



**GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

Dated Lahore, the 10th May, 2019

No. SO (A-I) 3-4/2015: During proceedings in the Writ Petition No. 105643/2017 titled Muhammad Shahid vs. Govt. of the Punjab, an agonizing situation was reported by parent of a child being educated in a private school. It was reported that on the issue of payment of fee, a dispute has arisen between that parent and the private school administration. It was alleged that the parents are being threatened that their children will not be allowed to sit the upcoming exams and hence their academic year will be wasted.

2. It is to reiterate to the owners/administrators of private educational institutions, that in its Order dated 13-12-2018, the Honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan has unequivocally directed that no school shall, under any circumstances, be closed nor any students be expelled from such schools, otherwise the respective management shall be personally liable for disobeying and disregarding the order of this Court. Vide Order dated 10-01-19, the Honorable Supreme Court has further directed that the students and their parents are required to pay their fee at a time to be fixed by school and the students who do not pay the **“reduced fee”** would be liable to such disciplinary action.

3. Moreover, no hindrance shall be created in a child’s pursuit of education or sitting the examinations. The students and their parents are required to pay their fee at a time to be fixed by school and the students who do not pay the **“reduced fee”** would be liable to such disciplinary action.

4. Any violation, breach or derogation of Honorable Court’s order will make the administration/owner liable to strict action under the penal provisions of the Punjab Private Educational Institutions (Promotion and Regulation) Ordinance, 1984.

**SPECIAL SECRETARY
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1. Chief Executive Officers of all DEAs of Punjab with the instructions to take strict action against any violation