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## Govt able to fill out 25% vacancies of principals

DEHRADUN: Chief minister Harish Rawat on Tuesday said that all discrepancies in the existing state government's pay structure as per the recommendations of Sixth Pay Commission, will be resolved to help out the state government staff.

Inaugurating 'The Education Upgradation Conference' in the city, Rawat pointed out that officials in state finance department with the help of other departments, are already working on a plan to do away with the discrepancies in the state government staff 's pay scales and other emoluments in accordance with Sixth Pay Commission's recommendations.

Sources in state finance department said the state government is planning to implement Seventh Pay and remunerate revised pay scales to about 60,000 state government staff. The discrepancies in pay structure will also be resolved.

Rawat clarified that state government has been facing problems in doing away certain pay-related discrepancies mainly due to inter-cadre rivalry in the departments.

"We are trying our level best to do away the grievances of the government staff", said chief secretary Shatrughana Singh.

Talking about several vacancies at different intermediate colleges, Rawat said the process to fill these posts will begin shortly.

He made it clear that maximum number of these posts will be filled up through promotion. "We were able to fill out 25 % vacancies of principals while 75 % vacancies are yet to be filled out", said CM Rawat.

Emphasizing on the need to innovate the education sector in the state, Rawat asked principals to make noticeable changes in the academic field by adopting innovative methods of teaching.

Terming the principals as guides and philosophers of education sector, Rawat said principals should come forward to face the challenges. They should modernize and upgrade the education system.