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TO: THE PERMANENT SECRETARY
THE DEPUTY PERMANENT SECRETARY
THE UNDER SECRETARIES: FORMAL EDUCATION AND ICALL
DIRECTORS OF EDUCATION: REGIONS AND HEAD OFFICE
INSPECTORS OF EDUCATION AND ADVISORY TEACHERS
PRINCIPALS OF SCHOOLS OFFERING GRADES 8-10
GRADES 8-10 MATHEMATICS TEACHERS

SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION OF CHANGES MADE TO THE IMPLEMENTATION DATE
OF THE REVISED JUNIOR SECONDARY MATHEMATICS SYLLABUS
JANUARY 2007

1. PURPOSE

This circular serves to clarify the implementation dates of the revised Junior Secondary Mathematics syllabus. This step has become necessary, as it came to our attention that some schools are implementing the Junior Secondary Mathematics Syllabus simultaneously in Grades 8 to 10 in 2007.

2. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

In a letter that was sent on 13 November 2006, schools and regional offices were informed of changes that were made to the Implementation Schedule of Upper Primary and Junior Secondary Syllabuses. This letter contained the Updated Implementation Schedule of the Upper Primary and Junior Secondary syllabuses Grades 5-10 (attaches as **Addendum A**).

The major change to the schedule is that Mathematics should be implemented grade by grade, commencing with Grade 8 in 2007. This means that the Junior Secondary Mathematics syllabus will be implemented as follows:

- Grade 8 - 2007
- Grade 9 - 2008
- Grade 10 - 2009.

In view of the decision to implement JS Mathematics syllabus grade by grade, the cover page of the JS Mathematics syllabus should be replaced with the attached front page (**Addendum B**) to correctly reflect the grade by grade implementation.

This decision implies that

- In 2007 only the revised Grade 8 Mathematics syllabus will be implemented. Mathematics teachers teaching in Grades 9 and 10 must continue to teach in accordance with the old JS Mathematics syllabus dated January 2000.
- All calculations pertaining to Continuous Assessment (CA) marks as well as the Examination marks in Grades 9 and 10 in 2007 must be calculated according to the old JS Mathematics syllabus dated January 2000 and not according to the revised JS Mathematics syllabus.
- The CA forms for Grades 9 and 10 Mathematics should be used only in the year in which that particular syllabus is being implemented. For example, Grade 9 CA forms will only be used as from 2008 onwards.

We urgently request Regional Directors, Inspectors of Education and Cluster Centre Principals to ensure that this information reaches all schools offering Grades 8 – 10 in their regions, circuits and clusters respectively.

Upon receipt of this circular, each school is expected to complete the attached Correspondence Control Form (**Addendum C**) and send it back to NIED for the attention of Mr. Amon Haufiku, Education Officer: Mathematics. This will serve as a proof that the school received the information.

The following addendums are attached to this letter:

- Addendum A: Updated Implementation Schedule of Upper Primary and Junior Secondary Syllabuses Grades 5 –10
- Addendum B: Front Page – Junior Secondary Mathematics Syllabus
- Addendum C: Correspondence Control Form

Previous Circular: NIED No.: 1/2006

Subject: Information on the implementation of the revised Primary and Junior Secondary syllabuses in January 2007

To: The Permanent Secretary
The Deputy Permanent Secretary
The Under Secretaries: Formal Education and ICALL
Directors of Education: Regions and Head Office
Inspectors of Education and Advisory Teachers
Principals of Schools Offering Grades 5-10

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H. POMUTI
DIRECTOR

Addendum A

UPDATED IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE OF UPPER PRIMARY AND JUNIOR SECONDARY SYLLABUSES GRADES 5 –10

PHASE	SUBJECT			YEAR OF IMPLEMENTATION				COMMENTS
				2007	2008	2009	2010	
UPPER PRIMARY (GRADES 5-7)	1st Languages: English Afrikaans German Ju/'hoan Khoekhoegowab Otjiherero Oshikwanyama Oshindonga Rukwangali Rumanyo Setswana Silozi Thimbukushu			5-7				
	2nd Languages: English Afrikaans			5-7				
	Mathematics Natural Science and Health Education Social Studies			5-7				
	Design & Technology Elementary Agriculture Home Ecology				5	6	7	Design & Technology replaces Craft and Technology. Entrepreneurship awareness incorporated in the 3 subjects
	Arts Life Skills Physical Education Religious and Moral Education			5-7				
	Basic Information Science				5-7			
JUNIOR SECONDARY (GRADES 8-10)	1st Languages: English Afrikaans German Khoekhoegowab Otjiherero Oshikwanyama Oshindonga Rukwangali Silozi Rumanyo Setswana Thimbukushu				8-10			
	2nd Languages: English Afrikaans			8-10				
	Foreign Languages: French		German		8-10			
	Mathematics			8	9	10		
	Life Science Physical Science Geography History			8-10				
	Accounting			8	9	10		
	Computer Studies			8-9	10			Replaces Computer Practice
	Agriculture Home Economics Needlework and Clothing Typing Keyboard and Word processing			8-10				
	Performing Arts Visual Arts			8-10				
	Design and Technology			8	9	10		Replaces the existing technical subjects. See NIED Circular 1/2006 for more information on the implementation of D & T
	Entrepreneurship				8	9	10	Replaces Business Management. See NIED Circular 1/2006 for more information on the implementation of Entrepreneurship
	Arts in Culture Life Skills Physical Education Religious and Moral Education			8-10				
	Basic Information Science				8-10			

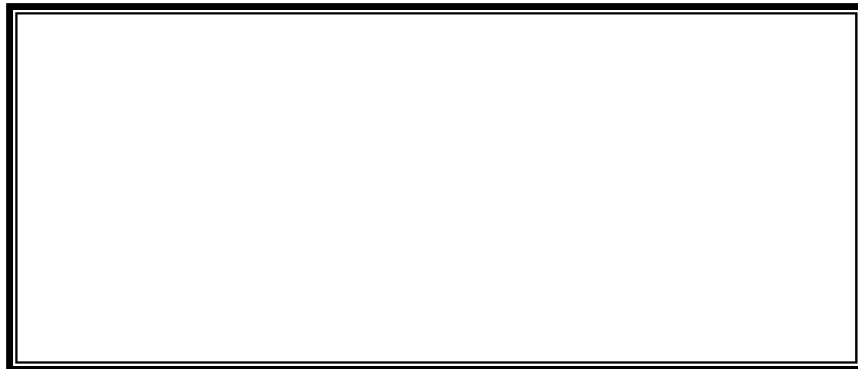
*Changes to the implementation schedule appear in bold



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JUNIOR SECONDARY PHASE



FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN:

GRADE 8 - 2007

GRADE 9 - 2008

GRADE 10 – 2009

CORRESPONDENCE CONTROL FORM

(Please confirm RECEIPT of the CIRCULAR 'Clarification of changes made to the implementation date of the revised Junior Secondary Mathematics syllabus January 2007', by completing the correspondence control form below and sent it back to NIED by **post or fax**)

TO: The Education Officer: Mathematics
National Institute for Educational Development (NIED)
P/Bag 2034, Okahandja
Attention: Mr. Amon Haufiku
Fax Number: 062- 50 9073

School Name:

School Principal:

Regional Office: Circuit:

Cluster Centre:

Yes, I have received the document and fully complied with its content.

SIGNATURE

Principal/HOD

Date

