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Subject: Comments on Tentative Agenda Decision and comment letters: Recognition of Revenue from Tuition Fees (IFRS 15)

- 1) I welcome the opportunity provided for sending comments on Tentative Agenda Decision and comment letters: Recognition of Revenue from Tuition Fees (IFRS 15)
- 2) My view considering fact pattern.

| Scenarios or events | Student benefits | Fee bundled or separate | Constructive obligation or legal obligation | Fee repaid or cancelled | Fixed Cost incurred or not |
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| Activities provided after academic year like correction, issue of mark sheet, issue of certificates etc., | Yes | Bundled and no separate standalone price will be available as these activities cannot be provided to non-students | Legal | Non-cancellable and no repayment | Yes |
| Vacation to staff after academic year | Yes, like additional coaching. Class 11, 12 and final year students will | Bundled | Legal | Non- cancellable and no repayment | Yes |

| Leave during natural calamity | have school even during vacation May be yes and may be no depending on whether students get online training or work to learn | Not included/not anticipated | Legal | Non- cancellable and no repayment | Few costs incurred like salary, property tax, few not incurred like EB |
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| Physical activities not carried out during pandemic – admin, maintenance, vehicle services, paper printing, notebook printing, EB cost, cost of functions & celebration | Yes | Not included/not anticipated | Legal | Non- cancellable and no repayment | Yes, few cost not incurred |
| Celebrations during vacation | Yes | Bundled, some school or collages collect separately, and this revenue can be recognised as per completion of specific performance obligation | Constructive | Cancellable and if cancelled amount collected to be refunded | Yes |
| Internship during collage | Yes | Bundled, some school or collages collect separately, and this revenue can be recognised | Legal | None | Yes |

| | | as per completion of specific performance obligation | | | |
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| Temporary Closure Due to Damage | Yes | Not included | Legal | Non- cancellable and no repayment | Yes |
| Staff Strikes | No | Not included | Constructive | No | Sometimes salary not paid due to mis understanding between parties |
| Break during Religious Observances | Yes | Not included | Constructive | Non- cancellable and no repayment | Yes |
| Students Strikes | No | Not included | Constructive | No | Sometimes salary not paid due to mis understanding between parties |
| Government extension of leave | Yes | Not included | Legal | Non- cancellable and no repayment | Yes |
| License cancellation | No | Not applicable | Legal | Refund to be given if license is cancelled and school/collage cannot operate or carry out certain classes/courses | No |

| After school or college hours | Yes | Bundled | Constructive | None | Yes, like nominal EB charges, security cost, cleaning after school hours etc., |
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| Specific event-based fees like transportation, training, campus interview | Yes | Bundled, some school or collages collect separately, and this revenue can be recognised as per completion of specific performance obligation | Few are legal and few constructive | Refunded in few cases if activities are not rendered like transportation etc., | Yes, like depreciation, salary Few not incurred if cancelled like EB etc., |

Many of above scenarios are legal and not controllable by institutions. Further student continues to benefit from these activities of the institutions.

All the above are not distinct obligation and these will be a consolidated package as school doesn't operate during national holiday, festival, quarterly/half yearly leaves, government extension of leave.

If revenue needs to be recognised over academic year, then during above period revenue cannot be recognised as no services are rendered during these periods or after school hours.

As per para 22 of IFRS 15 all amount received is bundled for services except for goods like sale of books, exam fees, late fees, extra-curricular activities, transportation fees which are collected separately & services are rendered separately/goods are supplied separately etc.,

As per para 35 a customer receives benefits simultaneously and consumes the benefits provided by the entity's performance as the entity performs.

As per para 35 b Students enjoys the benefits and they have control over those documents like mark sheet, papers etc.,

As per para 35 c the entity's performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the entity (see paragraph 36) and the entity has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date (see paragraph 37).

Analysis when fees are collected separately & when revenue can be recognised during fulfilment of specific performance obligations or when activities are spread over specific time as analysed below:-

| Fees type | Time period spread |
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| Academic fees | Full 12 months as this includes services even after academic. Further the amount of revenue per student arrived after considering all 12 months cost. Further approving authorities also consider these facts before approving fees for academic year class wise or course wise. |
| | Further institution factors all efforts till the last day of leaving the institutions |
| Transportation fees | Event based recognised months which are operated |
| Admin fees | Full 12 months as this includes services even after academic. Further the amount of revenue per student arrived after considering all 12 months cost. Further approving authorities also consider these facts before approving fees for academic year class wise or course wise. |
| | Further institution factors all efforts till the last day of leaving the institutions |
| Book fees | Event based recognised when books are sold |
| Extra-curricular activities fees | Event based recognised months which are operated |
| Building fees | Full 12 months as this includes services even after academic. Further the amount of revenue per student arrived after considering all 12 months cost. Further approving authorities also consider these facts before approving fees for academic year class wise or course wise. |
| Donation | Further institution factors all efforts till the last day of leaving the institutions Full 12 months as this includes services even after academic. Further the amount of revenue per student arrived after considering all 12 months cost. Further approving authorities also consider these facts before approving fees for academic year class wise or course wise. |
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| Library fees | Full 12 months as this includes services even after academic. Further the amount of |

| | revenue per student arrived after considering all 12 months cost. Further approving authorities also consider these facts before approving fees for academic year class wise or course wise. Further institution factors all efforts till the last day of leaving the institutions |
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| Event fees | Event based recognised months in which event happens |
| Hostel fees | When hostel is Occupied |

Based on the above, General education revenue should be recognized on a straightline basis over the financial year, including the summer vacation after related academic year (12 months) for few cases and few cases over the period during which services are rendered which can be less than 12 months or less than academic year.

It would be appropriate to analyse fee's structure and recognise after critically analysing five steps of revenue recognition of IFRS 15 as fee structure, service rendering varies across institutions, varies across countries due to different regulations in effect, varies due to practical situation during every year.

I concur that views stated above are my individual opinion and not of any organization where I am working or not of any committee or organization I am connected with.

Regards

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