

Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 45% marks and 2-years Diploma in Elementary Education (by whatever name known), in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure), Regulations 2002.

Or

Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 50% marks and 4-years Bachelor of Elementary Education (B. El. Ed)

Or

Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 50% marks and 2-years Diploma in Education (Special Education).

Or

Graduation and two year Diploma in elementary Education (by whatever name known).

It is therefore notified that as per proviso to Sec.23 of the RTE Act, those Primary Teachers who do not possess the above qualifications have to upgrade their qualifications within a period of 5 years from the date of coming into force of the Act i.e. by 31.03.2015. Thus all such Primary teachers who do not possess such qualifications are hereby called up to upgrade their qualifications or obtain required training qualification as specified above.

To facilitate such acquiring of higher qualifications or upgrade existing qualification the State Govt. has already taken up the cause with National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) for providing opportunity to such teachers who need to acquire or upgrade their qualifications as above. Necessary circular in this regard will be issued in due course.

Similarly for those teachers who do not possess the required qualifications will have to apply for admission to D.El.Ed. Course through Open & Distance Learning (ODL) method. The State Govt. has already arranged with NCTE for conduct of such D.El.Ed. Course by the West Bengal Board of Primary Education (WBBPE), Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) or National Institute of Open Schooling and necessary circular regarding conduct of such course will be issued in due course.

For the present all Primary Teachers who do possess the required minimum qualification or the required training Diploma need to immediately register themselves with the District Primary School Council (DPSC) for either or both of the above qualifications through a written application in the form annexed with that Notification. The application in the prescribed format need be duly certified by Head of the Institute where the teacher is presently posted.

The Last date for such registration with the respective DPSC, is 30.06.2012. Those teachers who do not register with the DPSC for either or both of the courses will be assumed to have already in possession to the required qualification or training. In case such teachers are found to be short of the required minimum qualification as prescribed above may face severe consequences after 31.03.2015, the last date for up-gradation of qualification.

These facilities for up-gradation of Educational qualification or training will also be available to Para Teachers, Siksha Bandhus, Siksha Mitras and other contractual teachers who would like to up-grade their qualifications and training. In this case they may register themselves with the DPO Office in prescribed format annexed to this Notification.

This Notification is issued in the interest of and for information of all Primary Teachers in the State who have been duly appointed to any Govt./Govt. Aided/Sponsored Primary Schools in the State.

By the order of the Governor.


Principal Secretary,

School Education Department.