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D No of ST candidates registered with the Employment Exchange in different category are as under:

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| (i)   | Post Graduate Teacher      | 03 |
| (ii)  | Graduate Trained Teacher   | 08 |
| (iii) | Physical Education Teacher | 02 |

The present shortage of ST candidates for appointment to the post of teachers under the Dte of Education is as follows:-

Category	No. of ST posts available to be filled up.
PGT	36
GTT	61
Lib.Gr.II	11
CI	16
Lab.Asstt	08
HM(M)	01

Considering the shortage being faced in the southern group of islands and reluctance on the part of many teachers to serve there, it is felt that Admn should go for recruitment of ST candidates, even if it involves relaxation of qualifications. A proposal is being submitted separately for recruitment of ST candidates by relaxing the qualifications in different grades. In case we relax the qualifications for ST candidates, it may not be difficult to fill up the posts of GTTs in the coming years. However, filling up of the post of PGTs may take some more time. Till such period, posts can perhaps be manned on contract basis. Similarly, posts of Librarian Grade II, Craft Instructor and Lab Assistant etc can be filled up if necessary by trained PSTs, after giving necessary relaxation in RR and providing them requisite training. Surplus ST candidates are available under PST category. It is also felt that de-reservation of ST vacancies may evolve appointment of non-ST candidates, thereby the problems of posting teachers to southern group of islands may continue to persist.

In view of the above, the proposal for de-reservation of ST vacancies in respect of teachers needs reconsideration.