

Four Model Inclusive Schools to start in the state for Divyang students to integrate them with general students - Director of Elementary Education Department

Four Model Inclusive Schools will be launched in the state according to the new National Education Policy, the Department of Education has decided to open this school for the purpose of integrating the divyang students with the general students. Director of Elementary Education Department Chandni Chandran said this in a press conference at the Secretariat yesterday. She said that four schools have been selected to be launched as Model Inclusive Schools under the Vidyajyoti School scheme as part of Mission 100. These four schools are Khudiram Bose English Medium School in West Tripura district, Kirit Bikram Institution in Gomati district, Kazi Nazrul Vidya Bhavan in Khowai district and Chandrapur Higher Secondary School in North Tripura district. The director of the department expressed hope that with this the quality of education of Divyang students will be further improved. The director also said that the Education Department has taken initiative to launch the Mission Mukul Project in collaboration with the Social Welfare and Social Education Department to improve the quality of education of the children associated with Anganwadi Centres.

The director said that the central government is working to improve the quality of education for students from pre-primary level to class 3 and for this NIPUN Bharat scheme has been started. Initiatives have been taken to implement this scheme in Tripura as well. She informed that nutritious meal will be given in the schools of Aspirational blocks under Pradhan Mantri Poshan Abhiyan scheme. This has increased the attendance of students in schools by an average of 80 to 90 percent. She also said that digital libraries will be introduced in 304 schools of the state. She said that there are two schools with artificial intelligence lab in the state, one at Belonia English Medium School and another at Agartala Shishu Bihar School. Initiatives are being taken to increase further. She also informed that 9 hostels will be built for general students in the Vidyajyoti Schools. She informed that 20 thousand 337 students have submitted applications for admission in Vidyajyoti schools so far this year. Admission process is going on. She said that the drop out rate at the primary level was 4.22 percent which is currently reduced to 1.04 percent.

Director of Higher Education Department NC Sharma informed that an English medium degree college will be started at Indranagar in Agartala. Students can participate in the admission process through online mode. He also informed that initiatives have been taken to implement skill development programmes for students in different colleges in collaboration with Higher Education Department, NSDC and Skill Development Department. This programme has already been introduced in 11 degree colleges of the state. Secretary of the Education Department Sharadindu Chowdhury was also present at the press conference.