

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

Order No: 21 -FFRC (FF) of 2022

Dated: 11 - 01 -2022

Sub: Fixation and Regulation of Fee of Al-Noor Model School, Dhobiwan, Tangmarg, Baramulla.

Al-Noor Model School, Dhobiwan, Tangmarg, Baramulla submitted file for fixation and regulation of fee structure of the school, which has been registered in FFRC office under No.FFRC/FF/2021/Bla/702.

The tuition fee of the school has been regulated by the Committee vide order No. 620 FFC of 2018 dt. 09.10.2018 for academic session 2017-18.

The record of the school throws up yet other glaring example of abuse and misuse of order no. 01-FFC of 2019 dated 28 January, 2019.

While examining the record of the school for regulation of fee structure the office referred to communication dated 21st December 2018 bearing reference No. ANMS/DT/VII/635 send by principal to Chairman, Committee for Fixation & Regulation of Fee of Private Schools J&K. This communication is reported to be part of the record submitted by school earlier for determining and fixation of fee structure.

The communication dated 21st December 2018, shows that the school management was charging and collecting Rs. 500/- only as Annual Fee from the students.

However in the school record submitted now it is shown that the annual fee for the session 2018-19 ranged between Rs. 3700/- to Rs.4135/-.

The principal was asked to submit the response/explanation about the aforesaid apparent disparity in two fee structures for same academic session viz 2018-19.



It will not out of place to mention here that the FFC order No. 620-FFC 2018 dated 9th October 2018 fixed the tuition fee of the school for the academic session 2017-18. It has been also provided in the said order that claim about other charges which include annual fee also, will be considered and appropriate orders will be issued separately.

The school was further directed not to make any further enchantment of fee under any head without permission of the committee.

In response to order No. 75 FFRC of 2021 dated 30th December,2021 the principal has submitted reply bearing Reference No. ANMS/DT/1464/22 dated 6th of January, 2022. At para first of the reply the principal has stated that request was made for approval of proposal of fee structure vide communication dated 21st December 2018 in which besides approval of proposed tuition fee, request was also made for approving admission fee at Rs. 30,000, as one time charge and Rs. 500/- only Annual Charges.

At Para two of the reply the principal has stated, that within approximately 36 days of communication dated 21.12.2018 the FFC issued order No. 01-FFC 2019 dated 28th January 2019. At para 3rd of reply it is stated by principal that in consequences to this order the school restructured its annual fee for academic session 2018-19.

The admitted fact position appearing in this cases is summarized as under;

- a) The principal had sought approval for charging of Rs. 500/- only as annual fee by communication dated 21st December 2018.**
- b) The School was thus either charging and collecting only Rs. 500/- as annual fee or for the first time sought approval for charging and collecting of annual fee at Rs. 500/- only.**



c) The Principal has fixed the annual fee ranging between Rs.3700/- to Rs. 4135/- only after 36 days of the request made by him for seeking approval of annual fee of Rs. 500 only.

It does not stand to reason as to how and for what reason the annual fee, for which approval was sought at Rs. 500/- only, was fixed by the school principal himself between Rs. 3700/- and Rs. 4135/-.

The order No. 01-FFC of 2019 dated 28 January 2019 had specifically provided that any increase made in the fee shall be gradual and commensurate to the expenditure of schools.

It is now apparent on the face of the record that order No. 01 FFC of 2019 dated 28th January 2019 has been ruthlessly misused and abused.

While considering the fee structure of some other schools identical circumstances have cropped up in which aforesaid order has been abused and misused by some school managements. The record providing break-up of the annual fee for academic session 2018-2019 thus cannot be accepted.

The order No. 01-FFC 2019 stands revoked while vide No. 44 FFRC 2020 dated 18.02.2021.

Record shows that huge amounts are being spent on advertisements. The Educational institution is not a business unit for which hoardings are to be put up and campaign launched in Print/Electronic media. The good teaching and learning skills are spread by word of mouth.

School management shall desist from spending huge amounts on advertisements as its puts avoidable burden on students/parents.

The record produced and the justification given by the School management for fixation and regulation of fee structure of the School was examined. The same was considered in accordance with norms set out in various judgments and prescribed by statute. On due consideration of the entire conspectus of the school



record and acknowledged parameters and settled norms for regulating the fee structure of the school, material produced by the School management, income-expenses, income and expenditure, of the School and after considering all other relevant factors which govern the subject, the Committee finds it just and proper to regulate the fee structure of the School as under:

Session: 2021-22								
Class	Nursery	L.K.G	U.K.G	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Tuition Fee	1250	1250	1250	1230	1230	1230	1230	980
Annual Fee	2500	2500	2500	2700	2700	2700	2700	3000
Class	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	X	X	X
Tuition Fee	980	980	980	1230	1530	X	X	X
Annual Fee	3000	3000	3000	3400	3400	X	X	X

Session: 2022-23								
Class	Nursery	L.K.G	U.K.G	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Tuition Fee	1275	1275	1275	1235	1235	1235	1235	1015
Annual Fee	2600	2600	2600	2800	2800	2800	2800	3100
Class	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	X	X	X
Tuition Fee	1015	1015	1015	1270	1570	X	X	X
Annual Fee	3100	3100	3100	3500	3500	X	X	X

Session: 2023-24								
Class	Nursery	L.K.G	U.K.G	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Tuition Fee	1300	1300	1300	1270	1270	1270	1270	1055
Annual Fee	2700	2700	2700	2900	2900	2900	2900	3200
Class	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	X	X	X
Tuition Fee	1055	1055	1055	1310	1610	X	X	X
Annual Fee	3200	3200	3200	3600	3600	X	X	X

The aforesaid exercise has been undertaken and fee structure regulated in a manner that excluded the commercialization and profiteering of education completely.



An Educational Institution is being set-up primarily to impart quality education to the students. The school management shall advert its attention and give priority to imparting quality education to the students.

The school management shall publish only FFRC orders about fee structure and Govt. Educational Department's notices in newspapers'. No publicity through advertisement shall be made about school, same being not a business unit.

Charging and collecting of Admission Fee is prohibited by statutes. The school management is prohibited from charging and collecting admission fee from the students.

School management shall not sell uniforms and books in the school premises. The students will be at liberty to purchase books and uniforms at place of their choice.

Any land/building/vehicle purchased, or building constructed from out of School Funds, in law will be property of School and shall vest in School.

School Funds have to remain in School Corpus and have not to be transferred to any other account excepting the school account.

The school management shall maintain an account of school funds (fee etc) in a Schedule Bank, which shall be operated by a person(s) authorized by school management. Record about all the expenses/expenditures shall be maintained with receipts.

All types of fees shall remain in School account and no amount shall be paid or transferred to Trust/Association of Persons (AoP)/ Body of Individuals (BoI).

The school management is directed not to charge any other fee from the students other than the fee approved by the Committee.

The school management is further directed not to make any future enhancement in fee structure under any head without permission of the Committee.

The school management shall also make reasonable annual hike in salary of its employees viz; teaching and non-teaching staff.



Realization of Annual Fee from the students shall be subject to providing the facilities to students and actual expenditure of the school on relevant overheads.

The annual fee regulated by this order will be operative after the school reopen and start offline/regular classes. The annual fee at that stage will be charged on pro-rata basis in terms of Government Circular No.01 Edu of 2020 dt. 14.05.2020, endorsed by FFRC in its meeting held on 18.03.2021.

The School management shall display this approved fee structure on School notice board, upload it on School website and publish the same in local daily newspapers.

Non-compliance will attract penal action under law.

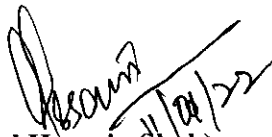
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Justice Muzaffar Hussain Attar
(Former Judge)
Chairperson
Committee for Fixation & Regulation
Of Fee of Private Schools J&K (FFRC)

No.FFRC/FF/2021/Bla/702

Dated: - 11 / 01 /2022

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4. P. A. to Chairperson, FFRC for information of the Hon'ble Chairperson, FFRC;
5. Principal, **Al-Noor Model School, Dhobiwan, Tangmarg, Baramulla** for compliance;
6. I/C Website for uploading the same on official website;
7. Office file.


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Committee for Fixation & Regulation
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11/01/2022