

**Office of the Chairperson
Committee for Fixation & Regulation of Fee of Private
Schools, J&K (FFRC)**

Order No: 781 -FFRC (FF) of 2021
Dated: 25 -11-2021

**Sub: Fixation and Regulation of fee of National Public Higher Secondary School
Rajouri (J&K).**

National Public Higher Secondary School Rajouri submitted file for fixation and regulation of fee structure of the School, which was received on 20th July 2021 in FFRC and has been registered under No. **FFRC/FF/2021/Raj/192**.

The office noticed deficiencies in school record and school management was accordingly informed for making good these deficiencies.

The Principal of School submitted further documents which were received in the FFRC on 7th October 2021.

At Para 5 of the proforma on which information is provided by school management it is stated by the Principal that schools is a proprietorship concern.

Audited income and expenditure account for the year ended on 31.03.2020 which corresponds to financial year 1st April 2019 to 31 March 2020, shows surplus income at Rs. 777974.

The income tax return verification form for the assessment year 2020-21 which corresponds to financial year 2019-20 records profit, as per profit and loss account at Rs. 777974 and after deduction total taxable income for the said financial year in the ITR is recorded as Rs. 55238.

The above stated circumstances do show that the school is being run as proprietorship concern and surplus amount is being transferred to the account of Smt. Vijay Laxmi, who as per record is also the principal of school.

The FFRC has already issued order(s) in like circumstances in respect of some schools. This School is also covered by the said order(s).

In the identical circumstances, some other schools in pursuance to orders of FFRC have already dissolved/ended proprietorship and some are in process of complying with legal requirements of running an educational institution.

The School under consideration has to follow the law of land in running an educational institution.



Similar order passed in other schools cover this School also.

The record of School under discussion also reflects similar situation which had arisen in United Public Higher Secondary School, 52, Sec – 2, Channi, Himmat, Purmundal, Jammu. The facts of the two schools are almost similar.

The facts of this case are governed by order No.415 – FFRC (FF) of 2021 dated 11.08.2021. The relevant part of the aforesaid order is taken note of:

“Hon’ble the Supreme Court has consistently stated that Education is not business, but a work of charity. The Educational Institutions are to be run on no profit no loss basis, of course with scope for maintaining of surplus of 10% to 15%, which amount is to be spend on welfare and providing good education to children.

From the times immemorial, education has been treated as a noble cause. Imparting education has never been commerce.

Both, in fact and in law, setting-up of school for imparting education is charitable work and people who set-up educational institution hold the same as trustees for the benefit of public at large.

The matter is referred to Principal Secretary to Government School Education Department, for passing of appropriate orders in accordance with law, in respect of the School.

The School Management and Partners are required to dissolve the partnership deed and constitute a trust, for running the School.

The Partners of the firm are restrained from receiving any monetary benefits from the School Funds, till further orders.

The Principal of School shall open an account in a Schedule Bank in the name of School which shall be operated upon by Principal, one Partner and a representative of School Parents’ Association.

Until further orders, the Partners/ School Management shall not make hike in Fee Structure.

The salary of teaching and non-teaching staff shall be paid by Principal, and documents witnessing same shall be signed by one Partner and representative of School Parents’ Association.



The parents shall deposit fee which is being paid at present in the account to be opened and operated as directed hereinabove. This part of order, however, shall not be construed that Fee Structure of School is regulated. Separate orders will be passed about same.

Principal and Partners to submit compliance report within two (02) weeks.

The education of students shall continue unhampered and all steps shall be taken by School Management to provide quality education to students.”

The aforesaid order/directions shall apply in all fours to this case also. These directions shall be complied with and compliance report submitted within two (02) weeks.

Till further orders the School Management is directed not make any hike in any type of fee.

The other school managements have taken steps for complying with the orders and fee structures of some of these schools have already been regulated by FFRC.

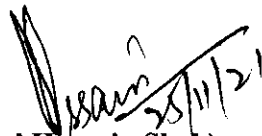
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Justice Muzaffar Hussain Attar
(Former Judge)
Chairperson
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