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Directorate of School Education
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-01**

To

All the Deputy Directors of School Education
Secondary/Elementary/Quality
Himachal Pradesh.

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Dated: Shimla the

September, 2026

Subject: Introduction and implementation of Dress Code for Teachers in Government Schools affiliated to CBSE Schools – regarding.

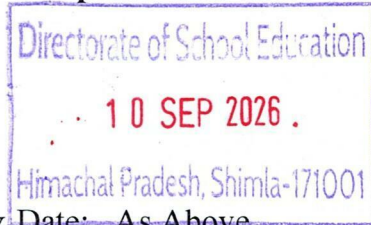
On the subject cited above, it is intimated that, with a view to promote a dignified, disciplined and professional appearance among teachers and strengthening the professional identity, decorum and institutional ethos of the teaching community, the Department has decided to introduce a common dress code for teachers serving in Government Schools affiliated to CBSE in the State.

In this context, the prescribed dress code has been formulated keeping in view the professional requirements of the teaching profession, uniformity in appearance and the climatic conditions of Himachal Pradesh. The prescribed general colour palette comprises Light Lilac, Lilac Purple and Navy Blue, with Black prescribed for footwear and other specified accessories. The prescribed dress code provides for two alternatives for female teachers, i.e. (i) Saree with Blazer and (ii) Kurta/Kameez-Pant Plazo/Salwar with Blazer and (iii) Shirt-Blazer & Pant with tie, whereas a single formal dress combination has been prescribed for male teachers i.e. Shirt, Pant & Blazer with tie. The detailed specifications/guidelines of each component of the dress, including the prescribed colours, footwear and socks, are contained in the enclosed “General Guidelines regarding Dress Code of Teachers in CBSE Schools (Annexure-A).” A sample photograph depicting the prescribed dress code is also enclosed for ready reference (Annexure-B). The photograph is intended to facilitate uniform understanding and implementation of the prescribed dress, particularly with regard to the overall appearance, colour combination and style.

Further, in supersession of all previous advisories, instructions and guidelines issued in this regard by this Directorate, the Heads of Institutions of Government School affiliated to CBSE shall ensure that this prescribed dress code is adhered to by all teaching staff, including Principals in the school, in a consistent, fair and respectful manner. The prescribed colour scheme and dress combinations shall be followed uniformly so as to establish a distinctive and uniform professional identity of the teaching staff.

The Deputy Director of School Education (Quality) shall monitor the implementation of the prescribed dress code in the schools and shall ensure that the same is introduced in a manner consistent with the objectives of professionalism, discipline, uniformity and institutional identity.

The prescribed dress code shall come into force w.e.f 1st October, 2026.




Director of School Education
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-02

Endst. No. & Date: As Above

Copy to information & further necessary action:-

1. The Secretary (Education) to the Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.
2. All concerned Principal, Government Senior Secondary Schools in Himachal Pradesh for necessary compliance.
3. The concerned Block Elementary Education Officers in Himachal Pradesh for necessary compliance.
4. Supdt. (s) G-I/II (General/Planning Branch/Budget Branch/ Quality Cell) of this Directorate for information and necessary action.
5. In-Charge, -IT Cell of this Directorate for information with the request to upload the same to official website.
6. Guard file.


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Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-02

GENERAL GUIDELINES REGARDING DRESS CODE OF TEACHERS IN CBSE SCHOOLS

With a view to promoting a dignified, disciplined and professional appearance among teachers (including Principals) and to uphold the dignity of the teaching profession, the following general guidelines shall be followed:-

1. Prescribed Dress Code:-

Sr. No.	Category	Dress Component	Prescribed Colour
1.	Female Teachers- Saree with Blazer (Option-1)	Saree	Light Lilac
		Saree Border	Light Lilac
		Blazer	Dark Lilac Purple
		Sweater (Full/Half sleeves- As per weather conditions)	Dark Lilac/Purple
		Cap/Gloves	Navy Blue
		Socks	Grey/Navy Blue
		Footwear	Black
2.	Female Teachers – Kurta/Kameez-Pant Plazo/Salwar with Blazer (Option-2)	Kurta/Kameez	Light Lilac
		Pant Plazo/Salwar	Light Lilac
		Dupatta	Light Lilac
		Blazer	Dark Lilac Purple
		Sweater (Full/Half sleeves- As per weather conditions)	Dark Lilac/Purple
		Cap/Gloves	Navy Blue
		Socks	Grey/Navy Blue
3.	Female Teacher Option-3	Footwear	Black
		Shirt	Light Lilac
		Trousers	Navy Blue
		Tie	Navy Blue
		Blazer	Lilac Purple
		Belt	Black
		Sweater (Full/Half sleeves- As per weather conditions)	Navy Blue
		Cap/Gloves	Navy Blue
		Socks	Grey/Navy Blue
		Footwear	Black
4.	Male Teachers	Shirt	Light Blue
		Trousers	Light Grey

	Tie	Navy Blue
	Blazer	Navy Blue
	Belt	Black
	Sweater (<i>Full/Half sleeves- As per weather conditions</i>)	Navy Blue
	Turban/Cap/Gloves	Navy Blue
	Socks	Grey/Navy Blue
	Footwear	Black

2. The Light Lilac, Lilac Purple and Navy Blue colour scheme specified above shall constitute the standard colour scheme for the dress code of teachers (including Principals) and shall be followed mandatorily consistently so as to establish a distinctive and uniform professional identity of the teaching staff.
3. A prescribed *Logo* shall be embroidered/affixed on the left chest pocket of Blazer or at the same level on blazers with no pocket.
4. The prescribed dress shall be neat, clean, modest, comfortable, well-maintained and appropriate to the school environment. The attire of teachers (including Principals) shall reflect the dignity, discipline and professionalism associated with the teaching profession.
5. The basic colour combination and design of the prescribed dress shall be maintained. The concerned school may standardise the fabric, texture, stitching and other minor specifications, provided that the prescribed colour scheme and overall character of the dress code are not altered.
6. All teachers (including Principals) shall wear formal black footwear as prescribed above. Footwear shall be clean, comfortable, well-maintained and suitable for prolonged standing, movement and performance of duties within the school premises.
7. Teachers (including Principals) shall maintain a clean and well-groomed appearance. It is also advisable that jewellery and other accessories, if worn, shall be simple, tasteful and appropriate to the professional environment. Excessive or distracting accessories shall be avoided.
8. Keeping in view the climatic conditions of Himachal Pradesh, teachers (including Principals) shall wear full-sleeved or half-sleeved sweaters/Caps/Gloves, as appropriate to the prevailing weather conditions, during the winter season. The colour of the sweater shall be restricted to Light Lilac or Light Purple or Navy Blue, as the case may be, so as to maintain harmony with and continuity of the prescribed dress code.
9. The prescribed Dress Code shall be applicable to all teachers including Principals irrespective of their mode of recruitment/engagement including teachers whose

services are being taken on outsource basis, for the time being etc. without any exceptions.

10. Reasonable adjustments in the prescribed dress code may be permitted in cases of medical necessity, disability, pregnancy with the approval of the Head of the Institution.
11. The dress code shall be implemented uniformly, fairly and respectfully, with due regard to the dignity and comfort of teachers w.e.f 1st October, 2026. The Head of the Institution shall ensure proper adherence to the prescribed dress code and maintain an overall professional and dignified appearance of the teaching staff.
12. Any variation or relaxation from the prescribed dress code, other than in circumstances specifically provided for in these guidelines, shall require prior approval of the competent authority.



FEMALE TEACHERS

OPTION 1 Saree with Blazer



OPTION 2 Kurta-Pyjama with Blazer



OPTION 3 Shirt, Trouser, Tie with Blazer



MALE TEACHERS

Shirt, Trouser, Tie with Blazer



KEY COLOUR PALETTE (UNIFORM)



IMPORTANT NOTES:

- The above dress code is applicable to all teachers of CBSE schools.
- Neat, formal and modest attire shall be worn at all times.
- Colours and design may have minor variations as per practical needs.
- Accessories should be minimal and professional.
- Identity card must be worn while on duty.

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