

**Government of West Bengal**  
**School Education Department**  
**(Primary Branch)**  
Bikash Bhawan, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700 091.

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**NOTIFICATION**

In pursuance of the provisions of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 under Section 23 and subsequent notification issued by the academic authority viz. National Council of Teachers Education (NCTE) vide NO. 6103/20/2010/NCTE (N&S) dt. 23.8.2010, the Govt. in School Education Deptt. issues the following circular as to the requisite qualifications of Primary School Teachers who are already in service:

- 1) A teacher appointed prior to 03.09.2001 i.e. the date on which the NCTE (Determination of Minimum Qualifications for Recruitment of Teachers in Schools) Regulations, 2001 (as amended from time to time) came into force will be guided by the prevalent Recruitment Rules of the State Government. Such teachers need not have to upgrade their academic qualifications nor have to acquire teacher training qualification.
- 2) Minimum qualifications of a teacher appointed on or after 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2001 but before 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2010 (i.e. the date on which the revised Notification of NCTE, 2010 has been published) shall go by the norms as prescribed vide NCTE (Determination of Minimum Qualification for Recruitment of Teachers in Schools) Regulations, 2001 (as amended from time to time).

As per the Revised NCTE (Determination of Minimum Qualifications for Recruitment of Teachers in School) Regulation 2001 as amended from time to time the required qualification for Primary Teachers are as below.

Prv. Teachers appointed from 03.09.2001 to 26.12.2005:-

- (i) Senior Secondary School Certificate or intermediate or its equivalent  
and
- (ii) Diploma or Certificate in basic teachers' training of a duration not less than two years  
Or  
Bachelor of Elementary Education (B. El. Ed)

Prv. Teachers appointed from 27.12.2005 to 09.12.2007:-

- (i) At least 45% marks in the Senior Secondary Examination (+2) or its equivalent  
and
- (ii) Diploma or certificate in basic teachers' training for a duration not less than two years  
Or Bachelor of Elementary Education (B. El. Ed)

Prv. Teachers appointed from 10.12.2007 to 22.08.2010:-

- (a)
  - (i) At least 50% marks in Senior Secondary Examination (+2) or its equivalent  
and
  - (ii) Diploma or certificate in basic teachers' training of a duration of not less than two years  
Or  
Bachelor of Elementary Education (B. El. Ed)

Such teachers shall have to acquire academic qualification as well as Teacher Training qualifications from NCTE recognized institution by 31.03.2015, if not already done;

Primary Teachers who have already completed one year PTT Course from State Govt. approved Institutions and subsequently not completed D. El. Ed. Course will have to undergo one year Bridge Course to be conducted by West Bengal Board of Primary Education in NCTE recognised PTIs by 31.03.2015.

- 3) Minimum qualification of a teacher appointed on or after 23.8.2010 shall be guided by the NCTE regulation, 2010, which is noted below:-  
Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 50% marks and 2-years Diploma in Elementary Education (by whatever name known)  
Or