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All the Principals
Higher/Central/Middle School

Subject: Trial Examination Question Setting by Schools.

Dear School Principals,

Greetings from BCSEA.

We write to inform you of a recent decision concerning our school trial examination procedure. After extensive deliberation and consultation with various stakeholders, we have decided to discontinue the practice of sending trial examination question papers from BCSEA, effective immediately. Moving forward, schools will be required to set trial examination questions as usual.

This decision was made after careful consideration of several factors. Firstly, we have found that the practice of sending trial examination question papers does not add any additional value to the examination process. Furthermore, it has become apparent that this practice does not have any implications for the final board examination marks.

Initially introduced to provide students with practical experience for both common and high-stake examinations, trial exams have fulfilled their intended purpose over time. However, we believe that students can still benefit from valuable hands-on experience and ample resources for effective preparation through access to practice questions on our website.

We wish to emphasize that BCSEA has been providing these questions on our website for many years, offering students valuable resources to aid in their academic preparation. These questions serve as standardized samples for uniformity and consistency across all schools in any kind of examination.

We greatly appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this period of adjustment. Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Thank you for your unwavering dedication to the academic journey of our students.

Warm regards,

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