ORDER

Invoking the provisions u/s 35(1) of The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009, the Ministry of Human Resource Development has issued guidelines regarding procedure for admission in schools u/s 13(1) and 12(1)(c) of RTE Act under letter No. F. No. 1-15/2010-EE-4 dated 23.11.2010. The guidelines state:

1) With regard to admissions in class 1 (or pre-primary class as the case may be) under section 12(1) (c) of the RTE Act in aided and unaided schools, schools shall follow a system of random selection out of the applications received from children belonging to disadvantaged groups and weaker sections for filling the pre-determined number of seats in that class, which should be not less than 25% of the strength of the class.

2) For admission to the remaining 75% of the seats [or a lesser percentage depending upon the number of seats fixed by the school for admission under section 12(1) (c) in respect of unaided schools and specified category schools, and for all the seats in the aided schools, each school should formulate a policy under which admissions are to take place. This policy should include criteria for categorization of applicants in terms of the objectives of the school on a rational, reasonable and just basis. There shall be no profiling of the child based on parental educational qualifications. The policy should be placed by the school in the public domain, given wide publicity and explicitly stated in the school prospectus. There shall be no testing and interviews for any child/parent falling within or outside the categories, and selection would be on a random basis. Admission should be made strictly on this basis.

The Ministry of Human Resource Development has further clarified point (2) above through its letter no. F.No.1-15/2010-EE-4 dated 10-12-2010 as follows:-

"The guideline does not specify any category nor does it lay down any cap on any category identified by a school. Schools are free to identify any category based on policy/principles that are fair, just and reasonable within the ambit of the RTE Act and the guidelines referred to above and placed in public domain for implementing the admissions in schools”.

Keeping in view the unique background, ethos and objectives of the schools in Delhi, covered under point (2), the categorization of the applicants should be on the basis of a criteria, developed in terms of the
With regard to applicability of RTE Act to Minority Institutions, the Ministry of Human Resource Development has issued guidelines through letter no. F.No.1-15/2010-EE-4 dated 23-11-2010. These are placed at the annexure.

Each school shall submit its admission policy to the Directorate of Education.

The above order on admission guidelines supercedes any other orders on the subject issued by the Directorate of Education.

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Management of all recognized Government Aided/Unaided Schools

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5. Director, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of School Education & Literacy, Govt. of India.
7. All Regional Directors of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
8. All Deputy Directors of Districts (with request to serve this order on Management of the recognized Aided/Unaided schools of their respective districts under proper acknowledgement).
9. Education Officers/Deputy Education Officers of the respective zones, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
10. All office Superintendents of Act Branch, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
11. O.S. (IT), Directorate of Education with request to upload the order on the Department’s website in public domain.
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