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**CM reviews functioning of Education Department**

**CM directs to strictly enforce posting and transfer act**

**Dispur, May 18:** Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma today took a comprehensive review of the functioning of the Education Department in presence of Education Minister Ranoj Pegu and Finance Minister Ajanta Neog with officials of the department in a meeting held at the conference hall of Janata Bhawan and laid stress on development of the basic fundamentals related to the governance in the schools for quality delivery of education to the students in a wholesome manner.

Stating that the Education sector will be accorded the topmost priority and all functionaries of the Education Department must dedicate themselves for the overall upliftment of the education sector, the Chief Minister directed to strictly enforce Transfer and Posting of Teachers as per the provisions of the "Assam Elementary and Secondary School Teacher (Regulation of Posting and Transfer Act) 2020. He suggested developing software immediately to execute the transfer and posting of teachers through an Online Portal which would also include merit based preferential choice of posting against vacancies.

The Chief Minister while giving a direction to immediately initiate the process of transition of dissolved Madrassa to general schools asked the officials to ensure recruitment of teachers on priority basis particularly in provincialised and government schools and meeting up of periodic gap. He further asked the department to empower the Head of the Institutions to periodically and instantly fill up the vacancies on need based basis. The Chief Minister also suggested constituting independent recruitment boards for Poly Technic and Engineering colleges for expeditious filling up of vacancies.

Further instructing the department to operationalise new Model Schools and evolving a policy for teachers' retention, the Chief Minister directed to create posts in the newly established upgraded schools in Tea Garden areas where the PWD had completed the construction.

Moreover saying that recruitment of College Teachers should be a continuous process, the Chief Minister directed to immediately complete civil construction gaps identified during "Gunotsav". He asked the department to conduct Gunotsav in 2022. The Chief Minister also directed creation and recruitment of administrative and other posts for the newly created Districts and Education Blocks, besides streamlining of distribution of free text books for ensuring timely availability of free text books and developing e-text at the earliest by Assam Text Book Production and Publication Corporation Limited.

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The Chief Minister also directed the officials to ensure that all newly provincialised Teachers and Tutors draw their salary by 1<sup>st</sup> of June and distribution of Scooty that is pending is completed by 15<sup>th</sup> of June this year. The Chief Minister also asked the Education Department to examine to bring all the Elementary level contractual Teachers under one umbrella, which may be the Directorate of Elementary Education.

Principal Secretary of Higher Education B Kalyan Chakravarthy, Commissioner & Secretary of Secondary and Elementary Education Pritom Saikia and other senior officers were present in the meeting.

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