DATE : 14 February 2011

TOPIC : National Senior Certificate Preparatory Examination

TO : ALL DIVISIONAL MANAGERS AND SENIOR MANAGERS
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     MEMBERS OF SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES
     TEACHER ORGANISATIONS AND UNIONS
     RELEVANT NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS

ENCLOSURES : ANNEXURE A: NSC PREPARATORY EXAMINATION TIMETABLE 2011

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MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL DIVISIONAL MANAGERS AND SENIOR MANAGERS AT HEAD OFFICE AND DISTRICT OFFICES
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FROM : PREM GOVENDER

DATE : 14 FEBRUARY 2011

SUBJECT : NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE PREPARATORY EXAMINATION 2011

The attached Examination Instruction serves to inform heads of institutions and district offices on the Preparatory Examination 2011.

Based on the agreement with District Directors in 2010, that the Preparatory Examination will not be longer than three weeks, the Department will set papers for the subjects that are reflected on the NSC Preparatory Examination timetable. These papers will be printed and distributed to all schools that have learners, as is done for the October/November National Senior Certificate.

The NSC Preparatory Examinations set by the GDE will start on the 7th of September and end on the 27th of September 2011. Schools must start their examinations on the 7th of September 2011 and complete their Examinations by the end of the term.

All schools must provide feedback from the Preparatory Examinations to their learners in the new term.
All schools must write Preparatory Examinations. Schools have the following options:

**EITHER**

- GDE-set Preparatory Examinations. These papers will cover 100% of the Curriculum.

**OR**

- Set own Preparatory Examinations (on condition that a 70% pass rate was attained in 2010). Papers for the subjects not mentioned in the NSC Preparatory Examination timetable must be set by schools according to the conditions that follow below.

**The conditions for the setting of the NSC Preparatory Examination papers are:**

- The paper must cover at least 80% of the year’s curriculum per subject.
- The paper(s) must replicate the final paper(s) in length of time, standard, mark allocation and format.
- An educator from a neighbouring school specialising in the subject must moderate the paper. The moderator must use Annexure F (Circular 6 2009) to record his/her comments on the standard of the paper.
- The District Director must approve the NSC Preparatory Examination timetable and the nominated moderators by 30 April 2011. Annexure H (Circular 6 2009) must be used for this purpose.

Your co-operation in this matter is appreciated

Regards

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PREM GOVENDER
DIRECTOR: EXAMINATIONS AND ASSESSMENT
**Annexure A**

**GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**
**NSC PREPARATORY EXAMINATION SEPTEMBER 2011**

**WEDNESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2011**

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