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**SECRETARIAT  
OF  
THE ODISHA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

NOTIFICATION  
The 20th August, 2015

No.8749/L.A.—The following Bill which has been introduced in the Odisha Legislative Assembly on the 20th August, 2015 is herewith published under Rule 68 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Odisha Legislative Assembly for general information.

**THE ODISHA EDUCATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015**

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**BILL**

FURTHER TO AMEND THE ODISHA EDUCATION ACT, 1969

**BE** it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Odisha in the Sixty-sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be called the Odisha Education (Amendment) Act, 2015.

Amendment of  
Section 7 - C.

2. In Section 7-C of the Odisha Education Act, 1969 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after sub-section(7), the following sub-sections shall be inserted, namely : —

Odisha Act  
15 of 1969.

“(8) Notwithstanding anything contained in any law, rule, executive order or any judgment, decree or order of any court, the private Educational Institutions covered under clauses(a) and (b) of sub-section (5) recognized after the 31st March,2008 shall not be entitled for any Grant-in-Aid from the State Government save as provided in sub-section (9).

(9) The private Educational Institutions referred to in clause (b) of sub-section (5) located in a Grama Panchayat or in a Municipality, which is first recognized after the 31st March, 2011 shall not be entitled for any Grant-in-Aid from the State Government.”

Amendment  
of Section 11.

3. In Section 11 of the principal Act, in sub-section (3), for the words “forty” and “twenty-five”, the words “thirty” and “twenty” shall, respectively, be substituted.

## STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

In order to provide quality education to the children residing in rural areas wherever require Government will open new schools and will provide qualified and talented teachers in such schools. Private Educational Institutions which are recognized after the 31st March, 2008 (save in the case of High Schools only located in the Grama Panchayat and Municipality recognized after the 31st March,2011) shall be excluded from the fold of Grant-in-Aid. In other words GIA policy will be limited to the Educational Institutions (High Schools, U.P.(ME) Schools, Sanskrit Tols and Madrasa) eligible in all respect for GIA up to 31.03.2013. In view of this Section 7-C of the Odisha Education Act, 1969 is required to be amended.

The minimum roll strength prescribed in sub-section (3) of Section 11 of the Act is decreasing remarkably, for which there is likelihood of ineligibility on the part of many High Schools who are continuing to receive Grant-in-Aid now and as such will result hardship on the part of many teachers.

Accordingly, it is felt necessary to remove the ineligibility to receive Grant-in-Aid on the part of many High Schools by reducing the minimum roll strength from “forty” to “thirty” in non scheduled areas and “twenty five” to “twenty” in scheduled areas by amending sub-section (3) of Section 11 of the Act.

The Bill seeks to achieve the above objectives.

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