GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1775 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.03.2020

National Education Policy

1775. SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Education Policy aims at equipping students with the knowledge and skills required to meet the cut throat competition in the country as well as outside country and its details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has proposed State-wise plan of action in order to implement the National Education Policy; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) to (c): The Government is in the process of formulating a New Education Policy for meeting the changing dynamics of the population's requirement with regard to quality education, innovation and research, aiming to make India a knowledge superpower by equipping its students with the necessary skills and knowledge. For this purpose, wide ranging consultations were undertaken at multiple levels of online, expert / thematic and grassroots from village to State, Zonal levels and the National level. Initially, a Committee for Evolution of the New Education Policy was constituted, which submitted its report in May, 2016 which was followed by the Ministry's 'Some Inputs for the Draft National Education Policy, 2016', both of which are considered as inputs for policy formulation. Thereafter, a Committee for the Draft National Education Policy was constituted in June 2017 under the Chairmanship of eminent scientist Dr. K Kasturirangan, which has submitted the Draft National Education Policy 2019(DNEP 2019) to the Ministry on 31st Mav 2019. The Draft NEP 2019 was uploaded on MHRD's website at https://mhrd.gov.in/sites/upload files/mhrd/files/Draft NEP 2019 EN Revised.pdf and also at <u>https://innovate.mygov.in/list-nep/</u> to elicit comments and suggestions from the various stakeholders. Further, letters were written to States/UTs Governments and Government of India Ministries inviting their views and comments on DNEP 2019. An Education Dialogue with Hon'ble MPs of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Kerala, Karnataka & Odisha on three consecutive days i.e on 31.07.2019, 01.08.2019 & 02.08.2019. Two meetings with State Education Secretaries of School Education and another with State Secretaries of Higher & Technical Education was held on 09.07.2019 and 08.08.2019 respectively. Around 2 lakh suggestions on the Draft National Education Policy received from various stakeholders. A special meeting of CABE on National Education Policy was held on 21.09.2019, to discuss the National Education Policy. There has been wide publicity and positive feedback from all stakeholders. Accordingly, based on all feedback/comments received from various stakeholders on the Draft NEP, the Ministry is in the process of finalizing the National Education Policy, 2020.

Since Education is in the concurrent list of Constitution of India, hence, State/UT Government will play a vital role in the implementation of the National Education Policy. The goals of the policy will be implemented in a coordinated and phased manner in collaboration with the State Governments.
