

Summary of Discussion with PTA Members held on 14 August 2025 (Thursday) at 11:00 a.m. at Delhi Public School, Navi Mumbai

The Principal warmly welcomed the gathering and expressed sincere gratitude to the parents for taking time out of their busy schedules to attend the Annual General Body Meeting of the PTA for the academic year 2025–2026. He informed the members that, as the required quorum was not achieved, the official Annual General Body Meeting would be rescheduled and date will be intimated soon.

Reaffirming the school's motto "Service Before Self" as the guiding principle behind all decisions, the Principal emphasised his commitment to a *child-centric* approach to education—placing the needs, well-being, and holistic growth of every student at the heart of the school's endeavours.

On the request of the parents, an informal discussion was conducted. The following matters were deliberated upon:-

1. Discussion on safety measures

The Principal briefed the parents on the comprehensive safety protocols implemented across the school campus to ensure a secure environment for all students. Key measures include:

- > CCTV Surveillance: The school has installed a total of 475 AI-equipped CCTV cameras across the campus, providing extensive coverage. Additionally, each school bus is equipped with 2 CCTV cameras, and the entire school ground is under constant surveillance.
- > RFID Tracking: Real-time tracking and automated attendance are facilitated through RFID technology, enhancing student safety and monitoring.
- > Female Staff Presence: All school buses have female attendants, and female teachers are assigned to accompany children. The Students are always escorted by teachers on duty. Teachers and School helpers escort foundation wing students from classrooms to the buses.
- Washroom Safety: To ensure safety in washroom areas, two dedicated female attendants (maushis) are stationed in each washroom. No outsider or third-party worker is permitted to enter or use the school washrooms under any circumstance.
- > Functional Committees: In accordance with CBSE and State Government norms, the school has constituted the following fully operational and regularly convened committees:
 - o POCSO Committee
 - o Sakhi-Savitri Committee
 - o Sexual Harassment Committee
 - Transport Committee
 - Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)
 - o Grievance Redressal Committee
- > Staff Verification: Police verification of all teaching, non-teaching, and support staff is completed to ensure a safe environment.
- Grievance Handling: All complaints and suggestions received are addressed promptly and effectively.
- > Student Dispersal Protocol: Boarding and deboarding of students occur strictly within the school campus under staff supervision.
- > Training and Awareness: The school regularly conducts training sessions and awareness programs for staff and students to reinforce safety protocols.
- Medical Support:-In addition to the resident school nurse, a second nurse is available daily through a formal service agreement with Apollo Hospital, ensuring immediate medical care when needed.
- > School Transport Compliance: It was informed that all school buses, operated by Bus contractor are in full compliance with safety guidelines issued by the competent government authorities.



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The committee members commended the school for its proactive and comprehensive approach towards ensuring student safety and security.

2. The brief discussion about the infrastructural development of the school

The Principal apprised regarding the infrastructural projects completed during the period, which include:

- Installation of LED Smart Boards with UPS supply, data cabling work, installation of CCTV cameras, procurement of furniture in phase 1 i.e desks, benches, storage units, shelves and HT Panels in the new wing.
- > Refurbishment of the Administration Block, Computer Lab, and Medical Room.
- > Painting of the old building.
- Expansion joint work between the old block and the new wing.
- > Provision of a canopy for the stage in the courtyard area.
- Installation of rain protection sheds for students.
- Installation of the PA system and smart boards in the new wing.
- > Construction of a rain protection shed at the terrace of the new building.
- Audio-visual work in the Conference Room and Reception area.
- Grass plantation and garden earth filling from the new wing to Gate No. 5.
- Shooting range and Pickleball Court set up

It was also informed that certain works are currently in progress, such as:-

- Reconstruction of the damaged compound wall and extension of the height of the existing wall
- Terrace waterproofing of the old building
- Design, supply, installation, and commissioning of air-conditioning systems.
- Revamping of the firefighting system in the old building.

Members commended the speed and quality of recent repair and renovation work on campus, along with the new facilities introduced. Parents praised the Principal's proactive leadership and the dedicated efforts of the teachers in fostering holistic student development and upholding the school's reputation for excellence.

3. The other points discussed during the meeting were as follows:

• Carrying of Mobile Phones by Senior Students

A request was made to permit senior students to carry mobile phones to facilitate communication with parents during transit after extra classes. While acknowledging the intent, the Principal cited potential risks associated with social media, cyberbullying, and cybercrime and declined the suggestion for regular use. However, in genuine emergencies, students may carry a mobile phone and deposit it at the school reception for safekeeping and collected upon leaving the campus. Additionally, students may use the school reception phone whenever required to contact their parents.

• Excursions and Picnics

Parents suggested the resumption of excursions and picnics for students. The Principal explained the existing constraints in organising such programmes at present. However, the matter would be reviewed and an appropriate decision would be taken at a later stage.

• Upgradation of Library Resources

Parents proposed enhancing the library's collection of books to cater to diverse reading interests and academic needs. The Principal apprised that action has already been taken.

• Opportunities in School Programmes

A request was made to ensure that every student is given an opportunity to participate in school programmes and activities.



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• Promotion of English Literature

Parents recommended incorporating English literature reading sessions in the curriculum to broaden students' horizons, improve vocabulary, and foster a deeper appreciation for language.

- Greater Emphasis on Sports and Co-Curricular Activities :-
 - Parents requested that increased time be allocated to sports and co-curricular pursuits, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to participate in at least one sporting discipline or cultural event during the academic year. They also suggested expanding the range and frequency of sports-related activities to promote physical fitness, team spirit, and overall well-being among students.
- Reduction in the Weight of School Bags
 Parents expressed concern over the excessive weight of school bags and requested measures to lighten the load.
- It was also informed that Mental health and career counselling sessions are conducted at regular intervals to support the emotional well-being and career preparedness of students.

The Principal heard all the queries raised by the parents, informed them that resolutions had already been made in most areas, action had been initiated in several others, and assured them of continued efforts towards further improvement. It was further clarified that whatever is feasible and within the prescribed norms will be duly taken up by the school.

The Principal expressed his gratitude for the trust, support, and constructive feedback from parents, reaffirming his commitment to collaborative progress.

The meeting concluded on a positive and encouraging note, with a formal vote of thanks to the Chair.

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