

The 12 petitioners are Venture L.P. Schools in Baksa District and seek direction for providing them with the District Information on School Education (DISE) Code, as that will enable the schools to receive benefits like free text books, mid day meal etc. being granted to other venture schools in the State.

2. Mr. S. Sarma, Standing Counsel for the Assam Sarba Siksha Abhijan Mission (in short SSA) and Mr. S. Neogi, Standing Counsel, Education and Mr. K. Das, Standing Counsel, BTC, however submit that the DISE Code is nothing but a numerical representation to confirm the identify of functioning schools and the DISE code itself is not enough for any school, to be considered for either provincialisation or other Govt. benefits. However, the respondents are agreeable to consider the pending representations of the petitioners' schools.

3. Ms. SK Nargis, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners is also in favour of disposal of the pending representation through a speaking order by the respondents.

4. In view of the above agreement, the petitioners are permitted to file individual representation(s), in addition to their pending representation within 2(two) weeks' from today. They will furnish a copy of this order, the written petition and their joint representation. Thereafter, the representation(s) should be considered on merit and preferably within 3(three) months', from the date of receipt of communication from the petitioners. With the aforesaid direction, the case is disposed of.