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### NOTICE

The Parliament of India has enacted "The Right of Persons with Disability Act, 2016" on 27<sup>th</sup> December 2016, which lays down the principles for empowerment of persons with disabilities.

As per Chapter III, Section 16 of "The Right of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, "the appropriate Government and the local authorities shall endeavor that all educational institutions funded or recognized by them provide inclusive education to the children with disabilities."

As per the Act, the Educational Institutions shall:

- i. Admit them without discrimination and provide education and opportunities for sports and recreation activities equally with other;
- ii. Make building, campus and various facilities accessible;
- iii. Provide reasonable accommodation according to the individual's requirements;
- iv. Provide necessary support individualized or otherwise in environments that maximize academic and social development consistent with the goal of full inclusion;
- v. Ensure that the education to persons who are blind or deaf or both is imparted in the most appropriate languages and modes and means of communication;
- vi. **Detect specific learning disabilities in children at the earliest and take suitable pedagogical and other measures to overcome them;**
- vii. Monitor participation, progress in terms of attainment levels and completion of education in respect of every student with disability;
- viii. Provide transportation facilities to the children with disabilities and also the attendant of the children with disabilities having high support needs.

In pursuance of the Section 16 of "The Right of Persons with Disability Act, 2016" and as per the order of the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay Order dated 04<sup>th</sup> May 2017 (SUO MOTO PIL No. 2 of 2015 with WP No. 3365 of 2013 in the matter of Dr. Harish Shetty and Anr. Vs Regional Director and ors.) all the Schools Affiliated to the Council are hereby directed to carry out the task of detecting specific learning disabilities in children at the early stage, preferably, when they are in the Primary Schools or after they complete the age of nine years.

All schools are requested to abide by the above-mentioned Act. To download the "The Right of Persons with Disability Act, 2016" kindly visit the link given below:

<http://www.tczu.emet.in/notice/2017/April/RPWD-ACT-2016.pdf>

  
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