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PUNJAB CURRICULUM & TEXTBOOK BOARD

21/E-II, Gulberg-III, Lahore

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To

1. All Deputy Commissioners / Administrators, District Education Authorities, Punjab
2. All Chief Executive Officers, District Education Authorities, Punjab

Subject: **TEACHING OF NAAZRAH QURAN IN GRADES I-V AS A SEPARATE COMPULSORY SUBJECT**

Reference subject captioned above.

2. The Punjab Compulsory Teaching of the Holy Quran Act, 2018 (Act XVII of 2018) entails that teaching of the Holy Quran is compulsory for Muslims students in all educational institutions (Public Sector / Private Sector / Deeni Madaris) in Punjab.

3. The Punjab Compulsory Teaching of the Holy Quran (Amendment) Act, 2021 (Act XIV of 2021) binds the teaching of the Holy Quran as a separate compulsory subject for Muslims students in all educational institutions in Punjab. Accordingly, Punjab Curriculum and Textbook Board (PCTB) in its 83rd “BOARD” meeting held on 23.06.2021 revised the Scheme of Studies and included the subject of “Naazrah Quran” in Grades I-V as a separate compulsory subject as per following Schedule:

Grades	Distribution of Paras	Periods per Week for Naazrah Quran	Marks for Naazrah Quran
I	Qurani Qaida and last 04 Surah of Holy Quran	03	50
II	Paras 1 & 2	03	50
III	Paras 3 to 8	03	50
IV	Paras 9 to 18	04	50
V	Paras 19 to 30	04	50

4. As an initial step, all educational institutions (Public Sector / Private Sector / Deeni Madaris) in Punjab shall teach Naazrah Quran in Grades I-V as a separate compulsory subject with effect from the forthcoming Academic Session 2021-22. Meanwhile, PCTB has initiated the due process to introduce the “Teaching of the Holy Quran” as a separate compulsory subject for all Grades (I-XII) and it will also be conveyed as soon as possible.

5. All educational institutions are required to make necessary arrangements for teaching of Naazrah Quran for Grades I-V as per Schedule mentioned above. It is, therefore, requested that the teaching of Naazrah Quran for Grades I-V be ensured in all educational institutions (Public Sector / Private Sector / Deeni Madaris) within your jurisdiction and monitor its implementation in true letter and spirit.

6. With Profound Regards,



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2. PSO to the Chief Secretary, Government of the Punjab
3. PS to the Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Punjab
4. PS to the Secretary, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab
5. PS to the Secretary, Government of the Punjab, School Education Department
6. PS to the Chief Executive Officer, Punjab Examination Commission
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