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**CIRCULAR**

**From:** The Permanent Secretary for Education, Heritage & Arts  
**To:** All School Heads, Divisional and District Offices  
**Ref:** MOE – C 55/15 **Date:** 25/08/15

**SUBJECT: PASSING POINT FOR ALL EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS**

- 1.0 The removal of scaling was sanctioned through cabinet and it's now imperative to consider the related principled approaches when we undress marks.
- 2.0 Part of the recommendation in the Scaling Review report includes:
  - The results should be prepared based on raw scores which are testimony of the actual educational achievement level of each student in a given subject;
  - The universities and other tertiary institutes can device or revise their own relevant criteria for the purpose of admission and scholarship.
- 3.0 The shift to the administration using raw marks now mandates the focus on **passing point** on the subject rather than aggregation.
- 4.0 In order to qualify for a pass the student should demonstrate an understanding of at least 50% of the subject matter and besides other variables of assessment 50% is usually a wide-reaching standard for a pass.
- 5.0 Please be informed and updated on the passing point for each levels:

	<b>Examination</b>	<b>Passing Point</b>
01	Fiji Year 6 Examination (FY6E)	Pass or score 50 or above in ALL subjects
02	Fiji Year 7 Examination (FY7E)	Pass or score 50 or above in ALL subjects
03	Fiji Year 8 Examination (FY8E)	Pass or score 50 or above in ALL subjects
04	Fiji Year 9 Examination (FY9E)	Pass or score 50 or above in English and a Pass or score 50 or above in any Best 5 subjects
05	Fiji Year 10 Certificate Examination (FY10CE)	Pass or score 50 or above in English and a Pass or score 50 or above in any Best 4 subjects
06	Fiji Year 11 Examination (FY11E)	Pass or score 50 or above in English and a Pass or score 50 or above in any Best 3 subjects
07	Fiji Year 12 Certificate Examination (FY12CE)	Pass or score 50 or above in English and a Pass or score 50 or above in any Best 3 subjects
08	Fiji Year 13 Certificate Examination (FY13CE)	Pass or score 50 or above in English and a Pass or score 50 or above in any Best 3 subjects

- 6.0 All school heads are kindly advised to prudently consider the mentioned shift and further reflect on important measures to conveniently adapt at the school level.

- 7.0 Further awareness on the subject to important school stakeholders for clarity is therefore essential.
- 8.0 Your indulgence and usual support to the above is humbly solicited.
- 9.0 Further queries or clarification on the noted subject can be directed to the Director Examination on e mail:  
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