GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON REVIEW COMMITTEE OF

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ROOM NO. 10, SCERT, VARUN MARG, DEFENCE COLONY NEW DELHI-110024

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Minutes

A Meeting was held at 3.00 p.m. on 13-9-11 with Director and Deputy Director of Institute of Cost Accounting in the chamber of Review Committee which was attended by the following persons;

Review Committee:

- a) Ms. Shailaja Chandra, IAS (Retd.), Chairperson, Review Committee
- b) Ms. Abha Joshi, Member Secretary

Invitees from Institute of Cost Accounting:

- 1) Sh. J. P. Singh, Director, ICWAI
- 2) Sh. Tarun Kumar, Dy. Director, ICWAI

The Chairperson welcomed the two professionals from the institute and then explained to them the issue before the Review Committee i.e. the preparation of standard financial return performa which the private unaided schools may be asked to fill up on line followed by hard copy as well as audited returns. She also asked them to quote their charges for examining the financial returns of those schools where major irregularity will be detected.

Mr. Singh told that the Institute was ready to assist the committee in developing the financial return performs free of cost however as regards fee for scrutiny, he assured to submit the same in writing within a few days.

The Chairperson thanked them for their offer. This meeting was followed by a meeting with Mr Aggarwal who was accompnied with following

Invitees from All India Parent Association & Others:

- 1) Sh. Ashok Aggarwal, Advocate & President, Co-ordinator, All India Parent Association
- 2) Sh. Inderjeet Singh Gambhir, General Secretary, All India Parent Association
- 3) Ms. Poonam Goel, Co-ordinator, All India Parent Association
- 4) Ms. Meena, Co-ordinator, All India Parent Association
- 5) Sh. Khagesh B. Jha, Advocate & President, Justice for all

The Chairperson at the outset explained to them the issues which the committee has already dealt with and the proposed solutions for each. She then asked them to give a bird's eye-view of the issue which still need to be considered or any aberrations committed by private schools that need to be addressed.

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Mr. Aggarwal first of all pointed out the issue of job security of employees of private unaided schools. He informed that recently Hon ble court had held that under the existing provision an employee could be kept under probation as long as managing committee desired because the rule 105 was not properly worded. In his opinion after two years an employee should be deemed

As regards imposing pecuniary penalty on schools he desired that in the corresponding rules it may be clearly mentioned that the amount would in no case be charged from school funds nor would it be passed on to children and if anyone was found doing so, he would be liable for criminal offence. He wanted that such fine must be on the concerned person or on the society.

As regards fee-regulatory committee he informed the Review Committee that TamilNadu had framed a separate Act for this purpose which has been upheld even by Hon'ble Apex court. The Chairperson asked him to provide a copy of the same.

Mr. Aggarwal was critical of the those private schools which were perpetuating luxurious cultures in schools and thus making schools less affordable to middle cl-ass. He stressed that the fee should be determined keeping in view the paying capacity of middle cl-ass. He also asserted that the Government should take it upon itself to make people aware of the ill-effects of such luxuries like air-conditioned class-rooms on health of children.

In the end Mr. Aggarwal emphasized that all the policies should be child-centric as propounded by Ganguly Committee. He also desired that government schools too should be brought under the ambit of the act and agreed to work out a proposal on this. The Chairperson thanked him for his valuable inputs and meeting ended.

(ABHA JOSHI) MEMBER SECRETARY