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Respected Ma'am/Sir,

Please refer to letter No. 1-8/2014-RMSA-I dated 16th August, 2017 regarding intimation of conduct of National Achievement Survey for Class X (copy attached). As you are aware, MHRD is conducting NAS-Class X-Cycle 2 through NCERT. After detailed consultation with the State Governments, the NAS for Class X is tentatively proposed to be held in the first week of February 2018. For monitoring the progress of NAS Class X, an activity tracker has been developed and shared by NCERT with the participants from States/UTs during the Institutional Coordinator's workshop held on 11th to 12th October 2017. (<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bxJHOy2UfV3tKSb6ENDioFSC86BbKnvjcOmXnIiuEqc/edit#gid=0>). All States are requested to adhere to the timelines mentioned in the tracker and update the tracker regularly.

The activities which will need to be undertaken by the States and Union Territories on priority are as under:-

1. All States/ UTs have nominated their State/ Institutional Coordinator. However, States/UTs are further required to nominate Associate Institutional Coordinators, District Coordinators, Assistant District Coordinators and MIS Coordinator for NAS Class X by 30th November 2017.
2. By the end of November 2017, NCERT will share the finalized tests and questionnaires with States/UTs. All States are expected to translate the tests and get the translated tests vetted by NCERT on or before 15th December 2017. Printing of the test booklets will start only after vetting by NCERT.
3. Translations will need to be as per the translation guidelines, which are part of the Guidelines Manual, developed for Class X NAS and shared by NCERT with States/UTs.
4. Some States may need to get some translated tests from their neighboring states e.g. Gujarat may need to borrow Marathi test paper from Maharashtra for students studying in Marathi medium schools/classes in Gujarat.
5. Printing should ideally be done at the State level in a government press. The District Coordinators will monitor the packaging of the materials at the press. The bundles of survey tools will be handed over to the schools, only 10 days before the survey.
6. The States/ UTs need to maintain confidentiality of test items at all levels. On receiving the tests items, States/ UTs need to sign a confidentiality template (to be shared by NCERT) and send it back to Under Secretary RMSA1, DoSE&L, MHRD by 10th December 2017. A copy may be sent to NCERT also. This certificate may either be signed by the SPD-RMSA or the Head of the Senior Secondary Education Board.



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7. NCERT will draw district wise samples and provide the list of sampled schools to all States/ UTs latest by 15th Dec, 2017. However, a pre-requisite for the same is completion of the sampling frame format circulated by NCERT which should be done by 30th Nov, 2017.
8. List of sample schools sent by NCERT will need to be verified by the States/ UTs on the criteria set and shared by NCERT. The number of schools replaced during sampling, will need to be updated on the tracker.
9. NCERT faculty members will train the State Level Master Trainers (SLMTs) at regional venues. The SLMTs in turn will be expected to ensure complete capacity building at the district, block and school levels. NCERT will share training material with States/ UTs during the SLMT workshops. The States/ UTs will be expected to translate the training material received from NCERT in their regional languages for training at district, block and school levels.
10. Primary school teachers from stand alone primary schools other than the sampled schools/B.Ed./M.Ed/MSW students from the District will be used as Field Investigators (FIs) in this survey. States are expected to ensure their availability in the desired numbers before the survey.
11. The FI Training should be organized after the test material provided by NCERT has been translated in regional languages, preferably 7-10 days before the day of NAS Class X. This would also ensure that on the day of the FI training, the translated training material could be handed over to the FIs.
12. All OMR sheet scanning and uploading processes should be finalized by the States/UTs as per their own financial norms. Ideally the same equipment and processes used for scanning and uploading NAS Classes III, V and VIII 2017 data may be used for Class X NAS. We would like to clarify that MHRD, in no way supports/ recommends any vendor throughout the implementation of NAS.
13. Class X NAS will be monitored by the SPD-RMSA and his office. SPD-RMSA office will need to monitor the conduct of NAS, in 5-8 sample schools per district.
14. NAS Class X is focused at assessing the system for improvement and is NOT aimed at assessing an individual student's capacity. It is expected for all States and UTs to participate in this survey with District as the sample unit. The survey should be seen only as a tool to assess the health of the education system at secondary level and for making policy interventions for improving the same.
15. Funds will be disbursed by NCERT and the States/UTs are expected to follow the expenditure norms developed by NCERT.

With Regards,

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(Manceesh Garg) 27/11

The Secretary/Principal Secretary (School Education) of all States/UTs.

NAS CLASS X- List of Activities with Timelines to be completed by States/UTs (for the activities that are already complete please upload information on the tracker)

S.no	Name of Activity	Date of Completion
1	Share list of recognized schools in the State/UT which have Class X	25 th October 2017
2	Provide the total enrollment of children in Class X in the sampled schools	25 th October 2017
3	Provide contact details of the State Coordinator	20 th October 2017
4	Provide contact details of the State Project Director	20 th October 2017
5	Has the State/UT nominated one Institutional Coordinator?	20 th October 2017
6	Has the State/UT nominated one Associate Institutional Coordinator?	30 th November 2017
7	Nomination of District Coordinator, Assistant District Coordinator and MIS Coordinator	30 th November 2017
8	Confidentiality Agreement for Test Items signed between NCERT and States/UTs	10 th December 2017
9	Arrangement of OMR Scanners and software	30 th November 2017
10	Finalization of vendor for printing	30 th November 2017
11	Receipt of All training material for NAS Administration	30 th November 2017
12	Translation of NAS Class X tests	1 st December 2017
13	Vetting of translation	15 th December 2017
14	Receipt of final translated documents from Neighboring states	10 th December 2017
15	Provide final translated tests to NCERT	10 th January 2018
16	Training of District Coordinators, Assistant District Coordinators and MIS Coordinators	27 th December 2017
17	Verification of sampled schools	30 th December 2017
18	Translation of training material	30 th December 2017
19	Identification of Observers by RMSA	30 th December 2017
20	Identification of Field Investigators	30 th December 2017
21	Receipt of final and verified sampled schools by the Institutional Coordinator	10 th January 2018
22	Print survey material and school wise packaging	10 th January 2018
23	Training of Field Investigators	20 th January 2018
24	Confidentiality agreement for test items at school level	One week before the assessment day