F.No.1-61/2018-Sch6 Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of School Education & Literacy ****

To

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi the 13th February, 2019

The Secretary,
National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT)
Sri Aurobindo Marg,
New Delhi-16

Subject: Seeking Air Travel Permission for Travel by Air lines other than Air India and booking tickets through Private Agency in respect of participants on National Consultation on pre-school curriculum and Guidelines for pre-school during 13th to 14th August, 2018.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the correspondence resting with the NCERT's letter. No. 4-1.22/P/DEE/2018-19 dated 02.01.2019 on the above cited subject and to say that the proposal has been examined in consultation with IFD and it is observed that as per the instructions laid down in the Department of Expenditure's O.M. No. 19024/22/2017-E-IV dated 19.07.2017 regarding Purchase of Air ticket from authorized agent, in all cases of Air Travel where the Government bears the cost of Air passage, Air Tickets may be purchased directly from Airline (Booking counter/office/website of Airline) and if needed, by utilizing the services of three authorized Travel Agents viz. M/s Balmer Lawrie & Company Limited (BLCL). M/s Ashoka Travels & Tours (ATT) and Indian Railways Catering and Tourism Corporation Ltd (IRCTC). This Ministry does not have the power to relax this condition. Proposal for relaxation of this condition would be required to be sent to the Department of Expenditure.

In order to seek relaxation of the relevant condition, this Ministry is required to formulate and send a suitable proposal with cogent reasons and justification to the Department Expenditure. NCERT is, therefore, requested to provide relevant material / information. inter-alia. indicating the exact reasons for purchasing the Air Tickets from the un-authorised agents by each of the persons, for whom the relaxation is required, so as to enable this Department to formulate a suitable proposal for seeking the relaxation from the Department Expenditure.

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Yours faithfully,

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