

GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA,  
SCHOOL AND MASS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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From

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Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt.

To

All Collectors.

**Sub: Regarding procedure for admission in schools under section 13(1) and section 12(1) of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009.**

Sir,

Clarification has been sought by various quarters regarding procedure for admission in schools under section 13(1) and section 12(1) of the RTE Act. The Government of India, MHRD, Department of School Education and Literacy in their letter No.F.No.1-15/2010-EE-4 dtd.23.11.2010 have indicated certain guidelines for the purpose. Taking the above facts into consideration it is now clarified that:

(i) With regard to admission in class I (or pre-primary class as the case may be) under section 12(1) of the RTE Act in Un-Aided and specified category' schools, schools shall follow a system of random selection out of the application 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.

For the above purpose "child belonging to weaker section" means a child belonging to such parents or guardians who are BPL Card Holders.

Similarly "Child belonging to disadvantaged group" means a child belonging to the Scheduled Caste, the Scheduled Tribe, the Socially and Educationally Backward class and child belonging to the following categories:

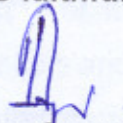
1. A child who is found without any home or any settled place or abode and without any ostensible means of subsistence.
2. A child who is found begging or who is either a street child or a working child.

While determining the number of seats for the above purpose 15 % of the seats shall be filled up by the child belonging to disadvantaged group and 10% of the seats shall be filled up by the children belonging to weaker section. In case there is non availability of children of any of the above two categories, there shall be inter change of seats.

(ii) For admission to the remaining 75% of the seats for a lesser percentage depending upon the number of seats fixed by the school for admission under section 12(1) (C), in respect of Un-Aided schools, each school should formulate a policy by 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, giving wide publicity and explicitly stated in the school prospectus. There shall be no test 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.

This may be brought to the notice of all concerned for necessary action.

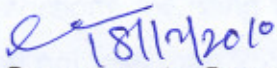
Yours faithfully,

  
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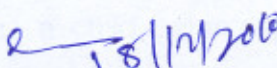
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They are requested to bring it to the notice of all the private English Medium / Oriya Medium schools under their control.

  
Additional Secretary to Govt.

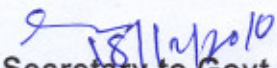
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Copy forwarded to Principal, DAV Public School, Chandrasekarpur, Sailashree Vihar, Bhubaneswar-751021 for information and necessary action with reference to his letter No.12186 dtd.15.11.2010.

  
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