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Rural schools banned to collect extra fees

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BEIJING, Jan. 26 (Xinhuanet) -- China's Ministry of Education has forbidden the primary and junior middle schools in rural areas to collect extra fees for students.

The schoolmasters will be removed from their posts if extra fees are collected, according to a report of Thursday's China Daily.

Students only need to hand in fees for textbooks, workbooks, and accommodation fees, Wang Xuming, spokesman for the ministry, was quoted as saying.

"Rural schools are forbidden to collect any other fee aside from the three permitted categories," he said.

In the past, students in rural areas were charged various types of fees as the main support for rural school operations and teacher salaries.

"The governments should invest in primary and junior middle school operations and staff salary payment. They are not allowed to depend on fees from students to run schools," Wang said.

"Besides textbook and workbook fees, schools are not allowed to collect any other fees for supplementary books and equipment," he said.

Rural schools are also forbidden to require students to buy school uniforms or bedding, according to Wang.

The ministry encouraged local governments of developed regions to provide school uniforms and bedding to students free of charge.

Meanwhile, Wang mentioned the possibility that students who quit studying to accompany their migrant worker parents to cities will swarm back to their hometowns to study.

"Educational departments should keep a close eye on the issue and report to upper governments and help propose solutions," he said.

An estimated 2.3 million Chinese children, who should receive compulsory education, have quit school. Most of them are from rural areas.

"We hope that the new policy will attract more rural children back to school," Wang said.

Students and their parents should report to the government immediately if they find any school that charges extra fees. Enditem

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