

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**LOK SABHA
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ANSWERED ON 20.03.2023**

National Education Policy

**† 3067. SHRI BALAK NATH:
SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:
DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:
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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is taking any steps to implement the New Education Policy (NEP) in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has received suggestions from the State Governments and other stakeholders about the NEP and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to empower the Right to Education by providing education to all;
- (d) the details of the States which have agreed to implement NEP 2020 and the time by which its recommendations are likely to be implemented all over the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)**

(a) and (b): National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) was announced after detailed consultations / deliberations with various stakeholders including States/UTs. After announcement of NEP 2020, the Government has started taking steps to implement NEP 2020. As NEP 2020 provides for careful planning, joint monitoring and collaborative implementation between the Centre and States / UTs for execution of this policy, Ministry of Education has since been organizing workshops / consultation-cum-review meetings with States/UTs and other stakeholders for handholding and to discuss innovative ideas for NEP implementation from time to time. Implementation of NEP 2020 was one of the agenda items in the 1st National Conference of Chief Secretaries held in June 2022 and 7th Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog held in August 2022, both chaired by the Hon'ble Prime Minister.

(c): National Education Policy 2020 aims at a concerted national effort to ensure universal access and afford the opportunity to all children of the country to obtain quality holistic education – including vocational education from pre-school to Grade 12. The Department of School Education & Literacy with effect from 2018-19 has launched an Integrated Centrally Sponsored Scheme for School Education “Samagra Shiksha”. The scheme has now been aligned with the recommendations of NEP 2020 to ensure that all children have access to quality education with an equitable and inclusive classroom environment which should take care of their diverse background, multilingual needs, different academic abilities and make them active participants in the learning process.

(d) and (e): The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) provides for different timelines as well as principles and methodology for its implementation. As per NEP 2020, implementation of the Policy requires multiple initiatives and actions, which will have to be taken by multiple bodies in a synchronized and systematic manner. NEP also provides for careful planning, joint monitoring and collaborative implementation by Central 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, IITs/IITs/NITs/NITTTRs/IIMs/Universities/Colleges/Schools etc. have started taking initiatives for implementation of NEP 2020.
