

BPS/EC/2024-'25/54  
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## **Birla Public School, Doha - Qatar** **Circular for Grades VI & IX**

Dear Parent,

Sub: **CBSE Structured Assessment for Analyzing Learning (SAFAL)**

As per the CBSE Circular No:Acad12/2024, CBSE is conducting a diagnostic assessment called SAFAL for students of CBSE schools.

SAFAL: Structured Assessment for Analyzing Learning (SAFAL) is a competency-based diagnostic assessment as per the recommendation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 was launched by CBSE in its affiliated schools in July, 2021. The SAFAL pilot was successfully conducted in February, 2023 for Grades 5 and 8 in 1887 CBSE affiliated schools. As part of continuous efforts to enhance the quality of education and foster competency-focused learning, CBSE schools have registered for SAFAL which will be conducted for students of Grades 5 and 8. This registration was done in the month of February 2024 and the students of Grades 5 and 8 are in Grade 6 and 9 respectively for academic year 2024-25. Hence SAFAL is applicable for the students of Grade 6 and 9 only.

Please note that the SAFAL diagnostic assessment will be conducted from 17<sup>th</sup> September to 9<sup>th</sup> October 2024. In certain circumstances the assessment dates may extend up to 21<sup>st</sup> October 2024. The assessment will be in the subjects – Science, Mathematics and English. Since it is a diagnostic assessment, special preparation is not required, and the assessment will be conducted in small batches across the dates in Computer rooms in online mode in school.

School has made all technical arrangements for successful completion of SAFAL. Additionally, a test-run of the assessment was conducted in school.

The General instruction is as follows:

1. The duration of SAFAL assessment is 90 minutes for Grade IX.
2. The duration of SAFAL assessment is 75 minutes for Grade VI.
3. The assessment will comprise Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs).
4. Students to carry the required writing material.
5. Detailed instructions for login and attempting the assessment will be given by the teacher in-charge during the assessment.

Thank you for your continued support.



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