

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Education Budget

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Will the **Minister of EDUCATION** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of new higher educational institutes opened in the country during the last five years;
- (b) whether in the draft of the new National Education Policy (NEP) released in 2019 it was estimated that budgetary allocation for education is to be increased ten per cent per annum for ten years for the proper implementation of the policy proposals but increase in the budget of 2020-21 is less than five per cent in comparison to the Budget of last year;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase the level of education?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF EDUCATION
(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

(a): During the last five years, 6 Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), 13 Indian Institutes of Information Technology (IIITs), 1 Indian Institute of Management (IIM) and 243 Universities have been opened in the country.

(b) and (c): Draft National Education Policy (NEP) 2019 had envisioned significant increase in public investment in education from 10% of overall public expenditure in education to 20%, over a 10-year period.

After detailed consultation on Draft NEP 2019, National Education Policy 2020 was announced on 29.07.2020. NEP 2020 envisions a substantial increase in public investment in education by both the Central government and State Governments.

(d): Improving the quality of education across all levels from primary to university level is a continuous and ongoing process. Ministry is implementing various schemes/programmes to raise the standard of education in the country.
