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Dated the Lahore, 15th November, 2021

To

The Chairperson,
PBCC/Boards of Intermediate & Secondary Education,
Sargodha.

Attn: Secretary, PBCC/BISE, Lahore

Subject: **TEACHING THE SUBJECT OF ETHICS GRADES I-XII (FOR NON-MUSLIM STUDENTS) IN LIEU OF ISLAMIYAT FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2021-22**

I am directed to refer to subject and to enclose herewith a copy of letter No.M-48-57/PSMD/2021 dated 08.11.2021 along with its enclosures received from Managing Director, Punjab Curriculum & Textbook Board, Lahore.

2. I am further directed, to request you to take further necessary action at your end under rules/policy.

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PUNJAB CURRICULUM & TEXTBOOK BOARD
21/E-II, Gulberg-III, Lahore

No. M-48-57/A/PSMD/2021

Dated: 13.07.2021

To

The Director,
National Curriculum Council,
Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training,
Plot No. 35, Sector H-9/4, Islamabad

Subject: **PROVISION OF MODEL TEXTBOOKS OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR GRADES I-V**

Reference subject captioned above.

2. Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, Islamabad approved and notified the Single National Curriculum of Religious Education for five religions i.e. Christianity, Hinduism, Sikhism, Bahai and Kalash for Grades I-V on 01.02.2021. The National Curriculum Council, Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training is also developing the Model Textbooks of Religious Education for Non-Muslim students in lieu of Islamiyat.

3. Government of the Punjab, School Education Department has implemented the Single National Curriculum-2020 for Grades I-V with the concurrence of the Provincial Cabinet of Punjab. Punjab Curriculum and Textbook Board urgently requires the Model Textbooks of Religious Education for Non-Muslim students as the forthcoming Academic Session is being commenced on 01.08.2021. It is therefore requested to please provide the soft copies of the Model Textbooks of Religious Education for Non-Muslim students as early as possible so that the Board may print the same well before the forthcoming Academic Session 2021-22.

(Dr. Farooq Manzoor)

Managing Director
Punjab Curriculum and Textbook Board

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1. PSO to the Minister, Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, Islamabad.
2. PSO to the Minister for School Education Department, Punjab.
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F. No. 2 (1) 2020 / NCC/TB

Government of Pakistan
National Curriculum Council Secretariat
Ministry of Federal Education and Professional
Training, Islamabad



Director

Islamabad, the 9th September 2021

Subject: **MODEL TEXTBOOKS FOR SUBJECT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BASED ON THE SINGLE NATIONAL CURRICULUM (GRADES I TO V)**

Thank you for your support in the development of the Single National Curriculum (SNC) Grades Pre-1 to 5. Religious Education has been introduced as a separate subject in lieu of Islamiyat for Pakistani students belonging to religions other than Islam. Model textbooks for five religions – Christianity, Hinduism, Sikhism, Kalasha and Baha'i – are being developed.

2. Textbook development for these five minority religions has been a gigantic task for the National Curriculum Council. Finding quality authors to write in an objective and religiously sensitive manner was a challenge. Moreover, reaching consensus among different factions of a faith group on the content of the textbook on a religion was also essential. It is a matter of great pride for us that model textbooks for two religions, Christianity and Baha'i, have been developed and their final review has also been completed. Textbooks for the other religions are forthcoming.

3. Please find attached digital copies in PDF format of these Model Textbooks for *Maseehi Taleem* (Christianity) and Baha'i for Grade 1 - 5. These books are available now for notification and printing under provincial rules and policies. Rights to printing and distribution remain within the province with the School Education Department, Government of the Punjab.

With profound regards.

(Dr. Mariam Chughtai)

Mr. Ghulam Farid
Secretary
School Education Department,
Government of the Punjab,
Lahore.

Copy to: The Managing Director, Punjab Curriculum & Textbook Board, Lahore.

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EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 87th BOARD
MEETING OF THE PUNJAB CURRICULUM AND TEXTBOOK
BOARD HELD ON 7-10-2021

Agenda Item No. 03

Subject: Approval for teaching the Subject of Ethics (for Non-Muslim Students) in lieu of Islamiyat for the Academic Session 2021-22.

Discussion / Decision: The National Curriculum Council (NCC), Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, Islamabad developed Single National Curriculum-2020 for Grades Pre I-V for all streams of Education (Public, Private and Deeni Madaris). The said curriculum comprises the following subjects:

- i. Early Childhood and Care Education for Grade Pre-I
- ii. Urdu for Grades I-V
- iii. English for Grades I-V
- iv. Islamiyat for Grades I-V
- v. Mathematics for Grades I-V
- vi. General Knowledge for Grades I-III
- vii. Social Studies for Grades IV-V
- viii. General Science for Grades IV-V

Government of the Punjab adopted the Single National Curriculum-2020 for Grades Pre I-V for all streams of Education (Public, Private and Deeni Madaris) in Punjab after the concurrence accorded by the Provincial Cabinet, Punjab in December, 2020. Accordingly, the PCTB notified the implementation of Single National Curriculum-2020 for Grades Pre I-V with the Board's approval granted in its 76th meeting held on 31.12.2020.

The NCC, Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, Islamabad, at later stage, also developed the curriculum of "Religious Education" for Non-Muslim Students in lieu of Islamiyat. The said curriculum comprises the teachings of the following five religions:

- i. Christianity;
- ii. Hinduism;
- iii. Sikhism;
- iv. Bahaism; and
- v. For Kalash People

Presently, the NCC, Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, Islamabad is developing the Model Textbooks of Religious Education for Grades I-V for above-mentioned five different religions. On 13.07.2021, PCTB requested the NCC, Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training to provide the soft copies of the Model Textbooks of Religious Education for Non-Muslim Students, so that PCTB may print the same well before the commencement of the Academic Session 2021-22. This request was followed by two Reminders. In response thereof, the NCC, Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, Islamabad sent the soft copies of Two Model Textbooks of Religious Education for Christianity and