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To
The Nodal Officers,
State/UT EMRS Societies

Subject: Request to make provision of SMS Alert Facility in Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) – reg.

Sir/Madam,

EMRSs are residential institutions catering primarily to students from tribal and remote areas. Effective and timely communication with parents/guardians is essential to ensure transparency, student welfare, and active parental involvement in academic and school-related activities.

2. At present, dissemination of information relating to important school events such as admissions, declaration of results, holidays, PTMs, and other significant announcements is largely dependent on conventional modes of communication such as letters and notice boards, which may not always ensure timely or uniform reach to all parents/guardians.

3. In order to strengthen communication mechanisms and ensure that critical information is received by parents/guardians without delay, it is proposed to introduce an SMS Alert Facility in all EMRSs. SMS-based communication is a cost-effective, dependable, and widely accessible mode, especially in areas with limited internet connectivity.

4 The SMS alert facility shall be primarily used to communicate important and time-sensitive information, including but not limited to the following:

- Admission-related information
- Academic calendar updates and holidays/Vacation
- Declaration of examination results
- Parent-Teacher Meetings (PTMs) and other school meetings
- Important instructions, circulars, and emergency-related information

5. In this regard, it is requested to ensure that an SMS alert facility may be put in place in all EMRSs under your respective jurisdictions at the earliest.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours sincerely,

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(Kumud Kushwaha)
Deputy Commissioner

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