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This is to bring to the notice of Principals/HoS of all the Private Recognised Unaided Schools functioning within the territory of Delhi that a large number of school vans are operating illegally for ferrying students between their homes and schools without taking adequate safeguards towards safety of school children. It is also known that these vans are primarily hired by the parents of school children. In the past, Delhi Traffic Police and Transport Department have tried to impress upon the concerned school principals to brief parents not to use these school vans/cabs which are not following the norms. However, now it has been brought to the notice of the undersigned by the Special Commissioner of Police (Traffic) Delhi Police that the Private School Principals have not generally shown any interest in regulating such vans/cabs.

It is to bring to notice of the Principals/HoS of all Private Recognised Unaided Schools that the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has framed guidelines for Safe Transportation of school children. The school administration should ensure that all the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court are adhere to strictly. The plea taken by the school administration that the said school vans/cabs are hired by the parents of children on their own is not acceptable and is also contrary to the spirit of the judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court. The Delhi Traffic Police and Transport Departments are taking action at their own ends under Motor Vehicle Act 1980 from time to time against such school vans/cabs which are plying illegally and as a result it is informed to the undersigned that a number of such school vans have been impounded.

It is to bring to the notice of the Principals/HoS of all Private Unaided Schools that the concerned school administration shall be held responsible for non-compliance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court directions by the school vans/cabs being used to ferry students of their schools, especially in cases where such school vans/cabs (owned by schools or hired by parents) met with accidents resulting into injury/death of the school children. The necessary action under DSEAR 1973 shall also be taken against the defaulting schools in case such unfortunate accident happens.

Please ensure immediate compliance of the above instructions.

  
(SANJAY GOEL, IAS)  
DIRECTOR (EDUCATION)

All Principals/HoSs of Private Recognised Unaided Schools.

Through DDE Zones.

**Copy for favour of information to: -**

1. PPS to Secretary (Education)
2. Commissioner-Cum-Secretary Transport Delhi.
3. Sh. Taj Hasan, Special Commissioner Police, Traffic Police GNCT of Delhi.