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Kajal (extreme right) talks to her interpreter Richa as a friend listens. On December 3, she won a national award from the President of India.

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## NURSERY ADMISSIONS

# Schools are confusing parents, says Lovely

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After a long hue and cry over the nursery admission age limit, Delhi Government's education department is trying their best to put an end to the entire mess. Though there is a demand for autonomy to schools in admissions, the government is going to decide the three basic criteria for the same. Schools can also set three norms for regulation in admission procedure.

According to Delhi's Education Minister Arvinder Singh Lovely, public and private schools are confusing parents on the admission issue. "The government has already clarified that if schools have facilities to run two pre-primary classes (LKG & UKG), they can run both of them. If they have one class at pre-primary level, they can run only one," said Lovely.

He said no school will interview any children. Lovely said, "Apart from it, educational level of parents and monetary status have nothing to do with children's education. So, no school can question this."

In another development, on December 14, the Supreme Court will hear a petition challenging Delhi Government's decision to fix four years as the minimum age for ad-