

## Proceedings of Director of School Education, Chennai-600006

**Present: Dr. V.C. Rameswaramurugan**

R.C.No.164 / G1/ E1/ 2018 dated: 4.07.2018

Sub: School Education – Conduct of coaching classes for various competitive examinations like IIT-JEE, NEET in CBSE / Self Financed school premises – issue of instructions – Regarding.

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The Government of Tamil Nadu have initiated the process of revising the syllabus for all classes to improve the quality of education keeping in mind the overall developments of the children and to prepare them to face any competitive examination like National Entrance and Eligibility Test (NEET), Joint Entrance Examination (IIT-JEE), Common Law Admission Test (CLAT), National Aptitude Test for Architect (NATA) etc. During the current academic year, syllabus for classes 1,6, 9 & 11 has been revised. While that be so, complaints have been received from parents across the State that, they are compelled to admit their children in the NEET coaching classes conducted by the schools from 6<sup>th</sup> Standard onwards in collaboration with private agencies under the pretext of conducting special coaching, thereby collecting huge amount as course fee. This act of the private schools promotes commercialisation of education which is strictly prohibited.

Attention is drawn to the Tamil Nadu Recognized Private Schools (Regulation) Act, 1973. Section 3 of the Act empowers the Government to regulate the different stages of education and courses of instruction in private schools and section 5 (2) (c) (iii) contemplates that the educational agency of every higher secondary school which is private shall make an application to the competent authority for permission to continue to run such school and such application shall contain the particulars among others, the course for which such higher secondary school prepares, trains or guides its pupils for appearing in any examination conducted by, or under the authority of the Government.

As per the above provisions, the educational agency while applying for permission to the competent authority to continue to run the school, specifically states in the application the course for which the school prepares, trains or guides its pupil for appearing for any examination conducted by the authority of the Government. But it is learnt that some of the CBSE / Self Financed schools instead

of conducting special coaching classes for the course for which approval was accorded they indulge in conducting unauthorized coaching classes like NEET coaching classes and thereby violate the provisions of the Act.

Hence, all the CBSE / Self Financed schools may be instructed to follow the instructions below scrupulously:-

1. The school shall not engage private agencies or have any kind of tie up with any private agencies to conduct coaching classes under the guise of preparing or competitive examinations during the school hours and within the school premises.
2. The parents shall not be compelled to admit their wards in any special coaching classes under the pretext of competitive examinations conducted by the school.
3. No fee in excess of the fee fixed by the Private Schools Fee Determination Committee shall be resorted to.
4. Collecting exorbitant fees under the guise of conducting special coaching classes is strictly prohibited.
5. Imparting education for the higher secondary classes will only be based on the group / courses for which approval has been accorded by the respective Board / Directorate.

Any violation of the above instructions will warrant stringent penal action by the department contemplated in the Act including withdrawal of recognition if necessary.

All the Chief Educational Officers are instructed to communicate this circular to all the CBSE / Self Finance schools under their jurisdiction and shall ensure that no special coaching classes are conducted in violation of the instructions given above.

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**Director of School Education**

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All the Chief Educational Officers