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To
The Principal / Head of Institutions,
All Study Centres affiliated to CBOSE
(Through CBOSE Website)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ODE EXPANSION & REAL-TIME ASSESSMENT REFORM SUMMIT (ODE 4.0 LAUNCH)

Madam/Sir,

The Central Board of Open Schooling & Examination (CBOSE) conducted the National ODE Expansion & Real-Time Assessment Reform Summit 2025, marking the official launch of ODE 4.0, the newest and most advanced version of the On-Demand Examination System. This summit became a defining moment for open schooling in India, attracting an audience of educators, policymakers, skill ecosystem partners, digital architects, regional exam administrators and thousands of students who joined live through the online examination grid. The event reaffirmed CBOSE's commitment to building the world's most flexible, technologically advanced and learner-centric examination model.

The summit opened with an influential address by the Chairperson of CBOSE, who emphasized that open schooling's greatest strength is its adaptability. He explained that traditional annual exam cycles cannot meet the needs of learners who must balance academics with employment, skill training, family duties or personal constraints. Therefore, ODE is not just an optional feature—it is the heart of open schooling, giving learners the power to choose *when* they wish to be evaluated. He added that ODE 4.0 has been built upon years of research, feedback from millions of learners and nationwide consultations with institutions and digital experts. The model is now more responsive, more inclusive and more capable than any previous system.

The technical presentation that followed introduced the ODE 4.0 architecture. The new system enables learners to schedule examinations in real time, with the platform generating dynamic exam windows based on centre occupancy, resource availability, security thresholds and learner demand patterns. Officials demonstrated how the system automatically balances exam loads across multiple centres to avoid overcrowding and ensures fair distribution of exam seats throughout the month. This real-time scheduling mechanism ensures that a learner who feels academically ready today does not have to wait another three or six months to prove their competency.

Another major highlight was the launch of the AI-Enhanced Readiness Predictor. This tool, integrated directly into the ODE dashboard, analyzes a learner's self-study progress, digital resource usage, mock test performance and subject-wise confidence levels to provide intelligent suggestions regarding exam readiness. This helps learners avoid scheduling exams prematurely and encourages them to approach the board examinations with better preparation and realistic timelines. Officials clarified that the predictor does not restrict a learner's right to schedule an exam—it simply guides them towards informed decisions.

The summit also introduced the *Real-Time Digital Question Delivery Matrix*, a first-of-its-kind system in open schooling. Under this system, encrypted question papers are generated dynamically for each examination slot, ensuring high security, zero predictability, and complete confidentiality. The question generation system follows competency-based patterns aligned with the CBOSE Question Design Framework, ensuring fairness and uniformity in difficulty levels across all ODE attempts. Officials emphasized that this upgrade eliminates risks associated with static question pools and enhances the credibility of the examination process.

In addition to technological advancements, the summit focused on expanding ODE accessibility. Officials announced the creation of ODE Hub Centres in underserved regions, enabling learners from remote districts to take exams without travelling long distances. These hubs are equipped with digital systems, biometric verification tools, CCTV monitoring and on-site academic support staff trained to assist first-time or long-gap learners. The hubs reflect the board's belief that examinations must be accessible, safe and friendly for every learner, irrespective of their geographical location or socio-economic background.

During the interactive live session, learners voiced concerns about exam anxiety, scheduling confusion, travel challenges and the fear of facing board examinations independently. CBOSE officials addressed each concern with clarity. They reassured learners that the ODE ecosystem is designed to support them at every step—right from preparation to scheduling, appearing in exams, receiving timely results, and moving to the next phase of academic progress. The summit reaffirmed that no learner should feel alone while preparing for board examinations.

The event concluded with a powerful message from the Chairperson, who declared that ODE 4.0 represents a revolutionary step not just for CBOSE but for the entire Indian education system. He emphasized that the future of examinations must be flexible, ondemand and learner-governed. He reminded learners that CBOSE stands for second chances, new beginnings and continuous opportunity. He encouraged students to embrace the ODE system confidently and assured them that the board will continue improving technologies, strengthening support systems and expanding access so that open schooling truly becomes a lifelong education model for everyone.

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2. All Joint Directors/Deputy Directors/Assistant Directors, CBOSE

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