GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Constraints in the implementation of the New Education Policy (NEP), 2020

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Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether various State Governments have flagged constraints in the implementation of the New Education Policy (NEP), 2020;
- (b) if so, the details of such concerns raised by different States;
- (c) whether Government has taken any steps or plan to take any remedial measures to address these issues;
- (d) if so, the nature of assistance-financial, technical, or administrative- being extended to the States; and
- (e) whether Government plans to ensure uniform and effective implementation of the NEP across the country, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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(a) to (e): The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) has been announced on 29.07.2020 after detailed consultation process with all stakeholders including Gram Panchayats, Blocks, Urban Local Bodies, Districts and States/Union Territories Governments, Hon'ble Members of Parliament, public etc. National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) provides different timelines as well as principles and methodology for its implementation which will have to be taken by multiple bodies in a synchronized and systematic manner. Therefore, the implementation of this Policy is led by various bodies including Ministry of Education, education-related other Ministries, State Departments of Education, Boards, NTA, the regulatory bodies of school and higher education, NCERT, SCERTs, schools, and HEIs. NEP also provides for careful planning, joint monitoring and collaborative implementation by Centre and States for execution of this policy.

Accordingly, Ministry of Education, State Governments, education-related Ministries, the regulatory and implementing bodies of school and higher education such as University Grants Commission, All India Council for Technical Education, National Council for Teacher Education, National Council of Educational Research and Training, Central Board of Secondary Education, Universities/Colleges/Schools etc. have taken initiatives for implementation of NEP 2020.

To create awareness and discuss innovative ideas for NEP implementation, a series of workshops / consultation-cum-review meetings have been held with States/UTs, Educational Institutions, other

stakeholders from time to time. Implementation of NEP 2020 was discussed in National Education Ministers' Conference held in Gujarat in June 2022; National Conference of Chief Secretaries held in June 2022; 7th Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog held in August 2022; Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Samagam 2022, 2023 and 2024; 9th Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog held on 27th July 2024. A National Conference was held on Curricular and Assessment Equivalence and Improving Learning Outcomes on 02.07.2025 to launch the PARAKH Dissemination Portal; presentations on State-level best practices; strategies for enhancing learning outcomes in alignment with the objectives of NEP 2020.

A two-day National Workshop on Higher and Technical Education was organized with Secretaries of States/UTs on 12th & 13th November 2024 to disseminate various approaches and methodologies to implement NEP 2020. Recently a two-day Vice Chancellors' Conference of Central Universities was held in Kevadia, Gujarat on 10th &11th July 2025 to focus on Central Universities' role as drivers of educational transformation and their contribution to Viksit Bharat @2047; review progress and set future course for implementation of NEP 2020; Discussions were held on key themes of NEP 2020. A national workshop on Multidisciplinary Education & Research University (MERU) under Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (PM USHA) was held from 30th April to 1st May, 2025 to discuss topics like UGC Regulations for NEP Implementation, Clustering and Collaboration for Multidisciplinary Education, Holistic Education through Integration of Skilling and Industry Connect, etc. Vice Chancellors, eminent academicians and State officials participated in the workshop.

Further, a program is being run with 84 Centrally Funded Institutions for Outreach and Awareness of Implementation of National Education Policy 2020. These CFIs in collaboration with State Universities have been identified for organising outreach, seminars, conferences or conclaves on National Education Policy 2020 regularly in collaboration with around 400 State Universities. So far, 3 Workshops for CFIs for Northern Zone, North Eastern & Eastern Zone, South & West Zone have been held on 28.11.2024, 05.12.2024 and 19.12.2024 respectively.

Ministry of Education has been implementing various centrally sponsored schemes like Samagra Shiksha, PM-SHRI (PM ScHools for Rising India), 'Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman (PM POSHAN), ULLAS - Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram, Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (PM-USHA) etc. These schemes have been aligned with NEP 2020. Through these schemes, financial assistance is provided to State / UT Governments. Central Government has increased its Budget allocation from Rs. 93,224.31 Crore for the year 2021-22 to Rs. 1,04,277.72 Crore for the year 2022-23, to Rs. 1,12,899.47 Cr. for the year 2023-24, to Rs. 1,21,117.77 Crore for the year 2024-25 and Rs. 1,28,650.05 Crore for the year 2025-26.