



## Private Unaided Schools' Association-CBSE/ICSE (Regd.)

(PUSA) Punjab

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To,

The Principal Secretary (Punjab)
Department of Public Works (B&R)
Chief Secretary Office, 6th Floor, Punjab Civil Secretariat -1,
Sector 1, Chandigarh, 160001

Sub: Regarding the issuance of the demand notices by your office to the members of our association (PUSA) which are not supported by any legal provision and no such notification is ever provided to our members which shows the reason of the said demand and whether the said demand can be made from non-profit institutions.

Dear Sir,

We are group of schools who united and formed an association by the name "Private Unaided School Association, Punjab (Regd.) (PUSA)" which is an association of private unaided schools which are affiliated with Central Board of Secondary Education(CBSE), Indian certificate of Secondary Education (ICSE) and Punjab School Education Board (PSEB) and are situated in various parts of Punjab.

1. That from last few months the members of our association and various other private schools of Punjab are receiving notices from your respective district offices where a demand of road access has been raised in the said notices but no such notification or letter is send alongwith the said notice which can legally support said demand and the said demand of road access fee is absolutely an





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unreasonable demand which has been raised to cause unnecessary harassment to our members where we are schools who are running on the no profit basis and we are also capped by Punjab Regulation of Fees of Unaided Schools Education Institution Act, 2016 vide which our schools are not allowed to raise the fees beyond 8% and the school is run by registered society.

- 2. That putting this huge amount on the school will definitely cause unnecessary financial burden on the parents who have to bare such burden which you are putting on the school and these notices are required to be reviewed / recalled as there is no provision in law or no guidelines by the state which make you raise such demand from the members of our association.
- 3. That it is very important to bring into your notice that the schools being non- profit making institutions and are being exempted by various department like Income-Tax, GST etc. which shows that the government even know that the schools do not run for the profits neither they are allow to but this demand letter of road access fee is nothing more than a arbitrary letter which has no legal backing but is slapped on the private schools for no good purpose.
- 4. Sir, it is requested you neither these roads are specifically made for the school and making a road is a responsibility of the government and now the government cannot put new / separate fees from the institutions and this is issued in a very unthoughtfull manner which is required to be withdrawn with immediate effect to avoid unnecessary harassments to the schools.

Through this representation we are making a request to reconsider and withdraw those demand notices which are sent to the members of our association and other schools as well as these notices has created an unnecessary panic among the schools and the students. We will be very thankful to you.

Yours truly

Mohinder Singh

State general Secretary (PUSA)