GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITIORY OF DELHI DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION Old Secretariat, Delhi-110054

No.F.DE/15(156)/ACT-1/2016/ 8533-8538

Dated: 6 05/16

ORDER

Whereas, Sh. Rohit Handa has made a complaint to this Directorate through Hon'ble Education Minister, Govt. of NCT of Delhi vide letter dated 01.05.2016 against the Queens Mary School North End, Model Town-III, Delhi-110009.

AND Whereas, in the aforesaid complaint, the complainant has raised following issues:-

- (a) School has raised tuition fee, development fee and annual charges along with smart class charges 10%, 10%, 20% in 2016-17 session. Also school has raised fee, development fee, annual charges including charges for smart classes by 10%, 10%, 25% in 2015-16 session as well.
- (b) School has not provided any details on difference between development fee and annual charges.
- (c) School has not added any visible infrastructure or facility for the student in the school except change in swings, basketball court and tennis court.
- (d) School for upper primary level was opened for only 179 days in the academic 2015-16 session against the mandatory 220 days.
- (e) School has hiked transportation fee by 23% to 37% without any hike in CNG cost and also collects/charges transportation fee for 12 months instead of 11 months.

AND Whereas, as far as enhancement of school fee for the academic session 2016-17 for the schools running on DDA/Govt. land having the condition to seek prior sanction of Director (Education) for fee hike is concerned, this Directorate vide its order dated 19.02.2016 has already issued directions in compliance of order of Hon'ble High Court dated 19.01.2016, delivered in W.P.(C) No. 4109/2013, titled as Justice for All Vs Govt. of NCT of Delhi not to increase fee without prior sanction of Director (Education).

AND Whereas, the enhancement of school fee without prior approval of this Directorate is contravention of the above said order as well as order of Hon'ble High Court.

AND Whereas, this Directorate vide order no. DE-15/Act-I/WPC-4109/13/Part/7914-23 dated 16.04.2016, has issued directions to the HOSs/Managers of Private unaided recognized schools allotted land by the land owning agencies on the conditions of seeking prior sanction of Director of Education for increase in fee, to submit their proposal if any for prior sanction of Director of Education for increase in Tuition Fee/fee for the Academic session 2016-17, online on the website of the Directorate of Education and upload the returns and documents mentioned therein latest by 31st May, 2016. Also, it has been directed that in case the schools have already charged any increased fee prior to this order

the same shall be liable to be adjusted in terms of the sanction of the Director of Education the proposal.

AND Whereas, regarding allegation of opening of school for upper primary level for 179 days in the academic 2015-16 session against mandatory 220 days, is violation of the section 19 of Rte Act, 2009.

NOW Therefore, in view of the aforesaid violations of the order of the Hon'ble High Court and Directorate as mentioned above, the Managing Committee/Manager of the Queens Mary School North End, Model Town-III, Delhi-110009 is hereby directed:-

- 1. To roll back the alleged fee hike.
- 2. To refund/adjust the entire enhanced fee to the parents, so collected by the school authority for the academic session 2016-17.
- 3. Not to enhance any type of school fee from the academic session 2016-17 onwards without approval of this Directorate.
- To submit its explanation regarding allegation leveled as mentioned at points no.
 (b) to (e) on pre page.

The Managing Committee/Manager of the said school is directed to submit the compliance report within 07 days on receipt of this order, failing which appropriate action under relevant provisions of Delhi School Education Act & Rules, 1973 and RTE ACT, 2009 may be initiated. Non compliance shall tantamount to the contempt of the court and laws of land presently in force and shall invite commensurate action.

Director (Education)

Managing Committee/Manager, Queens Mary School North End, Model Town-III Delhi-110009

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Copy for information to:-

- Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister.
- 2. Secretary to Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister/Minister (Education), Delhi
- OSD to Chief Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi Secretariat.
- 4. Secretary (Education), Directorate of Education, Old Secretariat, Delhi
- 5. Dy. Director of Education (North-West A), BL block, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi.

DDE of concerned zone.

(P. LATA TARA)

Deputy Director of Education (Act-1)