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Dear Chief Secretary,

As you are aware, under the guidelines on lockdown measures, opening of schools has been prohibited. As a result annual board examinations being conducted by State Education Boards/ CBSE/ ICSE etc. for classes 10th and 12th have been suspended.


2. Requests have been received from the State Governments and CBSE for conducting the Board examinations and the matter has been examined in the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA). Taking into consideration the academic interest of large number of students, it has been decided to grant exemption from the lockdown measures to conduct Board Examinations for Classes 10th and 12th.

3. However the exemption to conduct Board Examinations will be subject to the following conditions:

- a) In the Containment Zone, no examination centre will be permitted.
- b) Wearing of face masks by teachers, staff and students will be mandatory.
- c) There shall be provision of thermal screening and sanitizer at the centres and social distancing in all the examination centres.
- d) In view of examination to be conducted by different Boards, their examination schedules should be staggered.
- e) Special buses may be arranged by the States and UTs for transportation of the students to the examination centres.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


20/05/2020
(Ajay Bhalla)

Chief Secretaries of All States
(As per Standard List attached)