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DATE OF ORDER: 23/05/2024

Dispatch date: 23-05-2024

To,

Vidhyamandir Trust,

Opp. Shashivan, Palanpur,

Banaskantha- 385001

::: READ :::

(1) Proposal for the academic year 2024-25 submitted Vidhyamandir Trust, Opp. Shashivan, Palanpur, Banaskantha for Pre-Primary, Primary (GSEB Gujarati & English Medium) along with relevant documents.

(2) Final order dtd. 30.06.2022 passed by the FRC for the academic year 2021-22 for Pre-Primary, Primary (GSEB Gujarati & English Medium)

(3) Proposal discussed in the FRC on 22-05-2024

:: Provisional Order ::

-: For Academic Year : 2024-25 :-

Pre-Primary, Primary

(GSEB Gujarati & English Medium)

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(1) Proposal for the academic year 2024-25 submitted **Vidhyamandir Trust, Opp. Shashivan, Palanpur, Banaskantha for Pre-Primary, Primary (GSEB Gujarati & English Medium)** along with relevant documents.

(2) The proposal of the school discussed in the Fee Regulatory Committee (FRC) Ahmedabad Zone. The school filed affidavit to determine the fees of academic year 2024-25. The school has produced relevant information for determination of fees with income expenditure of 2024-25. It is requested to determine the fees for **Pre-Primary, Primary (GSEB Gujarati & English Medium)** for the academic year 2024-25, 2025-26 & 2026-27 as proposed to bear the expenditure of the school.

(3) The school has produced audit report of total expenditure for the financial year 2023-24. The FRC has gone through it.

(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). According to the judgment of Hon'ble Gujarat High Court in SCA No.2356 of 2021 dtd.22.07.2022, the school is entitled to collect one month fee as term fees twice in a year and also one month fee as admission fee in case of new admission. While determining the fees structure, it is always to be kept in

mind that parents have high ambition to connect their children with reputed school and achieve modern and effective education which may lead their children towards a path of their great success in life. At the same time, it should be the expectation of all concerns from the leading

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institutions that they can always take care of expectations of others and provide the superb opportunity of studying in their institutions. In the previous fee determination order, the condition was that the school is not permitted to collect fees under any other head including under the head of Admission Fee except one month fee by way of admission fee only in case of new admission and it was before the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat, SCA No.2356 of 2021 dtd.22.07.2022. But after the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat, **the school is entitled to collect one month fee as term fees twice in a year and also one month fee as admission fee in case of new admission.**

(5) Hence, considering the entire scenario of the school, the FRC has determined the just and fair fees **considering income & total expenditure of the school for the academic year 2023-24 and expenditures with the strength of the student and other relevant factors for determining the fee structure**, the FRC has determined fees for smooth running of the school as against the fees proposed by the school for **Pre-Primary, Primary (GSEB Gujarati & English Medium)** as shown in below table.

<u>GSEB Gujarati and English Medium</u>	Fees determined by the FRC for A.Y. 2023-24	Fees Proposed by the school for A.Y. 2024-25	Provisional Fees determined by FRC for A.Y.2024-25
Shree Jain Balmandir (Pre.Pri) (Guj.Med)	Rs.18465/-	Rs.22160/-	Rs.18465/-
Shree C.R. Mehta Balmandir (Pre.Pri) (Guj.Med)	Rs.18465/-	Rs.22160/-	Rs.18465/-

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Smt. K.R. Parikh Balmandir (Pre.Pri) (Guj.Med)	Rs.18465/-	Rs.22160/-	Rs.18465/-
Shree Jain Shishushala (Balvatika) (Std. 1 to 2) (Guj.Med)	Rs.18465/-	Rs.22160/-	Rs.18465/-
Shree Rajmani Prathmik Shala (Std. 3 to 5) (Guj.Med)	Rs.22325/-	Rs.26800/-	Rs.22325/-
Shree I.J. Mehta Vinaymandir (Std. 6 to 8) (Guj.Med)	Rs.26019/-	Rs.31230/-	Rs.26019/-
Shree B.K. Bhansali Vinaymandir (Std. 6 to 8) (Guj.Med)	Rs.26019/-	Rs.31230/-	Rs.26019/-
Matrushri M.R. Mehta Balmandir (Pre.Pri) (Eng.Med)	Rs.23152/-	Rs.27790/-	Rs.23153/-
Smt. M.M. Mehta Balmandir (Pre.Pri) (Eng.Med)	Rs.23152/-	Rs.27790/-	Rs.23153/-
Smt. M.M. Mehta Prathmik Shala (Balvatika) (Std. 1 to 2) (Eng.Med)	Rs.23152/-	Rs.27790/-	Rs.23153/-
Smt. M.M. Mehta Prathmik Shala (Std. 3 to 5) (Eng.Med)	Rs.26019/-	Rs.31230/-	Rs.26019/-
Smt. M.M. Mehta Prathmik Shala (Std. 6 to 8) (Eng.Med)	Rs.31421/-	Rs.37710/-	Rs.31421/-

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:: Terms and conditions ::

- (1) The school is not permitted to collect fees more than the fees determined for the academic year: 2024-25 except permissible.
- (2) It is further made clear that as per the judgement of Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat in SCA No.2356 of 2021 dtd.22.07.2022, the School is permitted to collect one month fee as term fee, two times in a year and an admission fees of one month only in case of new admission.
- (3) It is also made clear that the School should either return the excess fees collected by the School for the year 2024-25 or give adjustment thereof, in the fees of 2025-26.
- (4) If the school has no objection on the above provisional order of the academic year 2024-25, then treated above order as final order and the school is permitted to collect fees for the academic year 2025-26 and 2026-27 by giving 5% rise on the above final fees order (i.e. add 5% in the academic year 2025-26 and on above add 5% in the academic year 2026-27).
- (5) 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.
- (6) The School is directed to place the final order determining the final fees on its notice board as well as on its website in Gujarati and English.


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Member

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No. FRC/Banskantha/DPEO/Proposal/213/2026-27/8249-51

U-Dise Code : 24020916961 (English)

Dispatch Date : 25/08/26

:: READ ::

- (1) Proposal for the academic year 2026-27 has been submitted by Vidyamandir English Medium School, Parnakutir Campus, Shaktinagar Part – 2, Mansarovar, Palanpur, Banaskantha – 385 001 run by Vidyamandir Trust, Palanpur for Pre Primary, Primary Section (Std.1 to 5) and Secondary Section (Std.9 & 10) (CBSE – English Medium) along with relevant documents.
- (2) FRC has considered provisional order dtd. 07.05.2026 passed by the FRC for the academic year 2026-27 for Pre Primary, Primary Section (Std.1 to 5) and Secondary Section (Std.9 & 10) (CBSE – English Medium).
- (3) Objections raised by the School vide its letter dated 21.05.2026.
- (4) Notice issued to remain present for hearing on 18-08-2026.
- (5) Documents submitted by the School on dated: 18-08-2026.

:: Final Order ::

:- For Academic Year : 2026-27 :-

Date of order: 18.08.2026

- (1) Vidyamandir English Medium School, Parnakutir Campus, Shaktinagar Part – 2, Mansarovar, Palanpur, Banaskantha – 385 001 run by Vidyamandir Trust, Palanpur for Pre Primary, Primary Section (Std.1 to 5) and Secondary Section (Std.9 & 10) (CBSE – English Medium) along with relevant documents. We have gone through the papers submitted along with proposal. It appears that the school has produced Audit Reports for the years 2023-24 and 2024-25. The School has also provided provisional Income & Expenditure Account Statement for the period from 01.04.2025 to 30.09.2025 and Estimated Income &


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Expenditure Account Statement for the years: 2025-26 & 2026-27. It appears that the strength students is 308.

(2) Considering the above referred proposal the FRC has issued a notice for personal hearing of dated: 18.08.2026. In response of the notice, the Ld. representatives of school Shree Shivakumar Krishnan Naicker (Director), Shree Mahendrabhai S. Patel (Joint Director), Shree Shivabhai K. Prajapati (GM - Finance) and Shree Shaileshbhai C. Limbachiya (GM - HR) remained present before FRC, and submitted additional documents like Estimated Income & Expenditure Account Statement for the year: 2026-27, Projected Salary Exp. Statement for the year: 2026-27, Proposed Income from Fee Structure for the year: 2026-27, Audited Balance Sheet & Income & Expenditure Account Statement for the years: 2024-25 & 2025-26 and other documents. During the personal hearing it is submitted that in the current year strength of the students is 420, this year our school has got affiliation of CBSE therefor we have to improve our quality of education, we have engaged qualified teachers therefor we have to pay salary according to the Govt. rules. Also submitted that for the standard 6 to 8 fee structure of Rs.42,000/- for the current year as determined by passing earlier order therefor requested to increase fee more particularly for the standard 9 & 10 and requested to determine reasonable fee structure. During personal hearing came to know that in the school facility of air condition is not made available.

(3) The FRC has considered audited Income & Expenditure account statement for the A.Y: 2024-25 & 2025-26 and other document. Ongoing through audited income & expenditure accounts for the A.Y: 2025-26 the school management has claimed expenditure of Rs.69,628/- under the head of advertisement but this kind of expenditure is not for imparting education therefor required to be disallowed.

The FRC has also taken note that the school has claimed expenditure on depreciation amounting to Rs.72,923/-. The Depreciation which is shown as an expenditure cannot be claimed in the light of provision of section 10(1) (X) of the Act, as observed by the Hon'ble High Court in the case of Ambe Public School V/s. State of Gujarat SCA No.2356/2021 order dated: 22.07.2022 and unhealed by the divisional bench in CA(for leave to appeal) 1240/2023 order dated: 03.04.2024 as well as

observed by Fee Revision Committee in revision application No.4/2025 order dated: 09.09.2025.

In view of the observations made in SCA No. 2356/2021 dated: 22.07.2022 by Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat and in revision application No.4/2025 dated: 09.09.2025 by Fee Revision Committee, Gandhinagar we are of the opinion that the amount of depreciation shown as a separate claim under the head of expenditure is not tenable.

Therefor considering allowable expenditure for the year: 2025-26, if divided by strength of students i.e. 420, the cost per student is comes to Rs.30,282/- for the year: 2025-26. The FRC has also considered provisional fee structure determined by order dated: 07.05.2026. It is fact that the fee structure for the standard 6 to 8 is determined of Rs.42,000/- for the current year by passing previous order therefor the FRC is of the view that there is no need to increase fees provisionally determined except standard 9 & 10. FRC has also taken into account the fact that the school has got affiliation of CBSE Board therefor school has to engaged teaching staff & has to run the school according to the norms of CBSE Board.

(4) FRC has considered section 10(3) of "The Gujarat self-financed schools (Regulation of fees) Act, 2017" which is reproduced as under.

The fee regulatory committee shall determine the total fees which shall be levied by considering all different fees charged by the school.

(5) In light of foregoing views and discussion advanced herein above and 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 has determined final fees for smooth running of the school as against the fees proposed by the school, in shown in below table for the A.Y: 2026-27 for Pre Primary, Primary Section (Std.1 to 5) and Secondary Section (Std.9 & 10) (CBSE – English Medium) are as under.

The FRC has also considered the fact with regard to the fees determined order passed for the school for Standard Primary Section (Std.6 to 8) is passed till A.Y: 2026-27, there for considering the conveyance of the school the FRC has decided to determine the final fee structure for Pre Primary, Primary Section (Std.1 to 5) and Secondary Section (Std.9 & 10) (CBSE – English Medium) for 1 year i.e. 2026-27 only. There for the school has to submit its single proposal for all the standards conducted by the school for the year: 2027-28.


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<u>CBSE English Medium</u>	<u>Fees Proposed by the school for A.Y. 2026-27</u>	<u>Total Provisional Fees determined by FRC for A.Y. 2026-27 (As per sec. 2 (g) of the act. 2017)</u>	<u>Total Final Fees determined by FRC for A.Y. 2026-27 (As per sec. 2 (g) of the act. 2017)</u>
Pre Primary	Rs.45000/-	Rs.35000/-	Rs.35000/-
Std. 1 & 2	Rs.50000/-	Rs.36500/-	Rs.36500/-
Std. 3 to 5	Rs.55000/-	Rs.38000/-	Rs.38000/-
Std. 9 & 10	Rs.70000/-	Rs.40500/-	Rs.42500/-

- ♦ 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. In view of the order passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLP (Civil) Diary No. (S)17802/2025 on Dtd.: 29.07.2025 the School shall not demand any amount more than that which is fixed by the FRC.

∴ Terms and conditions :

- 1) It is made clear that as per Sub rule (4) of Rule 7 of the Gujarat Self-Financed Schools (Regulation of Fess) Rules. 2017, the FRC has determined the total fees under a single head which may be levied or collected by the school. Therefore the school is permitted to collect fees as per to the definition under section 2(g) of the Gujarat Self-Financed Schools (Regulation of Fess) Act, 2017 **However, total of these fees shall not exceed the total fee determined by the committee as per the above mentioned table.**
- 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.

6) 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.

7) 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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To,

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No.FRC/Banaskantha/DPEO/546/Final Order/2024-25/ 3041-43

U-Dise Code: 24020916961 (English)

Dispatch Date: 06/02/25

::: READ :::

1. Proposal submitted by Vidhyamandir English Medium School, Taley Baug, Vidyamandir Campus, Meera Gate, Palanpur, Banaskantha – 380 060, has filed its proposal for Academic Year 2024-25 for Primary Section (Std. 6 to 8) (GSEB English Medium) along with relevant documents.
2. Provisional order passed by the Fee Regulatory Committee for academic year 2024-25 on 17.08.2024 for Primary Section (Std. 6 to 8) (GSEB English Medium).
3. Objections raised by the School vide its Letter dated 29.08.2024.
4. Notice issued to remain present for hearing on 18-01-2024.
5. The letter of acceptance & consent with regard to the final fees given by the school dated: 18-01-2025.

:: Final Order ::

:- For Academic Year : 2024-25 :-

Date of hearing: 18.01.2025

Date of order: 24.01.2025

(1) Vidhyamandir English Medium School, Taley Baug, Vidyamandir Campus, Meera Gate, Palanpur, Banaskantha – 380 060, has filed its proposal for Academic Year 2024-25, for Primary Section (Std. 6 to 8) (GSEB 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 17.08.2024 determining the provisional fees for Primary Section (Std.6 to 8) at Rs.30,000.

(2) On receipt of said order, the school has raised its objection vide its letter dated 29.08.2024. 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,

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the Ld. representative of the school Shree Mahendrabhai S. Patel (Asst. Director), Shree Shivrambhai K. Prajapati (Chief – Account Office), Shree Shailesh C. Limbachiya (Manager - HR) of the school Present on dated 18.01.2025, and also additional submission submitted on dated 18.01.2025, that Stating there in that the provisional fee fixed by the committee for the academic year: 2024-25 is not satisfactory. Also produced the Provisional Income & Expenditure for the period from 01-04-2024 to 31-10-2024, Photographs and other documents.

(3) After gone through the written as well as oral submission of the school management made at the time of hearing and looking to the income & expenditure audited statement for the year: 2022-23 and other documents, the committee found that the following expenditure are not consider for the educational purpose i.e. Advertisement Exp. Rs.42,529/-, Beautification Exp. Rs.1,84,748/-, Material Exp. Rs.26,960/- and Sahayak Exp. Rs.15,62,948/- etc. as well as seems to be higher side and without proper and detailed explanation. 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).

(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.

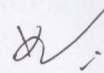
(5) The FRC has determined final fees for smooth running of the school as against the fees proposed by the school for the Primary Section (Std. 6 to 8) (GSEB English Medium) in shown in below table for the A.Y: 2024-25, 2025-26 & 2026-27 are as under.

<u>GSEB</u> <u>English</u> <u>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)
Primary (Std. 6 to 8)	Rs.60000/-	Rs.30000/-	Rs.38000/-	Rs.40000/-	Rs.42000/-

- ♦ 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.
- "The Ld. representative of the school who remained present before FRC for the hearing, has also submitted consent letter Dtd. 18-01-2025 to the FRC for the above Final Fees determined by the FRC."

:: Terms and conditions ::

- 1) The school is not permitted to collect fees more than the final fees determined by the FRC except permissible.


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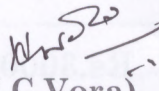
2) The School shall not collect fees amounting to more than one quarter at a time.

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.

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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