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सैनिक स्कूल अम्बिकापुर (रक्षामंत्रालय के अधीन संचालित) Sainik School Ambikapur (Under the aegis of Ministry of Defence) मेण्ड्राकलां, Mendra Kalan जिला–सरगुजा (छत्तीसगढ़) Dist – Surguja (Chhattisgarh) पिनकोड–497 001 PIN Code – 497 001

Dear Cadets / Parents,

1. Please refer to my earlier letters on the school's initiatives on Online Learning. The nation today is facing a completely unprecedented crisis due to the spread of the Novel Corona Virus. Lockdown and social distancing is the only acknowledged response in combating the pandemic. In the light of the COVID-19 outbreak and the subsequent directives by the State Authorities has led to the closure of schools and is obstructing the learning of the students. Chairperson, CBSE in her letter CBSE/Dir/Sk. Ed.//2020 dated 04 April 2020 has called for the reinvention of the education processes of our school by devising creative methods to engage with stakeholders. The massive closure has presented a daunting challenge for you, and it is therefore, our endeavour, to make this pandemic period a productive and happy one for our cadets. We are initiating a process to provide fruitful academic experiences and therefore we plan to go for **online teaching**.

2. We at the school are working hard to bring back our cadets to the classrooms within the constraints of the Lockdown through virtual learning and online classes. These next few days have been difficult for our teachers as they prepare for distance learning though online content, recorded videos, taking live online classes, preparing worksheets and assignments from home. An equal effort is required to be taken by the parents and the cadets in readying themselves for the Online class and I would solicit your support in making necessary arrangements at home (wi-fi connections, accessibility to laptops or PC's for students, smartphones etc.), so that children can attend the online Live sessions.

3. For making our Online programme successful and effective a Roadmap has been chalked out including daily schedule of how the classes will be conducted online. The detailed time table and process of connecting over "*gotomeeting* platform" is explained in the succeeding paragraphs and will also be made available to you through mail. The schedule and the invite/access codes will be shared/whatsapped/mailed to you a day prior, along with online content of the present day's e-book/ videos/ worksheets, presentations assignments etc.

4. Guidelines for important preparations are available at the following links:-

- (a) <u>https://support.goto.com/meeting/attendee-user-guide</u>.
- (b) <u>http://ebms.net.au/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/GoToMeeting-Attendee-</u> Guide.pdf

5. However, for ready reference, a short compilation of important details and guidelines are attached. Please read and acquaint yourself with the ground rules and prepare yourself to attend the classes. You will be receiving more details regarding Online Learning and other pertinent information. I am aware that these times are having a significant impact on you, your family, and our school.

5. I seek your complete co-operation and support in making this online programme effective and assure you we will continue to remain committed to cause of your education and personality development.

Sd/-(Jitendra Dogra) Col Principal