Education

The Punjab Government has issued the transfer policy for the Education Providers, EGS/AIE/STR Volunteers. The objective of this policy is the distribution of human resources in an optimal manner to protect academic interest of students and maximize job satisfaction amongst employees in a fair and transparent manner. The Policy will be applicable to all Education Providers, EGS/AIE/STR Volunteers working under SSA/DGSE. The Policy shall be applicable w.e.f. academic session 2020-21. The Education Providers, EGS/AIE/STR Volunteers are liable to be transferred anywhere in the State, at any point of time on administrative grounds. All Government Schools have been categorized into five zones for the purpose.

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The Punjab Government has allowed the teaching of social studies in English medium in all the government schools with the objective of empowering the students of government schools on par with the students of private schools and increasing the enrollment of children in government schools. Science and Mathematics are already being taught in English medium in government schools and now social studies has also been allowed to be taught in English medium in all government schools. It has also been clarified that English medium will be applied only on the option given by the students and no student will be compelled to do so.
The Punjab Government has advised to the private schools not to impose any increase in school fees in 2020-21 over those charged in 2019-20. This decision has been taken due to the lockdown. Schools Management/ Principals have been asked that they should allow the option to parents to pay fees on monthly or quarterly basis. School managements are further advised to sympathetically consider the cases of students whose parents livelihoods may have been adversely impacted due to the lockdown, for fee waiver/concession and no child may be denied access to education (online or regular) on non-payment of fee.

The Punjab Government has decided to broadcast the curriculum/programme on the DD Punjabi to prevent the loss of education of children of government schools due to lockdown. The telecast for class IX is being from 9 am to 11.15 am from May 19, 2020. Similarly, the telecast time for Class X is from 11.15 am to 1.45 pm. The telecast time for primary classes (3rd, 4th and 5th) is from 1.45 pm to 2.45 pm. The D.D. Punjabi is being telecasted on Free Dish, Airtel Dish, Videocon, Tata Sky, Fastway Cable, Sun Direct and Reliance Big TV. School education department has already started the education programme on DTH for 7th and 8th class students from April 20, 2020 to ensure smooth flow of education to the students.
Punjab Education Minister Mr. Vijay Inder Singla's campaign, 'Ambassadors of Hope' created the world record as 1,05,898 school going students shared their videos under this campaign. It was launched for the students of the state to share their creativity during the period of lockdown. The primary objective of engaging the students in a constructive activity during the atmosphere of abject negativity has been achieved. District Ludhiana marked the highest entries of 16,084 videos, followed by Amritsar (13,862) and Sangrur (10,741). Apart from entries, the campaign also engaged around 2.5 Crore people on Social Media platforms in eight days.