

Media Advisory

Recall of the NCERT textbook *Exploring Society: India and Beyond*, *Social Science Grade 8 Part 2*

The NCERT requests any individual or organization, who is in possession of the NCERT textbook *Exploring Society: India and Beyond*, Social Science Grade 8 Part 2, or any material related to it, may return it to the Head, Department of Education in Social Sciences (DESS) or Publication Division, NCERT, Sri Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi, at the earliest possible. We also request that any content related to the chapter "Role of judiciary in Our Society" if posted on any of the social media or digital platform may be deleted at the earliest possible. Also, whosoever has purchased this textbook from anywhere is requested to return it to NCERT immediately.

It is further informed that as per para 20 of Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 26.02.2026 "*a complete blanket ban is hereby imposed on any further publication re: printing or digital dissemination of the book titled "Exploring Society, India and Beyond". Any attempt to circumvent this order through electronic media or alternative titles, containing the same contents, shall be treated as a direct interference, willful breach and defiance of the directions issued herein above.*"

It is being reiterated that the NCERT has withdrawn the textbook.



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