

CIRCULAR

Dear Parents

This is to inform you that in compliance to the order from Directorate of Education, GNCTD circular no. PS/DE/2020/55 dated 18.04.2020 (Page 5, clause i & ii; reproduced as below)

“i) No fee, except Tuition fees will be charged from the parents during the lockdown period.

ii) Annual and Development charges can be charged from the parents, on the pro-rata basis, only on monthly basis after completion of lockdown period”

The school has charged only Tuition Fee from the parents of the students for the period of Lockdown in session 2020-21. The period of lockdown has ended by 8th June 2020 under UNLOCK 1.O of MHRD & Delhi Government.

However in pursuance of prevalent pandemic situation of COVID-19, taking a liberal view and lessening the burden of the parents, the school after the due approval of all the members of School Managing Committee, shall now be charging all fee (i.e. Tuition, Annual & Development Fee) on monthly pro-rata basis; 01st July 2020 onwards in-compliance to circular no. PS/DE/2020/55 dated 18.04.2020 of Directorate of Education, GNCT of Delhi. All the member of the SMC have suggested to charge parents the Annual and Development fee on monthly pro-rata basis instead at one go for the whole session 2020-21.

The collection of the fees shall be in adherence to the decision of Hon’ble Supreme Court Civil No. (S) 622/2020 filed by Mr. Sushil Sharma and others and Delhi High Court order dated 08.07.2020 vide no. W.P. (C) 4011/2020 concluded in the case of Queen Mary School Northend which is reproduced below:

“Learned standing counsel for the Government of NCT of Delhi states that regarding Clause (viii) of the said Circular dated 18.04.2020, the petitioner is free to take steps including issuing of a notice to the parents of those students who are defaulting in payment of tuition fee. An opportunity may be given to the parents to explain as to whether they are suffering from any financial crisis. In case such parents are not able to satisfy/demonstrate the school regarding their financial problems, it is only in that eventuality that steps can be taken as per law by the school.

Keeping in view the above circumstances, where the parents are in default for payment of tuition fee for more than two months, the petitioner is free to issue an appropriate notice to such parents to explain the reason for the default. In case the parents are able to convince/demonstrate to the petitioner about their financial problems/financial incapacity to immediately pay the pending fees, the petitioner shall not take any further steps for the time being against such parents. Where the parents are unable to satisfy/demonstrate to the petitioner regarding their financial difficulties, the petitioner is free to so communicate the same to the parents and decline to provide them ID and Password for online education facility for the students. In case the parents have any grievance against such an order passed by the Petitioner School, the parents are free to approach appropriate authority of the Government of NCT of Delhi/respondent.”

The same is also directed in recent Petition(s) Civil No. (S) 622/2020 filed by Mr. Sushil Sharma and others in Hon’ble Supreme Court and in W.P.(C), 4011/2020.

In any severe condition, a written request for deferment of payment may be given by the parent to the school with relevant documents and the same may be processed by the school for payment at a definite future date along with post dated instrument, as mentioned in above referred Hon’ble Delhi High Court order.

Soliciting your kind support in this regard.

(BY ORDER)