

O/o Director Public Instructions (S.E.) Punjab
PSEB Complex, E-Block, 4th Floor, Phase-8, SAS Nagar

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To

1. All the District Education Officers (SE)/ (EE) in the State of Punjab.
2. Principles/ Heads/ Managers of All the Private Unaided schools in the State of Punjab.
3. Principles/ Heads/ Managers of All the Government- aided schools in the State of Punjab.

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Memo No. — 2020248454
Dated, SAS Nagar: 7/10/2020

Subject:- Display of Fire and Building safety as well as Board affiliation certificates issued by the appropriate authorities in respect of all Government run school, privately managed government aided school and other private schools affiliated with PSEB, CBSE or any other recognized Board.

Kindly refer to the subject cited above.

2.0 At the time of hearing of Appeal Case No. 472 of 2020 titled as Smt. Kamaldeep Kaur Vs. Public Information Officer, the Punjab State Information Commission passed the following operative order on 28.7.2020:-

"During the course of the hearing, I am of the view that a larger issue has emerged in front of this bench i.e. regarding the safety of children and staff in schools all over Punjab. That there lies a humongous public interest in taking a broader view of the issue of safety of children and staff in schools than merely confining it to one school about which information is sought.

It is evident from the ongoing hearings of this case that some schools- whether they are private, government-aided or government-operated may not be meeting and complying with the prescribed standards of building and fire safety norms set by the appropriate authority.

These, the bench feels are the most important requirements for any educational institution, much important than the service