Scheme of Senior Secondary Examination



BOARD OF SCHOOL & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

SCHEME OF EXAMINATIONS AND PASS CRITERIA

General Conditions

- (i) The Scheme of Examinations and Pass Criteria for BSTE,CG, Senior School Certificate Examination conducted by the Board, shall be as laid down from time to time.
- (ii) Class XI examination shall be conducted internally by the schools themselves.
- (iii) The Board will conduct the external examination at the end of Class XII.
- (iv) Class XII examination will be based on the syllabi as prescribed by the Board for Class XII from time to time.
- (v) Number of papers, duration of examination and marks for each subject/paper will be as specified in the curriculum for the year.
- (vi) The examination would be conducted in theory as well as in practicals, depending upon the nature of the subject(s) and the marks/grades allotted shall be as prescribed in the curriculum.
- (vi) Marks/grades shall be awarded for individual subjects and the aggregate marks shall not be given.

Grading

- (i) Assessment of theory/practical papers in external subjects shall be in numerical scores. In addition to numerical scores, the Board shall indicate grade in the marks sheets issued to the candidates in case of subjects of external examinations. In case of internal assessment subject only grades shall be shown.
- (ii) Letter grades on a nine-point scale shall be used.
- (iii) The grades shall be derived from scores in case of subjects of external examination. In case of subjects of internal assessment, they shall be awarded by the schools.
- (iv) The qualifying marks in each subject of external examination shall be 33% at Senior School Certificate Examination. However, at Senior School Certificate Examination, in a subject involving practical work, a candidate must obtain 33% marks in the theory and 33% marks in the practical separately in addition to 33% marks in aggregate, in order to qualify in that subject.
- (v) Grading of Subjects will be as follow:
- A-I For % Between 91 to 100
- A-2 For % Between 81 to 90
- B-1 For % Between 76 to 80
- B-2 For % Between 71 to 75
- C-l For % Between 61 to 70
- C-2 For % Between 51 to 60
- D-I For % Between 41 to 50
- D-2 For % Between 33 to 40
- E Failed Candidates

Notes:-

The Over all performance will be evaluated on the bases of Grade Point Average (GPA) 1 GPA = 10%

Merit Certificates

- (i) The Board will award Merit Certificates in each subject to the top 0.1 % of candidates passing that subject, provided that they have passed the examination as per the pass criteria of the Board.
- (ii) The number of Merit Certificates in a subject, will be determined by rounding of the number of candidates passing the subject to the nearest multiple of thousand. If the number of candidates passing a subject is less than 500, no merit certificate will be issued.
- (iii) In the matter of a tie, if one student gets a Merit Certificate, all candidates getting that score will get the Merit Certificate.

Scheme of Examination (Senior School Certificate Examination)

- (i) The Board shall conduct examination in all subjects except General Studies, Work Experience, Physical and Health Education, which will be assessed internally by the schools.
- (ii) In all subjects examined by the Board, a student will be given one paper each carrying 100 marks for 3 hours. However, in subjects requiring practical examination, there will be a theory paper and practical examinations as required in the syllabi and courses.
- (iii) In Work Experience, General Studies and Physical and Health Education, the Schools will maintain cumulative records of student's periodical achievements and progress during the year. These records are subject to the scrutiny of the Board as and when deemed fit.
- (iv) A candidate from a recognised school who has some physical deformity or is otherwise unable to take part in Work Experience and Physical and Health Education, may be granted exemption by the Chairman on the recommendation of the Head of the institution, supported by the medical certificate from a Medical Officer of the rank not below an Assistant Surgeon.
- (v) Private/Patrachar Vidyalaya and candidates sponsored by Adult School shall be exempted from Work Experience, General Studies and Physical and Health Education.

Subject Scheme:

S.No. Subject	No. of Question Papers	Max. Marks	Duration
1. Language I	1	100	3 hours
2. Language II	1	100	3 hours

English, Hindi, Sanskrit, Urdu, Tibitan, Telugu, Tamil, Spanish, Sindhi, Russian, Punjabi, Persian, Oriya, Nepali, Mizo, Marathi, Manipuri, Malayalam, Limboo, Lepcha, Kashmiri, Kannada, Gujarati,

German, Bhutia, Bengali, Arabic, Melayau, French, Farsi, Latin, Chini, Pali, Marathi, Japanese, Asami.

NOTE:

•	Out of the languages, one shall be English or Hindi, both English and Hindi can also be offered
	simultaneously.

3.	Chose from Subject List (By Stream)	1	100	3 hours
4.	Chose from Subject List (By Stream)	1	100	3 hours
5.	Chose from Subject List (By Stream)	1	100	3 hours

Compulsory Additional Subject

(i) Environmental Science	60+20*+20**	3 hours
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Additional Subject (If Opted)

Chose from the Subject List given according to their Stream:

Science Stream:

•	Non-Medical Branch			
3	Subject	Physics	60+20*+20**	3 hours
4	Subject	Chemistry	60+20*+20**	3 hours
5	Subject	Mathematics	80+20*	3 hours
•	Medical Branch			
3	Subject	Physics	60+20*+20**	3 hours
4	Subject	Chemistry	60+20*+20**	3 hours
5	Subject	Biology	60+20*+20**	3 hours
Commerce Stream:				
3	Subject	Business	80+20*	3 hours
4	Subject	Accountancy	80+20*	3 hours
5	Subject	Economics/Mathematics	80+20*	3 hours
Humanities/Arts Stream:				
3	Subject	History	80+20*	3 hours

Geography/Economics/Philosophy/ 80+20*

Public Administration/Political Science

80+20*

3 hours

3 hours

Additional Subject List

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• I.T. (Information Technology)

Sociology

- Physical Education
- Electronic & Electrical
- Radiography

- Politary Product & Technology
- Food & Technology
- Skills & Communication
- Auto Mobiles
- Printing Technology
- Mechanical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Textile Engineering
- Clinical Bio-Chemistry
- Drawing & Painting
- Clinical Health Nursing
- Lab Medicine
- Yoga
- Dance
- Music
- Tour & Travel Management
- Management of Bank Office
- Fashion Studies
- Agriculture
- Bio- Technology
- Computer Science
- Home Science

Note: * Stands for Multiple Choice Questions or Project Work.

** Stands for Practical Work.

Pass Criteria (Senior School Certificate Examination)

- (i) A candidate will be eligible to get the pass certificate of the Board, if he/she gets a grade higher than E in all subjects of internal assessment unless he/she is exempted. Failing this, result of the external examination will be with held but not for a period of more than one year.
- (ii) In order to be declared as having passed the examination, a candidate shall obtain a grade higher than E (i.e. at least 33% marks) in all the subjects of external examination in the main or at the end of the compartmental examination. The pass marks in each subject of external examination shall be 33%. In case of a subject involving practical work a candidate must obtain 33% marks in theory and 33% marks in practical separately in addition to 33% marks in aggregate in order to qualify in that subject.
- (iii) No overall division/distinction/aggregate shall be awarded.
- (iv) In respect of a candidate offering an additional subject, the following norms shall be applied:
- (a) A language offered as an additional subject may replace a language in the event of a candidate failing in the same provided after replacement the candidate has English/Hindi as one of the languages.

- (b) An elective subject offered as an additional subject may replace one of the elective subjects offered by the candidate. It may also replace a language provided after replacement the candidate has English/Hindi as one of the languages.
- (c) Additional language offered at elective level may replace an elective subject provided after replacement, the number of languages offered shall not exceed two.
- (v) Candidates exempted from one or more subjects of internal examination shall be eligible for appearing in external examination and result shall be declared subject to fulfilment of other conditions laid down in the Pass Criteria.
- (vi) In order to be declared as having passed the Class XI Examination a candidate shall obtain 33% marks in all the subjects. The pass marks in each subject of examination shall be 33%. In case of subject involving practical work a candidate must obtain 33% marks in theory and 33% in practical separately in addition to 33% marks in aggregate in order to qualify in that subject.

Eligibility for Compartment in Senior School Certificate Examination

A candidate failing in one of the all subjects of external examination shall be placed in compartment in that subject provided he/she qualifies in all the subjects of internal assessment.

Compartment Examination for Senior School Certificate Examination

- (i) A candidate placed in Compartment may reappear at Compartment Examination to be held in Next by the board. The candidate will be declared 'PASS' provided he/she qualifies the compartmental subjects in which he/she had failed.
- (ii) A candidate who does not appear or fails at one or all the four chances of compartment shall be treated to have failed in the examination and shall be required to reappear in all the subjects at the subsequent annual examination of the Board as per syllabi and courses laid down for the examination concerned in order to pass the examination. The candidate's practical marks/internal assessment marks ob-tained in the 'Main examination will be carried over till the fifth chance compartmental examination. The candidate shall have the option to appear at the practical examination in the subjects involving practical or retain their previous marks in one more annual examination after the Fifth Chance Com-partment.
- (iii) Syllabi and Courses for the Compartmental Candidates in Examination shall be the same as applicable to the candidates of full subjects appearing at the examination.
- (iv) For subjects involving practical work, in case the candidate has passed in practical at the main examination he/she shall appear only in theory part and previous practical marks will be carried forward and accounted for. In case a candidate has failed in practical he / she shall have to appear in theory and practical both irrespective of the fact that he / she has already cleared the theory examination.

Improvement of performance - Senior School Certificate Examination

(i) A candidate who has passed an examination of the Board may reappear for improvement of performance in the succeeding year only; however, a candidate who has passed an examination of the Board under Vocational Scheme may reappear for improvement of

performance in the main examination in the succeeding year or the following year provided they have not pursued higher studies in the mean time. They will appear as private candidates.

Those reappearing for the whole examination may, however, appear as regular candidates also if admitted by the school as regular students. The candidate (s) appearing for improvement of performance can appear in the subject (s) only in which they have been declared pass and not in the subject in which they have been declared fail.

- (ii) For subjects involving practical work, in case the candidate has passed in practical at the main examination, he/she shall be allowed to appear in theory part only and marks in practical obtained at the main examination shall be carried forward and accounted for. In case a candidate has failed in practical, he/she shall have to appear in theory and practical both irrespective of the fact that he/she has already cleared the theory examination.
- (iii) Candidates who appear for improvement of performance will be issued only Statement of Marks reflecting the marks of the improvement examination.
- (iv) A candidate appearing for Improvement of Performance in one or more subjects can not appear for additional subject simultaneously.

Medium of Instruction

The medium of instruction in general in all the schools affiliated with the board shall either be English or Hindi.



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