Islamabad: The participants of a two-day National Conference on ‘Teachers’ Accreditation’ have recommended licensing of the teachers in before they start teaching, which should be renewed after every 3-5 years.

The conference was organised here by National Accreditation Council for Teachers in collaboration with UNESCO at Allama Iqbal Open University (AIOU). The conference was a follow-up of the recommendations of the Inter-Provincial Forum on Teachers Accreditation held in October 2011. The moot also recommended registration of teacher’s right after completion of their degrees, pre-registration on minimum standards in accordance with national standards for teachers, and continuous professional development with weightage and credit hours for the promotion and selection procedure of teachers.

The conference recommended these steps first for school teachers in government institutions only.

The participants discussed and presented their planning and current status on introduction of quality assurance mechanism in teacher education like registration, licensing and certification. Participants also prepared a roadmap for development of registration, licensing and certification of teachers with continuous professional development in their respective provinces.

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