Circular

Sub: Mandatory 220 Working Days in an Academic Year in the School.

Section 19 of RTE Act-2009 envisages that every recognized school has to observe the minimum of 220 Working Days for Upper Primary Classes in an Academic Year.

All the Head of Schools are directed to adhere to the provision laid down in the above mentioned section of RTE Act-2009 regarding Working Days in an Academic Year.

It is pertinent to mention that at least 220 Working Days have to be completed in an Academic Year (April to March) although the notified lists of Gazetted and Restricted Holidays are for the Calendar Year (January to December).

Accordingly all the HOS's are to ensure that for the Academic Year 2016-17 each school shall complete at least 220 Working Days while planning the restricted, local & other holidays for the Calendar Year 2016.

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Further all the Heads of Govt./ Govt. Aided/ Unaided Recognized Schools may observe seven holidays (this includes restricted, local & others) in the Calendar Year 2016 in addition to Gazetted Holidays as notified by the Administrator, GNCT of the Delhi subject to fulfilling the mandatory 220 Working Days.

The approval of list of holidays for the Year 2016 has to be obtained from the concerned Zonal DDEs. The Head of Schools have to give an undertaking (format enclosed) to the Zonal DDEs that their school shall complete the mandated at least 220 Working Days in Academic Year 2015-16 and shall ensure that at least 220 Working Days are observed in the Academic Year 2016-17 also. The Zonal DDEs must maintain proper record of approval of holidays to the schools.

The DDEs (District) to ensure strict compliance of the same.

For Govt. Aided & Unaided Recognized Schools, the HOS would obtain approval of holidays from their respective managements. It is the responsibility of the school management to ensure that the schools under their jurisdiction observe minimum of 220 Working Days in each Academic Year and inform the concerned Zonal DDE.

Encl: Format of Undertaking

(Dr. (Mrs.) Sunita S Kaushik)
Addl.D.E(School)
All Heads of Govt. /Govt. Aided/ Unaided Recognized Schools for strict compliance through DEL E.

No. DE.23 (03)/Sch.Br./2015/ 12-9

Dated: 19/1/16

Copy to:-
1. P.S. to Secretary (Education) GNCT of Delhi.
2. OSD to Director (Education)
3. Director (Education) MCD of North, East, South Delhi (for necessary action for Primary Classes the stipulated days are 200 per Academic Year).
4. Director (Education) NDMC for necessary action.
5. CEO (Delhi Cantonment Board) for necessary action.
6. All RDs Directorate of Education for necessary action.
7. All DDEs(District/Zone)/DEOs for necessary action.
8. All Schools Management of Recognized Aided & Unaided Schools for compliance.
9. OS (IT) to place on the website.
10. Guard File.

(Tapeshwar Jugran)
DEO (School)
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Name of the School ________________________ School ID ________

Name of HOS ___________________________ Designation ________________

Certified that my school shall complete 220 Working Days in the Academic Year 2015-16 (April 2015 to March 2016).

Further it shall be ensured that 220 Working Days are observed in the Session 2016-17 (April 2016 to March 2017).

Dated: ___________________________ Signature of HOS