

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No.121  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.11.2019**

**Increasing Board Exam Fee**

**121. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV RAO MANDLIK:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:  
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:**

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has steeply increased the fees of Class X and XII board examinations for all students;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government is facing a stiff resistance from All India Parent's Association regarding the decision taken by the board and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether All India Parent's Association has raised their grievances or submitted any request to the Government/ Board to review its decision; and
- (e) if so, the response of the Government/Board in this regard?

**ANSWER  
MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')**

(a) and (b): The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has increased the examination fees of class X and XII board examination 2020 for all students on no profit no loss principle as under:

Class	Examination fee before fee hike		Examination fee after fee hike	
	All India Scheme (For All CBSE affiliated schools)	Delhi Scheme. (SC/ST candidate of Govt. & Aided Schools of Delhi only)	Schools in India	SC/ST candidates of Govt. Schools of Delhi only
10 <sup>th</sup>	750/-	350/- (#)	1500/-	1200/- (*)
12 <sup>th</sup>	750/-	600/- (#)	1500/-	1200/- (*)

(#) Out of examination fee of Rs.350/- for Class X and Rs.600/- for Class XII till 2019, only Rs.50/- was paid by SC/ST candidates of Govt. Schools and Aided schools of Delhi

*Govt. and balance Rs.300/- and Rs.550/- respectively was paid by Govt. of NCT of Delhi.*

*(\*) For examination 2020, Govt. of NCT of Delhi has paid the full examination fee in respect of all students of Delhi Govt. Schools, Grant-in-Aid schools & the Patrachar Vidyalaya to CBSE.*

The reasons for the increase in the examination fee are given hereunder:

- Substantive increase in cost of paper, printing, transportation;
- Increase in the cost of evaluation of answer copies and remuneration and TA/DA to the teachers/invigilators/evaluators;
- CBSE has taken some specific measures for safe conduct of examinations which has increased the expenditure;
- Now, CBSE is not conducting competitive/professional examinations like NEET, JEE(M) and UGC(NET) examinations etc. any more. Earlier additional resources from these examinations were used to subsidize the board's examinations;
- CBSE is a self financed and self-reliant Board and generates its own resources. It does not take any funds from the consolidated fund of India or any other authority for its expenses; and
- The CBSE is holding examinations all over the country and abroad in 25 countries. Almost 5000 examinations centers are fixed in India and abroad and to ensure the smooth conduct of examination in all the centers, fee increase was very essential.

(c) and (d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.

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