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

Subject: - Constitution of Parents Association In Private Schools of UT of J&K.

Circular No: OS FFRC of 2024

Dated: <u>02</u>.05.2024

It has come to the notice of FFRC that some individuals despite having no stake as parents of wards enrolled in different private schools of UT of J&K have launched a malicious campaign against FFRC thereby creating unnecessary interference in working of FFRC.

In this backdrop it has become necessary to clarify some issues for public in general and stakeholders in particular;

Rule 2 (j) of The Jammu and Kashmir School Education Act, 2002 amended from time to time defines a parent as;

"Parent" in relation to any child includes a guardian and any other person who has the actual custody of the child;

Also Rule 2 (k) of The Right of children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 and Rule 2 (j) of The Jammu and Kashmir Private Schools (Fixation, Determination and Regulation of Fee) rules, 2022 defines parent as;

"Parent" means either the natural or step or adoptive father and mother of a child;

Parent' Association; Rule 7 (a) of The Jammu and Kashmir School Education Rules 2010 provides that "the principal of the school, with general consensus of parents shall constitute a parent association of at least 10 parents and the management and principal of the school shall meet with the parents Association at least twice a year.

In light of legal position narrated herein above, all the private schools are hereby instructed to constitute parent association if not already in place within one



months' time from issuance of this circular and submit compliance report along with list of members of association to this office.

Only parent association (s) constituted in terms of rule supra and an aggrieved parent in individual capacity will be entertained by FFRC for redressal of complaint or grievance if any against a private school. Any association not constituted in accordance with rule supra will have no *locus standi* to represent parents of wards enrolled in different Private schools of UT of J&K.

Non-compliance by any stakeholder shall warrant strict action in accordance with law.

Sd/Justice Sunil Hali
Chairperson
Committee for Fixation and Regulation
of Fee of Private Schools J&K
Dated: - (7) \(\sumsymbol{2}\)/05/2024

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