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Proposal of the Director of General Education Regarding Teacher Appointments Must Be Reconsidered: KCBC Education Commission

The proposal submitted by the Director of General Education to the Advocate General concerning the appointment of persons with disabilities and general appointments in aided schools causes grave concern to minority management institutions. Certain recommendations that disregard the minority rights guaranteed to minority communities under the Constitution of India have been incorporated into the proposal.

While the authority to make appointments of personnel in minority educational institutions is vested in the Manager, the proposal stipulates that, in addition to appointments for persons with disabilities, general appointments must also be made in accordance with the directives of a District Committee. Given that the genuine necessity is to resolve the crises surrounding appointments for persons with disabilities, the move by the Department of General Education to make unconstitutional interventions in general appointments under the pretext of addressing this issue is objectionable.

under no circumstances should the proposal currently advanced by the Department of General Education be given final consideration. The rights of minority groups, including the Catholic Church, which operates numerous educational institutions in Kerala, must be protected. The Department of General Education is requested to formulate a new proposal that is constitutional and equitable—incorporating representatives of minority managements in subsequent deliberations—and to submit the same to the Advocate General.

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