GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 160 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2021

Results of Board Exams

160. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:

SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR. S.:

SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:

DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the CBSE cancelled class X and XII Board Exams 2021 due to pandemic situation in the country and if so, the criteria adopted by the CBSE to determine the 12th class result;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that there is widespread discontentment among the students across the country about the CBSE evaluation criteria and if so, the steps taken/propose to be taken by the Government;
- (c) whether the Government has taken into account the challenges faced by the students of class 12 during academic year 2020-2021 and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the average scores of students of class 12 in pre-board examination in many schools were lower than the previous years average and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the CBSE proposes to take into account the above facts while preparing class 12 results;
- (f) whether only around 50 percent of the students had online connections for class 12 as result of which online education could not reach all students affecting them adversely; and

(g) if so, whether the Government proposes to provide required infrastructure for online education to students who are promoted to class 12?

ANSWER MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a): Yes Sir. The annual examinations for classes X and XII have been cancelled by the Board. Following criteria has been adopted by Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) to prepare the results of Class-XII:-
 - (i) The assessment of theory portion will be done by the school based on the following:

Class XII	Marks based on Unit Test/Mid-Term/ Pre-Board Exam	40 %
Class XI	Marks based on theory component of final exam	30 %
Class X	Marks based on average theory component of best three	30 %
	performing subjects out of main 5 subjects.	

- (ii) The marks of Practical / Internal Assessment etc. of class XII will be on actual basis as uploaded by the school on the CBSE portal.
- (b): Policy for preparation of results has been approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter of Mamta Sharma Vs CBSE.
- (c) and (e): Following challenges were observed and addressed:-
 - Diversity in instructional methods,
 - Non-uniform evaluation process,
 - Multiplicity in types of assessment conducted by the schools and
 - Conduct of online and offline classes.
- (d): The conduct of pre-board examination is the prerogative of individual schools. No data of the conduct of pre-board examinations is collected by CBSE.
- (f) and (g): Online classes are being conducted at the schools by employing various digital tools in the form of DIKSHA portal (https://diksha.gov.in/), SWAYAM Portal (swayam.gov.in), SWAYAM Prabha, DD Channel, e-Pathshala (https://epathshala.nit.in/), NROER (National Repository of Open Educational Resources) portal (https://nroer.gov.in/welcome).

Learning programmes have also been started in the form of offline learning tools in the form of alternative academic calendar by NCERT radio, community radio and CBSE podcasts, toll free numbers, missed call, SMS based requests for audio content, localized radio content for edutainment etc. The medium of TV, radio and textbooks is also used for the students who do not have digital means.