GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR DIRECTORATE OF SCHOOL EDUCATION, KASHMIR

The	Chief	Education	Officer
			(All)

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Subject: - Implementation of Supreme Court Guidelines with regard to safety of School Buses caring Children.

ORDER/CIRCULAR

With reference to the subject cited above Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has issued guidelines with regard to safety of School Buses Caring Children as under:-

- 1. School buses should be painted yellow.
- 2. School bus must be written on the back and front of the bus if it is hired bus "ON SCHOOL DUTY" should be clearly indicated.
- 3. Bus should have a First Aid Box.
- 4. Bus should be fitted with speed governor of specified standard.
- 5. The window of the bus should be fitted with horizontal grills.
- 6. School name and mobile no. must be written on School bus.
- 7. The door of the bus should be fitted with reliable locks.
- 8. There should be a Fire Extinghisher in the bus.
- 9. To keep the School bags safely, there should be a space fitted under the seats.
- 10. There must be a qualified attendant in the bus to attend the Children.
- 11. Any parent or guardian sitting in the bus or a Teacher may also travel to ensure these safety norms.
- 12. The Driver should have at least five years experience of driving heavy vehicles.
- 13. If a Driver has been challaned more than twice in a year for offences like red light, jumping, violation of lane, discipline of allowing unauthorized person to drive, cannot be employed.
- 14. If a driver has been challaned even once for the offence of over speeding, drunken driving and dangerous driving etc. cannot be employed.
- 15. No vehicle shall carry children in excess of its permitted seating capacity. No. Child should be allowed to sit on the lap of others.
- 16. Seat belts wherever applicable must be fastened properly.
- 17. There must be appropriate permit for the vehicle issued by the competent authority as passenger transport vehicles.

You are as such directed to personally check the travel plan of all the Private Schools of your Zone having vehicles caring Children and ensure that the Supreme Court guilelines are strictly adherent by these Schools.

Directorate of School Education,

Kashmir