

## Pvt educational coaching ban challenged in court

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A lawyer of the Supreme Court yesterday filed a writ petition with the High Court challenging the legality of the government's policy that stopped providing of private coaching by teachers at educational institutions.

On June 20 this year, the government announced the policy titled "Policy-2012 to stop teachers from doing coaching business in educational institutions", which prevents teachers at schools and college levels from providing private tuition to students of their own institutions.

Advocate Eunos Ali Akond yesterday submitted the petition praying that the HC stays the effectuation of the policy and issues a rule upon the government to

explain why the policy should not be declared illegal and void.

In the petition, the lawyer said the Service Regulation 1979 allows the teachers, provided with monthly payment order (MPO), to provide private tuition to students upon prior permission from the governing bodies of their institutions.

While, the teachers, who are not provided with MPO, can provide private tuition without any permission from the governing body, as per the service regulation, he stated.

Around 90 percent of the teachers do not get their salaries from the government. So they should be allowed to provide private coaching, he added.

Hearing of the petition might be held on September 30, Eunos Ali said.