CBSE set to bar 'dummy school' students from Class 12 exams

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NEW DELHI/JAIPUR: Students attending "dummy schools" — where pupils are enrolled on paper but skip regular classes to focus on private coaching for engineering and medical entrance examinations — will not be allowed to appear for Class 12 Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) board examinations from next year, officials said on Thursday.

The board is planning to amend its exam bye-laws to prohibit such students from appearing in the board exams, requiring them to take the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) exam instead.

The decision will hold significant bearing on Kota, India's most prominent coaching hub, particularly for students preparing for prestigious engineering and medical entrance exams like JEE and NEET.

Although there is no exact figure on the number of dummy schools running in Kota, an official said that most of the around 150,000 students enrolled in various coaching centres in city were admitted to a dummy school. On November 6 last year, at least three schools in Kota were identified as dummy schools by CBSE and their registrations were cancelled.

The decision comes after the CBSE's governing body, in its meeting held on December 26, 2024, approved the examination committee's recommendation to bar students from board exams if they are found absent or not attending during surprise inspections.

"The onus of not attending regular school also falls on the concerned student and his or her parents... Action against schools promoting the dummy culture or sponsoring non-attending candidates will be taken in accordance with the board's affiliation and examination bye-laws," the examination committee proposed in the meeting, with the action to be implemented from 2025-26 academic sessions.

The examination committee reaffirmed that a minimum of 75% attendance is mandatory for CBSE board exam eligibility.

"Actions will be taken against schools violating our affiliation by-laws depending upon the degree of violations," a senior CBSE official told HT on Thursday.

In January, a bench of chief justice DK Upadhyaya and justice Tushar Rao Gedela of the Delhi high court called the dummy schools a "fraud" and directed the Delhi government and CBSE to take action against them. The CBSE counsel informed the court that action was taken against over 300 "dummy" schools across the country.

The dummy school system in Kota operates through formal arrangements between coaching institutes and affiliated schools.

"Dummy schools negatively impact the psychology of students and make them believe that one could game the system to climb the ladder of success," said professor BJ Rao, vice-chancellor of the University of Hyderabad.

An important consideration for students affected by this policy change is the difference between NIOS certification and conventional CBSE certification.

"NIOS allows students to complete schooling in distance mode, and conventional board schooling is regular mode, where students attend classes regularly in schools... The passing certificates of NIOS mention open schooling, whereas state board and CBSE passing certificates do not have any such mentions.

Both NIOS and CBSE certifications can be used for getting admission in higher education," said Jyoti Arora, principal of Mount Abu Public School, Delhi.

The NIOS, established in 1989, is recognised as an equivalent alternative to conventional boards. However, perception differences persist in certain educational institutions and employment sectors.

Parents of students currently enrolled in dummy schools have expressed concern about the midstream policy change.

MS Chauhan, director of the Kota-based coaching institute Vibrant Academy, said the decision might affect the students preparing for competitive exams. "We agree that the dummy institute culture should be curbed. But, why is there no advanced curriculum and teaching facility that aligns with the training being provided in coaching? This decision is completely against the interest of the students," he said.

Sonia Kumari, an 18-year-old NEET aspirant studying in Kota, voiced apprehension over the proposed move. "How will we attend regular classes in school if we have coaching during the day? Balancing both this schedule seems difficult."

'Frame law to let CBI probe sans consent'

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NEW DELHI: A parliamentary standing committee has recommended that a separate or a new law be enacted to grant CBI the power to investigate cases without needing consent from the state governments.

The department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice in its demand for grants report noted that eight states have withdrawn general consent for CBI investigation.

The report, tabled on Thursday said: " The Committee notes that eight states have withdrawn general consent for CBI investigations limiting severely its ability to investigate corruption and organized crime. To address this problem, the Committee feels a separate/new law granting CBI wider investigative powers without state consent for cases affecting national security and integrity may be enacted by taking views also from State Governments. The law should also include safeguards to ensure impartiality, preventing state governments from feeling powerless."

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The eight states are Kerala, Punjab, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Telangana, Meghalaya, Karnataka, and Tamil Nadu. All of them are ruled by parties that are not part of BJP-led National Democratic Alliance. Under Section 6 of the Delhi Special Police Establishment (DSPE) act , CBI needs the permission of state governments to investigate cases within those provinces, except in cases where orders are issued from the Supreme Court, high courts or Lokpal.

Opposition parties have alleged that many cases filed by CBI are politically motivated, and repeatedly accused the Union government of using federal agencies to target them.

Responding to the report of the committee, Congress leader Abhishek Singhvi said: "If true, this is the most reprehensible, regressive and retrograde step imaginable. It is overtly trying to do what, for several years this control-freak Sarkar has been covertly doing. It is a formal attempt to end the very concept of federalism. CBI's jurisdiction has been demarcated by the Supreme Court in innumerable decisions and the whole body polity of India must rise as one to oppose unprecedented proposal. CBI must remain an unwanted and uninvited guest subject to 2 exceptions: when state gives consent or when the HC or SC directs transfer of case to CBI."

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