

THE KERALA EDUCATION ACT, 1958

and

THE KERALA EDUCATION RULES, 1959

FOURTH EDITION

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FOREWORD

The Kerala Education Act of 1958 was a unique legislation, the impact of which reverberated throughout the social life of the then nascent State. The aided schools were brought within the statutory ambit of the Department. Rules regarding opening of new schools, appointment of new teachers and their qualification at large monitoring of various activities of schools, facilities to be made available to the students, responsibilities of various functionaries of schools etc. were framed. The Act and the Rules are thus deeply entwined with the contemporary history of State of Kerala. It is acclaimed as a model law even now by other States of the Country.

The third edition of the Act and Rules were published way back in 1987. Hence, Government has been toying with the idea of publishing an updated version of the same for a long time. Between 1987 and 2010 hundreds of amendments have been made compelling their codification.

The General Education Department rose to the occasion and took pains to publish this 4th edition incorporating all the amendments issued up to 31st December 2010. I am happy to acknowledge the services of Sri. T.J. Sathish Chandran (Retired Administrative Assistant), Directorate of Public Instruction), Sri. P.T. Thomas, Deputy Secretary and Sri. D. John, Section Officer who have done a commendable job for codifying and updating the Act and Rules in a record time.

I hope that this new authentic edition will be received with enthusiasm by the educational administrators, legal functionaries and the teaching community.

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PREFACE

The necessity for publishing an updated edition of the compendium of Kerala Education Act and Rules has been receiving the attention of Government since long. The previous edition was published before 23 years. So many amendments have been made during the pretty long interregnum.

The present edition is authoritative and updated containing amendments upto 31/12/2010. It will be uploaded in the Government web portal and department website, I.T.@ school. Amendments as and when made will also be updated in that website so that the latest position could be gathered in the finger tips.

I hope this edition will be widely received by the officers of the General Education Department and others.

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