

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:- 1828**  
ANSWERED ON-31/07/2023

**Introduction of Integrated Teacher Education Programme**

1828. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce Integrated Teacher Education Programme and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details regarding the qualitative change in teacher education by introducing new programme;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to change the basic qualification for appointment of Assistant Professors in the colleges of teacher education and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to issue guidelines to transform the standalone teacher education colleges into multi-disciplinary institutions and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to continue the old status of teacher education and if so, the details thereof?

**A N S W E R**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) : Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) has been notified on 26.10.2021 by NCTE in pilot mode.

(b) : ITEP is a 4 year dual-major holistic undergraduate degree offering B.A. B.Ed./B.Sc B.Ed and B.Com B.Ed for preparing teachers for the 4 stages of the new school structure i.e. Foundational, Preparatory, Middle and Secondary (5+3+3+4) as mandated by the National Education Policy (NEP), 2020. This course can be completed in 4 years thereby attracting students who want to enter teaching profession by choice.

(c) : The qualifications for Assistant Professor have been notified in the gazette notification dated 26.10.2021 by NCTE.

(d) & (e): By 2030, NEP mandates to designate a 4-year integrated B.Ed. Degree as the minimum degree qualification for teaching. The 2-year B.Ed. programmes is to continue, by the same multidisciplinary institutions offering the 4-year integrated B.Ed., intended only for those who have already obtained Bachelor 's Degrees in other specialized subjects. These B.Ed. programmes can also be suitably adapted as 1-year B.Ed. programmes, offered only to those who have completed the equivalent of 4-year multidisciplinary Bachelor 's Degrees or who have obtained a Master's degree in a specialty and wish to become a subject teacher in that specialty. Recognition norms and procedure for conducting these courses is as per the NCTE Act 1993, as amended, from time to time.

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