Government of Punjab Department of School Education

To

- The Chairman
 Council for Indian School Certificate Examinations
 Pragati House, 3rd Floor, 47-48, Nehru Place,
 New Delhi
- The Chairman
 Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)
 Head Office Shiksha Kendra 2
 Community Centre, Preet Vihar,
 New Delhi

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Sub: Implementation of Section 3 of the "Punjab Learning of Punjabi and other Languages Act, 2008" –Teaching of Punjabi as a compulsory subject from 1st class to 10th class in all the schools.

- 1.0 Please refer to letter No.2/2010/steno/spl.1/201925321-22 dated 21.01.2019 of DPI (SE) on implementation of provisions of Punjab Learning of Punjabi and other Languages Act, 2008.
- 2.0 As you are aware the teaching of Punjabi is compulsory as a subject from class 1st to 10th in all schools situated in the State of Punjab. It has further been provided that no Board or Institutions shall award matriculation certificates to any students unless he has passed 10th class examination in Punjabi subject. You are therefore requested to ensure that all schools situated in the State of Punjab and affiliated with Board comply with the provisions on above said Act.
- 3.0 Apart from the above, complaints have also been received with the Department that some of these schools discourage students to speak Punjabi during informal discussions either among students themselves or among students and teachers during the school hours. This has an adverse impact on the mental development of the students as some of them may find difficult to express themselves. It is also requested that appropriate directions may be issued to the schools not to indulge in such practices.

Secretary School Education Punjab

Dated: 07.02.2019

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A copy of the above is forwarded to all DEOs (SE) with the request to take necessary action in case of any such complaint come to their notice.

Secretary School Education Punjab