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Subject: -

Non-implementation of Govt/Fee Fixiation Orders and harassment of Parents by Private Schools.

## ORDER

Whereas, a delegation of Parents Association of Private Schools approached this office on 22-06-2021 with the submission that the following schools:-

- 1. Iqbal Memorial School, Bemina
- 2. Doon International School, HMT
- 3. Delhi Public School, Srinagar
- 4. Holy Fath School, Rawalpora.
- 5. Minto Circle School, Aloochi Bagh.
- 6. Hat Trick Public School, Zakura.
- 7. Tinh Hearts School, Tengpora.
- 8. Green Valley Educational Institute, Buchpora.
- 9. G.D Goenka Lal Bazar.

are not implementing the Govt/Fee Fixiation Committee orders issued from time to time with regard to collection of fee for the session viz 2019-20 & 2020-21 especially during the lock down period of COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas, the delegation has further appraised that the situation has worsen as the school authorities are forcing the parents to clear their un paid dues till May 2021 and are also asking for payment of Annual/bus fee; and

Whereas, the complaints are pouring-in to this Directorate that the school authorities are still charging undue dues and subsequently withholding the assignment of the students in question and compelling to clear the miscellaneous charges which are in violation of the instructions already issued by the Administative Department during COVID-19 pandemic and subsequenty circulated vide this office Circular No: DSEK/GS/54-Misc/212 dated: 13/7/2020 which are as under:-

- Only Tuiton Fee shall be charged from students on monthly basis instead of quarterly basis for the lockdown period-
- No fee hike shall be made during academic session 2020-21.
- Annual fee, if any can be charged monthly on pro-rata basis, after schools reopen.
- No School shall deny access to online education material/Classes/ continuous assessment to poor/deserving students unable to pay school fees due to prevailing situation.

In view of the above facts and taking note of the circumstances it is impressed upon all recognised Private Schools of Kashmir Valley to stop charging miscellaneous charges for the session viz 2019-20 and 2020-21 from the parents hence forth and charge only tuition fee approved by the Fee Fixiation Committee as already instructed vide series of circulars issued in this behalf either by Adm. Deptt or this Directorate, the excess fee if any collected from the parents as reported by the Parents Association of Private Schools shall be adjusted in the tuition fee accordingly; incase any default in implementing the Govt. instructions as mentioned above, strict action shall be initiated as per the provision of law which includes de-recogntion of the school in terms of standing norms without further intimation.

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- 1. Principal Secretary to Government, School Education Department, Civil Secretariat, Srinagar information with the request to put their NOC's on hold incase of CBSE schools until they ensure implementation of Govt Orders as reflected above.
- 2. Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir for information.
- 3. Deputy Commissioner Srinagar for information.
- 4. OSD to Advisor (K) to Hon'ble Lt. Governor for kind information.
- 5. Joint Secretary, JK BoSE New Campus, Bemina. He is advised not to entertain the affairs of above mentioned schools till a NOC is issued by this office with regard to implementation of orders with regard to collection of only Tuition Fee during the lock down of COVID-19 pandemic.
- 6. Chief Education Officer Srinagar for information.