

# **ABSTRACT**

Committees - Vocational Education - Higher Secondary - High Level Committee on Vocational Education - Report submitted - Recommendations accepted - Orders Issued.

## **School Education (VE) Department**

G.O.(Ms).No.8 Dated 6.1.2009.

G.O.Ms.No.128, School Education, dated 12.6.2007.

#### ORDER:-

In the G.O. read above a High Level Committee on Vocational Education was constituted to review the present status of the Vocational Education Courses offered in Higher Secondary Schools in the State and to revamp the Vocational Education in accordance with present day requirements.

- 2. The above Committee has submitted its report to Government. The Committee has offered its recommendations to revamp Vocational Education in various aspects like updation of syllabus/curriculum, practical training by user industry, competency based evaluation, independent certification by industry, imparting training and rationalisation of courses based on market demand etc. A gist of the recommendations is annexed to this order.
- 3. The Government examined the report of the High Level Committee on Vocational Education and accept its recommendations.
- 4. The Director of School Education is directed to initiate follow up action on the above recommendations of the High Level Committee on Vocational Education.
  - 5. He is also requested to send an action taken report to Government. (By Order of the Governor)

M. Kutralingam, Principal Secretary to Government.

To
The Director of School Education, Chennai – 6.
All HODs under School Education Department
All Members of the High Level Committee through the DSE
All CEOs and DEOs.(through DSE)
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Section Officer.

#### ANNEXURE

A Gist of the recommendations of the High Level Committee on revamping of Vocational Education in Higher Secondary Schools in Tamil Nadu.

## I Structure:

The objective of training young people is to make them ready to join the workforce / become self employed. Practical component of the courses should be strengthened and courses should be need based.

## II Curriculum:

Should have two Vocational subjects with both theory & practical components with 20 periods per week Language syllabus should be reworked based on National curriculum design Vocational groups having one practical course should be converted to general stream. In groups where the fourth optional is a vocational subject its utility has to be examined on a case to case basis.

## **III Business and Commerce course:**

Subjects such as Office Management, Business Management which have characteristics of general group may be converted to general groups. Subjects like Office Secretaryship may be converted into vocational stream with typewriting and shorthand (in DTE standard) and computer applications or computer aided accounting. For Auditing Banking Insurance practicals should be arranged through Banks, Insurance Agencies or Audit firms.

## IV Theory & syllabus:

Syllabus revision should be made immediately and in future must be undertaken along with general theory subjects. The text book revision should immediately follow.

## V Practical training:

Should be based on market demand and imparted by user industry / Industry Association

- (i) Incentives should be offered to industry to setup training facilities in school premises for use by nearby two or three schools.
- (ii) Training can be imparted in Government or reputed ITI or polytechnic or field units of Agri Universities, Community colleges on payment of cost for consumables. Theory syllabus should be centralised and practical syllabus should be decentralised and made context specific District level committees should be setup for this.

#### VI Examination and evaluation:

Evaluation should be competency based and independent certification by State Council for Vocational training or by the agencies/industry imparting training.

#### VII Unpopular and unviable courses:

School specific unpopular courses or with 15 or less students should be wound up.

**VIII** No Teacher should be appointed at this stage till the revised system of Vocational Education is fully finalised.

M. Kutralingam, Principal Secretary to Government.

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