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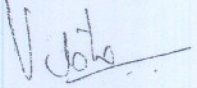
**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Children Education Allowance -  
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Subsequent to issue of Department of Personnel & Training's O.M. No.12011/03/2008-Estt.(Allowance) dated 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2008, and clarifications issued from time to time on the subject cited above, a number of references have been received on certain aspects of Children Education Allowance/Hostel Subsidy. After due consideration of the references, in consultation with the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, the following modifications/alterations are carried out with effect from the date of issue of this O.M. on pro-rata basis:

- i. Development Fee/Parents' Contribution charged by the school/institution in lieu of tuition fee shall be reimbursed. The Government servant will have to certify to the effect that tuition fee has not been charged by the school/institution.
  - ii. Fee charged directly by the school/institution for catering to the special needs of the child with disabilities, duly certified by the school authorities, shall be reimbursed in addition to items mentioned in para 1(e) of O.M. dated 2.9.2008. The school/institution shall be aided or approved by the Central/State Government/UT Administration or whose fees are approved by any of these authorities.
  - iii. The minimum age of 5 years, stipulated in O.M. No.12011/03/2008-Estt.(Allowance) dated 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2008, for disabled children, pursuing non-formal education or vocational training stands removed. Henceforth, there will be no minimum age for any child for claiming reimbursement of Children Education Allowance/Hostel Subsidy.
2. Cases where reimbursement has been made on the basis of earlier O.M. on the issues need not be reopened.

Hindi version will follow.

  
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