

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

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Schemes under National Education Policy, 2020

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Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) the schemes for education being implemented in States by the Ministry, details of budgetary outlay, including Union and States' contribution to each scheme;
- (b) whether there are schemes being run by the Ministry that are contingent upon implementing the NEP, 2020, if so, the specific schemes thereof; and
- (c) the list of funds pending under the various schemes by the Ministry, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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(a) : In this Ministry, the Department of School Education & Literacy is implementing Five (5) centrally sponsored schemes, namely Samagra Shiksha, Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman (PM POSHAN), New India Literacy Programme (NILP)/ Understanding of Lifelong Learning for All in Society(ULLAS), Strengthening Teaching-Learning and Results for States(STARS) and Pradhan Mantri Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI), with a total allocation of Rs 62,660 Crore in Budget Estimate 2025-26 and the Department of Higher Education is implementing one (1) Centrally Sponsored Scheme, namely Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan(PM USHA) with a total allocation of Rs.1815 Crore in Budget Estimate 2025-26. The Union and state share in these schemes is as under:

States/UTs	Centre Share	State Share
All States other than North-Eastern Region(NER), Himalayan States and UTs	60%	40%

8 NER States(Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh)	90%	10%
UTs without Legislature	100%	-
Jammu & Kashmir	90%	10%
Delhi and Puducherry	60%	40%

(b) Pursuant to the announcement of National Education Policy (NEP 2020) a number of transformative changes have taken place in school and higher education including alignment of Samagra Shiksha; National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy (NIPUN Bharat) for ensuring foundational literacy and numeracy by the end of Grade 2; Vidya-Pravesh Guidelines for Three-month Play-based School Preparation Module; PM e-VIDYA to unify all efforts related to digital/online/on-air education to enable coherent multi-mode access to education; DIKSHA (Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing) as One Nation One Digital Platform having e-Books and e-Contents; launch of National Curriculum Framework for Foundational Stage (NCF-FS) etc and Jadui Pitara for play-based learning teaching material tailored for children between the age group of 3 to 8 years; National Curriculum Framework for School Education (NCF-SE) to address the entire educational journey upto secondary stage. PARAKH (Performance Assessment, Review, and Analysis of Knowledge for Holistic Development); NISHTHA (National Initiative for School Heads' and Teachers' Holistic Advancement) across different levels of school education; Vidya Samiksha Kendra; Integrated Teacher Education Programme; National Professional Standards for Teachers (NPST); National Digital Education Architecture (NDEAR) for creating a unifying national digital infrastructure to energise and catalyse the education ecosystem, implementation of a scheme “New India Literacy Programme or ULLAS” targeting all nonliterate age 15 years and above, etc. PM SHRI Scheme has been launched with an aim to develop more than 14,500 selected schools as exemplar schools that offer leadership to other schools in the neighbourhood, showcasing all the initiatives of NEP 2020.

In Higher Education, various initiatives / reforms have been carried out such as National Credit Framework (NCrF) and National Higher Education Qualification Framework (NHEQF) in conjunction with guidelines / regulations like Curriculum and Credit Framework for Undergraduate Programme; Multiple Entry and Exit in Academic Programme offered by Higher Education Institutions; Transforming HEIs into multi-disciplinary Institutions; pursuing two Academic Programme simultaneously; Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry (APAAR ID) of individual student which will act as lifelong identity to track their educational journey and achievements from, pre-primary to higher education; introduction of PM-Vidyalaxmi scheme to provide financial support to meritorious students inter-alia enabling collateral free, guarantor free loan through a simple, transparent and student-friendly and entirely digital application process; revised regulation of ODL / Online Education; permitting up to 40% credits in regular courses using SWAYAM platform; launch of new

SWAYAM Plus portal with aim to enhance skill and upskilling and reskilling of existing manpower employed in different sectors; Integration of technology in administration of HEIs from admission to grant of degree through SAMARTH; guidelines on Professor of Practice to enable HEIs to work with industry experts; guidelines for supernumerary seats for admitting students from abroad in Indian HEIs and permitting HEIs for two admission cycles in an academic year; enhanced reputation of the Indian HEIs in international ranking; embedding of Indian Knowledge system in the education etc.

(c) The details of fund allocated by the Ministry under these schemes during the current financial year are as under:

B.E. 2025-26(Rs. in Crore)		
Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Department of School Education and Literacy		
1	Samagra Shiksha	41250.00
2	PM POSHAN	12500.00
3	NILP/ULLAS	160.00
4	STARS	1250.00
5	PM SHRI	7500.00
Total (A)		62660.00
Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Department of Higher Education		
6	PM- USHA	1815.00
Total (B)		1815.00
Total (A+B)		64475.00
