

Guidelines-2022 to Give Mental Strength and Security to Studying in Coaching Institutes

Why In News?

On November 11, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved the Guidelines-2022 with the aim of providing mental strength and security to the students studying / residing in coaching institutes operating in the state. With this approval, students studying in coaching institutes will get a stress-free and safe environment.

Key Points

- In the guidelines-2022, providing psychiatric services to resolve mental stress and depression arising due to competition and academic pressure on students, complete protection of students admitted and residing in hostels, arrangements to strengthen mental health of students, establishment of adequate monitoring mechanism at district administration level, coaching students- Facilitation centers for girl students, better management of cleanliness, requisite action at the level of coaching institutes, organizing orientation programs for students and their parents studying in coaching institutes, cyber cafe facility etc. have been included in the daily routine of students.
- In this guideline, students studying in coaching institutes will be told about the career options available in case they do not pass the entrance examinations of IITs and medical institutes. Apart from this, a provision of easy exit policy and fee refund has been made in case of leaving the institute.
- A complaint portal will be created under the guidelines. Apart from this, police verification of all the personnel of the coaching center will be ensured in the new guidelines. The provision of maintaining data of all types of movement in residential coaching institutes is also included in the guidelines. Arrangements have been made in the guidelines to prevent any kind of false propaganda by coaching institutes. Penal action will be taken against coaching institutes for non-compliance of these guidelines.
- A state-level committee has been constituted by the coaching institutes to ensure the implementation of the guidelines. It includes senior officers of all related departments including higher education, school education, medical education, and home department. Apart from this, under the guidelines, District Level Coaching Institute Monitoring Committee has been constituted in each district, consisting of officials of various departments as well as parents, representatives of coaching institutes, NGOs and psychologists and motivational speakers and additional district collectors of the district.
- Taking serious note of the incidents of suicides by students studying in coaching institutes of the state, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has approved the said guidelines in compliance with the orders of the Hon'ble High Court till the implementation of the 'Rajasthan Private Educational Institutions Regulatory Authority Bill, 2022' made for effective regulation of coaching institutes.

