



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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Hon. Premila Kumar to ask the Minister for Education – As a result of increasing the retirement age from 55 to 60 years, can the Minister update Parliament on –

- (a) how many retired teachers have been recruited and in which field in secondary schools or which class in Primary school in 2023;
- (b) (b) how many new graduates have been recruited in the teaching workforce in 2023;
- (c) (c) provide a breakdown of the number of teachers and their area of expertise in the waiting pool; and
- (d) how many surplus teachers are there in the system and provide a breakdown of the number of teachers and the subject they teach

(a) how many retired teachers have been recruited and in which field in secondary schools or which class in Primary school in 2023;

➤ **RETIREES** - 75 retirees have been re-engaged out of the 127 teachers who retired in 2022.

School Classification	No. of Retirees	Re-Engaged	To-be Reengaged
ECE	9	2	7
Primary	80	49:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 32 HOS • 8 AHT • 9 classroom 	31
Secondary	38	24:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 Principals • 3 VPs • 3 APs • 8 HODs • 5 classroom teachers 	14
TOTAL	127	75	52

(b) how many new graduates have been recruited in the teaching workforce in 2023;

➤ **NEW GRADUATES** - a total of **283** new graduates have been given placements in schools so far this year.

School classification	No. of Graduates
ECE	52
Primary	147
Secondary	81
Special Inclusive Education	3
TOTAL	283

- (c) provide a breakdown of the number of teachers and their area of expertise in the waiting pool; Total number of teachers in the waiting pool – 1676

Breakdown	
School classification	Waiting Pool Population
ECE	243
Primary	329
SIE	55

Secondary School

Discipline		Waiting Pool Population
Trained		
1	Geo & History / Social Science	86
2	English / Vosavakaviti	51
3	English/History	12
4	English/Hindi	19
5	English/Geography	38
6	Computer / Office Technology	23
7	Biology/Chemistry	56
8	Agriculture Science	41
9	Accounting/Economics	48
10	Industrial Arts	31
11	Home Economics	57
12	Maths/Chemistry	3
13	Maths/Computer	8
14	Maths/Physics	20
15	PEMAC	12
16	Urdu	6
Straight Degree		
1	Geo & History / Social Science	42
2	English/Vosavakaviti	54

3	English/History	25
4	English/Hindi	33
5	English/Geography	50
6	Computer / Office Technology	9
7	Biology/Chemistry	30
8	Agriculture Science	58
9	Accounting/Economics	55
10	Industrial Arts	48
11	Home Economics	59
12	Maths/Chemistry	7
13	Maths/Physics	27
14	Maths/Computer	24
15	PEMAC	15
16	Urdu	2
TOTAL		1676

- (d) how many surplus teachers are there in the system and provide a breakdown of the number of teachers and the subject they teach. **Total Surplus teachers – 171**

Breakdown	
School classification	Surplus Population
ECE	0
Primary	98
Special Inclusive Education	0

Secondary School

Discipline		Surplus Population
Trained		
1	Language	11
2	Accounting/Economics	1
3	Home Economics	5
4	Agriculture Science	8
5	Chemistry/Biology	4
6	Commerce	22
7	Social Science	1
8	Maths	7
9	PEMAC	4
10	Hindi	2
11	Industrial Arts	1
12	Geo/History	5
13	English / Vosa Vakaviti	1
Straight Degree		
1	Office Technology	1
TOTAL		171