

IAS, IPS officers to assess quality of edu in govt schools

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Guwahati: The state government is gearing up to provide accreditation to government-run schools in the state on the basis of quality assessment done by IAS and IPS officers.

On the lines of the Gujarat model, the state's first Gunotsav, to be held in March 2017, will assess learning gaps in primary-level education in eight districts of the state. The practice envisages to evaluate the primary education scenario in Assam from Class II to VIII.

Sources in the state education department said this is the first time that quality assessment of the state government-run schools will be done by such high-ranking officers. "As many go-

vernment-run schools in the state are lagging behind private schools, the Gunotsav is going to set a benchmark for them. The IAS and IPS officers, along with Grade I and Grade II officials from different government departments, will oversee the learning level

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of students during Gunotsav. One officer will visit three schools during the mega event, where the chief minister and his cabinet colleagues will also visit the classrooms," said a senior official of the state education department.

Once the schools are classified during external evaluation in Gunotsav, the government will focus on up-

grading the quality of government-run schools which constitute the major chunk of educational institutions in the state. Most importantly, the convergence exercise is expected to increase teachers' accountability and help in reducing the dropout rate of the students.

Each child of the specified category in eight districts of Barpeta, Chirang, Dibrugarh, Hailakandi, Kamrup (Metro), Lakhimpur, Morigaon and West Karbi Anglong will be assessed in the initial phase of the education fest.



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