

RATIONALISATION OF CONTENT IN THE TEXTBOOKS

In view of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is imperative to reduce content load on students. The National Education Policy 2020, also emphasises upon reducing the content load and providing opportunities for experiential learning with creative mindset. In this background, NCERT has undertaken the exercise to rationalise the textbooks across all classes. Learning Outcomes already developed by the NCERT across classes have been taken into consideration in this exercise.

Contents of the textbooks have been rationalised in view of the following:

- Overlapping with similar content included in other subject areas in the same class
- Similar content included in the lower or higher class in same subject
- High difficulty level
- Content, which is easily accessible to students without much interventions from teachers and can be learned through children through self-learning or peer-learning.
- Content, which is not relevant in the present context or outdated.

This booklet contains information in tabular form about subject-wise contents which have been dropped and hence are not to be assessed.

Table for Rationalised Content

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Chapter 4: Materials: Metals and Non-Metals	44–55	Full chapter
Chapter 8: Cell— Structure and Functions	90–99	Full chapter
Chapter 17: Stars and the Solar System	215–238	Full chapter
Chapter 18: Pollution of Air and Water	239–252	Full chapter