

Centre Government Guidelines

Why in News?

A Bill for regulating coaching centres was tabled in the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly recently.

- New coaching centre bill of Rajasthan Aim It would <u>curb the</u> <u>commercialization of coaching institutes</u> and ensure that they operate within a framework prioritizing the well-being and success of students.
- It seeks to mandate <u>minimum quality standards</u>, the <u>registration of coaching centres</u>, <u>and psychological counselling for students</u>.

| Central government's January 2024 guidelines | Rajasthan Bill's Key provisions |
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| • Only students who are <u>16 years of age</u> or have completed secondary school examinations can be enrolled in coaching centres. | • It has no mention of the age criteria. |
| • It mandated biometric attendance through face recognition technology. | • The Bill has no such provision for attendance. |
| • Coaching centres shall abide by the orders issued by the state government regarding national holidays, local holidays as declared by the District Collector and festivals. | Centres should try to customize leaves to coincide with festivals, it omits mention of national and local holidays. |
| • Coaching centres shall not discriminate against any applicant/ student on the basis of religion, race, caste, sex, place of birth, descent etc. during the admission and teaching process. | No mention of such provision. |
| Centres may also make special provisions to encourage greater representation of students from vulnerable communities, including female students and differently abled students. The centre's building and surrounding premises should comply with the <i>Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act</i>, 2016. | No mention of such provision. |
| • It regulated the coaching centres by proposing - A penalty of Rs.25,000 for the first violation of provisions and - Rs.1 lakh for a second violation, followed by cancellation of registration for subsequent violation(s). | • It sets the first fine at <u>Rs.2 lakh and Rs.5</u> <u>lakh</u> for the second offence, followed by cancellation of the centre's registration. |

Reference

The Indian Express - Rajasthan's new coaching centre bill

