

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR DIRECTORATE OF SCHOOL EDUCATION JAMMU

The Chief Education Officers (All)
Jammu Division

No: DSEJ/GEN/2025/46026-59

Date: 62/09/2025.

Subject: Ensuring Student Safety While Reopening Schools Post-Floods -reg.

In light of the recent heavy rains and floods that have severely impacted various parts of the region, it has come to our attention that several school buildings have sustained structural damage, rendering them unsafe for occupancy.

The safety of our students, teachers, and staff must remain the highest priority. It is essential that no school building be reopened without a through structural assessment by competent authorities. Buildings that have been submerged or have shown signs of damage must remain closed until they are certified as safe.

Therefore, you are hereby directed to implement the following measures with immediate effect:

- Coordinate with local administration, village leaders, and communitybased organizations to facilitate temporary arrangements and ensure that basic amenities like drinking water, sanitation, and seating are available in these alternative spaces.
- 2. In areas where school buildings have been declared unsafe or are undergoing repairs, you are directed to explore community-based alternatives to ensure that education is not disrupted. This includes utilizing available infrastructures such as community halls, panchayat ghars, religious places (e.g., temples, mosques, churches, and gurudwaras) on a voluntary basis.

- It must also be ensured that all school principals, teachers, and staff
 are duly informed of these directives and are vigilant in adhering to
 the safety protocols to protect students.
- 4. HOIs shall inspect buildings before start of physical classes and shall start classes only after being satisfied about the safety of schools and readiness of school for start of physical classes.

It is again reiterated that all school principals, teachers, and staff must be duly informed of these directives and must remain vigilant in adhering to the prescribed safety protocols to ensure the protection and well-being of students.

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- Secretary to Government, School Education Department, Civil Secretariat, J&K, Srinagar for favour of information.
- 2. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu for favour of information.
- 3. Deputy Commissioners (All), Jammu Division for favour of information.
- 4. OSD to Hon'ble Minister for School Education, Higher Education, Health & Medical Education, and Social Welfare Department, J&K, Srinagar for favour of information of the Hon'ble Minister.
- 5. Joint Director, Information Department with the request to give wide publicity through print and electronic media.
- 6. Joint Directors (All), Jammu Division for information and necessary action.
- 7. Joint Director, SCERT Jammu for information.
- 8. Chief Education Officers (All), Jammu Division for information and necessary action.
- 9. PA to DSEJ for information of the Worthy Director.
- In-charge Website for uploading the order on the official website of this Directorate.
- 11. Office file.