

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Significant Gaps in Implementation of NEP

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there are significant gaps and challenges in the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP), including delays in roll-out, inadequate fund allocations compared to projected requirements and disparities in implementation in the States; and
- (b) if so, the details of steps taken by the Government to address these gaps, ensure sufficient funds and monitor the effective implementation of the NEP in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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(a) to (b): The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) announced on 29.07.2020 is the first education policy of the 21st century and aims to address the many growing developmental imperatives of our country. The Policy proposes the revision and revamping of all aspects of the education structure, including its regulation and governance, to create a new system that is aligned with the aspirational goals of 21st century education, including SDG-4, while building upon India's traditions and value systems.

NEP 2020 provides different timelines as well as principles and methodology for its implementation. It also provides that in the decade of 2030-40, the entire policy will be in an operational mode, following which another comprehensive review will be undertaken. Education being in the concurrent list of Constitution, Centre and States are equally responsible for providing quality education to all. Accordingly, Ministry of Education, State Governments, education-related Ministries, the regulatory and implementing bodies of school and higher education such as University Grants Commission, All India Council for Technical Education, National Council for Teacher Education, National Council of Educational Research and Training, Central Board of Secondary Education, Universities/Colleges/Schools etc. have taken initiatives for implementation of NEP 2020.

To create awareness and discuss innovative ideas for NEP implementation, a series of workshops / consultation-cum-review meetings have been held with States/UTs, Educational Institutions, other stakeholders from time to time. Implementation of NEP 2020 was discussed in National Education

Ministers' Conference held in Gujarat in June 2022; National Conference of Chief Secretaries held in June 2022; 7th Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog held in August 2022; Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Samagam 2022, 2023 and 2024; 9th Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog held on 27th July 2024. A two-day National Workshop on Higher and Technical Education was organized with Secretaries of States/UTs on 12th & 13th November 2024 to disseminate various approaches and methodologies to implement NEP 2020. Recently a two-day Vice Chancellors' Conference of Central Universities was held in Kevadia, Gujarat on 10th & 11th July 2025 to focus on Central Universities' role as drivers of educational transformation and their contribution to Viksit Bharat @2047; review progress and set future course for implementation of NEP 2020; Discussions were held on key themes of NEP 2020. A national workshop on Multidisciplinary Education & Research University (MERU) under Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (PM USHA) was held from 30th April to 1st May, 2025 to discuss topics like UGC Regulations for NEP Implementation, Clustering and Collaboration for Multidisciplinary Education, Holistic Education through Integration of Skilling and Industry Connect, etc. Vice Chancellors, eminent academicians and State officials participated in the workshop.

For Outreach and Awareness of Implementation of NEP 2020, a program involving 84 Centrally Funded Higher Education Institutions (CFIs) and 404 State Public Universities, each CFI mapped with the 5-7 State Universities located in the nearby geographies, have been started.

Various schemes/projects/programmes run by Ministry of Education have been aligned with NEP 2020. As far as Central Government is concerned, Budget allocation from the year 2021-22 to 2025-26 is given below: -

Year	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Budget Allocation (Rs.in Crore)	93,224.31	1,04,277.72	1,12,899.47	1,21,117.77	1,28,650.05
