

GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY DELHI DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION: SCHOOL BRANCH OLD SECRETARIAT: DELHI-110054

No.DE.23(3)/Sch.Br./2023/ 63

Dated: 27.01, 2023

CIRCULAR

Sub: Mandatory 220 Working Days in Academic Year 2023-24 in Schools.

All the Heads of Schools are directed to adhere to the provision laid down in the section 19 of RTE Act- 2009 which envisages that every recognized school must observe minimum of 220 Working Days for Upper Primary Classes in an Academic Year.

It is pertinent to mention that at least 220 Working Days must be completed in an Academic Year (April to March) although the notified lists of Gazetted and Restricted Holidays are for the Calendar Year (January to December).

Accordingly, all the Heads of Schools shall ensure that for the Academic Year 2023-24 each school shall complete at least 220 Working Days while planning the restricted/ special holidays for the Calendar Year 2023 besides the following vacations/ breaks.

Summer Vacation 11.05.2023 (Thursday) to 30.06.2023 (Friday)

(28 to 30 June, 2023 will be working days for teachers)

Autumn Break

20.10.2023 (Friday) to 23.10.2023 (Monday)

Winter Vacation

01.01.2024 (Monday) to 15.01.2024 (Monday)

Further all the Heads of Govt./ Govt. Aided/ Unaided Recognized Schools may observe seven (07) holidays i.e. 02 Restricted Holidays and 05 Special Holidays in the Calendar Year 2023 in addition to Gazetted Holidays as notified by the Administrator, GNCT Delhi subject to fulfilling the mandatory 220 Working Days.

The list of Restricted / Special holidays, proposed to be observed during 2023 will be approved by the concerned Zonal DDEs.

All the Heads of Schools will submit an undertaking in the enclosed format to the Zonal DDEs that their school shall complete mandatory 220 Working Days in academic year 2023-24 and shall ensure that at least 220 Working Days are observed during the academic session 2023-24. The record of the approved list of holidays in r/o each school must be maintained by the respective Zonal DDEs. The District DDEs will ensure the mandatory provisions of the RTE Act, 2009 in this regard.

In case of Govt. Aided & Unaided Recognized Schools, the Principal/HOS would obtain approval of holidays from their respective managements. It is the responsibility of the respective school management to ensure that the schools under their control must observe a minimum of 220 working days in each academic year and undertaking in this regard should be submitted to the concerned Zonal DDEs.

Encls.: 1. Format of Undertaking

2. List of Holidays

DDE (School)

Dated: 27/1/23

All Heads of Govt.. Govt. Aided and Unaided Recognised Schools for strict compliance through DEL-E.

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Copy to:-

1. PA to Director (Education).

- 2. Director (Education) MCD (for necessary action for Primary Classes the stipulated days are 200 per Academic Year).
- 3. Director (Education) NDMC for necessary action.
- 4. CEO (Delhi Cantonment Boards) for necessary action.
- 5. All RDEs and DDEs (District/ Zone) of DoE for necessary action.
- 6. All School Managements of Recognized Aided & Unaided Schools for compliance.
- 7. OS (IT) to place on the website.

8. Guard File.

OSD (School)