Dear Parents,

Subject: School Fees for 1st Quarter of Session 2020-21

Continuation of difficulties arising out of COVID-19 brings us before you once again in the subject connection.

In the early stage of the imposition, we had on 14th April 2020, announced major relaxations in payment of Fees for the 1st Quarter of 2020-21. Yearly Session Fee etc. that are payable at a time for the whole year with the Tuition Fee of the 1st Quarter, were as a very special measure, divided into as many as four equal parts and made payable in four instalments of only one in each Quarter with the Tuition Fees. This reduced the amount payable for 1st Quarter drastically. Secondly, a long extension of the date of payment of Fees without fine was also provided, making it till 30th of May in place of original 24th April, 2020.

Meanwhile, as you are aware and as so many of you have appreciated, we had already commenced online classes for our Students: for Class 12 from last week of March itself and for the rest from the very first week of April onwards. We have ensured inclusion of not only main academics but also Art & Craft, Music, Physical Education, Yoga, Dance and even Chess. Our mobilisation and organisation for all this has been in well-planned way and our Teachers, duly embracing the blessings of technology, are executing this enthusiastically in an interactive and effective manner virtually running the School from home. Necessary Board guidelines have also been kept in view. Our concern for our own Students whom we do not want to fall behind the least, has prompted us to be thus proactive, irrespective of payment of fees by the parents.

Goes without saying as it is, being an institution we have responsibilities to all our stakeholders in the ultimate interest of our Students. Adequate nurturing of the vital human resources, maintenance of all other essentials, keeping pace with advancements and all, quite call for sufficient finances, which do take leaps from time to time on various counts including, amongst others, Govt. directives such as the recent substantial Revision of Pay and Allowances following West Bengal 6th Pay Commission recommendations.

In the midst of all this and even as we continuously compete with our own selves in matters of our traditional high quality standards in all the fronts, we cannot be oblivious of our particular responsibility towards the Parents of our students. We duly recognize the hardship that the currently prolonging situation tends to inflict upon them in general, as evident from various appeals that we have received. Keeping that in view and in spite of the institution's own constraints, the Management of your Academy has now again decided to further share the difficulties of the Parents to the best of its ability.

The 1st Quarter Fee Bills are therefore being further softened. Fees for the 1st Quarter of 2020-21 for all the Classes shall now be collected as per rate of Fees existing for the respective Classes in the previous Session 2019-20 i.e. without any enhancement. This is over and above allowing payment of yearly payable items such as Session Fee in quarterly instalments, as an exception for 2020-21 as already announced earlier. The instalment for the 1st Quarter for these items too shall be calculated as one-fourth of the respective yearly rates existing in the previous Session 2019-20.

The Fee Bills currently existing on the online platform need not anymore be paid and are being de-activated. Freshly revised Bill shall be uploaded shortly for payment.

Parents who have already made payment against Bills uploaded earlier, are not required to make any further payment for the 1^{st} Quarter and their Accounts will show appropriate reflection in School records.

While we assure ourselves of the continuing cooperation of our parents, as a private unaided institution we would ultimately rely on their valued support so very essential in these trying times and for time to come. Keeping our children under your immediate care till the sun shines again, and thanking you,

The Management of

LAKSHMIPAT SINGHANIA ACADEMY, Kolkata

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