

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

Order No: 321 -FFRC (FF) of 2022
Dated: 09/02/2022

Sub: Fixation and Regulation of fee of Himalayan Education Mission Higher Secondary School, Rajouri.

Himalayan Education Mission Higher Secondary School, Rajouri submitted file for fixation and regulation of fee structure of the School, which has been registered in FFRC office under No. **FFRC/FF/2021/Raj/306**.

The fee structure of the School is being regulated by the Committee for the first time by this order.

The Principal, Himalayan Education Mission Higher Secondary School, Rajouri, submitted record to FFRC, Jammu office, which was received on 29.09.2021 with the request for fixation and regulation of fee of the institution.

After considering the record, Order No.786 – FFRC (FF) of 2021 dated 26.11.2021 was passed in which the Principal/School Management was directed to clarify the position as projected in the said order.

The Principal submitted reply to the aforesaid order which was received in FFRC Office, Jammu on 06.12.2021. Besides giving details about the manner in which School is functioning, at Para 10 & 11 thereof, explanation in respect of the issues raised in Order No.786 supra was also provided. Para 10 & 11 are taken note of:

"10. That in response to the application of the undersigned, the undersigned has received a notice/ communication seeking clarifications with respect to 3 entries of the audit report of the Society/ School and taking a contrary meaning thereof, your goodself has concluded by treating the undersigned society as commercial concern. The entries with explanation are given as under:

a) In the audit Report ending 31/03/2018 from out of school funds an amount of Rs.6686620/- has been transferred to the head office under the guise of loan.



b) The audit report ending 31/03/2019 shows that an amount of Rs.8612620/- has been provided as loan to head office.

c) Similarly the audited report ending 31/03/2020 shows that an amount of Rs.11832620/- has been provided as loan to the head office.

In this regards, it is stated that the 'head office' connotes 'Society' under which the institutions including the school also figures, the purchases of all the wings are done through the Society (Head Office), where all the funds from all the wings are consolidated, it is in this regards this figure of Rs.6686620/- (being talked of in entry a) refers to the total amount that the school has deposited with the Head Office (Society) in small parts till 31/03/2018, which figure on 31/03/2019 became 8612620/- (being talked of in entry b) and this amount became 11832620/-(entry c) on 31/03/2020 in continuation to the earlier figure.

This amount is meant to be utilized towards the expansion of infra structure as detailed above which the school had been collecting in parts with the Head office for the Purchase of Land, upgradation of Science Laboratories, IT Laboratories etc and for which this collected amount is far too less, the society shall have to stretch its legs in order to arrange the required infrastructure for the school and the enhancement of fees is one of the steps towards arrangement of the infrastructure. The amount mentioned n the above stated entries are not individual figures, but are in continuation.

11. That apart from the above 3 entries, the notice under reply, also puts another query, which is referred as under:

"Record also shows that in the year ending 31st March 2018 the school has had a surplus of Rs.6423545/- and in the year ending 31st March 2019, the school had surplus of Rs.10719592/-. Similarly in the year ending 31st March 2020 the record show that the school had a surplus of Rs.10807978."

In this regards, the undersigned submit that the figures of Rs.6423545/- and Rs.10719592/- and Rs.10807978 as mentioned in this para are being wrongly treated as figures of surplus fund of the school, the figures as a matter of fact are of the fixed asset value of the school in the respective years."

On 7th of December' 2021, after receipt of the response of the Order No.786 supra, the Principal was asked to report in FFRC Office, Jammu, alongwith authority/official dealing with school accounts and Chartered Accountant who has audited the accounts of the school. These authorities were asked to report on 10th of December' 2021 at 03:30 p.m.



On 10th of December' 2021, the officials working in accounts section of the School alongwith 2 Members of the Management Committee reported in FFRC Office, Jammu. It was stated that Chartered Accountant is at Delhi, so he could not come on that date. The officials of the School were asked to submit audited financial statements of last 3 years comprising of Balance Sheet, Receipts/Payments and Income/Expenditure statements within weeks time and to remain present at FFRC Office, Jammu on 14th of December' 2021 at 03:00 p.m. It was made clear that Chartered Accountant shall also remain present on that date.

On 14th of December' 2021, 2 Members of the Management Committee of the School and Sh. Naresh Kapahi, Chartered Accountant, reported in the FFRC Office, Jammu. The Chartered Accountant tendered explanation in respect of the loan given to the 'Head Office' as is recorded in audited reports. He also in writing provided information about the loan of Rs.20 Lacs provided to 'Head Office' during 2019-20. The report written and signed by him was taken on school record. Mr. Shehriyar, Member, Management Committee of the School was asked to provide Bank Account Numbers of the School & Head Office, within 2 days time. The aforesaid information was provided through mail on 20th of December' 2021. The audited reports were also submitted to FFRC Office on 22nd of February' 2022 (except Receipts/Payments statements, which were submitted on 28.02.2022).

The documents/material provided by the School Management/Principal to FFRC show that School has maintained huge surplus in academic session/financial year 2018-19 and 2019-20.

Record also shows that on the one hand from out of School Funds, loan is being provided to 'Head Office', whereas on the other hand, fee has been enhanced.

In the facts and circumstances, it prima facie appears that the School has fixed Annual Fee at the rates which has resulted in commercialization of education. The Annual Fee of the School is to be reduced and fixed at the rate which on the one hand caters to the requirements of the School and on the other hand does not result in commercialization of education. The fee of the School is regulated by this order to ensure that the School remains the seat of learning and provide quality education to students and not become a commercial unit.



The School Management without getting fee regulated by FFRC, has fixed the fee structure as under:

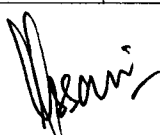
Session: 2021-22

Fee Head	Nur	LKG	UKG	1 st	2 nd	3 rd		4 th	5 th
Tuition Fee	1000	900	950	1000	1000	1000		1000	1000
Annual Fee	6000	6000	6000	7000	7000	7000		7500	7500
Fee Head	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th Arts	11 th Science	12 th Arts	12 th Science
Tuition Fee	1100	1100	1200	1200	1300	1500	1600	1500	1600
Annual Fee	7500	7500	8000	9000	9000	9500	9500	9500	9500

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 judgements 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: 2022-23

Fee Head	Nur	LKG	UKG	1 st	2 nd	3 rd		4 th	5 th
Tuition Fee	1000	900	950	1000	1000	1000		1000	1000
Annual Fee	5000	5000	5000	5500	5500	5500		5500	5500
Fee Head	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th Arts	11 th Science	12 th Arts	12 th Science
Tuition Fee	1100	1100	1200	1200	1300	1500	1600	1500	1600
Annual Fee	6000	6000	6000	6500	6500	7000	7000	7000	7000



Session: 2023-24

Fee Head	Nur	LKG	UKG	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	
Tuition Fee	1025	925	975	1025	1025	1025	1025	1025	
Annual Fee	5060	5060	5060	5570	5570	5570	5570	5570	
Fee Head	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th Arts	11 th Science	12 th Arts	12 th Science
Tuition Fee	1125	1125	1225	1230	1330	1530	1630	1530	1630
Annual Fee	6080	6080	6080	6590	6590	7100	7100	7100	7100

Session: 2024-25

Fee Head	Nur	LKG	UKG	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	
Tuition Fee	1050	950	1000	1055	1055	1055	1055	1055	
Annual Fee	5130	5130	5130	5650	5650	5650	5650	5650	
Fee Head	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th Arts	11 th Science	12 th Arts	12 th Science
Tuition Fee	1155	1155	1255	1260	1360	1565	1665	1565	1665
Annual Fee	6170	6170	6170	6690	6690	7220	7220	7220	7220

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 for imparting quality education to the students.

The School Management shall publish only FFRC orders about fee structure and Government Education 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 the 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 dated 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.

Order passed in accordance with mandate contained in Section – 20 A of Jammu and Kashmir School Education Act' 2002 read with Rule 3(4) of Jammu and Kashmir Private Schools (Fixation, Determination and Regulation of Fee) Rules, 2021 (Draft Rules) adopted by Committee for Fixation and Regulation of Fee of Private Schools (FFRC) vide its decision 18th of March' 2021.

Non-compliance will attract penal action under law.

Sd/-

**Smt. Manisha Sarin, KAS
Secretary BOSE (Member, FFRC)**

Sd/-

**Dr. Ravi Shanker Sharma, KAS
Director School Education, Jammu
(Member, FFRC)**

Sd/-

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

No. FFRC/FF/2021/Raj/306

Dated: - 09 / 03 / 2022

Copy to:-

1. Director School Education Jammu/Kashmir for information and n/a;
2. Secretary J&K Board of School Education (Member FFRC) for information;
3. Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government School Education Department (Member Secretary FFRC) for information of the Principal Secretary;
4. P. A. to Chairperson, FFRC for information of the Hon'ble Chairperson, FFRC;
5. Principal, Himalayan Education Mission Higher Secondary School, Rajouri, for compliance;
6. I/C Website for uploading the same on official website;
7. Office file.

(Nazir ul Hussain Shah)
Administrative Officer

Committee for Fixation & Regulation
Of Fee of Private Schools J&K (FFRC)