

Parl standing committee mulls performance appraisal of teachers

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The parliamentary standing committee on education has called for a system of performance appraisal, where students and peers can evaluate the performance of professors and teachers in higher educational institutions, and recommended mandatory leadership courses for aspiring principals.

Headed by BJP's Vinay Sahasrabudde, the panel, in its report "Review of education standards, accreditation process, research, exam reforms" submitted on Monday, said: "At least on an experimental basis, a mechanism for ensuring the accountability and performance of facul-

ties in the universities and colleges should be put in place similar to that of foreign universities, where the performance of college professors and teachers is evaluated by their peers and students."

The panel said there should be institutional leadership and management courses for

aspiring, existing principals, administrative heads of colleges, universities, noting: "After a certain period of time, the government can think about appointing only those academics as college principals and VCs, who have completed institutional leadership programmes."

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Phygital (physical and digital) mode of instruction
- De-recognition of colleges running commercial collaborations with coaching centres
- 100% tax deduction for donations to education sector
- Parity of education with infrastructure. Open curriculum and continuing curriculum revision

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“The parameter of the institution's exam management competency be considered mandatory for consideration of accreditation.