

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 42
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2020**

Education System

†42. **SHRI AJAY KUMAR MISRA TENI:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has made/proposes to make any long term plan in collaboration with State Governments to strengthen and streamline the education system in the country;
- (b) if so, State-wise details of the said plan along with the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and
- (c) 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 National Education Policy. 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 May 2019. The Draft NEP 2019 has been uploaded on MHRD's website at https://mhrd.gov.in/sites/upload_files/mhrd/files/Draft_NEP_2019_EN_Revised.pdf and also at <https://innovate.mygov.in/list-nep/> 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 CIBE on National Education Policy was held on 21.09.2019, to discuss the National Education Policy. Currently, process of finalising the National Education Policy is ongoing.

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.
