

Dear Parents,

Below please find a circular received from the Chief Executive and Secretary of the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations. This is being forwarded upon the instructions contained therein.

I would like to add that La Martiniere College, Lucknow has provided free choice to candidates in consultation with their parents regarding the options placed before the Bombay High Court with regard to pending examinations scheduled for July, 2020. I am happy that parents have responded in writing and have exercised choice of option. This is being duly forwarded to the Council today. No further response is required from parents of candidates of La Martiniere College, Lucknow with regard to the Circular dated 15 June, 2020 and 17 June, 2020.

It is reiterated that the present communication is to fulfil the instruction issued by the Council so that parents of candidates all over the country are aware of the Council's position. La Martiniere College, Lucknow has complied in letter and spirit with this.

Kindly find below Circular dated 17 June, 2020. In addition Circular dated 15 June, 2020 is being re-forwarded.

Thanking You.

Yours faithfully,

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(C. McFarland) Principal

17 June, 2020



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MOST URGENT

CISCE / CIR/2020 17th June 2020

To: All the Heads of ICSE/ISC Schools concerned

Subject:

- Choice MUST be given to candidates to select options (i) or (ii) with regards to the pending subjects/papers of the ICSE/ISC Year 2020 Examinations, as provided in the Circular / Decision dated 15th June, 2020;
- II. Extension of date for submitting the choice provided to the candidates in the Circular / Decision dated 15th June, 2020, from 22nd June, 2020 to 24th June, 2020.

Dear Principal,

This is further to the Council's circular dated 15th June, 2020 wherein the CISCE had offered the candidates the choice in respect of the examinations in July 2020.

It has come to the attention of the CISCE that candidates of some schools are being coerced into making a choice, much against their wishes. Some complaints have been received by the CISCE in this respect.

This conduct by the schools is against the spirit and the intention of the CISCE's Circular / Decision dated 15th June, 2020 and you are hereby called upon to refrain from indulging in such practices. CISCE once again clarifies that it is the candidate and/or their parents who have to select the options provided in the Circular / Decision dated 15th June, 2020, and communicate the same to you in writing so that you may inform CISCE accordingly. We hereby further clarify that the schools are requested not to impose and/or influence the choices of the candidates.

The CISCE will take appropriate actions against such schools which act in contradiction with and/or contravention of what is stated herein.

Further, the date for the submission of the choice of option as provided in the Circular / Decision dated 15th June, 2020, has been revised from 22nd June, 2020 by 12:00 noon to 24th June 2020 till 12:00 noon.

You are once again requested to forward a copy of the Circular / Decision dated 15th June 2020, along with the present circular to the respective candidates and/or their parents by the end of the day.

Your cooperation in this matter is solicited. Kindly treat this as most important and very urgent, as this in the best interest of the candidates concerned.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,



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> CIR/2020 15th June 2020

To: All Heads of concerned CISCE affiliated schools

Subject: <u>Choice to appear for the remaining papers of the ICSE/ISC Year 2020</u> <u>Examinations</u>

Dear Principal,

This is to inform you that the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations, New Delhi has taken the undermentioned decision and submitted it before the Hon'ble Bombay High Court in PIL - CJ - LD - VC - 18 - 2020:

DECISION:

"The paramount interest of Respondent No. 2 is to protect the safety, wellbeing and academic endeavours of students sitting for the ICSE and ISC Examinations. Without prejudice to all its rights and contentions (including the fact that its safety protocol will sufficiently protect the health of students sitting for the July examination and that of the staff), Respondent No. 2 has decided to offer all students (in India and abroad) with ICSE and ISC examinations pending in some subjects with an option to:

- (i) To take the pending examinations in July 2020 as per Respondent No. 2's timetable issued on 22nd May 2020; or
- (ii) To have their final results, in subjects where examinations have not been held, determined by Respondent No. 2 based on their performance in the internal assessment / pre-board examinations conducted by their own school / results of board examination papers in subjects already taken, in accordance with such methodology as may be prescribed by Respondent No. 2. For the avoidance of doubt, for those subjects where examinations have already been conducted, results in those subjects will be declared based on the student's performance in such examinations.

Respondent No. 2 will communicate the aforesaid options to each of its affiliated schools, which in turn will be required to ascertain the option selected by their ()



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respective students. To make the necessary arrangements for conducting the examinations, each of the affiliated schools will be required to intimate Respondent No. 2 of the option selected by each of their students on or before 22nd June, 2020. In the event that a student wishes thereafter to change his choice from (i) above to (ii) above, the student will be permitted to do so at any time prior to the conducting of the examination, provided the intimation of change in option is given by school to Respondent No.2 prior to the conduct of the examination.

If for any reason it is not possible to conduct any or all of the final examination papers (ICSE and ISC) in July, 2020, then Respondent No. 2 shall declare the final results of the students, in those subjects for which examinations could not be conducted, based on their performance in the internal assessment / pre-board examinations conducted by their own school / results of board examinations papers in subjects already taken, in accordance with such methodology as may be prescribed by Respondent No. 2. For the avoidance of doubt, for those subjects where examinations were conducted results will be declared based on the student's performance in such examinations."

Note, this is to clarify that the students will not be entitled to make a subjectwise choice between options (i) and (ii) above.

Students and/or their Parents are requested to communicate their choice of option in writing to you as soon as possible so that you may inform CISCE accordingly. Please note that this information is to be submitted through the **CAREERS Portal on or before June 22, 2020 by 12.00 noon**. The module will be activated **on June 17, 2020 at 12.00 noon**.

PIL - CJ - LD - VC - 18 - 2020 is pending before the Hon'ble Bombay High Court and will be next listed on 17^{th} June 2020, Wednesday.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

Gerry Arathoon Chief Executive & Secretary