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One of the questions being raised from teachers was the issue of their transfer from one place to the other. Teacher transfer has been a common phenomenon since the introduction of modern education to Ethiopia and it was admitted as right. But with the introduction of decentralization to lower levels, teachers' transfer has encountered with a problem since the budget to run activities is being given in the form of block grant. As a result, authorities at the lower level were not interested to implement the teachers' transfer which has been considered as a culture.

After series of negotiation with the stakeholders, a guidance which helps to arrange teacher placement/transfer was made and Federal Education Congress which is conducted yearly, held this year in Tigray Regional state, at Mekele, capital of Tigray, has endorsed the guidance which would be implemented after the necessary changes is made at regional level.