

GTS II # Education
Performance grading index can transform the performance of schools as recognized by right to education act 2009 in the country? Analyse.

Performance grading index (PGI) is released by Union Education Ministry annually, which assess the school education system of states & UT's & assign them a score.

PGI index is very helpful in propelling the performance of schools on objectives of Right to Education act 2009

- Free
- compulsory (6-14 years age)
- Quality education

* Index creates a competition among the state to upgrade their education system

Ex:- PGI score of Punjab, Arunachal Pradesh improved by 20% over previous year

* Transparent score & data for each parameter & subtopic made available in

public domain, resource sharing help
low performing states to tap it

Ex:- Best education practice of Karnataka
can be followed by N-E states

* Parameters of the score is comprehensive
& multidimensional

Ex:- Access, equity, governance process,
Infrastructure & facilities

* Index indicates regional disparities in
development, thus much focus can be
made on those regions

Ex:- PERI 2020 - Southern & North Western
regions performing good compared to N.E
states

* It gives opportunity to states to correct
their education system

Ex:- If lack of access is indicated, state
can come up with schemes like Swayam Prabha
Tele schools etc.,

However respecting the index &
reforming school education system depends
on state govt & their political will.

Pandemic affected our education system
with online education, digital divide, lack
of learning. Addressing this in next year PERI
is also crucial.