



# Haryana Revokes 'No Detention Policy' for Conducting Board Exams for Classes V, VIII

## Why in News

- On January 18, 2022, the Haryana government issued a notification to amend the Haryana Children's Right to Free and Compulsory Education Rules, 2011 to abolish the 'No Detention Policy' and introduce two-class board examinations.

## Key Points

- Under the new rules called Haryana Children's Right to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Rules, 2022, the state will now conduct a regular examination at the end of classes V and VIII. Board exams in class V and VIII will be started from this academic year.
- Students who fail in this exam and those who fail in re-examination will be put back in the same class.
- The no-detention policy under RTE 2009 had banned the practice of repeating low-performing children in primary school from classes I to VIII to ensure that students do not drop out.
- Now the amendment in RTE allows the Haryana government to authorize any other agency having specialization in conducting regular examination in class V and VIII or in conducting such examination at the end of each academic year in government and recognized private schools of the state. .
- The amended rules stipulate that if a child fails in the regular examination in class V or VIII, as the case may be, he shall be given additional instructions and reappointed within a period of two months from the date of declaration of result. If he fails in the regular examination of class V or class VIII even after additional instructions and opportunity for re-examination, he will be put back in the said class.
- A certificate of completion of classes V and VIII shall be issued by the educational authority or the agency authorized to conduct such examination within one month of the completion of the regular examination of these classes.
- It is noteworthy that the central government had repealed the no-detention policy for classes V and VIII after the passage of amendments to the Right to Education Act in Parliament in 2019.

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