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Guest teachers hold march, seek regular jobs

Guest teachers of government schools held a silent protest march here today in support of their demand for regular jobs.

The protesters wearing black ribbons in their forearms gathered at the Parade Ground. The march passed through Lansdowne Chowk and Survey Chowk to Rajpur Road before culminating back at the Parade Ground. During the rally, the protesters tried to storm the state Congress office but were stopped by the police and Congress workers.

Vivek Yadav, president of the Uttarakhand Guest Teachers Association (Madhyamik), led the protest march. He accused Chief Minister Harish Rawat of failing to keep his promise of regularising the services of guest teachers.

“During President’s rule, when Harish Rawat was out of office, he himself came to our dharna site at the Parade Ground and promised regular jobs to guest teachers. He returned to power but the promise is yet to be kept,” he said. They would hold a march to the Secretariat in Dehradun tomorrow.

Harish Arya, Daulat Jagudi, Mahavir Chauhan and Praveen Thakur took part in the protest. The state government had discontinued the services of as many as 6,000 guest teachers working with various government schools.