

Edu dept to conduct online test to check students' vocabulary

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LUDHIANA: To evaluate its initiative of enhancing students' vocabulary, the state education department will conduct an online test for the students on August 30.

The government schools, in which maximum number of students clears the online test, will be given awards.

State education secretary Krishan Kumar informed the teachers that no new words will be sent to the schools till the test is conducted.

At the start of academic session 2019-20, the education department had started a project to help students improve their vocabulary and understanding of the language.

For the past two months, the state education department had been sending a word daily to the schools, which was being discussed in the morning assembly and explained in detail by the principals.

The 'word of the day' was sent from the state headquarters along with a detailed description, including its origin, meaning, usage and synonyms, either in English or Punjabi languages to all government schools across the state, and school heads were directed to write the word daily on the display boards to help students learn new words.

Principal of Government Senior Secondary School, Lalton Kalan, Pradeep Sharma, said, "I explain meaning of the 'word of the day' to the students everyday in the morning assembly. This exercise helps students learn new words and improve pronunciation."

"In our school, students have maintained a diary to note down the words," Sharma added.

In last two months, the students have learnt around 50 new words both in English and Punjabi.

District education officer (secondary) Swaranjit Kaur, said, "I have been inspecting around three to four government schools everyday and learnt that the exercise of making the students learn new words with their meanings is helping them improve their vocabulary. This initiative taken up by the state is proving to be a boon for the students."