

# **NOTIFICATION**

## **UPDATE ON ASL PROJECT: (ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE AND TEACHER TRAINING)**

This is with regard to the implementation of the project for Assessment of Speaking and Listening skills (ASL) in classes IX and XI in all CBSE affiliated schools since 2012. Subsequent to the implementation of the pilot phase of the project, CBSE has now collaborated with Trinity College, London for ongoing academic support in material developments, training of teachers as Examiner Trainers in the Assessment of Speaking and Listening skills (ASL-ETs) and in the assessment process that are aligned and at par with the international standards.

### **Recording of Speaking Performance of Students**

This evidence pertains to the **recorded data of students' performance in the Oral Examination**. Hence, we, at CBSE, seek the support of all the affiliated schools in the smooth conduct of ASL.

The speaking assessment of **all students** in the final examination (SA-II) in class IX and in class XI needs to be recorded in the MP3 recorders.

### **Dates for the Assessment of Speaking and Listening skills**

It may be noted that the dates for conducting the speaking assessment and listening test will be from 15 November to 15 December, 2013 for all the schools.

**For all Winter Bound Schools the dates for conducting the speaking assessment and listening test will be 01 November to 15 November every year.**

### **Recording of Assessment**

The CDs containing the recorded data for **only** SA-II and final exam in class XI will be sent to the Regional Officers of each region of CBSE for onward transmission to CBSE/Trinity College, London for analysis.

The analysis of data of speaking performance of students and listening test scores will help in standardizing the tests and improving the quality of the assessment procedures and empowering of teachers as Oral Examiners.

### **Gateway to ASL**

As a support to teachers, guidelines for assessment, sample papers and practice materials have been uploaded under the link **Gateway to ASL** uploaded on the Home page of the CBSE Academic Website [www.cbseacademic.in](http://www.cbseacademic.in).

### **Assessment of Speaking and Listening in Class X**

It may be recalled that CBSE had sent the dates for conducting the assessment of speaking and listening skills during a month's window period of 15 November to 15 December, 2013 for SA-II in class X vide notification no. 22 posted in April, 2013 on the CBSE Academic Website [www.cbseacademic.in](http://www.cbseacademic.in). Assessment of Speaking and Listening for class X will be according to the guidelines contained **in the circular no. 27 dated 29 April, 2013.**

### **Training of Teachers**

In order to support the teachers for conducting the assessment of speaking and listening skills, a good number of state wise two day workshops have been planned so that teachers can be made aware of the assessment process.

All the schools which had sent in their nomination of teachers may register themselves at the nearest venue for the workshop. It may be noted that in each workshop up to 80 teachers can be accommodated for hands on experience in the assessment process. This will be an ongoing programme till CBSE is able to train almost all the teachers over the next few years. A training calendar for two day workshop is annexed with this notification (Annexure - I). For any further query you may contact **Ms. Neelima Sharma, Consultant at 011-23233552 and mailto: [neelimasharma.cbse@gmail.com](mailto:neelimasharma.cbse@gmail.com)**

We sincerely hope that all the heads of schools are keeping themselves abreast of the changes that CBSE is bringing in and also transferring the knowledge and information to the other stakeholders like teachers, students and parents. To further facilitate the process, a document giving details of weightage for different sections for English Language paper for classes IX to XII for the year 2013-14 is attached (Annexure - II).

We wish you a very happy festival time in the coming months.

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