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The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Government of India has given the last chance for the untrained Elementary Teachers of the country to acquire requisite professional qualification of Diploma in Elementary Education (D. El. Ed.) in order to be qualified to teach at the elementary level.

This decision of the MHRD came after the amendment to the Section 23(2) of the RTE Act to extend the period of training of untrained teachers to March 31, 2019 that has been passed by the Parliament as the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Act, 2017, No. 24 of 2017 vide no. 34 dated August 10, 2017 Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India.

The Ministry has launched SWAYAM portal for online course through the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS).

The Teachers can access free instructions through online portal on www.nios.ac.in or http://dled.nios.ac.in

All regular untrained elementary level teachers including Head of Schools teaching in Government Aided, Unaided, Special Schools have to complete Diploma in Elementary Education (D. El. Ed.) Course through Open Distance Learning mode on National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS).

It has been reiterated that this will be the last and final chance to acquire the requisite minimum professional qualification for the teachers teaching at the elementary level. Any teacher, who does not have the minimum qualification mandated under the RTE Act, 2009, would not be allowed to continue in the service beyond April 01, 2019, and procedure for dismissal shall be initiated against such teachers.

The unqualified in-service teachers in Government/Government Aided/Unaided/Special Schools who fail to enroll on or before 15th September, 2017 are liable to face removal/dismissal procedure against them.

Minimum qualification for undergoing this programme is 50% marks in XII, with relaxation upto 45% in case of ST/SC/OBC/Physically Challenged candidates.
Teachers, who do not fulfill the minimum eligibility requirement, will have to join NIOS and appear/re-appear for the Class XII examination simultaneously to achieve the minimum percentage. They shall concurrently register on NIOS portal for the said D. El. Ed. Course. They would, however, be eligible for provisional admission in D. El. Ed. programme of NIOS subject to them acquiring 50% marks in Class XII before completing the D. El. Ed. Programme of NIOS.

Primary Teachers who have done Certificate in Primary Education (CPE) or one year diploma course or any other course of less than 2 year duration are deemed to be untrained for this purpose and are required to undergo this course.

Assistant teachers/graduate teachers who have done B.Ed. course need not undergo this training programme for the purpose of teaching at elementary level i.e. up to Class VIII.

It is important to note that the completion of above Diploma in Elementary Education (D. El. Ed) will not confer upon teachers a right to claim for regularization.

It is therefore enjoined upon all the heads of the schools to ensure that the teachers concerned avail of the benefit in order to avoid removal/dismissal from service.

If there is any discrepancy regarding registration they can contact the office of Goa Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Porvorim before 15th September, 2017.

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To,
The Heads of all the Govt./Govt. aided/Unaided Primary / Secondary and Special Schools in the State of Goa.

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1. The O.S.D. to the Hon’ble Chief Minister of Goa.
3. Rashi Sharma, Deputy Secretary (TE), Government of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110 115.
4. The Dy. Director of Education, North/South/Central Educational Zone, Mapusa/Margao/Panaji-Goa.
5. The ADEs of 12 talukas.
6. Nodal Officer, IT, for uploading on the website of this Directorate.