

## GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, CIVIL SECRETARIAT JAMMU/KASHMIR

(Legal Section)

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Subject:

Providing of feedback to the Government Advocates – Filing of objections thereof.

## CIRCULAR

It has been generally observed that many a time the reply/counter affidavits are not filed in the Courts within the time granted resulting in adverse orders against the State. Of late, courts have been taking serious view of delay in filing the objections/counter affidavits and imposing heavy cost to be recovered from officer concerned.

The Department has been issuing instructions from time to time to stay in touch with the Government Counsels for proper handling of the matter. Such coordination with the Government Counsel will surely help in reducing in delay of reply/counter affidavits.

It has been further observed that information sought by the Administrative Department in court cases from the subordinate offices are not being submitted well in time which causes inconvenience to the court, delay in proceedings and unnecessary embarrassment to the Government.

In order to avoid such situation, it is impressed upon all the Chief Education Officers to provide timely feedback to the concerned Government Advocates in each and every case and ensure that replies are filed at the level of Chief Education Officer or above and not below the level of Chief Education Officer.

Director(s) of School Education, Kashmir/Jammu shall personally look into the matter and ensure that court cases are properly monitored and replies are filed on time to avoid passing of adverse orders. If any officer is found negligent in handling court matters, action warranted under law be initiated against the defaulting officer/official.

( Shaleen Kabra )
Commissioner/Secretary to Government
School Education Department

## Copy to the:-

- 1. Director School Education, Kashmir/Jammu.
- 2. Sh. Shabir Ahmed Naik, Ld. Additional Advocate General, J&K High Court, Srinagar.
- 3. Sh. Ravinder Gupta, Additional Advocate General, J&KJ High Court, Jammu.
- 4. Secretary, J&K Board of School Education for information and necessary action.
- 5. Chief Education Officer (All) \_\_\_\_\_\_who shall inform all the ZEOs immediately.
- Pvt. Secretary to Secretary, Department of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs for information of Secretary.
- Pvt. Secretary to Advocate General, J&K High Court, Srinagar for information of Advocate General.
- 8. Pvt. Secretary to Secretary to Government, School Education Department for information of Secretary.
- Pvt. Secretary to Commissioner/Secretary to Government School Education Department for information of Commissioner/Secretary.