

Early Childhood Care and Education in Andaman And Nicobar Islands

Pre-Primary School Education

Pre-Primary School Education is an integral part of Education. The Department of Education, Andaman and Nicobar Administration, has established Pre-Primary Education facilities in all 297 Govt. Schools / Section out of 309 Govt. Schools / Sections. 13 Govt. Schools have not been covered so far due to less number of students as these schools are in forest habitations with very meager enrolment. Besides this, there are 136 other schools like 14 Local Body Schools, 2 Private Aided School, 2 Central Govt. Schools & 118 Private Un-aided which also extend pre-primary education schooling facilities.

Pre-Primary Classes under Department of Education

- The Department of Education is providing 2 Years Pre-Primary Education facilities for preparing the student for Early Childhood education. Students with 4 years age are eligible for admission.
- Under this, students are imparted training in Oral / Written / Rhymes etc for 4 hours a day.
- In addition to this, students are also engaged in play activities for which schools equipped with play materials. Snacks, Banana & Egg are also provided to these children as a nutritional support.
- All these schools are management by one Part-time Pre-Primary Teacher and one Part-time Pre-Primary Ayah. Services of Part-time Pre Primary Ayah is also utilized for the cleanliness work of school.

- Qualification of Part time Pre-Primary Teacher is Intermediate Pass whereas Part time Pre-Primary Ayah should be of 10th Class Pass with consolidated monthly salary of Rs.10000/- and Rs.7000/- respectively. These staffs are engaged for 10 months of academic session. Every year these staffs are re-engaged from the very first day of the academic session.
- Selection of these staffs is based on the recommendations of SMCs (School Management Committees) of the School concerned.

Outcome of Pre-Primary Education:

It becomes easy for the teaching fraternity of Primary level to manage these students in Class-I with more comfort.

Pre-Primary Classes under Other Schools

- Providing 3 Year Pre-Primary Education facilities for preparing the student for Early Childhood education. Students with 3 yrs age are eligible for admission. Level of Education is Nursery, Lower KG, Upper KG.
- Under this, students are imparted training in Oral / Written / Rhymes etc for 4 hours a day.
- All these schools are management by one Part-time Pre-Primary Teacher and one Part-time Pre-Primary Ayah.
- Qualification of Part time Pre-Primary Teacher is Matriculation with certificate course in Nursery or equivalent whereas Part time Pre-Primary Ayah should be 8th Class Pass.











