

**Nagaland Board of School Education
Kohima**

NOTIFICATION NO. 32/2023

Dated Kohima, the 31st March 2023

No.NBE- 14/Ex-Reforms/2022-23:: The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 envisages assessment to be student friendly and greater flexibility to give more opportunities for the students to improve their performance in the examinations. In this regard, it is hereby notified for information of all concerned that the Board has revised its existing rules to align with NEP 2020 recommendations by incorporating new provisions in the conduct of examinations.

In order to facilitate students to improve their grades or marks to pursue higher education with their choice of subjects, provision is given to qualified/passed candidates to appear Improvement Examination in the same year. A successful candidate at the HSLC/HSSLC Examination desirous of improving his/her performance shall be given **one chance** in June/July the same year to appear in three or less subjects. This provision will also help students to have the best of two examination option as envisioned in NEP 2020.

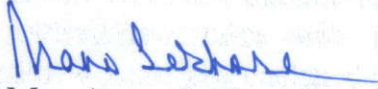
Provision for candidates who qualified at the HSLC Examination but secured Needs Improvement in one subject will be given the opportunity to reappear in the Needs Improvement subject at the immediate examination so that they can apply for courses, fulfill certain recruitment criteria and employment where they need to pass in all the subjects they have opted.

Besides the HSLC Compartmental Examination, Compartmental Examination for HSSLC students will be introduced w.e.f. 2023. Two chances to appear Compartmental Examination will be allowed to clear the failed subjects in order to reduce and prevent drop-out rate at HSLC and HSSLC Examination.

A candidate who appeared the HSLC/HSSLC Examination conducted by the Board and placed in Needs Improvement/Failed category shall be eligible to appear in all the subjects as Repeater in the subsequent Board Examination. This category of candidates shall appear the HSLC/HSSLC Examination as per the prescribed syllabi and courses laid down for the examination concerned.

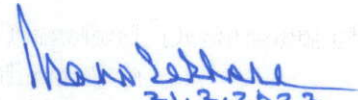
The Heads of Institutions are requested to note the revised/new rules and disseminate it to the teachers, students and parents/guardians. The revised/new rules will be implemented with effect from this year. The following revised/new rules are enclosed as *annexure* and it is also made available in the Board's website **www.nbsenl.edu.in**:

1. Rules relating to candidature for Improvement of Performance for HSLC & HSSLC Examination.
2. Provision for needs improvement candidates in one subject to re-appear the said subject in the HSLC Examination.
3. Rules relating to HSLC & HSSLC Compartmental Examination.
4. Repeaters for HSLC and HSSLC Examinations.


(Mrs. Asano Sekhose)
Chairman

A. Copy to:

1. The PS to Advisor, School Education & SCERT, Nagaland for kind information of the Hon'ble Advisor.
2. The Deputy Secretary to the Chief Secretary for kind information of the Chief Secretary.
3. The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Nagaland, Department of School Education & SCERT, Nagaland, Kohima for information.
4. The State Mission Director, Samagra Shiksha, Nagaland, Kohima for information.
5. The Principal Director, School Education, Nagaland, Kohima for information.
6. The Addl. Director (HoD), SCERT, Nagaland, Kohima for information.
7. All the DEOs/Sr. SDEOs/SDEOs, Nagaland for information.
8. All Heads of Registered Institutions under NBSE for information and necessary action.


31.3.2023
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Chairman



1. Rules relating to candidature for Improvement of Performance for HSLC & HSSLC Examination:

- i. A successful candidate at the HSLC/HSSLC Examination desirous of improving his/her performance shall be given **one chance in June/July the same year to appear in three or less subjects.**
- ii. Improvement provision for HSLC/HSSLC candidates who qualified the examination but secured Needs Improvement grade/failed in one subject.
- iii. A successful candidate at the HSLC/HSSLC Examination with one needs improvement subject/failed subject are advised to avail the chance of improving his/her performance.
- iv. Only **one chance that is in June/July of the same year is permissible for improvement of performance.**
- v. The result of the improvement examination shall in no way affect the overall ranking of the main examination.
- vi. The candidate shall be given an option to choose his/her result from the two examinations (main and the improvement).
- vii. A candidate who intend to appear the Improvement Examination shall immediately contact the head of institution in respect of regular candidates or the superintendent of examination centre where appeared last, in respect of private candidate to get their forms forwarded after the declaration of the results.
- viii. The surrendered admit card, marksheet cum certificate, marksheet and pass certificate/certificate of qualification are returnable only after publication of the results of the examination at the option given by candidate in writing within fifteen days.

The revised/new rules will replace the old rules in Management of Examinations page 31, Rule 9.

2. Provision for needs improvement candidates in one subject to re-appear the said subject in HSLC Examination.

As per the existing scheme of studies, to qualify in the HSLC Examination the following criteria are followed:

- a. *an examinee must obtain Grade D or above in the 5 (five) externally assessed subjects, i.e. 40% marks in both external and internal, and Grade D or above in the 2 (two) internally assessed subjects.*
- b. *securing the qualifying grade in Language-I is compulsory and it is not replaceable with any other subject.*
- c. *in the event of an examinee not securing qualifying grade in one of the four externally assessed subjects (excluding Language-I) but securing qualifying grade in the sixth subject, the qualifying grade of the sixth subject shall replace the 'needs improvement' grade.*

Besides the existing qualifying criteria for HSLC, provision for candidates who wish to pursue a course or apply for employment or fulfill certain recruitment criteria, shall be given to such students to appear in the Needs Improvement subject at the immediate Improvement/Compartmental Examination of HSLC.

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3. Rules relating to HSLC & HSSLC Compartmental Examination

- i. A Needs Improvement category of candidate securing Needs Improvement grade in 3 (three) or less subjects at the HSLC Examination or failing in 3 (three) or less subjects at the HSSLC Examination is eligible to sit for the Compartmental Examination.
- ii. Eligible candidate for compartmental shall reappear at the immediate compartmental examination to be held in June/July (after the result of the main examination is declared) same year. A candidate who fail to qualify/pass at the Compartmental Examination (1st Chance) held during June/July can reappear in the failed subjects in February/March HSLC/HSSLC Examination next year under compartmental category.

An eligible compartmental candidate who fails to avail the 1st chance of appearing the Compartmental Examination in June/July will also be given the 2nd chance to appear in the next HSLC/HSSLC Examination held during February/ March under compartmental category.
- iii. A candidate who do not appear or fail at one or both the chances of compartment shall be treated to have failed the examination and shall be required to reappear in all subjects at the subsequent main examination of the Board as per the prescribed syllabi and courses laid down for the examination concerned in order to pass the examination.
- iv. The syllabi and course for the Compartmental Examination will be the same as applicable for the main examination of the year concerned.
- v. The marks of internal assessment/practical/project marks of the main examination will be carried over to the compartmental examination.
- vi. The criteria for qualifying/passing the compartmental examination shall be the same with that of the main HSLC/HSSLC Examination.
- vii. A candidate who is eligible for Compartmental Examination and intend to appear the said examination shall immediately contact the head of institution in respect of regular candidates or the superintendent of examination centre where appeared last, in respect of private candidate to get their forms forwarded.

The revised/new rules will replace old rules in Management of Examinations page 41, Rule 21.

4. Repeaters for HSLC and HSSLC Examinations.

A candidate who appeared the HSLC/HSSLC Examination conducted by the Board and placed in Needs Improvement/Failed category shall be eligible to appear in all the subjects as Repeater in the subsequent Board Examination. This category of candidates shall appear the HSLC/HSSLC Examination **as per the prescribed syllabi and courses laid down for the examination concerned.**

** The revised/new rules will replace old rules given in Management of Examinations w.e.f. the date of issue of this notification.*