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British sex edn to highlight moral values

LONDON, May 2: Moral values are to be stressed under new guidelines for sex education in British schools, the Conservative government announced yesterday. Parents and not teachers, should be the main source of sex education, said Education Minister John Patten, reports Reuter.

Teachers should teach children family values and the importance of love and mutual respect in sexual relations. "We are clear that all sex education should take place within a framework which encourages pupils to consider the moral dimension of their actions," he added.

"It should recognise the value of family life and understand the importance of loving relationships and mutual respect. The teaching offered by schools should be complementary and supportive to the role of parents," Patten said in a statement.