

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 12
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.09.2020**

New Education Policy

12. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any concrete direction towards imparting the constitutional values of justice (social, economic, and political), Liberty of thought, expression, belief, faith, and worship, Equality of status and opportunity, and Fraternity ensuring the dignity of individual and unity and integrity of the nation in the National Education Policy 2020?

(b) whether there is any clear-cut direction in the National Education Policy 2020 regarding the propagation of secular, democratic, and socialist values in educational institutions, mainly universities and the institutions of higher education; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF EDUCATION
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')**

(a) to (c): The National Education Policy 2020 envisions an education system rooted in Indian ethos that contributes directly to transforming India, that is Bharat, sustainably into an equitable and vibrant knowledge society, by providing high-quality education to all, and thereby making India a global knowledge superpower. The Policy envisages that the curriculum and pedagogy of our institutions must develop among the students a deep sense of respect towards the Fundamental Duties and Constitutional values, bonding with one's country, and a conscious awareness of one's roles and responsibilities in a changing world. It stipulates that basic ethical reasoning, traditional Indian values and all basic human and Constitutional values will be developed in all students.

Towards the attainment of a holistic and multidisciplinary education, the flexible and innovative curricula of all HEIs shall include credit-based courses and projects in the areas of community engagement and service, environmental education, and value-based education which includes the development of humanistic, ethical, Constitutional, and universal human values.
