

21st May, 2026

Dear Parents,

Greetings from IIS !

The Central Board of Secondary Education vide Circular No. Acad-33/2026 dated 15th May 2026 has announced **Key Amendments** in the Scheme of Studies with respect to the study of languages. As per the **Revised CBSE guidelines**, w.e.f. 1st July 2026 for Class IX, the study of 3 languages — R1, R2 and R3 shall be compulsory, with at least two languages being native Indian languages.

As per CBSE guidelines, Class IX students shall use the Class VI R3 textbooks (2026–27 edition) of the chosen language. To keep the focus on learning and reduce any undue pressure on students, no Board Examination shall be conducted for R3 at the Class X level. All assessments for R3 shall be entirely school-based and internal. The performance of students in R3 will be duly reflected in the class X CBSE certificate.

Accordingly, please note the following points w.r.t our students of Grade IX (2026–27):

- All students of Grades 9 A, B, D and E who have already opted Hindi as their 2nd language will continue studying Hindi as R2 and will now study Sanskrit as R3. This R3 textbook for Grade IX will be the Grade VI Sanskrit NCERT Textbook (If available); otherwise the SCERT textbook.
- Students of Grade 9C and 9F who had opted Sanskrit as their 2nd language will continue studying Sanskrit as R2 and will now study Hindi as R3. Their R3 textbook will be the grade VI Hindi NCERT textbook.
- Students of grade 9C and 9F who had opted French as their 2nd language will now have to study Hindi as R2 (2nd language) and Sanskrit as R3. They will have to procure the 2nd language Hindi textbook (NCERT) and the Grade VI Sanskrit NCERT textbook.

❖ **Please Note:**

- The required books may be ordered online from the School Book Store 21st June, 2026 (tentative date) onwards.
- French is now not an option under R1, R2 & R3 for grade IX-2026-27. Also, studying French as an additional 4th language in secondary classes will be an extra burden for students.

A session for the above has already been held for students of grade IX - 2026–27. This circular is being shared with parents for clarity on R1, R2 and R3. In case any parent still has any questions/query, please feel free to meet me on Saturday, 23rd May 2026 anytime between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, or approach us through an email at iis@icfia.org.

Looking forward to your continued support as always.

Warm regards,

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