

Do you think scrapping of No Detention policy in school is right move to improve the learning levels of children? Discuss.

No Detention policy: Under the Right to Education Act, no student can be failed or expelled from school till the completion of elementary education covering classes 1 to 8. All the students up till class 8 will automatically be promoted to next class.

Drawback of No Detention policy:

Most of the schools are running without any teachers. If no-detention policy continues, it will leave a negative impact on the standard of education and force the children to face more harsh future.

It also makes no distinction between good and bad student and between those who work hard and those who don't.

Education department does not take steps to revamp itself and teachers do not take the pain to ensure a good education.

If no merit is checked while giving promotion to another class, the children will never learn the

importance of studying and acquiring knowledge. It will lead to a poor academic outcome in classes.

It is the reason of high failure and dropouts in classes 9 and 10.

Advantage of No detention policy :

Dropouts from the schools due to peer pressure was the main reason the Right to Education Act included the no-detention provision. If it is reversed, many students would stop going to school when they fail.

Way ahead :

Scrapping the no-detention policy will not solve all problems.

The reason for the poor learning outcome is the product of many factors which influence learning.

TO IMPROVE LEARNING :

Measuring of learning outcomes of all children on a regular basis,

catalysing "performance driven culture" & rewarding high performers at every level,

parents were made responsible or accountable for full attendance of their children.