# GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHEME FOR CREATING LEGAL AWARENESS AND GENDER SENSITISATION AMONG CLASS XI AND XII STUDENTS OF KENDRIYA VIDYALAYAS ACROSS THE COUNTRY



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#### **INTRODUCTION**

The National Commission for Women was set up as statutory body in January 1992 under the National Commission for Women Act, 1990 with a mandate to safeguard the constitutional rights of women. The National Commission for Women has the mandate to safeguard the constitutional rights of women. In keeping with its mandate, the Commission has, from time to time taken various initiatives for gender awareness in the society against various social evils affecting rights of women. It has been experienced that gender-based discriminations exist throughout society, from organizational planning to the everyday interactions at the workplace and public space.

- 1.1 It is felt that if Gender Sensitization and Legal Awareness Programme are introduced at school level, it would facilitate inculcating values of equality, inclusivity and diversity, among the adolescent boys and girls, which are essential for building a healthy society. Moreover, knowledge of laws relating to women and gender sensitization is not only crucial for balanced development of young minds; it will also help students in building correct values, self-discipline and national spirit.
- 1.2 The National Commission for Women aims at creating a comprehensive and integrated programme for running Gender Sensitization and Legal Awareness Programme in collaboration with Kendriya Vidhyalaya Sangathan at Kendriya Vidhyalayas across the country, with the target group of students of Class XI and XII.

#### 2. Objectives of Gender Sensitization and Legal Awareness Programme

The key objectives of the Gender Sensitization and Legal Awareness Programme:

- i. To inspire the generation of young girls and boys to work together towards achieving gender equality and justice.
- ii. To empower adolescent girls with the knowledge of legal rights and duties.
- iii. To sensitize adolescent boys about rights of women.
- iv. To create awareness among boys and girls about the various machineries of the justice delivery system in India.
- v. To promote better understanding of laws as well as sensitization to social, economic and political environment in which activities are to be undertaken.
- vi. To introduce the concept of gender equity to adolescent school children so as to bring attitudinal changes towards gender equity and prevention of Gender based violence.

### 3. Guidelines for implementation of the Gender Sensitization and Legal Awareness Programme

- i. The scheme may cover (a) Gender Sensitization; (b) Laws relating to Women
- The Schemes will be implemented in collaboration with Kendriya
  Vidyalaya Sangathan in Kendriya Vidhyalas across the country.
- iii. The target group for the competition would be students of class  $11^{\text{th}}$  and  $12^{\text{th}}$ .
- iv. The Competition would be carried out on one day decided in consultation between NCW and KVS.

- v. A booklet containing write-up on major laws relating to women, as well as content on gender sensitization will be made available on the website of the Commission. Students will refer to booklet for preparation for the exam.
- vi. The Competition would be carried out by means of two sets of question papers (morning shift and evening shifts) with 50 Multiple-Choice Questions (25 on Gender Sensitization and 25 on Law) prepared by NCW.
- vii. Marking scheme: Each correct answer will be awarded two mark. There will be no negative marking.
- viii. The question paper will be shared with Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan or approved authority (authorities) at least three days prior to examination. The KVS will arrange to further ensure distribution of papers with Kendrya Vidyalayas participating in competition a day prior to competition. The Vidhyalayas will print papers for distribution and provide answer sheets to candidates. Assessment of question papers will be done at school levels. The key to question papers will be provided by NCW to KVS or approved authority (authorities) who will share it with the participating schools at appropriate time.
- ix. Certificates and Prize Money will be awarded to rank holding students, also all the participating students will be given 'Certificate of Participation' on the conclusion of the programme duly signed by NCW and KVS. List of top 3 rank holders from each school will be displaced on the website of the Commission.
- x. Trophies may be awarded to principals of top three schools on the basis of performance of students and percentage of participation as 70:30 ratio.

#### 4. Financial aspect

The Commission will bear expenses of conducting examination. The Commission will award prize money and certificate to top 3 students from each school as per cost norms decided by Commission from time to time.

#### 5. Reimbursement to KVS

5.1 The KVS will submit initial estimate of schools participating in the event.

5.2 The competition may include topics relating to the following laws:

- Gender Sensitization
- Women and Indian Constitution
- Women and Family Law
- Criminal Law and Women
- Law Relating to Working Women
- Women and Reproductive Health Rights
- Women and Customs
- Women and Cyberspace
- 5.3 On the basis of estimate, NCW will release total prize money (based on number of schools participating) plus 50% of remaining funds to KVS, as first installment, who in turn will release the same to the participating schools. KVS will contribute remaining.
- 5.4 On completion of programme, the KVS will furnish Utilization Certificate in Form12A of General Financial Rules, 2017, along with a detailed programme report. The remaining funds will be released to KVS through PFMS, on receipt of the Utilization Certificate as per programme report.
- 5.5 The report shall contain the details of schools participated, number of students participated, consolidated feedback from KVS and the names of the prize holders (school-wise).

- 5.6 The report shall contain percentage of students participating in each school (out of total strength of IX and XII classes). The report shall also contain school-wise details of percentage of students scoring 60% and above marks (out of students appearing in exam). This will help in evaluation of distribution of trophies to top three schools.
- 5.7 No expenditure out of the funds made available by the National Commission for Women shall be incurred for procuring any asset or any activity other than for organizing the competition.

