

**FEE REGULATORY COMMITTEE (SELF FINANCED SCHOOL)
(Ahmedabad zone)**

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1. Proposal submitted by Anand Niketan Sughad, Nr. Balaji Agora Mall, B/h. Sandesh Fram, Sughad, Gandhinagar – 382 424, has filed its proposal for Academic Year 2024-25 for Pre Primary, Primary Section, Secondary Section (Std.9th & 10th) and Higher Secondary Section (Std.11th & 12th) (General & Science) (CBSE English Medium) along with relevant documents.
2. Provisional order passed by the Fee Regulatory Committee for academic year 2024-25 on 02.09.2024 for Pre Primary, Primary Section, Secondary Section (Std.9th & 10th) and Higher Secondary Section (General & Science) (CBSE English Medium).
3. Objections raised by the School vide its Letter dated 13.09.2024.
4. Notice issued to remain present for hearing on 18-01-2024.


:: Final Order ::

-: For Academic Year : 2024-25 :-

Date of hearing: 18.01.2025

Date of order: 24.01.2025

(1) Anand Niketan Sughad, Nr. Balaji Agora Mall, B/h. Sandesh Fram, Sughad, Gandhinagar – 382 424, has filed its proposal for Academic Year 2024-25, for Pre Primary, Primary Section, Secondary Section (Std.9th & 10th) and Higher Secondary Section (Std.11th & 12th) (General & Science) (CBSE English Medium), along with relevant documents. After considering the said proposal submitted by the school along with the documents the FRC Ahmedabad Zone has passed an order on 02.09.2024 determining the provisional fees for Pre Primary at Rs.83,000/-, for Primary Section (Std.1 to 4) at Rs.83,000/-, for (Std.5 to 8) at Rs.90,000/-, for Secondary Section at


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Rs.96,000/-, for Higher Secondary (General) at Rs.1,01,500/-, for Higher Secondary (Science) at Rs.1,07,000/-.

(2) On receipt of said order, the school has raised its objection vide its letter dated 13.09.2024. Considering the letter of objection the FRC has issued a notice of hearing of objection fixing the date of hearing on 18.01.2025. In response of the notice, the Ld. representative of the school Shree Vivek Prahladbhai Patel (Managing Trustee) and Shree Ashok P. Patel (C.A.) of the school Present on dated 18.01.2025, and also additional submission submitted on dated 18.01.2025, and during hearing submitted that the provisional fee fixed by the committee for the academic year: 2024-25 is not satisfactory. The school has submitted only submitted C.A. certified audit report for the year: 2022-23 and estimated projected statement of income & expenses for the years: 2023-24 & 2024-25.

(3) After gone through the oral submission of the school management made at the time of hearing and looking to the aforesaid income & expenditure statements and other documents, the committee found that the following expenditure are not consider for the educational purpose i.e. Advertisement Exp., Expenditure on transportation, Expenditure on food & meal. The school has also claimed expenditure on books. This expenditure for optional services and hence, the same could not form part of the regular expenses applicable to all students. Expenditure under the head of activity expenditure, expenditure for maintenance, expenditure on computers, Miscellaneous Expenditure, Student welfare, Teacher's Training seems to be higher side and without proper and detailed explanation. The FRC has also taken note that the school has claimed depreciation of Rs.131.16 lacs for the year: 2023-24 and Rs.120.50 lacs for the year: 2024-25. But considering the students strength and also considering reasonable revenue surplus for the purpose of development, education and Expansion of the school and location of the school, the FRC is of the view that some reasonable increase in the provisional fees is required to be given.

(4) The FRC is required to exercise the power conferred upon it in a very balanced manner so as to see that on one hand the school management is not deprived of the legitimate fees to be charged from the students and the students also should not suffer by paying exorbitant fees charged by the Self-Financed School. The object of the Gujarat Self-Financed Schools (Regulation of Fees) Act, 2017 is to prevent "profiteering" which is defined in Section - 2 (r).


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(5) The FRC has gone through the judgment passed by Hon. High Court of Gujarat in R/LPA No. 334 of 2024 and etc. on dated: 03-04-2024. The FRC is duty bound to follow this judgment. It is necessary to reproduce para (34) of this judgment, which is thus.

Para – 34:-

“ The learned single Judge has, thus, rightly issued direction that the FRC shall not restrict the school from charging the term fee and the admission fee, which shall not be more than tuition fee of one month as per section 2(g) of the Act’2017. The FRC is, however, required to verify as to whether the admission fee and the term fee charged by the school is within the prescribed time limit and that the schools may not charge the admission fee and term fee in addition to the fees determined by the FRC subject to the limits prescribed in Section 2(g) of the Act’2017.”

According to the ratio laid down by the Hon. High Court of Gujarat in the above referred Judgment with regard to the point of term fee and admission fee the school may not charge term fee and admission fee in addition to the fees determined by the FRC.

(5) The FRC has determined final fees for smooth running of the school as against the fees proposed by the school for the Pre Primary, Primary Section, Secondary Section (Std.9th & 10th) and Higher Secondary Section (Std.11th & 12th) (General & Science) (CBSE English Medium) in shown in below table for the A.Y: 2024-25, 2025-26 & 2026-27 are as under.

<u>CBSE English Medium</u>	Fees Proposed by the school for A.Y. 2024-25	Provisional Fees determined by FRC for A.Y.2024-25	Total Final Fees determined by FRC for A.Y.2024-25 (As per sec. 2 (g) of the act. 2017)	Total Final Fees determined by FRC for A.Y.2025-26 (As per sec. 2 (g) of the act. 2017)	Total Final Fees determined by FRC for A.Y.2026-27 (As per sec. 2 (g) of the act. 2017)
Pre Primary	Rs.100000/-	Rs.83000/-	Rs.85500/-	Rs.89750/-	Rs.94250/-
Primary (Std. 1 to 4)	Rs.100000/-	Rs.83000/-	Rs.85500/-	Rs.89750/-	Rs.94250/-

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Primary (Std. 5 to 8)	Rs.110000/-	Rs.90000/-	Rs.92700/-	Rs.97350/-	Rs.102200/-
Secondary	Rs.115000/-	Rs.96000/-	Rs.98900/-	Rs.103850/-	Rs.109000/-
Higher Sec. (General)	Rs.120000/-	Rs.101500/-	Rs.104500/-	Rs.109700/-	Rs.115200/-
Higher Sec. (Science)	Rs.125000/-	Rs.107000/-	Rs.110200/-	Rs.115700/-	Rs.121500/-

- ◆ The School is directed to charge this determined fees according to the definition of fee or fee structure given in section 2(g) of the Gujarat Self-financed schools (Regulation of fees) Act.-2017. Thus, the school may not charge more than the total fees determined as above.

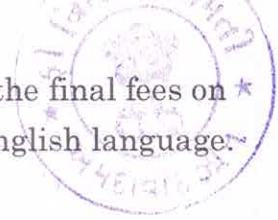
:: Terms and conditions ::

- 1) The school is not permitted to collect fees more than the final fees determined by the FRC except permissible.
- 2) The School shall not collect fees amounting to more than one quarter at a time.
- 3) It is also made clear that the school should either return the excess fee collected by the school or give adjustment thereof, in the fees in the next coming academic year without fail.
- 4) Any violation of this order shall be dealt with by the Committee in accordance with law, on being brought to the notice of the Committee by any aggrieved party.
- 5) If the School Management has any grievance against the final fees determined by the Committee, it shall have a right to file revision application under Section-12(3) of the Gujarat Self Financed Schools (Regulation of Fees) Act,2017 before the Fee Revision Committee in Form-V within a period of 21 days from the date of receipt of the order with challan of Rs.10,000/- as process fee.



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6) The School is directed to place the final order determining the final fees on its notice board as well as its website respectively in Gujarati and English language.



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(H.C.Vora)
Chairman

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Member

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To,

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B/h. Sandesh Fram,
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Copy forwarded to:

1. District Education Officer, Gandhinagar.
2. District Primary Education Officer, Gandhinagar, for necessary action.