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Separate Education Service Commission recommended

The country needs a separate Education Service Commission to become more careful, discreet and dynamic in selecting and appointing teachers, an expert committee of the Ministry of Education recommended recently, reports BSS.

The experts committee said this Commission could take the responsibility of selecting teachers for all the government and non-government educational institutions ranging from the primary schools to the college level.

The committee was constituted with the leading academicians of the country to recommend, imperative measures for bringing about reforms in the education service.

It observed that Primary education has now been made universal and free. Moreover, the government bears the major share of resources required for salaries for non-government secondary, higher secondary, college and madrasa teachers.

Under these circumstances, it is imperative that the government rules and regulations are put in practice while appointing teachers, both for government and non-government institutions.

In doing so, the practice of appointing incompetent teachers through donations may be

stopped, and the merit of the teachers may become the sole criterion for their appointment and promotion.

The committee also recommended that since primary education is universal, each student have to be enrolled in one school or the other.

The talent and aptitude of individual students from the higher secondary stage should be taken into special consideration for enrolment in particular courses and educational institutions.

The process of admission to colleges or universities should start within four to six weeks of the publication of results of the higher secondary examination.

The committee suggested that the admission test should take place centrally and simultaneously throughout the country for all the educational institutions and subjects—humanities, commerce, social science, medical science, engineering and so forth.

This test will be taken under the supervision of University Grants Commission (UGC) with the cooperation of universities, and the students will have an opportunity to be enrolled in the universities and colleges department-wise according to the merit list and their chronological choice of subjects.