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To : All Heads of Schools concerned

Dear Principal,

Subject: Introduction of Improvement Examination for ISC Year 2023

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Please note, the Principals of the schools concerned will be able to register the candidates for the Compartment Examination and the Improvement Examination from 19th June, 2023 to 23rd June, 2023, through the CAREERS Portal.

For detailed information regarding the above-mentioned Examinations and others, refer to the documents enclosed herewith.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

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ISC YEAR 2023 – COMPARTMENT EXAMINATION

The candidates eligible for the Compartment Examination will get one attempt to clear the ISC Examination in the same year as of the Main examination.

• **Eligibility to appear for the ISC (Class XII) Compartment Examination:**

Candidates who appeared for the ISC Year 2023 Main Examination and have failed to secure a Pass Certificate, i.e., **PCNA Result - Pass Certificate Not Awarded**, in the current year of the Examination, will be eligible to appear for Compartment Examination. However, the candidates should have **passed in English and TWO other subjects**.

• **Number of subjects permitted:**

The candidates will be permitted to appear for *only ONE* subject.

• **Papers to appear in:**

The candidates appearing for a particular subject in the Compartment Examination are required to compulsorily appear for the **Theory Paper** of the subject.

Practical / Project work: For the **ISC**, the marks of the Practical/Project work of the subject, already awarded to the candidate in the main examination, will be carried forward. However, if the candidate was absent earlier either in Practical or during assessment of Project Work of the subject, then, the candidate, in addition to taking the Theory examination, is also permitted to submit the Project Work and/or appear for Practical, which should then be assessed, and marks awarded and submitted.

• **Registration of candidates eligible for the Compartment Examination**

Schools will be able to register the eligible candidates, online, for the Compartment Examination, from **19th June, 2023 to 23rd June, 2023**. The examination charges for the Compartment Examination are Rs. 500/- per candidate.

• **Dates of the examination:**

The Compartment Examination will be conducted in the month of **July, 2023**. The final date will be communicated in due course.

• **Local fees for the Compartment Examination**

There will be **No Local Fee** charged for the candidates appearing for the Compartment Examination.

- **Issue of Statement Of Marks and Pass Certificates to the candidates who appear for the Compartment Examination.**

The higher of the two marks obtained by the candidate in the two examinations (i.e., the Main Examination vs. the Compartment Examination) will be considered as the final marks.

- (i) The candidates who are **successful** at the Compartment Examination and whose overall results change from PCNA (Pass Certificate Not Awarded) to PCA (Pass Certificate Awarded), **must return the previous Statement of Marks in original**, to CISCE through their school. On receipt of the same, the revised Statement of Marks & the Pass Certificate will be sent to the candidates' school.
- (ii) The candidates who are unsuccessful in the Compartment Examination and do not qualify for the award of a Pass Certificate **must also return the original Statement of Marks** to CISCE through their school. The revised Statement of Marks will be issued to the candidate which will reflect the result of the candidate with the revised date of issuance of the result, as per CISCE's record.
- (iii) The candidates who are not successful or absent at the Compartment Examination will need to reappear in all the subjects for which they are registered, in the **following year** February – March Examination. The unsuccessful candidates will be permitted to appear for the examination once, only in the following year, but not thereafter, without further attendance at an affiliated and registered school.



ISC YEAR 2023 – IMPROVEMENT EXAMINATION

Improvement Examination gives the candidates a chance to improve their performance in the same year as of the Main Examination in **any ONE** subject of their choice for which they were entered for the current year's Main Examination.

• **Eligibility to appear for the ISC (Class XII) Improvement Examination:**

All candidates who appeared for the ISC Year 2023 Main Examination and are **not eligible** for Compartment Examination, can take the Improvement Examination. This will include candidates with any one of the following Results:

- (i) **PCA** – Pass Certificate Awarded
- (ii) **PCNA** – Pass Certificate Not Awarded
- (iii) **SPCA** – Supplementary Pass Certificate Awarded
- (iv) **SPCNA** – Supplementary Pass Certificate Not Awarded

Please note, the candidates whose result has been declared as **ABSENT** will **not** be eligible for the Improvement Examination.

• **Number of subjects permitted:**

The candidates will be permitted to appear for **only ONE** subject. It may please be noted that the candidates who choose to appear for subject English, will have to appear for both, Paper 1, and Paper 2 of the subject.

• **Papers to appear in:**

The candidates appearing for a particular subject in the Improvement Examination are required to compulsorily appear for the **Theory Paper** of the subject.

Practical / Project work: For the ISC, the marks of the Practical/Project work of the subject, already awarded to the candidate in the main examination, will be carried forward. However, if the candidate was absent earlier either in Practical or during assessment of Project Work of the subject, then, the candidate, in addition to taking the Theory Examination, is also permitted to submit the Project Work and/or appear for Practical, which should then be assessed, and marks awarded and submitted.

• **Registration of candidates for the Improvement Examination:**

Schools will be able to register the candidates, online, for the Improvement Examination, from **19th June, 2023 to 23rd June, 2023**. The examination charges for the Improvement Examination are Rs. 500/- per candidate. For the subject English, the Improvement Examination fee would be Rs. 1,000/-, as the subject involves two Papers, i.e., Paper 1 and Paper 2.

• **Dates of the examination:**

The Improvement Examinations will be conducted in the month of **July 2023**. The final date will be communicated in due course.

- **Local fees for the Improvement Examination:**

There will be **No Local Fee** charged for the candidates appearing for the Improvement Examination.

- **Issue of Statement of Marks and Pass Certificates to the candidates who appear for the Improvement Examination.**

The higher of the two marks obtained by the candidate in the two examinations (i.e., the Main Examination vs. the Improvement Examination) will be considered as the final marks.

The candidates whose overall results change from PCNA (Pass Certificate Not Awarded) to PCA (Pass Certificate Awarded) OR from SPCNA (Supplementary Pass Certificate Not Awarded) to SPCA (Supplementary Pass Certificate Awarded), must return the previous Statement of Marks in original, to CISCE through their school. On receipt of the same, the revised Statement of Marks & Pass Certificate will be sent to the candidates' school. Similarly, for the other candidates who appear for the Improvement Examination, on declaration of Results, must return the previous Statement of Marks and the Pass Certificate in original, to CISCE through their school. On receiving the same, the revised documents will be sent to the candidates' school.



EXAMINATION FOR SUPPLEMENTARY PASS CERTIFICATE

1. Candidates who have attained **PCA Result - Pass Certificate Awarded** at the ISC Year 2023 Examination or earlier and wish to improve their subject grade/s in **ONE or MORE** subjects, may appear for the ISC Year 2024 Examination for a Supplementary Pass Certificate as:
 - (a) Candidates in regular attendance at a CISCE affiliated school presenting candidates for the ISC Year 2024 Examination (as Type 2 candidates). The Principal of the school concerned would submit the entries of these candidates to CISCE, online. The last date for admission to Class XII is **31st August, 2023**.

OR

- (b) Candidates without attendance at a CISCE affiliated school (Type 4 candidates). To enter for the ISC Year 2024 Examination, the candidates are required to contact the Principal of the school concerned, who would then submit the entries to the office of CISCE, online.
2. Candidates who have been awarded **PCA Result - Pass Certificate Awarded** in ISC Examination conducted in the Year 2022 or earlier and had appeared for a Supplementary Pass Certificate in ISC Year 2023 Examination, will be permitted to enter for a Supplementary Pass Certificate in any/all of the subjects offered in the last ISC Examination taken by them as candidates in regular attendance (provided that the subjects under consideration are still being offered by CISCE for the examination in the year in which the candidates wish to enter). These candidates may appear for the ISC Year 2024 Examination as:
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Please note, entries of candidates wishing to reappear for the ISC Examination to be held in the Year 2024 without attendance at an affiliated school (Type 4 candidates) must be submitted to the office of CISCE online, through the CAREERS Portal by the last date of submission, which will be conveyed in due course, with the Examination Charges of Rs. 1,500/-.

All the candidates who will be appearing for the ISC Year 2024 Examination would have to follow the Regulations & Revised Syllabuses and textbooks prescribed for the ISC Year 2024 Examination. For subjects that have a **Theory and a Practical component, the candidate is required to appear for both the components of the Examination**. For the Regulations & Revised Syllabuses for the ISC Year 2024 Examination refer to the CISCE's website: www.cisce.org

The Admission Card, Timetable and other information regarding the examination will be made available through the CAREERS Portal to the Principal of the school from where the entry of the candidate is confirmed for the examination by the last week of January 2024. The candidate may kindly get in touch with the Principal of the school concerned, to collect the printed copy of the Admission Card and Timetable.



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- (i) Candidates in regular attendance (as Type 1 candidates) and be admitted to ISC (Class XII), at a CISCE affiliated school presenting candidates for the ISC Year 2024 Examination. The Principal of the school concerned would submit the entries of these candidates to the office of the CISCE, online. The last date for admission to Class XII is **31st August 2023**.

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- (ii) Candidates without attendance at an affiliated school (as Type 3 candidates). Please note that such candidates ***will be permitted to re-appear for the examination only once in the immediate year following their failure, but not thereafter, without further attendance in a CISCE affiliated school.*** To register for the ISC Year 2024 Examination, the candidates are required to contact the Principal of the School concerned, who would then submit the entries to CISCE, online.

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ICSE YEAR 2023 – COMPARTMENT EXAMINATION

The candidates eligible for the Compartment Examination will get one attempt to clear the ICSE Examination in the same year as of the Main examination.

• **Eligibility to appear for the ICSE (Class X) Compartment Examination:**

Candidates who appeared for the ICSE Year 2023 Main Examination and have failed to secure a Pass Certificate, i.e., **PCNA Result - Pass Certificate Not Awarded**, in the current year of the Examination, will be eligible to appear for Compartment Examination. However, the candidates should have **passed in English and THREE other subjects**.

• **Number of subjects permitted:**

The candidates will be permitted to appear for *only ONE* subject. It may please be noted that the candidates who choose to appear for a subject which has more than one paper, (e.g., Science / History Civics & Geography) then the candidates, will have the option to choose any one or more papers of the said subject.

• **Papers to appear in:**

The candidates appearing for a particular subject in the Compartment Examination are required to compulsorily appear for the **Theory Paper** of the subject.

Project work: For the **ICSE**, the marks of the Project work of the subject, already awarded to the candidate in the main examination, will be carried forward. However, if the candidate was absent earlier during assessment of Project Work of the subject, then, the candidate, in addition to taking the Theory examination, is also permitted to submit the Project Work, which should then be assessed, and marks awarded and submitted.

• **Registration of candidates eligible for the Compartment Examination**

Schools will be able to register the eligible candidates, online, for the Compartment Examination, from **19th June, 2023 to 23rd June, 2023**. The examination charges for the Compartment Examination are Rs. 500/- per subject / paper (where applicable) per candidate. For example, if a candidate wishes to take Physics and Chemistry subject papers then the fee to be paid is Rs. 1000/-.

• **Dates of the examination:**

The Compartment Examination will be conducted in the month of **July, 2023**. The final date will be communicated in due course.

• **Local fees for the Compartment Examination**

There will be **No Local Fee** charged for the candidates appearing for the Compartment Examination.

- **Issue of Statement Of Marks and Pass Certificates to the candidates who appear for the Compartment Examination.**

The higher of the two marks obtained by the candidate in the two examinations (i.e., the Main Examination vs. the Compartment Examination) will be considered as the final marks.

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• **Eligibility to appear for the ICSE (Class X) Improvement Examination:**

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- (i) **PCA** – Pass Certificate Awarded
- (ii) **PCNA** – Pass Certificate Not Awarded
- (iii) **SPCA** – Supplementary Pass Certificate Awarded
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Please note, the candidates whose result has been declared as **ABSENT** will **not** be eligible for the Improvement Examination.

• **Number of subjects permitted:**

The candidates will be permitted to appear for **only ONE** subject. It may please be noted that the candidates who choose to appear for a subject which has more than one paper, (e.g., English / Science / History Civics & Geography) then the candidates, will have the option to choose any one or more papers of the said subject.

• **Papers to appear in:**

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- (a) Candidates in regular attendance at a CISCE affiliated school presenting candidates for the ICSE Year 2024 Examination (as Type 2 candidates). The Principal of the school concerned would submit the entries of these candidates to CISCE, online. The last date for admission to Class X is **31st August, 2023**.

OR

- (b) Candidates without attendance at a CISCE affiliated school (Type 4 candidates). To enter for the ICSE Year 2024 Examination, the candidates are required to contact the Principal of the school concerned, who would then submit the entries to the office of CISCE, online.

2. Candidates who have been awarded **PCA Result - Pass Certificate Awarded** in ICSE Examination conducted in the Year 2022 or earlier and had appeared for a Supplementary Pass Certificate in ICSE Year 2023 Examination, will be permitted to enter for a Supplementary Pass Certificate in any/all of the subjects offered in the last ICSE Examination taken by them as candidates in regular attendance (provided that the subjects under consideration are still being offered by CISCE for the examination in the year in which the candidates wish to enter). These candidates may appear for the ICSE Year 2024 Examination as:

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All the candidates who will be appearing for the ICSE Year 2024 Examination would have to follow the Regulations & Revised Syllabuses and textbooks prescribed for the ICSE Year 2024 Examination. For the Regulations & Revised Syllabuses for the ICSE Year 2024 Examination refer to the CISCE's website: **www.cisce.org**

The Admission Card, Timetable and other information regarding the examination will be made available through the CAREERS Portal to the Principal of the school from where the entry of the candidate is confirmed for the examination by the last week of January 2024. The candidate may kindly get in touch with the Principal of the school concerned, to collect the printed copy of the Admission Card and Timetable.

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- (i) Candidates in regular attendance (as Type 1 candidates) and be admitted to ICSE (Class X), at a CISCE affiliated school presenting candidates for the ICSE Year 2024 Examination. The Principal of the school concerned would submit the entries of these candidates to the office of the CISCE, online. The last date for admission to Class X is **31st August 2023**.

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