## Primary Teachers may apply online from June 30 for 16448 Posts

Allahabad: The basic education department will start inviting online applications for appointment of over 16,448 teachers in government primary schools, from June 30. The state government recently gave its approval for the recruitment drive after a series of protests by unemployed Teachers' Eligibility Test (TET) qualified candidates.

Secretary Basic Shiksha Parishad, Sanjay Sinha, on Friday conducted a meeting with officials of National Informatics Centre (NIC) in Lucknow for managing the online admission process. He said the procedure for recruitment has started and NIC would soon upload the details of the recruitment process on the department's the official website.

The appointment of the teachers would be completed before the month of August so that thousands of vacant posts in government primary schools in Uttar Pradesh could be filled. The move is expected to benefit those shiksha mitras who have qualified the recently conducted Uttar Pradesh Teacher Eligibility Test (UP-TET).

The Akhilesh Yadav- led government had earlier, through an order, started the regularisation process of about 1.72 lakh shiksha mitras but Allahabad high court had quashed the order in October, 2015. Later, the apex court had stayed the HC verdict on the plea of state government.

Ahsan Khan, principal of a primary school, said, "The news ends the uncertainty looming over the future of TET-qualified shiksha mitras, who are teaching in primary schools for past several years and is a golden opportunity for their career. After their appointment they can be sure of a government teaching job irrespective of the outcome of Supreme Court case pending against them".