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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION

NOTIFICATION

The 18th February, 2026

ECF No. 745096/5.- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Assam is hereby pleased to make the following rules to further amend the Assam Elementary Education (Provincialization) Rules, 1977, hereinafter referred to as principal Rules, in the manner hereinafter appearing, namely :-

Short title and
commencement

1. (1) These rules may be called the Assam Elementary Education (Provincialisation) (Amendment) Rules, 2026.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

Amendment of rule 2

2. In the principal Rules, in rule 2,
 - (i) after the existing clause (xii), the following new clauses shall be inserted, namely:-
 - “(xiii) “Head Master” means the head of the Upper Primary schools imparting education up to class-VIII;
 - (xiv) “Head Teacher” means head of the Lower primary Schools imparting education up to Class-V.”
 - (ii) the existing clause (xiii) shall be re-numbered as clause (xv).

Insertion of rule 3A 3. In the principal Rules, after rule 3, the following new rule 3A, shall be inserted, namely:-

“Recruitment by promotion **3A.(1) Process of Promotion to the post of Head Master in the Government or Provincialised Upper Primary schools:**

- (i) The post of Headmasters or Headmistress of the Upper Primary Schools shall be promotional posts. Appointment to the posts shall be made on the basis of Seniority-cum-merit and on recommendation of the District Level Selection Committee consisting of the following, namely:-

(a)	District Elementary Education Officer	Chairman
(b)	District Mission Co-Ordinator	Member
(c)	Inspector of Schools or his nominee	Member
(d)	Principal, District Institutes of Education and Training (DIET) or Principal, Normal School or Junior Basic Training Centre	Member
(e)	Deputy Inspector of Schools (Convenor)	Member Secretary

- (ii) The above mentioned Committee shall prepare a District gradation list of Teachers separately for Government or Provincialised Middle English or Middle Vernacular (ME or MV) and Senior Basic Schools in order of seniority showing the date of appointment, educational qualification, year of passing of training, age on the date of appointment, date of retirement which shall be communicated to the incumbents with copies to all the concerned authorities for information.
- (iii) Selection for the posts of Headmasters in such Schools shall be made strictly on the basis of Seniority-cum-merit.
- (iv) The teachers who have completed a minimum period of 10 (ten) years of continuous service along with the necessary training shall be considered for promotion.
- (v) The teachers who have passed at least Matric or HSLC or its equivalent or have passed Intermediate or its equivalent qualification and have successfully undergone the necessary training as required, shall only be considered for promotion:

Provided that the teachers who were not deputed for training or provided with facilities for undergoing the necessary training but have completed a minimum period of 15 (fifteen) years of continuous service with nothing adverse against them, may also be considered for promotion.

- (vi) The Committee shall prepare a panel of selected teachers which shall remain valid for one year from the date of selection.
- (vii) The Hindi or Classical or Language Teachers having the required minimum educational qualification and training may also be considered for promotion.
- (viii) The Committee shall follow the Assam Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Reservation of Vacancies in Service and Posts) Act, 1978 and the rules framed thereunder while preparing the panel of teachers for the post of Headmaster or Head Mistress of Government or Provincialised Middle English or Middle Vernacular (ME or MV) and Senior Basic Schools.
- (ix) The promotion orders shall finally be issued by the Appointing Authority after due verification of the proposals received from the concerned committees.

(2) Process of Promotion to the post of Head Teacher in Government or Provincialised Lower Primary schools having enrolment of 50 (fifty) and above students:

- (i) For upgradation to the post of Head Teacher, the school-wise seniority of teachers shall be considered.
- (ii) Teachers recruited under the Special Recruitment Drive (SRD) shall have their seniority counted from the date of their new appointment under the jurisdiction of the Directorate of Elementary Education, Assam.
- (iii) Teachers serving as Cluster Resource Centre Coordinators (CRCCs) who are selected as the senior-most teacher of a school shall submit an undertaking of resignation from their Cluster Resource Centre Coordinators (CRCC) role.
- (iv) The District Elementary Education Officer (DEEO) or the District Inspector of Schools (DIS) shall appoint an in-charge Head Teacher in schools that lack a regular Head Teacher.
- (v) If a school has no regular teacher, and the Special Recruitment Drive (SRD) appointed teacher is the

senior-most, they shall be upgraded to the post of Head Teacher, and their previous position shall be automatically abolished.

- (vi) In cases where two Lower Primary Schools are merged, the senior-most teacher from the school with the higher student enrollment shall be proposed for upgradation.
- (vii) The seniority of teachers from the school with lower enrollment shall only be considered for transfer or rationalization purposes.
- (viii) If multiple teachers have the same date of joining, seniority shall be determined based on age (older teacher shall be preferred).
- (ix) Accommodation or provincialized Tutors shall not be considered for the Head Teacher position.
- (x) If the senior-most teacher declines the position of Head Teacher, the next eligible teacher shall be considered, subject to submission of a No Objection Certificate (NOC) to the appropriate authority.
- (xi) The service of provincialized teachers shall be counted from the date of provincialization of their services.
- (xii) In cases where two schools have merged or amalgamated,
 - (a) the Senior Head Teacher shall manage financial matters;
 - (b) the Junior Head Teacher shall oversee academic matter;
 - (c) the seniority shall be determined based on age, tenure, and qualifications.

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