

र्ययाञ्चरत्रज्ञागालुरा केषारेवाञ्चरावना

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Under the ICT Flagship Programme, the Ministry of Education in collaboration with Royal Education Council (REC) and Department of Information Technology and Telecom (DITT) has worked on enhancing coding education from classes PP-XII. Accordingly, 277 teachers from schools ready with infrastructure and Internet connectivity were trained on Scratch and Python programming.

The Ministry of Education would like to inform all schools on the following for immediate compliance:

- 1. ICT is to be offered as a compulsory subject from classes PP-XII.
- Schools currently without infrastructure and connectivity will start implementing the ICT subject as they are readied by the Ministry of Education.
- 3. Classes PP-VI are allotted 2 periods/80 mins per week and classes VII-XII are allotted 3 periods/120 mins per week. Overview of period distribution revised by REC is attached.
- 4. Computer Studies, offered as an optional subject, will be discontinued from this year for class XI and in 2021 for class XII.
- 5. Teachers who attended the coding workshop in Jan-Feb 2020 at Gelegphu are required to teach ICT subjects in their schools.

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Offtg. Secretary

Cc:

- 1. His Excellency Sherig Lyonpo, for His Excellency's kind information.
- 2. Hon'ble Secretary, GNHC, for kind information.
- Dasho Dzongdag/Executive Secretary, All Dzongkhag/Thromde for necessary action and support.
- 4. Director General, REC for kind information and necessary support.
- 5. Director, BCSEA, for kind information and necessary action.
- 6. Director, DITT, MoIC, for kind information.
- 7. Director, Directorate of Services, for information and necessary support.
- 8. Advisor to DSE, DSE for kind information.
- 9. Chief Planning Officer, PPD, for kind information.
- 10. Chief, HRD/ICTD, DoS, MoE for information and necessary support.
- 11. Chief, EMD/ECCD-SEN/TPSD/SPCD, DSE for kind information.
- 12. Chief DEOs/TEOs, All Dzongkhags & Thromdes, for necessary action and support.
- 13. Principals, all schools for necessary action and compliance.