

Revised Academic Regulations For Higher Secondary Courses, 2025



Assam State School Education Board
Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21

Key Points

- The Secondary Education (Class XI & XII) shall comprise of three streams viz. Arts, Science and Commerce.
- The Vocational Stream has been replaced by Skill Subject w.e.f. the academic session 2025-2026.
- The subjects offered under the Vocational Stream will be offered as Skill Subjects in integration of Academic Elective as per guideline of NEP-2020.
- Any student after having passed the Class 10th examination from ASSEB Div.-I or any other recognized boards of Govt. of India as well as Govt. of Assam may take admission in the H. S. Course.

Key Points

- The duration of the Higher Secondary course (Class XI and XII) shall be of two (2) consecutive academic years.
- Each period of instruction shall be of 45 minutes duration. The Board may, however, relax the duration of a period to 40 minutes on special consideration.

Change of Subjects/ Stream

- Students are to be counseled to offer those subjects in Class XI which they would like to continue in Class XII and are available in the school at the time of admission as well as having competent teachers .
- However, to address some unwarranted issues (such as medical/ any exigencies) or if the student is not capable of coping with the subject(s) or stream etc. request for change of subject(s) or stream in Class XI & XII will be accepted provided such a request has been made before 31st October for Class XI and 15th July for Class XII of that particular academic session by the institution .
- Standard Operating Procedures have been framed as under

#	ACTIVITY for Class XII	SCHEDULE
1.	<p>Candidate has to apply for change of subject(s)/stream(in class XII) and Change of Institutions in the prescribed format provided by ASSEB, Div-II and submit the same to the Principal of the Institution, along with -</p> <p>a) Request of the student for change of subject/stream/institution b) Marks-sheet of Class XI of the previous class if the school is the same c) Marks-sheet of Class XI and Transfer Certificate from the previous school, if the school has been changed or being changed d) Medical Certificate from Government hospital, in case of medical ground e) Relevant document supporting the reason other than (a) to (d) above</p>	Up to 15th July of the academic session
2.	<p>When school will receive any request, the same will be analysed by the school as to whether: -</p> <p>(a) The reason for the change of subject is genuine? (b) What was the performance in class XI? (c) Whether the student is unable to cope up? (d) New subject requested to offer is available or not in school (e) Availability of teacher of the desired subject (f) Whether the selected combination of subjects is valid as per the scheme of studies.</p>	Up to 15th July of the academic session
3.	Institution will apply online for change of subjects even for change of stream and change of Institutions for Class XII students after scrutinizing the applications received from the students till 15 th July of the academic session with clear recommendations from the Head of the Institutions.	within 07 days from the date of activity at Sl. No.02 i.e. 21st July of the academic session
4.	Last date for according approval by ASSEB, Div-II for class XII students	31 st July of the academic year

Examination

- The result of the H. S. Final Examination will be determined on the basis of the marks obtained in H. S. Final Examination only.
- No credit of Class XI examination shall be counted towards the result of H. S. Final Examination.
- The H. S. Final Examination shall be held in the month of February-March.
- ASSEB, Div-II will conduct Repeat (Betterment) and Compartmental examination etc. maximum within 3 months after declaration of the H. S. Final Examination results in the year 2027.

UNIT TEST – Half yearly - ANNUAL EXAM & Revisionary Test

- The District Examination Committee will conduct Internal Examination of Class XI and XII as per Government Guideline including Annual Examination of Class XI. The Question Papers should be concept based as far as practicable.
- The district Examination Committee will conduct revisionary test (earlier termed as PRE TEST) for H. S. 2nd Year class through the concerned institutions to assess the student's understanding of previously learned material by providing them with an opportunity to review key concepts and identify areas where further study is needed. The main motto is to help them prepare for upcoming examinations and improve their overall knowledge retention.
- ASSEB will provide a portal to enter the marks secured by each candidate in all the Internal Examination. The student whose marks of Unit Test-1/ Half Yearly Examination of Class XII are entered in the portal will only be eligible to appear in the H. S. Final Examination.

PERCENTAGE OF ATTENDANCE

- Any student who has studied a regular course either in the Class XI or in the Class XII may be admitted to the Class XI Examination or to the H. S. Final Examination in the appropriate stream as a regular candidate provided he/she attended 75% of the classes held in each subject.
- A candidate, who fails to attend 75% of the classes on medical ground or for any other reasonable ground, may also be allowed to appear in the Class XI Examination or H. S. Final Examination as the case may be, on the basis of performance of the student in the Internal Examinations such as Unit Test/ Half Yearly Examination etc. with the permission of the ASSEB as a regular candidate.

The Scheme of Study for +2 stage

- There will be 6 compulsory subjects in total for all students.
- Subjects to be taken in each stream are divided in groups namely A, B, & C.
- A candidate shall opt all the Core subjects listed under part A and Elective subjects listed in Part B & C as specified.
- Each candidate has to opt 4[Four] elective subjects compulsorily. These elective subjects will be of 100 marks, may be with practical or without practical.
- In addition to the 4[Four] elective subjects, a candidate shall have to compulsorily study Environmental Education in Class XI and General Studies in Class XII for 50 marks each. The assessment of the subjects will be done internally (institution where studying) and Grade will be awarded.

SCHEME OF STUDY For Science/ Commerce Stream

Group	Group A (Compulsory)	Group B	Group C	Subject for Internal Assessment
Subject	Subject I	Subject III, IV, V & VI (Maximum 4)	NIL	Class XI Environmental Education
	Subject II	Subject III, IV & V (Minimum 3)	Subject VI	
Description	Language I: English	Maximum Four Academic Electives for Science and Commerce Stream	NIL	Class XII General Studies
	Language II: MIL/ Alt English	Minimum Three Academic Electives for Science and Commerce Stream	Any One subject from Skill Subject List	
Marks	100	100 per paper	100 per paper	Grading for Internal Assessment
	100	100 per paper	100 per paper	

Specifications

- A student or an Institute shall be treated as of Science stream if subject is opted by the student or offered by the institution, in any one of the subjects from Physics, Chemistry & Biology.
- A student or an Institute shall be treated as of Commerce stream if the subjects- Accountancy and Business Studies are opted by the student or offered by the institution.

SCHEME OF STUDY For Arts Stream

Group	Group A (Compulsory)	Group B	Group C	Subject for Internal Assessment
Subject	Subject I	Subject III, IV & V	Subject VI	Class XI Environmental Education
	Subject II			
Description	Language I: English	Any three Elective subject for Arts stream	Any One subject from Skill Subject List	Class XII General Studies
	Language II: MIL/ Alt English			
Marks	100	100 per paper	100 per paper	Grading for Internal Assesment
	100			

- Students of ARTS stream can adopt any 3 [three] Academic Elective subject from Group B and any 1 [one] from Group C.

Criteria of adopting subjects

- Science Stream and Commerce Stream- English and MIL compulsory, Max 4 subjects from group B, If taken 3 than one subject from Group C
- Arts Stream - English and MIL compulsory, 3 subjects from Group B, one subject from Group C
- Class XI - Environment Education and In class XII - General Studies as 7th paper.

Subjects offered for Science Stream

Group	Subjects		Remarks
Group A	English	MIL/ Alt English	Compulsory
Group B	Physics	Entrepreneurship Development	
	Chemistry	Financial Literacy	
	Accountancy	Geography	
	Anthropology	Geology	
	Biology	Logic & Philosophy	
	Business Studies	Mathematics	
	Community Science	Multimedia and Web Technology	
	Computer Science and Application	Sanskrit	
	Economics	Statistics	
	Psychology		
Group C	IT/ ITeS	Mechanical Engineering Technology	From Computer Science and Application, IT/ ITeS and Artificial Intelligence, a candidate can opt only any one subject.
	Retail Trade	Electrical Mechanics and Electrician	
	Agriculture	Office Management	
	Health Care	Agri Engineering Technology	
	Private Security	Fine Art	
	Electronics and Hardware	Sattriya Dance	
	Beauty and Wellness	Bihu	
	Tourism & Hospitality	Sattriya Vocal Music (Borgeet)	
	Automotive	Hindustani Vocal	
	Apparel Made Ups and Home Furnishing	Assamese Folk Music and Dance	
	Physical Education and Sports	Artificial Intelligence	
	Accountancy and Auditing	Sign Language	
	Fishery Sciences	Engineering Drawing	

Subjects offered for Commerce Stream

Group	Subjects		Remarks
Group A	English	MIL/ Alt English	Compulsory
Group B	Accountancy	Financial Literacy	<p>a) Finance and Financial Literacy, a candidate can opt only any one subject.</p> <p>b) Mathematics and Business Mathematics and statistics and Statistics, a candidate can opt only any one subject.</p>
	Business Studies	Insurance	
	Computer Science and Application	Mathematics	
	Economics	Multimedia and Web Technology	
	Entrepreneurship Development	Sales Management & Advertising	
	Economic Geography	Statistics	
	Finance	Business Mathematics and Statistics	
Group C	IT/ ITeS	Mechanical Engineering Technology	<p>From Computer Science and Application, IT/ ITeS and Artificial Intelligence, a candidate can opt only any one subject.</p>
	Retail Trade	Electrical Mechanics and Electrician	
	Agriculture	Office Management	
	Health Care	Agri Engineering Technology	
	Private Security	Fine Art	
	Electronics and Hardware	Sattriya Dance	
	Beauty and Wellness	Bihu	
	Tourism & Hospitality	Sattriya Vocal Music (Borgeet)	
	Automotive	Hindustani Vocal	
	Apparel Made Ups and Home Furnishing	Assamese Folk Music and Dance	
	Physical Education and Sports	Artificial Intelligence	
	Accountancy and Auditing	Sign Language	
	Fishery Sciences	Engineering Drawing	

Subjects offered for Arts Stream

Group	Subjects		Remarks
Group A	English	MIL/ Alt English	Compulsory
Group B	Anthropology	Logic and Philosophy	1. From Computer Science and Application, IT/ ITeS and Artificial Intelligence, a candidate can opt only for one subject. 2. From Geography and Economic Geography, a candidate can opt only one subject. 3. Swadesh Adhyayan can be opted if History or Geography is not opted. 4. Advance language(s) can be opted provided that the language(s) is not taken as MIL.
	Community Science	Mathematics	
	Computer Science and Application	Multimedia and Web Technology	
	Economics	Political Science	
	Economic Geography	Psychology	
	Education	Sociology	
	Entrepreneurship Development	Statistics	
	Financial Literacy	Swadesh Adhyayan	
	Geography	Tai Language	
	History	Arabic/ Persian/ Sanskrit OR Advance Assamese/ Advance Bengali/ Advance Hindi/ Advance Manipuri/ Advance Bodo/ Advance Sanskrit	
Group C	IT/ ITeS	Mechanical Engineering Technology	From Computer Science and Application, IT/ ITeS and Artificial Intelligence, a candidate can opt only any one subject.
	Retail Trade	Electrical Mechanics and Electrician	
	Agriculture	Office Management	
	Health Care	Agri Engineering Technology	
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	Automotive	Hindustani Vocal	
	Apparel Made Ups and Home Furnishing	Assamese Folk Music and Dance	
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ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS IN GROUP C

- **Add on certificate course :**

Students of H. S. Course are also allowed to register simultaneously in Infosys Springboard, which offers a variety of free, online digital learning and re-skilling programs focused on digital literacy, competency, and proficiency, including courses in areas like experience (Infosys Aster), insight (Infosys Topaz), innovation (Blockchain), acceleration (Enterprise Agile Dev Ops), and assurance (Cyber Security). These may be treated as subject from Group C and marks awarded by the Infosys will be incorporated in mark sheet of Class XI and XII.

Notes

- It is desired that student of all streams shall choose their elective subjects keeping in view of their future courses of higher studies in general and other professional courses in particular.
- Every learner at the +2 stage would be required to participate compulsorily in an area of co-curricular activities (CCA) out of NCC, NSS, Rover/ Ranger, Games and Sports (Any one from Athletic and other team games), Cultural and Literary, Debating and Quiz.
- For providing of additional certificates to the students for acquiring skills by taking one subject from group C, each district will have to choose some agencies in their district. Detailed guidelines will be provided in due course

Passing Criteria

- PASS MARKS FOR Class XI EXAMINATION
 - In the Class XI Examination, a candidate has to pass in both the MCQ type part and descriptive type part of the subject separately with 33% of marks as well as in the practical/ project portion and theoretical portion of the subjects, with compulsorily 33% of marks separately.
 - ASSEB will issue instructions to Internal Examination Committee to prepare 4[Four] sets of OMR for selected subjects to conduct the examinations. The list of selected subjects shall be notified time to time.
 - After completion of the evaluation of the scripts and online posting of marks of Annual Examination of Class XI , ASSEB will allow downloading of e-Marks Sheet by the students.

Passing Criteria

- PASS MARKS FOR H. S. Final YEAR EXAMINATION
 - The minimum pass marks is 33% of the total mark for all subjects.
 - For a subject having practical/ project parts the minimum pass marks shall be 33% of the marks allocated to the theory part and 33% of the marks allocated to the practical/ project part.
 - In H. S. course curricula, the student must have to appear in 6[six] subjects and the result will be declared as PASS, only if the students will secure 33% of marks in aggregate, in spite of the fact that even if he fails in one subject. However, passing in English and MIL/Alt. Eng. is compulsory.

Passing Criteria

- As a candidate has offered 6 subjects, the decision to determine the best 5 subjects may be taken by the admitting institution/ employer. Further, it is informed that the ASSEB does not calculate/ declare/ inform percentage of marks. If the percentage of marks is required for higher education or in employment the calculation, if any, may be done by admitting institution or employer.
- ASSEB Div-II will award subject-wise grades to the candidates in class XI from the academic year 2025-26 & in Class XII Final Examinations from the academic year 2026-27 along with the marks secured by them in each subject. The awarded grades with marks shall be reflected in the Mark-sheet cum Certificate issued to the candidates of class XI & XII as mentioned above.
- In skill based subject(s), the ratio of practical and theoretical part will be in the ratio of 50:50.

Passing Criteria for CWSN

- In case of Physically Handicapped students, Passing in English or MIL/Alt. Eng. and the remaining 4[Four] elective subjects is compulsory as per Board's passing criteria to get the passing certificate.

Examination –Repeat (Betterment)

- Every year after the declaration of result of HS Final Examination of regular candidates , Repeat (Betterment) exam will be held and it will be kept in mind that they will not have loose academic year .
- Passed out students can appear in the Repeat (Betterment) Examination only once and in the subsequent examination.
- Candidate can appear in the Repeat/ Compartmental examinations in any one of the subjects which he/ she has selected in the previous Regular examination only.
- If any candidate appears in Repeat (betterment) exam, then his/her result of Repeat exam will contain the best marks awarded in main exam or betterment /Repeat will be taken for first three years after that marks of repeat exam will only be retained and the result of his/ her previous examination will be nullified.
- In Repeat (Betterment) and Compartmental Exam, every candidate has to bear the Fees. Subject wise fees will be applicable in case of such examinations.
- The students appearing in the Revised Betterment of Result Scheme need not to appear in Practical/Project Examination if subject(s) contains Practical/Project. The original mark obtained for the above shall be considered for the fresh mark sheet .

Notes

- It is desirable that for ensuring adequate exposure to the prescribed laboratory techniques practical classes must be started in Class XI class.
- A student must attend the minimum number of classes as specified under the Regulations to become eligible for admission into Class XI or H.S. Final Examination as the case may be.
- The Board desires that Unit test should be held regularly as indicated in the Academic Calendar.

PERMISSION-RECOGNITION

- In case of Government /Provincialised institution /SSA established institution permission /recognition shall be accorded as soon as receipt of order from the competent authority and on receipt of requisite payment
- In case of Private institution permission /recognition shall be accorded on receipt of application in prescribed format with all required information particularly of land and building and order of Final Registration or Provisional Registration received from competent authority under relevant Acts and Rules of Government of Assam and after proper enquiry as required . Final order shall be issued only after receipt of requisite fee and satisfactory enquiry report .

PERMISSION-RECOGNITION

- Once Recognition – Permission accorded to an Institution will remain valid till it is withdrawn by the Board
- The Board may withdraw the permission, if it is found that the institution had violated the instructions of the Board, indulged in unfair means , Results are unsatisfactory , ethical lapse etc and non enrolment of students continuously for two years .
- The permission fee Rs. 15000/ per institution plus cost of inspection etc for the permission and renewal fee of Rs. 1000/ per institution first at the time of Registration of Students for class XI and again at the time of form fill up of HS final Exam

PERMISSION-RECOGNITION

- If an institute applied for permission of any one of the subject from Physics , Chemistry and Biology , that institution shall be treated as an institute of Science stream . This institute must have separate labs for Physics , Chemistry and Biology. There should also be lab for the subjects like Mathematics, Geology, Anthropology etc. where ever applicable.
- If an institute applied for permission of the subjects - Accountancy and Business Studies, that institution shall be treated as an institute of Commerce stream
- If any subject requires laboratory infrastructure is required, then the school must have such facility.
- Schools having subjects such as Dance, Music etc. must be recognized by some certified institutions as mandated by the Govt.
- The teachers of the institution must be qualified as per the norms of NCTE and the infrastructure must be in accordance with the requirement of the institution as well as required under different rules and regulations.

PROVISION OF ADMISSION IN ASSAM STATE OPEN SCHOOL

- ASSEB, Div-II provides an alternative mode of school education in a flexible manner in order to cater to the needs of the learners who want to continue the H.S. Course of education. The drop out, unsuccessful learners and the learner desires to study certain subjects may get enrol in the course.
- Admission Provisions:
 - A. **Regular Admission:** Any class 10th passed out.
 - B. **TOC Admission:** Unsuccessful students of H. S. Final Examination within 5[Five] years of appearing in the examination.

- Mode of Instructions
 - Personal Contact Programmes are conducted through Accredited Study Centres. Self Learning Materials are provided.
- Medium of Instructions
 - Assamese and English
- Admission Schedule :
 - April to September : A Block
 - October to March,(next academic year) : B Block
- Examination Schedule
 - 1st Examination : April – May
 - Subsequent Examination : October-November

- **Passing Criteria for SOS**

- A minimum of 33% marks in the aggregate as Pass in 5 subjects including at least one but not more than two languages as well as separately in theory and practical in the Examination.

- **Subjects Offered –**

- Assamese, English, Bengali, Bodo, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Home Science, Economics, Swadesh Adhyayan, Geography, Pol. Science, Business Studies, Accountancy, Psychology, Mass Communication, Computer Science, Data Entry Operation, Environmental Science, Painting.

New subjects

- Three new subjects will be introduced in class XI from academic year 2025-26 and from next year in class XII in the colleges and schools where willing and competent teachers are available.
 - **Sign Language** : Will be introduced in colleges and schools where teacher or resource person is available having B.Ed. in special education. Any such competent teacher available in any primary or upper primary or high school or resource person of SSA, he or she may take classes of this subject in nearby HSS/ SSS/ college. The training of these teachers on Sign Language will be provided by ASSEB , only after enrolment of students in class XI.

New subjects

- **Artificial Intelligence:** Will be introduced in colleges and schools where teacher or resource person is available having personnel interest in this subject . Any such competent teacher available in any Higher Secondary or Senior Secondary school or in any colleges , he or she may take classes of this subject in his/her HSS/ SSS/ college. The training of these teachers on the Artificial Intelligence will be provided by ASSEB , only after enrolment of students in class XI in IIT Guwahati from 14th of May 2025.
- **Financial Literacy:** Will be introduced in colleges and schools where teacher or resource person is available having personnel interest in this subject. Any such competent teacher available in any Higher Secondary or Senior Secondary school or in any colleges, he or she may take classes of this subject in his/her HSS/ SSS/ college. The training of these teachers on Financial Literacy will be provided by ASSEB, only after enrolment of students in class XI in the month of June 2025.

Support to Teachers for setting concept based questions

1. On the website of ASSEB DIV- I question Bank and sample question papers of social science, Science, English and Math are available for guidance to teachers .
2. Similarly question Bank of selected subjects available on the website of ASSEB DIV- II
3. The last two years question paper should be distributed amongst the final year students by collecting from the old students

Support to introduce NSQF subjects

- Any institution can start NSQF subject in their institution without any approval of ASSEB.
- If the willing teacher as well as required facilities are available these subjects can be adopted.
- Text Books of all the NSQF subjects are available on the Website of ASSEB both in Division I and II.
- Third party certificate will also be arranged

Errors noticed in Exam Center

1. Delay in collection of QP from PS/OP
2. Collection of QP from PS/OP without proper verification of subject and quantity etc on the each day of Exam
3. Staking of sealed cartoons of QP in order of day of Exam while receiving in PS/OP
4. While Collection of attendance of students it is learnt that in some of the Exam Center teachers of the subject are engaged for which exam is going on
5. Dispatch of answer copies to non allotted zones
6. Proper training to invigilators is a major need. Some of the invigilator are not performing as per guidelines , even minimum requirements are also not attended,
7. It is noticed that one center in charge while putting the seal on the answer sheet of candidates of DIV-I has put the seal of center code of DIV-II
8. Allowing of Candidates to seat in a subject without having proper admit for that subject
9. Unused QP of absentee candidates are misused in some of the centers as reported.

NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF VERY FEW INVIGILATORS

It is noticed that some of the invigilator signed the answer script/ OMR having following errors

- On the OMR the candidate has not written his/her SI no of QP or not darkening the question Code
- On the answer script in some cases Roll number either missing or does not match with Admit ,in some script the Registration number are missing and in some cases the subject of exam is not found on the script.
- In some cases same roll number found in two scripts of two different candidates

Thank You