**23.3 PROPERTY MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE (PMC)**

Maintenance is the process of ensuring the safety of the building and other assets of the school.

* It is an endeavor to keep the property in a possible good shape and optimum efficient condition.
* Inadequate maintenance can result in decay, degradation and reduced performance and can affect health and threaten the safety of those present in the school.
* Deterioration in school property requires a constant monitoring and repair/maintenance of the damaged property.
* Maintenance of school building, hostel, if any, ground/s, furniture, electrical and electronic fittings, computers etc. is a gigantic task and could be frustrating for an individual. It can comparatively be an easy task if a committee is assigned the responsibility to looked after the repair work.
* Property committee will look after the stability of the property.
* Optimize the performance of electric/electronic gadgets.
* Help inform the plans for renovation, refurbishing, retrofitting or new buildings.
* Determine the cause of defects and so help prevent re-occurrence or repetition.
* Ensure continued compliance with statutory requirements
* Common maintenance tasks include,
* School building painting and other repair work.
* Carpentering required for school furniture and other wood-work.
* Rubbish clearance.
* Sanitary work— repair or new.
* Repair, maintenance or purchase of electrical items.
* Maintenance, repair or purchase of electronic items.
* Ensuring the supply of water for drinking and other purposes.
* (SMC) can elect, nominate, and guide the members of PMC.
* Prior approval of the work to be carried out requires the approval of school managing committee (SMC)