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Latest Status/Revised Curriculum and Syllabus under NEP

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the latest status of the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) in the country;
- (b) whether the policy is mandatory for the State Governments to adhere to; and
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to revise the curriculum and syllabus on the basis of the recommendations of NEP?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): Education being in the concurrent list of Constitution, Centre and States are equally responsible for providing quality education to all. National Education Policy, 2020 (NEP 2020) stipulates that its implementation require multiple initiatives and actions, which will have to be taken by multiple bodies in a synchronized and systematic manner. NEP 2020 further provides for careful planning, joint monitoring and collaborative implementation between the Centre and States / UTs for execution of this policy. To collaborate with States/UTs in implementation of NEP 2020, Ministry of Education has also been organizing workshops / consultation-cum-review meetings for handholding and to discuss innovative ideas for NEP implementation from time to time. After announcement of NEP, 2020 various bodies like Ministry of Education, Union and State Governments, State Departments of Education, Boards, NTA, the regulatory bodies of school and higher education, National Council of Educational Research and Training, State Councils of Educational Research and Training, schools, Higher Education Institutions etc. have started taking action for implementation. A number of initiatives have been taken for its implementation in schools as well as higher education sector. Various schemes / projects / programmes run by Ministry of Education have been aligned with NEP 2020.
- (c): National Curriculum Framework for Foundational Stage (NCF FS) has been launched which is the first ever integrated Curriculum Framework for children between ages 3-8 in India. It is a direct outcome of the 5+3+3+4 'curricular and pedagogical' structure that NEP 2020 has come out with for School Education. Following which, Jadui Pitara: Learning Teaching Material (Jadui Pitara) based on NCF FS has also been launched. It is a play-based learning teaching material tailored for children between the age group of 3 to 8 years.

National Credit Framework (NCrF) jointly developed by the Regulators of School, Skill and Higher Education and National Higher Education Qualification Framework issued by University Grant Commission, provides broad based multi-disciplinary / inter-disciplinary, holistic education with flexible curricula, creative combination of subjects, multiple pathways, establishing equivalence, facilitate national and international mobility by utilizing the platform of Academic Bank of Credit (ABC); thus, enabling life-long learning and recognition of prior learning in cohesion with the multiple exit/ entry guidelines.
