The Manager,
BABA GANDHA SINGH PUBLIC SCHOOL BABA GANDHA SINGH PUBLIC SCHOOL VPO. MEHAL KALAN
TEH. & DIST. BARNALA
BARNALA, PUNJAB
148104

Sub: Category of school applied for (Upgradation to Senior Secondary Level) -regarding.

Ref: Application No.US-00137-2425 dated 23/06/2023

This is with reference to school application No.US-00137-2425 dt.23/06/2023 on the subject cited above

In this connection, I am directed to inform that your application has been rejected on the following grounds.

	The terms of ownership of land, whether it is through Sale or Lease is not mentioned in the land certificate. The statement in the certificate that "the said entire land comprise of a single plot and combined with others" is not clear whether it is a contiguous plot.
2	The school has submitted only the Water test report and has not submitted the Water and Health Sanitation certificate which is a mandatory document issued by an Assistant Engineer, PHED.
	The school does not have boundary wall on all sides which is essential for the safety of students. The boundary wall seen also is below 6 feet. The school should be surrounded by a concrete boundary wall of 6 feet height on all sides.
4	Library is undersized, is understocked and there is no reading area for staff. As per IC, the number of Magazines and Newspapers according to SoPs issued by the Board are not available.
5	Maths Lab is undersized and there is no stock of learning aids, kits and other manipulative materials for learning by doing. There is no seating in the lab. The Lab is not as per SoPs issued by the Board.
	The Composite Science Lab is under equipped and there are no safety features like Fire Extinguisher and Exhaust fan in the Lab. The school should upgrade the Labs and library in the light of the SoPs issued by the Board vide circular no. 11 dated 04.10.2022.
7	Ramp at the entrance is without handrails which is unsafe.
O	Existing cubicles have been converted as CwSN toilets in General Washroom. Therefore, they are small and narrow for wheel chair users and students with walkers to navigate inside the toilet. The toilets are also on uneven platforms, therefore, making it inaccessible for CwSN students. The school should construct CwSN toilets, separately for boys and girls as per the specifications prescribed by the RPwD Act 2016 and Board's guidelines.

Further, as per clause 10.5.2 of Affiliation Bye-Laws, 2018, the fee deposited will not be refunded or adjusted irrespective of the grounds on which the application has been rejected even if the school has not been inspected.

The school may seek a review of the above decision of the Board within 15 days on SARAS portal.

DEPUTY SECRETARY/JOINT SECRETARY (AFF.)

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