GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION (PRIVATE SCHOOL BRANCH) OLD SECRETARIAT, DELHI-110054

No.DE.15(840)/PSB/2022/5580-5584

CIRCULAR

Dated: 12/07/22

SUBJECT: Regarding Aadhar requirement for online module under EWS/DG and CWSN category in Private Unaided Recognized Schools in Delhi from session 2023-24 onwards

As per section 12 (1) (c) of RTE Act, 2009 all the private unaided recognized schools (except the minorities schools) are under obligation to admit, at the entry level classes, to the extent of at least 25% of the strength of that class, children belonging to Weaker section/Disadvantage Group and Children With Special Needs in the neighborhood and provided fee and compulsory elementary education till its completion.

In order to maintain the uniformity in EWS/DG and CWSN category admission process a entry level class(es) in respect of all private unaided recognized schools of Delhi, the online admission process in respect of all the Private Unaided recognized School of Delhi was adopted by the DoE from the academic session 2016-17.

In the past, the DoE has noticed that multiple applications are being filed by an applicant in order to increase the probabilities of their selection in the computerized draw of lots by manipulating with address/name/any other related personal details.

Further, it was also noticed that such applicant got admission in the multiple school because of the altered information furnished during online application for admission. This malpractice results into defeat of the beneficial scheme implemented for the admission of the bonafide EWS/DG and CWSN category students.

In order to dispense away with abovesaid malpractices, a measure to be adopted to overhaul the online admission mechanism. Therefore, after due deliberations, it has been decided by the Competent Authority of GNCTD that the Aadhar Card is must to achieve the legitimate goal i.e. to ensure the fair, transparent, uniform and hassle free admission process, so that the Right of eligible candidate for Free and Compulsory Education guaranteed under Section 12 (1) (c) of RTE Act, 2009 may not get infringed. It is pertinent to mention here that although, in the previous academic sessions, Aadhar was optional, even though maximum applicants have tendered their Aadhar information which helps to identify duplicity in online admission as a result genuine candidates succeeded in computerized draw of lots.

It is clarified that the information so collected qua Aadhar Card at the time of registration of the application form will be only minimal and limited to details contained therein i.e. personal details like Biometric etc. will be not stored, shared with any other agency.

The requirement of production of original Aadhar card at the time of verification of the Aadhar details filled in the application form before the school authorities does not infringe/affect the right of the applicant rather it aims to protect the right of the deserving, eligible candidate under the abovesaid category to avail the abovesaid beneficial scheme of admission and will be in interest of the society at the large.

The entire aim behind mandating the Aadhar card for admission process is in the interest of the deserving eligible applicants entitled to avail the benefits of Free and Compulsory Education under Section 12 (1) (c) of RTE Act, 2009 and to curb the malpractices adopted by several applicants by filling multiple application to increase their chances unfairly for selection.

Therefore, in view of the above, I, Director of Education, by exercising power conferred on me vide Clause 10 of the Notification No.15(172)/DE/Act/2010/69 dated 07.01.2011, direct that Aadhar shall be mandatory for online admission process for EWS/DG and CWSN category in private unaided recognized schools in Delhi from upcoming session i.e. 2023-24 onwards.

(HIMANSHU GUPTA) DIRECTOR (EDUCATION)

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