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CIRCULAR FOR PARENTS GRADE IX

Subject: PT-1 Assessment for Grade IX

Dear Parents,

Greetings from the school.

This is to inform you that as per the recent press release issued by NCERT dated 01 May 2026, the printing and distribution of the new Grade 9 textbooks based on the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 are currently underway on a priority basis. NCERT has informed that due to the large nationwide demand, there is a temporary gap in supply and availability of some textbooks, though efforts are being made to make them available shortly.

In view of the above situation, and to ensure that students' academic progress is not affected, the school has decided that the **Periodic Test – 1 (PT-1) for Grade IX will be conducted in the form of Project-Based Assessment** instead of the regular written examination.

This approach will help students continue learning in a meaningful and practical manner while the textbooks become readily available. Subject-wise project guidelines, submission dates, and assessment criteria will be shared by the respective teachers shortly.

We request parents to extend their support and encourage students to complete their projects sincerely and submit them on time.

Note: Press release copy attached for reference.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

Regards,

Principal



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PRESS RELEASE

New Delhi, 01 May 2025

NCERT is printing its new Grade 9 books at war-footing and assures easy availability shortly

NCERT has brought out a new set of Grade 9 textbooks based on the National Education Policy 2020. It has already released digital versions of new Grade 9 textbooks for free access on its website a fortnight ago. These books are being printed on a war-footing manner and being distributed across the country. Due to very large number of textbooks required, there is some temporary gap in the supply and demand. NCERT is closely monitoring the situation and working to close this gap. The supply of these textbooks is being normalized.

To facilitate easy access for students and parents, NCERT textbooks are being made available through multiple channels. These include an extensive nationwide vendor network and NCERT's sales counters at all its regional centres. In addition, the NCERT's sales counter at its headquarters at New Delhi, is also being kept open on weekends to facilitate students and parents.

Further, all available textbooks, including those for Grade 9, are accessible online through the official NCERT web portal (<https://ncertbooks.ncert.gov.in>) as well as on major e-commerce platforms such as Amazon. The freely downloadable digital versions of NCERT textbooks are available on the NCERT's official website: <https://ncert.nic.in>, on DIKSHA: <https://diksha.gov.in/> and ePathshala: <https://epathshala.nic.in/>

In addition, NCERT is directly supplying textbooks to schools and institutions that are approaching NCERT for their bulk requirements.

It is pertinent to note that the transition to a new curriculum and textbooks is a significant nationwide academic reform. Temporary supply constraints may arise during this initial phase; however, robust mechanisms have been put in place to quickly bridge any gaps in availability. All textbooks for Grade 9 have been published and released, except the Social Science textbook, which is in the final stages of development and will be made available shortly.

NCERT remains fully committed to ensuring that every student has timely and affordable access to quality textbooks, and all efforts are being made to streamline supply and distribution at the earliest.

In case of any difficulty in obtaining NCERT textbooks, the Head, Publication Division, NCERT, may be contacted at pd.ncert@nic.in or Chief Business Manager at cbm.ncert@nic.in and Call on PMeVIDYA IVRS number as well: 8800440559



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