

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL AND MASS EDUCATION.**



Guidelines for obtaining of certificate of Recognition from the Academic session 2017-18 to 2021-22 (5 years) by Privately Managed Elementary Schools in accordance with the Right of Children to free and compulsory Education Act. 2009 and the Odisha Right of Children to free and Compulsory Education Rules, 2010.

In accordance with the Right of Children to free and compulsory Education Act. 2009 and the Odisha Right of Children to free and compulsory Education Rules, 2010 every school other than a school established, owned or controlled by the appropriate Government or the local authority will have to fulfil the norm of RTE to be recognised by Government.


In accordance with the above condition of the RTE Act. and Rules, as decided by Government in School and Mass Education Department in their Notification No. 2956/S&ME, dt. 21.2.17 have formulated the following instructions for obtaining certificate of recognition by such private managed Elementary Schools under provisions of section – 18 of the Right of Children to free and compulsory Education Act. 2009 and rule -13 of the Odisha Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Rules- 2010.

1. Any individual, group of association of individuals desiring to establish and run an Elementary School (Class-I to VIII) shall apply online for certificate of recognition to the concerned District Education Officer in Form- I appended to the Rule-13 of the Odisha Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Rules, 2010. They can apply for issue of certificate of recognition through Private School Management Portal (PSMP) in www.opepa.in.
2. The District Education Officer shall issue the certificate of recognition to the concerned school in Form – II.
3. The Certificate of recognition will be valid for 5 (five) years.
4. During these 5 years at least one inspection of the school shall be conducted by an officer authorised to conduct the inspection.

5. If any violation of the conditions of certificate of recognition are noticed, the District Education Officer shall take steps as per rule-14 for withdrawal of recognition of the school with approval of the Director, Elementary Education, Odisha.
6. The School will take on admission of students belonging to weaker sections and disadvantaged against 25% quota under RTE Act. 2009 as required under Section 12.I.C of RTE Act.
7. Submission of online application by the school is from 25th March 2017.
8. The portal will remain open throughout the year.

No off-line application will be entertained.

It is brought to the notice of the all concerned that as per the RTE norms "**Any person who establishes or runs a school without obtaining certificate of recognition or continues to run a school shall be liable to fine which may extend to one lakh rupees and in case of continuing contraventions to five of ten thousand rupees for each day during which such contravention continues**".


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