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Appointment of teachers: MEPSTA to approach Governor

SHILLONG, Aug 21: The Meghalaya Elementary Pre-Service Trained Teachers Association (MEPSTA) has decided to knock on the door of Meghalaya Governor on the inability of the MUA-II government to appoint teachers who have completed their Diploma in Elementary Education (D.L Ed) from the District Institutes of Education and Training (DIETs) despite the approval from the cabinet ministers of the state in 2015 to conduct the Eligibility Test.

The teachers who have completed the DL.Ed in a meeting held at Khasi National Dorbar Hall, Mawkhar Shillong on Saturday, expressed their unhappiness over the silent attitude and delay of the state government to conduct the Teachers Eligibility Test (TET) and to recruit teachers who have completed the DL.Ed as per the regulations of the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) of the central government.

While speaking to newsmen here on Saturday, Kiewshaphrang J.W Thabah, President MEPSTA, said, "The meeting today has condemned the delay of the state government in conducting the Teachers Eligibility Test (TET) and the appointment of teachers who have completed two years in DL.Ed." The leader of MEPSTA said that on 29 May 2015 the cabinet ministers have agreed to conduct the Eligibility Test however till date the education department has not taken any steps in this connection. "We have also sent an appointment letter to the Education Minister RC Laloo with regards to this matter however one year have passed we have not received any reply from the department," he said.

He further said that the state government has also delayed the release of the advertisement for the post of assistant teacher in Elementary Level which includes Lower Primary and Upper Primary.

"There are 1060 trained teachers who have completed the DIET from various District of the state and they deserve to get appointment in the 1200 vacant post of assistant teachers in government LP School and Deficit School," Kiewshaphrang said adding that till today the government have been filling this post on contract basis or officiating.