INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

COURSE OF LESSON – SECONDARY LEVEL II

OBJECTIVES

The students will be able to:

- explain different models of why things happen in the first place.
- understand the Buddhist view of karma as the cause of happy or sorrowful experiences as an explanatory model.
- explain that every experience depends on accumulated karma.
- demonstrate that one can shape one's own future through appropriate actions with body, speech, and mind.
- understand that karmic impressions can vary in strength.

SECURING KNOWLEDGE	Create a chart with all the influencing factors of karma.	**WS 3** Student do **exercise 2** **Answers to WS 3** Students present their chart
EXERCISE 2	How strong are the individual impressions in the mind? What are the consequences for the environment?	**WS 3** Student do **exercise 1** **Answers to WS 3** Comparing results
DEEPENING KNOWLEDGE	Experience and action are related Karma - cause and effect	**WS 2** **Answers to WS 2** Students consider Buddhist viewpoint Individual work
EXERCISE 1	Buddhist statements on karma Scope of action - personal responsibility	**WS 1** **Answers to WS 1** Students work on part A and part B Comparing results
INTRO	Why do things happen the way they do? What explanatory models are there?	**Material 1 A** **Material 1 B** Students state their assumptions Collecting results

BASIS

What might interest the students about the topic:

- Why do things happen the way they do?
- What explanatory models are there?
- What is karma?