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Subject: Text material for Open Text-based Assessment (OTBA) for classes IX & XI.

**Reference: Circular No. Acad-39/2013 dated 31st May, 2013
Circular No. Acad-53/2013 dated 8th August, 2013.**

Dear Principal,

In continuation with above cited circulars, please find enclosed the following open text material for Classes IX & XI:

Class IX

1.	हिंदी 'अ' (002)	01	बालक – बालिकाओं में असमान लिंग अनुपात
	हिंदी 'ब' (085)	02	बाल मजदूरी
2.	English –Communicative(101)	01	Information technology and values
	English- language and Literature (184)	02	The Future is Now: A zest for living
3.	Mathematics (041)	01	Planning a garden
		02	Adventure Camp
4.	Science (086/090)	01	Clean Air- A Shared Concern
		02	Environment and Development-Lessons from the Hills
5.	Social Science (087)	01	A Tale from the Hills
		02	Migration

Class XI.

1.	Geography (029)	01	Indian Summer Monsoon and The Himalayan Tsunami
		02	Krakatau Volcano: Fear of East Indies
2.	Economics (030)	01	The Second Green Revolution
		02	Medical Tourism in India
3.	Biology (044)	01	Life & Living
		02	Incredible India

The following may please be noted in this regard:

- The given Open text material is for use in Summative Assessment II of Class IX, and Annual Examination of Class XI, 2014.
- The Hindi versions of the open text material will also be uploaded very soon.
- Each text material includes sample questions.

The concerned teachers are expected to read, discuss and analyze them with regard to:

- their objectives and outcomes
- concepts involved and their application
- description, further explanation and further exploration of the case/ problem/ situation involved.
- higher order thinking skills involved, and
- analysis from different perspectives

They should assign this text material to their students in groups for further understanding, analysis and discussion. It is reiterated here that the main objective of introducing OTBA is to relieve the students from the burden of mugging up of content and provide opportunities in acquiring skills of information processing, comprehension, analysis and inference. The teachers should guide them, provide feedback and encourage open responses in solving situations. The Text also gives some questions as samples. The teachers should develop more such questions which are based on the given text but require answers through application of concepts, further extrapolation, comparison and inference

Please visit CBSE website www.cbseacademic.nic.in for further updation on this issue.

Yours suggestions are always welcome.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

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Annexures :

- 1. Open Text Material for Class IX.**
- 2. Open Text Material for Class XI.**

Copy with a request to respective Heads of Directorates/KVS/NVS/CTSA as indicated below to also disseminate the information to all concerned schools under their jurisdiction:

1. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18-Institutional Area, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi-110016.
2. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, B-15, Sector-62, Institutional Area, Noida-201309.
3. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi-110 054.
4. The Director of Public Instructions (Schools), Union Territory Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh-160 017.
5. The Director of Education, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim – 737101.
6. The Director of School Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar – 791 111
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, ESSESS 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 Education Officers/AEOs of the Academic Branch, CBSE.
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