

## GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

J&K, CIVIL SECRETARIAT.

Subject:- Guidelines for conduct of Morning Assemblies in schools.

## **CIRCULAR**

To kickstart a school day on a positive note and to instill a sense of unity and discipline amongst students, Morning Assemblies at the start of school day have proved to be an invaluable ritual of the schooling system. They serve as platforms to nurture the values of moral integrity, shared community, and mental tranquility. However, it has been observed that such significant ritual/tradition is not being carried out uniformly across various schools of JK UT.

In order to maintain uniformity, it is impressed upon all the stakeholders to, henceforth, conduct Morning Assemblies across the respective schools as per the following guidelines:-

- 1. Morning Assembly shall be of **20 minutes** duration and all students and teachers shall assemble at the designated area at the commencement of school schedule.
- 2. Morning Assembly shall begin with **National Anthem** as per standard protocol.
- 3. In order to inculcate leadership qualities and upgrade the skills of the students as mandated under NEP-2020, three to four students/teachers shall compulsorily give awareness/motivational talk on any of the following topics each day:
  - i. Autobiographies: Great personalities/Freedom fighters.
  - ii. **Daily Announcements**: Updates on school events, activities, and important announcements.
  - iii. **Inspirational Talks**: Motivational speeches to inspire students and set a positive tone for the day.
  - iv. **Theme of the Week/Month**: Introducing a theme for the week or month, such as kindness, diversity, or environmental awareness.
  - v. **Student Achievements**: Recognition of students' academic, athletic, or extracurricular achievements.
  - vi. **Character Education**: Discussions on values like honesty, respect, and responsibility, duty, citizenship and constitutional values.
  - vii. **Stress Management and health Tips**: Tips on staying safe, inculcating mental strength to navigate the problems of adolescence and leading stress free life style.
  - viii. **Cultural Celebrations**: Learning about and celebrating different cultures, holidays, or historical events.

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ix. **Guest Speakers**: Inviting skill trainers/guests from civil society including parents, authors, community leaders, or experts to speak on relevant topics.

x. Community Service Projects: Sharing information about

ongoing or upcoming community service initiatives.

xi. **Creative Performances**: Student-led performances such as music, dance, or drama.

xii. **Educational Trivia or Facts**: Fun and educational trivia questions or interesting facts.

xiii. **Mindfulness and Well-being:** Guided mindfulness exercises or discussions on mental health and well-being.

xiv. **Environmental Awareness**: Tips for sustainability, recycling initiatives, or discussions on environmental issues.

xv. **Career and College Readiness**: Information about career paths, college preparation, and future opportunities.

xvi. **Drugs menace**: Tackling the drug menace through a multifaceted approach involving education, prevention, treatment, and addressing underlying social and economic factors through efforts and collaboration at various levels. Special emphasis needs to be given on sensitizing the students about the deleterious effects of Narcotics drugs and psychotropic substances (NDPS) on mental and physical wellbeing which, in turn, has an indelible adverse impact on the society.

It is believed that Morning Assemblies conducted on above said lines will not only instill a sense of pride in our national identity but also promotes discipline and unity amongst students. As such, both teacher(s) and student(s) are called upon to perform this onerous responsibility, which shall steer and uplift the mood of the entire school with ease and grace.

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- 1. Director School Education, Kashmir/Jammu with the directions to implement the circular instructions in letter and spirit.
- 2. Project Director Samagra Shiksha.
- 3. OSD to Advisor (B) for information.
- 4. All Chief Education Officers for compliance.

5. Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary, JKUT.

- 6. Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to the Government, School Education Department.
- 7. I/c Website.
- 8. Circular file.

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