

Govt to launch 'Community Outreach' to get parents feedback for schools

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NEW DELHI: The Delhi Government is expected to launch a new campaign called 'Community Outreach' by November 28 through the School Management Committee (SMC) which will reach out to parents of all government schools and take their input on the functioning of the schools. The training of social workers for this campaign is expected to start in two weeks in which Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia will motivate the team of social workers and educate them about the purpose of the campaign.

The feedback from the parents is to be part of a three year plan called School Development Plan (SDP) that the Education Department of the Delhi government is currently working on.

A source from the Delhi government said, "the Community Outreach programme has another aspect where social workers of the SMC

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will talk to parents and educate them about the various schemes under the Delhi government. 'Shiksha Pe Charcha' will be about informing parents about the Happy classes, Entrepreneurship Mindset Curriculum (EMC), Mission Buniyaad, and other such initiatives by the Delhi government in the field of education."

The parents feedback is the key focus of the campaign – Community Outreach – under which issues regarding infrastructure, children education, or any other concern that parents may have will be taken into account.

"The next step of the SMC will be to address any grievances that the parents may

have. For example, if there are issues related to infrastructure like bathroom is not hygienic or a student cannot understand what the teacher is teaching, or homework is not being evaluated by the teacher, it will be noted down and action will be taken. Some grievances may require immediate attention or some issues can be fixed on the spot then it will be done," said an official from the Delhi Government.

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The SMC comprises of 16 members of which 12 are parents, one MLA of the concerned constituency, one social worker, an SMC convenor, who is usually a teacher, and a chairperson – the principal of the concerned school. The SMC educates and informs parents and students about the benefits of government schemes along with solving other problems related to schools and students.