

Press Release

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Ursuline Convent English Medium School, Purnea City

The management of Ursuline Convent English Medium School, Purnea City, wishes to address recent false propaganda and rumors circulating against the school and its management on social media regarding the introduction of school transport services.

In response to the misinformation, the school would like to issue the following clarification, as remaining silent can sometimes lead to misinterpretation:

1. **No Transfer Certificates (TC) Issued:** The school has not issued any Transfer Certificates (TC) to any student in connection with the matter of the transport service. Any rumors related to this issue are baseless.
2. **Purpose of Transport Services:** The introduction of the school transport services is a well-planned initiative to enhance the **safety, security, discipline, and overall well-being** of our students. This service is designed to provide a secure and efficient mode of transportation for students.
3. **Transport Costs:** It has come to our attention that some individuals are speculating that the cost of the transport service is very high. We urge the concerned individuals to contact the school's transport office directly to obtain accurate information regarding the services, their quality, and their pricing before making any judgments or allegations.
4. **Door-to-Door Service:** There have also been rumors about the school not providing a door-to-door service for transportation. Please note that the school has made adequate arrangements to accommodate such requests, where feasible and in line with safety guidelines. We have procured vehicles of different sizes to accommodate your needs.
5. **Compliance with Government Regulations for School Transport:** The school's transport services will strictly adhere to the rules and regulations set forth by the **Bihar Motor Vehicles Rules, 1992**, the **Motor Vehicles Act, 1988**, and the guidelines issued by the **Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety**.

We are committed to ensuring:

- **Safe and Roadworthy Vehicles:** All school buses will undergo periodic inspections as per **Rule 125-H of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989**, and comply with the fitness criteria mandated by the Bihar Road Transport Department.
- **Qualified and Trained Drivers:** Drivers will possess a **valid commercial driving license**, undergo **police verification**, and meet the eligibility criteria set under **Section 10 & 14 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988**. They will also receive periodic training on child safety and traffic rules.
- **Speed Limit and GPS Tracking:** Vehicles will operate within **prescribed speed limits** under **Section 112 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988**, and be equipped with **GPS tracking and CCTV surveillance**, as mandated by the **Safe School Vehicle Policy, 2018**.

- **Emergency Preparedness:** All buses will be equipped with **first-aid kits, fire extinguishers,** and emergency exits as per the **Supreme Court guidelines on school transport safety.**
- **Necessary Permits and Documentation:** The school will maintain all **licenses, route permits, pollution under control (PUC) certificates,** and insurance policies as required by law.

In conclusion, the management of Ursuline Convent English Medium School takes the **safety and security** of its students very seriously. We are committed to providing a secure and enriching environment for all our children, and the introduction of the transport services is just one of the many steps we are taking to ensure their well-being.

We request all stakeholders to avoid spreading unverified rumors and to seek information directly from the school.

The School Transport Office is open for your queries and concerns. Parents can visit school between 9 am to 11 am with your concerns.

Management of Ursuline Convent English Medium School, Purnea City