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No.: 86-SSE/20

Date: 14/03/2020

From: Manish Jain,

Principal Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal

To:

- 1. President, West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education
- 2. President, West Bengal Board of Secondary Education
- 3. President, West Bengal Board of Primary Education

Sub: Suspension of Classes to combat spread of Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19)

Sir/Madam.

Kindly find enclosed herewith a copy of Press Release issued by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of West Bengal vide No. 85-SSE/20 dated 14.03.2020 on the subject for your kind perusal.

You are requested to kindly advice all the institutions under your control accordingly. You are also requested to recommend similar action to all un-aided institutions under your control.

This may be treated as extremely urgent.

Encl: as stated

Yours faithfully,

Sd/ (Manish Jain) Principal Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal

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Copy forwarded for kind information and necessary action to:

1. Addl Chief Secretary/Pr Secretary/ Secretary,

with a request to issue similar instructions to schools/colleges/University under your jurisdiction.

- 2. Vice Chancellor, ALL It is requested that all Colleges under your control may also be advised accordingly.
- 3. Chief Executive Officer, Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations / Secretary, Central Board of Secondary Education. He/She is requested to kindly advise all schools under his/her jurisdiction for taking similar suitable steps.

Encl: as stated

14103/2020 (Manish Jain)

Principal Secretary to the Govt of West Bengal

## Government of West Bengal

## PRESS RELEASE FROM HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER, WEST BENGAL

In view of the evolving situation on the spread of Novel Corona virus (COVID - 19), the advisories issued by WHO, UN and Central Government and as a matter of abundant precaution to check its spread in the State of West Bengal, it has been decided that all Government, Government-aided, private educational institutions - Schools, Colleges, Universities, Madrasahs, SSK/MSK will remain closed from 16 March, 2020 to 31 March, 2020 in public interest. The internal examinations of these institutions will also remain suspended during the said duration.

However, the Board Examinations would be held as per schedule.

No. 85-SSE/20

Dated: 14.03.2020