

No public exam after Class V

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THE primary and mass education ministry has in principle decided that the Primary Education Completion Examination for students for Class V will be scrapped in the wake of demands from guardians and educationists.

'There will be no primary education completion exam after class V. Primary students will sit for this exam after class VIII,' primary and mass education minister Mostafizur Rahman told reporters at the secretariat on Tuesday.

'We will send a proposal for scrapping the exam soon to the cabinet division as the test was introduced in 2009 through cabinet's decision,' he added.

When asked about the criteria of scholarships for primary education students as at present it is set on the basis of results of primary exams, Mostafizur said they were yet to make a decision on the method.

Mostafizur's comments come at a time when a section of parents of children enrolled at different schools have taken to the streets for scrapping the examination after Class V.