

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

Order No:- 145 FFRC (FF) of 2024

Dated: 10/02/2024

**Sub: Review/ Modification of fee of Presentation Convent Sr. Secondary School,
Gandhi Nagar, Jammu.**

Presentation Convent Sr. Secondary School, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu which is owned by Jammu Presentation Society was established in 1954 has submitted file for Review/Modification of fee structure of the school, which has been registered in FFRC office under No. FFRC/FF/2021/Jmu/29

This committee had vide its order No. 47-FFRC(FF) of 2021 dated 07.04.2021 fixed the fee structure of the school for session 2021-22, 2022-23 & 2023-24 the details of which are given under:-

Session: 2021-22

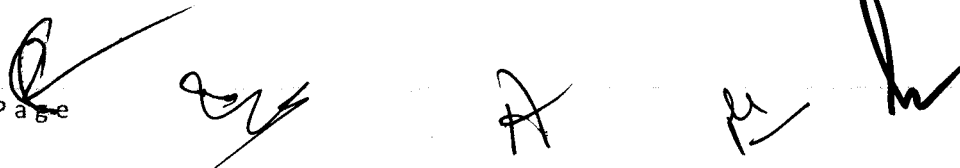
Class	UKG	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
Tuition Fee	1775	1910	1910	1910	1910	1910	1910
Annual Fee	7000	4660	4660	4660	4660	6200	6200
Fee Head	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	X
Tuition Fee	1910	1910	1940	1940	2050	2050	X
Annual Fee	6200	6200	6290	6290	6290	6290	X

Session: 2022-23

Class	UKG	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
Tuition Fee	1850	1990	1990	1990	1990	1990	1990
Annual Fee	7280	4830	4830	4830	4830	6450	6450
Fee Head	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	X
Tuition Fee	1990	1990	2020	2020	2130	2130	X
Annual Fee	6450	6450	6540	6540	6540	6540	X

Session: 2023-24

Class	UKG	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
Tuition Fee	1920	2070	2070	2070	2070	2070	2070
Annual Fee	7570	5020	5020	5020	5020	6710	6710
Fee Head	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	X
Tuition Fee	2070	2070	2100	2100	2215	2215	X
Annual Fee	6710	6710	6800	6800	6800	6800	X



The committee while regulating the Fee Structure of the school for the session 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 has increased the fee structure of the school by 4% i.e both Tuition Fee as well as Annual Fee.

As per the calculation the Tuition Fee collected by School in the session 2022-23.

Tuition Fee 2022-23

Class	No. of Students	Order	Session	Total Tuition Fee
UKG	170	1850	12 Months	Rs. 3774000/-
1 st to 8 th	1517	1990	12 Months	Rs. 36225960/-
9 th to 12 th	381	2020	12 Months	Rs. 9235440/-
11 th to 12 th	284	2130	12 Months	Rs. 7259040/-
Less Concession in Tuition Fee				Rs. 1398000/-
Total Available Receipts				Rs. 55096440/-

SALARY & BENEFITS TO STAFF

Teaching Staff Salary	Rs.27991068/-
Contingency Staff Salary	Rs.5179245/-
Administrative Staff Salary	Rs.2397750/-
Earned Leave Expenses	Rs.160589/-
Security Expenses	Rs.235919/-
Sisters Salary	Rs.6179472/-
Gratuity Expenses	Rs.2021589/-
PF Contribution	Rs.3585999/-
PF Adm Charges	Rs.151011/-
EDLI Charges	Rs.92853/-
Esi Contribution	Rs.275345/-
Total	Rs. 48270849/-

OTHER MONTHLY EXPENSES

Staff welfare	Rs.284215/-
Short Term Training	Rs.40307/-
Generator maintenance	Rs.336833/-
Electricity/Electric Expenses	Rs.1090728/-
Computer Maintenance	Rs.431346/-
Telephone Expenses	Rs.34813/-
Teaching Aids	Rs.24725/-
Honorarium Exp.	Rs.5280/-
E-care Exp.	Rs.998279/-
Total	Rs. 3246526/-

Thus the Total expenses are Rs. 51517375/- which is nearly 94% of Tuition Fee.

The committee while regulating the fee structure for the session 2021-22, 2022-23 & 2023-24 of the school has increased the Tuition fee and Annual Fee by only 4% only and in the session 2021-22 as per the Govt. orders the schools were not allowed to collect Annual Fee due to which the school has a deficit of Rs. 62 lakhs.

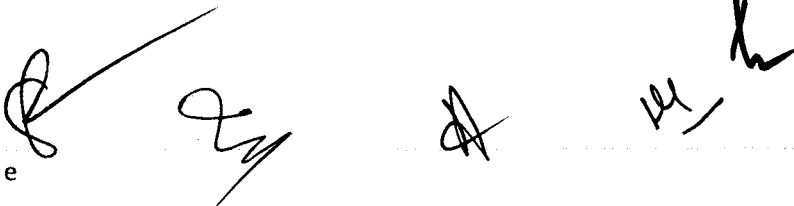
One of the reasons provided by the School Management for seeking hike in Fee Structure is payment of Annual Increment/Annual Hike in Pay Scale of Employees (both Teaching and Non-Teaching), i.e. The School Management has raised the salary of its staff by 10% in addition to that they are also paying 30% D.A to its staff.

Furthermore, School Management has sought hike in fee structure for development of School, the School management has to up-grade the available infrastructure for the students who are studying in school for which they are constructing an additional block of area 13608 sq/ft the cost of construction of this block is around Rs 6.4 cr.

The children who are studying in the school have made huge financial contribution by paying one time Admission Fee and Annual Fee prior to 2020 for years together, which has resulted in development of infrastructure . These students cannot be further burdened by asking them to pay same Annual Fee which will be fixed in respect of those students who seek admission in the school for the first time, otherwise, called fresh entrants.

These fresh entrants get the advantage developed of educational facilities and infrastructural facilities for which, the Annual Fee for the New Students viz; Fresh entrants for academic session 2024-25, after considering all relevant facts and other relevant aspects governing the subject, is fixed @ Rs. 15000/- as one time.

While regulating the fee structure the committee has not **considered factors for determination of Fee as per Sub- Section (1) of section 20D of the Act** and also not taken into account the revenue and expenditure of the school which as per the calculation based upon the fee fixed by the committee resulted in the deficit of Rs. 74/- lac (approx.). It is trite that while fixing the fee of the any school revenue and expenditure is important factor for fixing and regulating the fee structure. If the School is running into deficit then the fee has to be raised. It is to be kept in mind that these are self financed institutions and their fee structure has to be regulated in a manner so that they may generate reasonable surplus for future development of school.



It is further important to mention that the school expenditure on account of enhancement of salaries of the staff (teachers and non- teachers) was raised by 6% to 8% annually. The school is also paying more than 90% to 95% of its tuition fee to the staff salaries i.e (teachers and non- teachers).

Therefore the following fee structure is fixed for the session 2023-24 as under:-

Session: 2023-24

Class	UKG	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
Tuition Fee	2040	2200	2200	2200	2200	2200	2200
Annual Fee	8030	5320	5320	5320	5320	7110	7110
Fee Head	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	X
Tuition Fee	2200	2200	2230	2230	2350	2350	X
Annual Fee	7110	7110	7210	7210	7210	7210	X

(The Fee structure shall have prospective effect)

The school has hiked the fee structure for the session 2023-24 of its own, the hike made by the School Management is on the face of it illegal. The School Management is directed to obey the orders of the FFRC and maintain the same fee structure as directed by this committee.

However, the School management can collect Annual Fee on Monthly, Quarterly or Annually basis as per the feasibility of parents is taken into consideration.

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 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. Section 20 E (1) prescribes that school management can charge and collect Tuition Fee, Annual Fee, Transport Fee and voluntary Fee such as picnic, tour etc.

It further provides that school shall not charge in any manner, any other fee including admission fee or any amount, by whatever name called than the fee mentioned above.

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), or an individual.

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 annual hike of 5% to 10% in salary of employees viz; teaching and non-teaching staff.

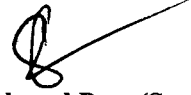
Realization of Annual Fee from the students shall be subject to providing the facilities to students and actual expenditure of the school on relevant overheads.

The above approved fee structure is subject to review in case the committee at any stage finds that the school management has concealed or provided any wrong information/data desired as per the proforma for fixation and regularization of fee.



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.



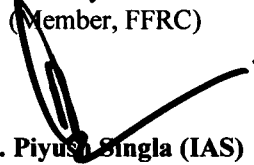
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5. Principal **Presentation Convent Sr. Secondary School, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu.** for compliance;
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