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 Government of India
 Ministry of Human Resource Development
 Department of School Education & Literacy
 IS-3 Section

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To,

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**Subject: Non-compliance of Section 12(1) (c) of the RTE Act, 2009 in armed
 run schools of Bengaluru.**

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Madam,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. PRS/P&S/503/2018 dated 8.5.2018, wherein it has been informed that some Armed Forces run schools in Bengaluru, are not complying with the obligation of admitting 25% of the strength of the class from children belonging to weaker sections & disadvantaged groups as laid down by Section 12 (1) (c) of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009.

3. In this regard, it is stated that the issue of implementation of Section 12(1) (c) of the RTE Act, 2009 in Armed Forces run schools is under consideration of the Ministry.

Yours faithfully,



(Manjeet Kumar)

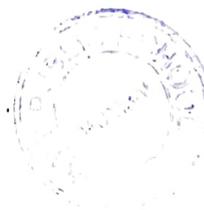
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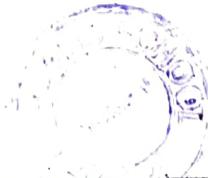
my dear Mr. Bhattacharya,

You are aware that the Armed Forces run several schools in Cantonments and Military Stations. These schools are financially self-sustaining and do not get any financial aid for meeting their recurring expenses from public funds. The schools are primarily meant for the wards of Armed Forces personnel both serving and retired and war widows and almost 80% of the students are wards of personnel below the rank of officers and first generation learners.

2. The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 (RTE Act) has placed several obligations on all schools depending on whether the schools are owned, controlled or aided by the Government or not. In terms of section 12(1), Armed Forces schools even if they are treated as unaided or specified, would be required to admit in Class I at least 25% of the strength of the class from amongst children belonging to weaker sections and disadvantaged groups.

3. The services have stated that reservations of seats in Armed Forces schools to this extent will lead to denial of admission to the wards of defence personnel as there is no provision for adding extra accommodation in excess of permissible scales. Further, children of Defence personnel themselves face serious disadvantage in pursuing education because of the peculiar conditions of service of their parents. Security concerns also exist in allowing access to civilians to these schools through this route as most of these schools are located within Defence areas. A brief detailing reasons for exempting the Armed Forces schools from the obligations laid down by the RTE Act is enclosed.

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4. In view of the above, I would be grateful if the Ministry of Human Resource Development could consider the case of Armed Forces run schools for relief from the obligation of admitting 25% of the strength of the class from amongst children of weaker sections/disadvantaged groups.

with regards,

Yours sincerely,


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