GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR DIRECTORATE OF SCHOOL EDUCATION, JAMMU MUTHI CAMP, JAMMU-181205

The Chief Education Officers (All)

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No. DSEJ/2024-25/9895-10255

Dated 24/03/2025

Subject: Cleaning of Overhead and Underground Water Storage Tanks in Schools.

It is an open truth that access to safe and clean drinking water is a fundamental human need and a crucial aspect of maintaining good health especially in the students studying in our government and private schools. The source of this water in most of these schools is overhead and underground storage tanks which must be cleaned on regular basis atleast twice a year.

In view of this, all Chief Education Officers are hereby directed to instruct the heads of institutions/offices under their jurisdiction to conduct regular cleaning and maintenance of both overhead and underground water storage tanks at intervals of six months. To maintain hygiene standards, trained personnel or authorized service providers must be engaged for the cleaning process. Additionally, proper records of all cleaning activities, including the date and method of cleaning, should be maintained and pasted outside such tanks.

The expenses may be debited out of office expenses or School Improvement Funds (local fund) wherein available and Chief Education Officers must ensure strict compliance with this directive, closely monitor the process, and submit a compliance report along with geo-tagged photographs to this office within one month of completing the cleaning process.

This directive is mandatory to prevent health hazards arising from contaminated water and must be implemented without fail.

School Education Jammu

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- 1. Financial Commissioner (ACS) to Government, School Education Department, J&K, Jammu.
- 2. All Joint Directors, DSEJ.
- 3. FA/Chief Accounts Officer, DSEJ.
- 4. All Principal, Zonal Education Officers and Headmasters for compliance.
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