

Regarding...deciding policy of merger of primary schools

Government of Gujarat  
Education Department  
Resolution No: PRE-11-2011-230849-K,  
Sachivalay, Gandhinagar.  
Date: 9/5/2011

**Read : -**

- (1) Resolution No.PRE-1110-223-K of dt.15/4/2010 of Education Department.
- (2) Resolution No.PRE-1389-1728-K of dt.27/4/2011 of Education Department.
- (3) A proposal on single file no.7 of dt.22/3/2011 of Directorate of Primary Education, Gandhinagar.

**Preamble : -**

Primary Education has been bifurcated into two parts viz. Primary Education from Std.1 to 5 and Upper Primary Education from std.6 to 8 vide resolution of Education Department of dt.15/4/2010 vide Right of children to free and compulsory Education Act-2009 enacted by government of India and Gujarat Educational (amendment ) Act-2010.Total 13450 primary schools in state are such in which number of students is less than 100.Out of which 6826 primary schools are such in which number of students is less than 50.There are 3891 primary schools in which there are std.1 to 7 or up to std.8,but number of students is less than 100 and there are 1356 schools in which there are std.1 to 7 or up to std.8,but number of students is less than 50.Out of these schools some primary schools are in rural area, but most of the schools are in rural area. Best utilization of teachers can not be done as there is a policy to sanction at least some teachers on the basis of no. of students in such schools is less. Money used to provide necessary structural facilities to each school in same village can not be best utilized. As a result students of concerned villages can not take sufficient advantage. Therefore, the matter to merge schools having less number of students into nearby primary schools which have more facility and which are comfortable to the village was under consideration of government. Government has carefully considered the matter and has resolved to implement the policy as under to merge primary schools where merger is necessary:

**Resolution: -**

This G.R. shall be applicable for merger of all such schools where total no.of students is 100 or less than 100.

**(A) Procedure to be adopted for merger in cases where primary schools are situated in such a village where there is other primary school in same village : -**

- (1) The school is to be merged with such a larger school situated in same village which has more facilities and which is suitable to the village.

- (2) If the other school is situated at distance of more than one km, only std.1 to 5 are to be continued and the other school is situated at distance of less than one km ,the whole school is to be merged.
- (3) Std.6 to 7/8 will have to be compulsorily merged where other school is situated in the same village at whichever distance of more or less than 1 km.
- (4) Single code is to be given as one primary school to merged both or more schools in order to efficient utilization of classrooms of primary schools which are merged and to accommodate std.1 to 5 in one building of one primary school and 6 to 8 in other building of other primary school and thus to utilize both buildings.

**(B) procedure of merger to be followed in case of schools where there is no other school in the same village**

- (1) Std. 1 to 5 are to be continued in such primary schools
- (2) Merger of std.6 to 8 is to be done in case of such school in other school of the nearest village which is situated at distance of less than three km and having more facility as well as suitability after closing std.6 to 8 in the school.
- (3) If the nearest school is situated at distance of more than three kms, std.1 to 8 in such school are to be continued at present, but merger is to be decided after knowing whether any facility of transport can be evolved by asking list and standard wise no. of students in such school

**(C) to continue more than one primary schools in the same village**

- (1) Permission of starting another school in concerned village will be given only if total number of students in std.1 to 5 is more than 400 in concerned village so that students more than 200 in std.1 to 5 remain in each school. If distance happens more than 1 km between schools, another primary school; can be started as an exception of the rule.
- (2) Another school for standard 6 to 8 can be started only if no. of students in same standards in village is more than 200 so that each primary school can get at least 100 students.

**(D) Regarding merger in urban areas :-**

- (1) If total number of students is less than 100 in a primary school and there is an other school within radius of 1 km, the school is completely to be merged into the other school having more facilities and std.1 to 5 are to be started in one building and std.6 to 8 are to be started in other building.
- (2) Std.1 to 5 are to be continued in such school if the nearest primary school is situated at distance of more than one km, but less than three km and after closing std.6 to 8 in such school, it is to be merged in the nearest primary school.
- (3) If the nearest school is situated at distance of more than three km, merger is to be decided after asking list and standard wise no. of students in such school and after knowing how many km. away the nearest school is situated after making transport facility.

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(E) It is resolved that now each primary school will be of std.1 to 5 or std.6 to 8 or Std.1 to 8.

Necessary monitoring for strict implementation of above mentioned instructions shall be done by Director of Primary Education, Gandhinagar.

The resolution is dispatched by consent of government vide noting of dt.29/4/2011 on file of even number of the department.

By order and in name of Governor of Gujarat,

Sd/-

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To,

- Principal Secretary to Hon. Governor, Raj Bhavan, Gandhinagar.
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- All Departments of Secretariate, Gandhinagar.
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- Director, Primary Education, G.S. Gandhinagar.
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- Director, Gujarat State Board of School Text Books, Gandhinagar.
- Secretary, Gujarat Secondary and Higher Secondary Education, G.S. Gandhinagar.
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- All D.P.E.Os./D.E.Os.
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- Inspector, Local Accounts Fund, G.S. Gandhinagar.
- Director of Information, G.S. Gandhinagar. For publication in prominent Daily Newspapers of State.
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