Biological Diversity and India's role.

Through the Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE), the formative aspects of attitude to respect different life forms, their protection and nurture can and must be promoted through classroom interactions and co-curricular activities. These may include collaborative activities like bringing out newsletters, role play, slogan drives, and landscaping, exchanging and nurturing plants.

Needless to mention, life is a commonly shared concern of all. In this respect biological diversity forms an integral part of education that can be discussed through areas such as Science, Social Science, Languages and Mathematics.

In this context, CBSE affiliated schools are required to familiarize students with the logo and slogan prepared by the Ministry of Environment and Forests for the conference and adopt it as a motto of the year (see Annexure 1 and 2).

With Regards,

Yours sincerely,

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(DR. SADHANA PARASHAR) DIRECTOR (TRAINING)

Copy to the respective Heads of Directorates, Organizations, and Institutions as indicated below with a request to disseminate the information to all the schools under their jurisdiction:

- 1. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18-Institutional Area, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi- 110016.
- 2. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidayalaya Samiti, A-28, Kailash Colony, New Delhi.
- 3. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi- 110054.
- 4. The Director of Public Instructions (Schools), Union Territory Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh- 160017.
- 5. The Director of Education, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim- 737101.
- 6. The Director of School Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar-791111
- 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 ESS Plaza, Community Centre, Sector 3, Rohini, Delhi- 110085
- 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 Joint Director, CBSE, Rouse Avenue, New Delhi.
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- 13. The Research Officer (T) with the request to put this circular on the CBSE Academic website.
- 14. The Library and Information Officer, CBSE.
- 15. E.O. to Chairman, CBSE
- 16. DO/ PA to Secretary, CBSE
- 17. PA to CE, CBSE
- 18. PA to Director (Acad.)
- 19. PA to HOD (AIEEE)
- 20. PRO, CBSE

DIRECTOR (TRAINING)

ANNEXURE 1



XI Conference of Parties CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY HYDERABAD INDIA 2012

India is a recognized megadiverse country rich in biological diversity and associated traditional knowledge. As an initiative to address ways to take care of Biodiversity as a resource for life, the main aim of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (Govt. of India) hosting the *Eleventh conference of the Parties (CoP-11) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and the Sixth conference of the Parties serving as Meeting of the Parties (CoP/MoP-6) to the CBD's Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety in Hyderabad on 1-19 October, 2012.*

Among other concerns, the focus of the conference will be :

- 1. Need to balance
 - Economic development
 - Demographice pressures
 - Environmental conservation
- 2. Highlight interdependence of life forms and environment
- 3. Spread awareness for managing interdependence through dignified, intelligent and sustained use of resources.

ANNEXURE 2

A brief report of the plan and execution along with detail of any one experience and observation must be sent to the Board latest by January 31st 2013.

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