

## basic education

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## CIRCULAR E15 OF 2020

## 2020 COMBINED JUNE AND NOVEMBER EXAMINATION TIMETABLE.

- Following the closure of schools on 18 March 2020, and the national lockdown to curb the spread of the Corona virus, a decision was taken by the Minister of Basic Education, to administer the May/June 2020 examination concurrently with the October/November 2020 examination.
- The Combined June and November examination will commence officially on Thursday,
  5 November and terminate on Tuesday, 15 December 2020. This timetable replaces the previous November Examination Timetable that was issued in March 2020.
- 3. Given the large number of candidates writing Mathematics and Mathematical Literacy as well as English Home Language (HL) and English First Additional Language (FAL) which are normally written during the same session, and to accommodate social distancing, the following changes were made:

- (a) The Mathematics question paper will be written in the morning session and Mathematical Literacy in the afternoon session.
- (b) English First Additional Language (FAL) will be written in the morning Session and English Home Language (HL) in the afternoon session.
- 4. The candidates who were originally scheduled to write the 2020 October/November examination will write two papers in Business Studies and Accounting, whereas those who would have written the 2020 May/June examination will write one paper in Business Studies and Accounting.
- The Life Orientation (LO) Common Assessment Task will be written on Monday, 19
  October 2020.
- The practical examinations in Computer Applications Technology (CAT) and Information Technology (IT), will be written prior to the official commencement of the examination, as reflected on the Timetable.
- 7. For any enquiries relating to this circular, please contact the Chief Director: National Assessment and Public examinations (NAPE), Dr RR Poliah, telephone: (012) 357 3900.

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