

Kind Attn: Ms. I. P. Parate, Dir(Ptg)-MPR

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No. J-13036/15/2011-DDIB  
Government of India  
Ministry of Urban Development

Nirman Bhawan,  
New Delhi, 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2011

OFFICE OF THE DIR (Pig.)  
MPR/TC, D.D.A. N. DELHI-2  
Dy.No. 3606  
Dated 30/5/12

The Vice Chairman,  
Delhi Development Authority,  
Vikas Sadan, INA,  
New Delhi.

Subject:- VIP reference from Dr. A.N.Khan Choudhury, Minister of State for Department of Science & Technology regarding amendment in Master Plan-2021.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of letter dated 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2011 received from Dr. A.N.Khan Choudhury, Minister of State for Department of Science & Technology regarding amendment in Master Plan-2021 with reference to land requirement for schools in Delhi for their recognition.

2. It is requested that the issues raised may please be examined and action taken or proposed to be taken in this regard may please be furnished to this Ministry immediately for apprising the UDM accordingly.

*This has been received  
from Under Secy (DDIB) on 30/5/12*

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Encl. as above:-

Yours faithfully,

*Sunil Kumar*

(Sunil Kumar)  
Under Secretary (DDIB)  
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**OFFICE OF UDM**

Dy. No. 3707

Date 24.10.11

To

**Shri Kamal Nath**

Hon'ble Minister of Urban Development

Government of India

Nirman Bhavan

New Delhi-110001

**Dr. A. N. Khan Choudhury**

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Date: 17<sup>th</sup> October 2011

Sub: Amendment in Master Plan 2021 with reference to land requirement for Schools in Delhi, for their recognition.

Dear Kamal Nath ji,

I am writing to you with reference to the news item "RELAX NORMS TO ALLOW RECOGNITION OF 700 SCHOOLS. MCD TELLS MINISTRY" appearing in the 'Indian Express' dated October, 15, Delhi edition. In this context I would like to inform you that the relaxing of norms is not needed only for the 700 schools the MCD has referred to you, but a large number of other genuine schools which have been functional for many years but have not been able to get recognition due to several reasons.

I have a personal experience in this regard as I am the Chairman of a Trust in the name of my late wife Esther, called "Esther Education Trust", which runs two schools for underprivileged children in Delhi and Ghaziabad. These schools have been functional since 1999 and have been doing very good work with the disadvantaged groups. In Delhi the school is named "YCHTUS ACADEMY" (recently changed to Esther International School, and is situated at C-40, Madanpur Khadar Extension, near Sarita Vihar, New Delhi-110076.. The Trust has more than 500 sq mtrs of land in Delhi here and when the Municipal Corporation of Delhi issued an advertisement in August 2008 saying that all the unrecognized schools operating in Delhi should apply for recognition, my people applied for the same. In fact, my brother who is a Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) also wrote to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi requesting her to intervene in the matter and ensure recognition for the school in Delhi run by Esther Education Trust in Madanpur Khadar Extension area in Delhi. I am enclosing a copy the letter from the then Commissioner of MCD regarding recognition for our school.

Sir, it is not about relaxing norms just for the 700 schools that MCD has written to you about. It is about taking a holistic view of the problem, and trying to resolve the issue in the manner that the people at large become the beneficiaries of that decision. The new norms of 800 sq mtrs of land for recognition of private Primary schools according to Master Plan-2021, is a raise of 300% from the old norm of 200 sq. mtrs. prevalent till the year 2007, and is not only unjustified, but also discriminatory. The primary schools which have managed to get recognition in the past are running in 5 room structures, which was initially the norm in Delhi. Everyone knows how difficult it is to buy land in Delhi, given their high prices. If you want to improve the whole system of education then ask all the schools to provide for all the necessary facilities for



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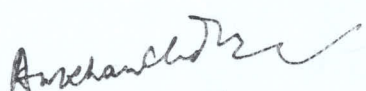
their children as per the Right to Education Act, without putting the condition of 800 square metres of land, or else close down all the schools which are running in land area of less than 800 sq. mtrs. You may also think in terms of allowing the schools which have smaller land area to allow them to develop vertically. Closing down even a single school is only going to be a retrograde step, especially in the light of the fact that millions of our children are still unable to have access to education facilities, and the Right to Education Act seeks to make education accessible to all our children.

According to the same news item "there are about 2000 private schools in the city that are being run illegally". I believe that these schools have been termed illegal because they do not have the necessary recognition, but I am sure they are contributing to the society by providing education to lakhs of children in their schools.

It is my earnest request to you to please take a holistic view in the matter, with regard to the land requirement for recognition of schools and take a decision which benefits the people at large, especially those who cannot afford to send their children to elite expensive schools.

In the same context, I would like to remind you of a letter written to you last month, by my brother Shri A H Khan Choudhury, Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, regarding allocation of requisite land for school by Delhi Development Authority, in favour of Esther Education Trust, C-40, Madanpur Khadar Extension, New Delhi-110076.

Encl: as above

  
(Dr. A N Khan Choudhury)  
Dr. A. N. Khan Choudhury  
Minister of State  
Dept. of Science & Technology  
Govt. of West Bengal.

CC: 1. Shri Saugata Ray, Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Urban Development  
2. Shri K S Mehra, IAS, Commissioner, Municipal Corporation of Delhi, Town Hall,  
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No. MP/PSC/09/23

Dt. 16-02-2009

Dear Sir,

Kindly refer to your d.o. letter No.MP/SD/04/09/11420 dated 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2009 addressed to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi with regard to grant of recognition to the charitable school at Madanpur Khadar Extension in South Delhi.

I am forwarding the above representation to Addl. Commissioner (Education) for taking appropriate action in the matter.

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Yours sincerely,

*K.S. Mehra*

(K.S. MEHRA)

**Shri A.H. Khan Chowdhary**  
Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha),  
C-1/6, Tilak Lane,  
New Delhi-110 001.





**MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF DELHI**

**GENERAL RECEIPT**

Receipt (Other than Property Tax, Transfer Duty and Service Charges)

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Receipt No.

Zone	HP
Department	Ed
Sub-Department	Ed
Ward	Ed
Cost Centre	Ed

Date	15-2-08
Self Generating No.	Mangal Chitup Headway
Payer's Name	Ch. B. Chitup Headway
Payer's Address	Ed. Mangal Chitup Headway

Account Code	Head of Account	Nature of Payment	Cash/Other Instrument	Instrument No.	Instrument Date	Bank & Branch	Amount (Rs.)	Remarks
001	24	Cash					1000	Reg. fee

Rupees in words: One thousand

Total 1000

Signature of  
personnel issuing receipt

1. This receipt is valid subject to realisation of cheque(s) as above.  
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