

MAHARAJA AGRASEN MODEL SCHOOL

[Sr. Secondary]

CD-BLOCK, PITAMPURA, DELHI- 110034

Circular No. MAMS/2025-26/38

July 31, 2025

Notice for Payment of Arrears of Fee and Other Dues

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As per school records, the number of fee defaulters have considerably increased in the Academic Session 2025 – 2026. Increase in fee defaulters has put unnecessary financial burden on the School and as a result of the same, the School is not able to discharge its statutory obligations towards its employees and has also put on hold various developmental activities and infrastructural upgrades, which are the need of the hour.

The Hon'ble High Court, as far back in 2019, in W.P(C) 4374 of 2018 titled "Action Committee Unaided Recognized Private Schools vs. Directorate of Education" vide its judgment dated 15.03.2019, has held that no prior approval of the Directorate of Education is required to increase the fees by private unaided Schools, even if the same are on DDA land. This judgment has further been reiterated by the Hon'ble High Court in its subsequent Order dated 29.04.2024 in W.P.(C) 5743 of 2024. This position of law has also been acknowledged and reiterated by the Hon'ble High Court in its judgment dated 24.07.2025 in W.P.(C) 2567 of 2025, wherein the Court has observed as under:

"13. Thus, in view of the above, fee structure as submitted by the respondent no.1/School at the commencement of each academic session in terms of Section 17(3) of the DSE Act, 1973 cannot be faulted in absence of any order by DoE in respect of the same."

Some of the parents have wrongly been withholding the payment of fee on the premise that the School can only charge the fee structure as approved by DoE. This view of the parents has been rejected by the Hon'ble High Court in the aforesaid judgment. Thus, parents are required to pay fee, as per the fee structure submitted by School with Directorate of Education, under Section 17(3) of Delhi School Education Act, 1973.

In view of the position of law, as has been settled and mentioned above, all the parents who are in arrears of fee are requested to pay the same immediately, failing which, the School would be constrained to take appropriate legal action, including and but not limited to striking off the name of ward under Rule 35 of Delhi School Education Rules, 1973.

All concerned are instructed to act in accordance with this.

Please ignore if the payment of fee and other dues has already been made. In case of any queries, please visit the school on any working day from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Regards

Principal

