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Government of Tripura  
Directorate of Secondary Education  
(General Section-I)

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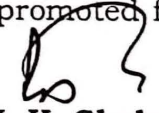
**M E M O**

It has come to the notice of the government in Department of School Education that out of 44490 children enrolled in the 10<sup>th</sup> Standard during the year 2018-19 (68510 children enrolled in 9<sup>th</sup> Standard in 2017-18), only 33583 children appeared for the Madhyamik (10<sup>th</sup> Examination) in March, 2019.

The practice of holding a test in the school before the Board examination was designed for the purpose of giving feed back to the teachers, students and their parents on the learning levels of the students, or to make the students more sincere about their revision. Pre-Tests are for feedback only and possibly for the weightage of marks for the internal examination as per scheme of examination. It was not meant as a screening test for the Board Examination. If a child has the requisite attendance, meaning he has attended the school, then if the child is not prepared for appearing in the board examination till the pre-test also, the burden of this failure is not of the child alone, but this failure must be shared between teachers, the Headmaster of the school and Education Department.

The practice is being followed from many years, possibly to improve the pass percentage of Schools. However, the aim of the assessment process/Board Examination is not to declare a good pass percentage but to nudge the children to learn. This practice has the effect of denying the children the right to appear in the Board Examination which is violative of the entire education philosophy and rights of the children. Thus, only minimum attendance is to be the criteria for allowing a child to appear/not appear in the Board Examination. ***The government is desirous of making maximum number of children to appear in the Board Examination and pass on their own merit.***

Henceforth, no child is to be denied the right to appear in the Board Examination in both 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> if she/he has required attendance, and has been promoted from 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> class respectively to the next higher class.

  
( U. K. Chakma ) 19.8.19  
Director

Secondary Education.

**To**

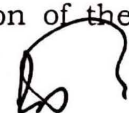
1. The District Education Officer, West/ Sepahijala/ Gomati/ South/ Khowai/ Dhalai/ North/ Unakoti for information and to circulate this to all the Schools for strict compliance.
2. Principal Officer (Education), TTAADC for information and to circulate this to all the Schools.
3. All Inspector of Schools, Secondary Education to ensure that the content of the Memo is complied by all the HMs under their jurisdiction.

**Copy to :-**

1. The President, Tripura Board of Secondary Education, Gurkhabasti, Agartala for kind information.

**Copy also to:-**

1. PA to the Hon'ble Minister, School Education, for kind information of the Hon'ble Minister.
2. The Secretary, School Education, for kind information.

  
( U. K. Chakma )  
Director  
Secondary Education.