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## Move to bring uniformity in schools

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The Ministry of Education has introduced a new set of rules for regulating and maintaining uniformity in all educational institutions in the country.

These rules have been made effective from Sunday.

The private schools with bias for english education from an earlier stage then recommended by the Government and provision for weekly tests used to follow five-day a week.

These institution have been instructed to have a six-day week instead of a five day week.

Some schools appealed to the Ministry of Education for allowing them to maintain the past working schedule. But the request has been turned down.

All schools be it private or Government will have specific number of holidays and all schools will go on vacation and reopen on the same day.

The terminal and final examinations will begin and end on the same day.

It was not known whether the Government will impose restrictions on the operation of kindergarten schools which have proliferated in recent times.

There is no uniforminty in school fees also. Kindergarten schools with non-qualified teachers are charging exorbitant fees from guardians who have no option due to scarcity of seats in better managed and reputable schools.

There should be uniformity in educational institutions but the Ministry of Education must remain careful so that in the name of the uniformity the better schools do not suffer.