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The Deputy Commissioner Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan All Regional Offices

Subject: - Activities under 'Tarunotsava' scheme for students appeared in class 10^{th.} reg. Madam/ Sir.

I hope the Regional Offices and schools have started setting fresh targets with action plan and strategies for the new academic session commencing from 1st April 2017. The examinations for classes X & XII are in progress and it is expected that the efforts made by the students, teachers, parents, Principals and officers at Regional Office will reflect in the results that are likely to be announced in May 2017. All other children who are going to continue in our system in next academic session will start coming to school from first day of the session with new hopes and expectations. The schools are required to develop student specific strategies after assessing their performance in previous class right from the beginning of the session so that they improve their level of achievements in higher class.

It is experienced that our class X students who appear in the school based/ board based examination remain away from the school for almost 2 ½ months prior to joining class XI leading to not only an irreparable academic loss for them but also a disconnect between school and student. The school level/ RO level programmes so far developed and operated so far in isolation without any institutional mechanism in the form of bridge course etc. could not yield the desired results. Hence, it has been decided to introduce 'Tarunotsava' a programme for all students who are appearing in class X Exams in 2016-17 with activities under four major domains focusing on Language skills, Career guidance & counseling services, Hobby & skill development and Foundation for class XI.

The activities are diverse in nature and are intended to keep these students meaningfully engaged in the area of their choice as well as in personality development programmes. Your personal intervention is required to ensure that the programme is launched with proper publicity among students and parents so that all children of the target group join and not only learn but also enjoy their bond with the school. The schools may plan day-wise activities under 'Tarunotsava' programme which may be completed just before their admission to class XI. Some suggested activities under the Programme are as under:

1. Activities to improve Language skills (both in English and Hindi)

- i. The students are to be given exposure to improve their language skills like Listening, Speaking, Reading & Writing which are required at every step to lead a successful life
- ii. Students are also required to get exposure through various activities such as extempore, drama, skit, making films, comments on books/ Book reviews, etc. for improving their comprehension and speaking abilities.

- iii. Schools may also engage experts from outside for delivering lectures, organizing workshops, etc. Computer lab & Language lab, if available, may be utilized for this activity
- iv. The activities may be designed and developed through subject study circles.
- v. The activities should be focused and result oriented to help them acquire confidence & linguistic fluency

2. Career Guidance & Counseling services:

- i. Career guidance, future prospects of different courses, availability of various academic programmes in different universities, etc. is also required to be provided to students to enable them to spell out their roadmap for future
- ii. Students at this stage require proper information regarding selection of stream in class XI based on their abilities and proficiency. The schools may arrange career guidance sessions for students to select the right stream in class XI.
- iii. School may arrange career guidance sessions on options available to them after +2. The school counselor may coordinate these activities

3. Hobby/Skill development

- i. Schools may arrange coaching sessions from existing resources for interested students for promoting their interest in music, dance, drama, drawing, paintings, gardening, and pottery etc.
- ii. Schools may also arrange special sessions with under subject teacher's guidance in various areas that may help students to prepare themselves for Social Science Exhibition, Kala Utsav, Youth Parliament, etc.
- iii. Special coaching sessions in sports may also be arranged for interested students. The school sports infrastructure and coaches should be utilized for this purpose
- iv. Coaching sessions may also be arranged for skill development in identified areas as per suitability and availability of local resources

4. Foundation for class XI

In order to help the students acquire core competencies required for understanding subjects like Math, Science, Commerce & Humanities, teachers may develop brief modules based on basic concepts. The students may be given exposure to these modules as a preparation for higher level of understanding of subjects without any commitment for allotment of stream in class XI, which will depend on their performance in class X.

The schools may allot two periods per day for each activity given above under four areas (2X4=8 periods per day). The consent of the parents must be taken for this programme and schools must evolve attendance monitoring system of these students for each session to ensure proper discipline and movement. You are requested to disseminate this information to all the Principals and personally monitor effective implementation of the programme 'Tarunotsava'. The effectiveness of the programme will be assessed by the officers of the Regional Office & KVS Hqrs during their visit to the schools. Kindly bestow your personal attention for successful execution of the scheme.

My best wishes for the new academic session.

Yours faithfully

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