

**GOVT. OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI
DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION: CARE TAKING BRANCH
OLD SECRETARIAT, DELHI-110054.**

F.1/464/CTB/2015-16/768

Dated: 28/09/2017

ORDER

Pursuant to the incident occurred in Ryan International School, Vasant Kunj Delhi wherein a child died, an emergency meeting was convened by the Hon'ble Dy. Chief Minister on 31.01.2016 and subsequently necessary directions issued to all stakeholders i.e. MCD, NDMC, DCB, Manager & Principal of all Aided and Un-Aided Private Schools vide dated 01/02/2016 regarding safety compliance of the students. Subsequently, certain Circular/Orders were also issued vide dated 02/03/2016 & 27/07/2016. Apart above, specific orders regarding Installation of CCTV Cameras & Verification of Character and Antecedents of all employees of the Private Unaided Recognized Schools have also been issued vide dated 15/09/2017 & 18/09/2017.

Simultaneously, in compliance of the directions of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi dated 15th September, 2016 in WP (C) No. 887/2016 & CM Nos. 3889/2016 & 7100/2016 titled as "**Col. Devinder Shehrawat versus Dy. Commissioner, SDMC & Ors**", a mechanism for periodical inspection of all schools in Delhi and ensuring safety of students studying therein has been put in place. The relevant Para of Hon'ble High Court's decision dated 15/9/2016 is reproduced here under:

"13. In order to ensure that no such incidents would happen in future in Delhi schools, we also consider it appropriate to issue the following directions:

- (i) That all the schools in Delhi including MCD, NDMC, Government schools, private schools, Government aided schools shall carry out periodical inspections of the school buildings and premises and submit a quarterly report to the office of the Directorate of Education, Caretaking Branch, GNCTD.*
- (ii) Directorate of Education is directed to constitute a Special Task Force, Zone-wise, who will visit the schools under their respective Zones on a monthly basis and submit report before Directorate of Education, Caretaking Branch, GNCTD.*
- (iii) Executive Engineers of the Municipal Corporations shall also visit the schools under their area of control on a monthly basis and in case of any defects in relation to their field are found, shall immediately take steps to ensure that the defects are rectified."*

Since Hon'ble Lt. Governor has declared Municipal Corporations of Delhi, New Delhi Municipal Council and Delhi Cantonment Board as Local Authority for the purpose of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 in relation to schools under their respective administrative control vide Notification No. F. 23 (2)/DE/RTE/ 2011-12/570-584 dated 23/04/2013 published in Delhi Gazette, the implementation of the aforesaid directions in such schools – aided and unaided schools besides schools run by and/or recognized by them will lie with these Local Authorities. However, as directed by the Hon'ble High Court, these Local Authorities will arrange to submit quarterly report of inspections conducted by the Task Forces to be constituted by them to the Caretaking Branch, Room No. 255, Directorate of Education, Old Secretariat, Delhi-110054; [e-mail: delhischoolssafety@gmail.com].

In this regard, following orders are being issued for strict compliance of the said directions:

1. The authorities concerned of Education Departments of East/North/South Delhi Municipal Corporations, NDMC and Delhi Cantonment Board - shall issue orders to all the Heads/Management of schools - run / recognized (aided and unaided) by them - to carry out periodical inspections of the school buildings and premises personally and submit a quarterly report to the Nodal Officer concerned of their department. In case of any deficiency, the HOS/Management of schools shall take immediate steps to remove the same.
2. The authorities concerned of Education Departments of East/North/South Delhi Municipal Corporations, New Delhi Municipal Committee and Delhi Cantonment Board shall appoint Additional Commissioner (Education)/HOD or equivalent officer as NODAL OFFICERS for this purpose who will submit the report on the Proforma annexed here with to the Caretaking Branch, Directorate of Education, GNCTD on quarterly basis.
3. The Nodal Officers of East/North/South Delhi Municipal Corporations, New Delhi Municipal Committee and Delhi Cantonment Board will issue direction to all the Managers/Head of School of private recognized aided and unaided schools to submit a certificate to the Nodal Officer on monthly basis to the effect that he/she has undertaken a safety walk through whole of the school premises personally. The schools may also be directed to ensure that no male guard/employee should frequent near female toilets.
4. Special Task Force to inspect schools for safety and security in the schools under their respective zones on a monthly basis as under:
 - (a) East/North/South Delhi Municipal Corporations –
 - Deputy Director of Education(Zone) – Chairperson
 - School Inspector - Member
 - Executive Engineer (Civil) – Member
 - Executive Engineer (Electrical) – Member

(b) New Delhi Municipal Corporation –

- Joint Director (Education) – Chairperson
- One Principal - Member
- Executive Engineer (Civil) – Member
- Executive Engineer (Electrical) – Member

(c) Delhi Cantonment Board –

- One Principal – Chairperson
- Executive Engineer (Civil) – Member
- Executive Engineer (Electrical) – Member

5. The Nodal Officer so designated may depute any other officer in place of the officer designated in the Special Task Force in Para 4 above under intimation to the Caretaking Branch of this Directorate.
6. The Authorities of East/North/South Delhi Municipal Corporations, NDMC and Delhi Cantonment Board shall issue orders to the Executive Engineers responsible for construction and maintenance of school buildings to visit the schools under their area of control on a monthly basis and in case of any defects in relation to their field are found, to take immediate steps to ensure that the defects are rectified.

This issues with the prior approval of Competent Authority.



(BINAY BHUSHAN)
SPL.DIRECTOR (EDUCATION)

Enclosure: Annexure

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Copy for information/necessary action to the followings:

1. PS to Secretary (Education), GNCTD
2. PS to Additional Commissioner of EDMC/ NDMC/SDMC
3. Director (Education) of New Delhi Municipal Council
4. PS to Chief Executive Officer, O/o Delhi Cantonment Board, Sadar Bazar, Delhi Cantt.
5. P.S to the Director, Social Welfare Department, Delhi.
- ✓6. OS (IT) with direction to upload it on the department's website.
7. Guard File.



(RAVINDER KUMAR)
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Proforma of Report on the Safety and Security of School Students

1. Name of Department/Organization -----
2. Name of District & Zone, if any -----
3. Date of visit/inspection -----
4. Date of last visit in the school -----
5. If any deficiency pointed out in the last Visit has not been rectified so far -----
6. Whether all electrical switch boards/ cables/wiring are safely secured -----
7. Whether all sewer lines/drainage/ manholes are covered -----
8. Whether all grills/railings in windows/ staircases intact and secured -----
9. Whether water tanks secured properly -----
10. Whether swimming pool, if any, properly guarded all the times -----
11. Any other thing which may prove to be hazardous noticed in the school -----
12. If answer to any above mentioned point is 'no', brief but clear description of deficiency noticed by the STF -----

(Signature)
Name & Designation

(Signature)
Name & Designation

(Signature)
Name & Designation

Points of deficiency noted for rectification

(Signature of HOS)
Name & Designation