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To,

The Director,
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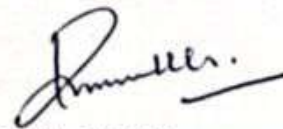
The Principals/Administrators,
All Privately Managed Schools,
Sindh.

**SUBJECT: GUIDELINES AND MECHANISM FOR IMPLEMENTING THE
STATUTORY TEN PERCENT FREESHIP TO DISADVANTAGED
CHILDREN IN ACCORDANCE WITH 'THE SINDH RIGHT OF FREE
AND COMPULSORY EDUCATION ACT 2013'.**

The guidelines and mechanism for implementing the statutory ten percent freeship for disadvantaged children, in accordance with *The Sindh Right of Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2013*, are hereby communicated for strict compliance as follows:

- i. To ensure the effective implementation of Section 4, Chapter IV of The Sindh Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2013, district-level monitoring committees will enhance the frequency and thoroughness of their school inspections. During these visits, the committees will conduct audits of the allocation of free-ships, verifying that at least 10% of the students admitted under the above Act are accurately accounted for and properly supported by the schools.
- ii. Compliance with the 10% free-ship provision is mandatory for the registration and renewal of registration of private schools. It is a legal requirement that all registered private schools reserve a minimum of 10% of their total admissions for disadvantaged students, as stipulated under the Act.
- iii. If any private school that violate Section 10, Chapter IV of the Act, such as failing to allocate at least 10% free-ships or properly advertise will be subject to penalties under the rules. These penalties may include suspension or cancellation of their registration until they fully comply, safeguarding the right of disadvantaged students to quality education.

- iv. To promote transparency and enhance awareness among parents and students, advertisements shall be published in leading daily newspapers well in advance of the start of each academic year. These advertisements will explicitly announce the availability of free-ships, intended for deserving and disadvantaged students. Furthermore, the advertisements will clearly specify the comprehensive eligibility criteria and application procedures for these free-ships, ensuring that all stakeholders i.e. students and parents have access to the necessary information.
- v. All private schools will be required to publicly announce and advertise the availability of free-ships prominently. These announcements must clearly emphasize that financial assistance is granted on a merit-cum-need basis. To further increase visibility, schools must display banners or posters regarding free-ship availability at key locations, including the main entrance and other prominent areas within the school premises, starting from the beginning of the academic session.
- vi. The School Management Committee (SMC) will hold the responsibility of establishing transparent, fair, and well-defined criteria for selecting disadvantaged students eligible for the free-ship under rule. The SMC will also oversee the entire application review process, ensuring that evaluations are conducted objectively and free-ships are awarded strictly based on the established guidelines.
- vii. In case of submission of fake data of free-ship by the school, the registration of the school shall be withdrawn / cancelled.



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1. The Additional Registrar, Honourable High Court of Sindh, Circuit Court Hyderabad
2. The P.S. to Minister for Education & Literacy Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
3. The P.S. to Secretary, School Education & Literacy Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
4. Master File.



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