



Subject: Information regarding NEP 2020 and NCF 2023 (Classes: VI to IX 2024-25)

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Dear Parent

As part of our commitment to transparency and collaboration in a child's educational journey, we would like to provide you with essential information regarding the National Education Policy (NEP 2020) and the National Curriculum Framework (NCF 2023).

The National Education Policy, formulated by the Ministry of Education, is a landmark initiative aimed at transforming the educational landscape of our nation. It envisions an inclusive, equitable, and forward-thinking educational system that nurtures the holistic development of every child.

Complementing the NEP is the National Curriculum Framework, which serves as a guiding framework for curriculum design, pedagogy, and assessment practices across schools. It emphasizes the importance of a flexible, multidisciplinary approach to learning, fostering creativity, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills among students.

Key Features of National Education Policy 2020

- A comprehensive framework to guide the development of education and to provide directions for regulating and promoting education.
- Addresses the many growing developmental imperatives of our country.
- Covers education at all stages including early childhood care and education, school education, higher education, teacher education and vocational education.
- Aims for an education system by 2040 that is second to none, with equitable access to the highest-quality education for all learners regardless of social or economic background.
- 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 SDG4 while building upon India's traditions and value systems.
- Recommends four national curriculum frameworks – National Curriculum Framework for School Education (NCFSE), National Curriculum Framework for Early Childhood Care and Education (NCFECE), National Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education (NCFTE) and National Curriculum Framework for Adult Education (NCFAE).

National Curriculum Framework NCF 2023 aims significant reforms in the education system, led by the principles of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. It introduces changes in language learning, subject structure, evaluation strategies, and environmental education, reshaping the educational landscape for Grades 3 to 12 under CBSE.

Key Features

Alignment with NEP 2020

- Follows the guidelines of NEP 2020.
- Provides the framework for formulating new textbooks from Grades 3 to 12 under CBSE.
- Textbooks for Classes 3-12 aligned with 21st-century requirements.
- Focus on ensuring rootedness in the current context while being forward-looking.

Language Learning

- Students in Classes 9 and 10 learn three languages, with at least two being native Indian languages.
- In Classes 11 and 12, students will study two languages, including one of Indian origin.

Board Exams and Evaluation

- Students are allowed to take Board exams twice in a school year.
- Only the best score of the two will be retained.

Changes in Mandatory and Optional Subjects

- Earlier students in Classes 9 to 12 studied five mandatory subjects with an option to add one more.
- Now, the number of mandatory subjects for Classes 9 and 10 is seven, and for Classes 11 and 12 is six.

Optional Subject Groups

- The first group includes art education, physical education, and vocational education.
- The second group includes Social Science, Humanities, and interdisciplinary areas.
- The third group includes Science, Mathematics, and computational thinking.

Flexibility and Choice for Students

- Redesigned "Secondary Stage" to provide more flexibility and choice.
- No strict separation between academic and vocational subjects, or between Science, Social Science, Art, and Physical Education.
- Students can choose varied subject combinations for their School Leaving Certificates.

Focus on Competency – Based Learning

- Shift in focus from rote memorization to conceptual understanding and development of 21st century skills, attitudes and values.

Environmental Education

- Emphasis on environmental awareness and sustainability.
- Environmental Education is integrated across all schooling stages.
- A separate area of study dedicated to environmental education in the Secondary Stage.

Content Distribution for Social Science Curriculum (Classes 6-8)

- 20% content from the local level, 30% content from the regional level, 30% content from the national level, and 20% content from the global level.

The alignment of the school system with the key features of NEP 2020 and NCF 2023 will be implemented in the forthcoming years as per the directions received from the Government authorities.

Your awareness and understanding of NEP 2020 and NCF 2023 will enable you to actively participate in your wards educational journey and support their growth and development.

We look forward to your participation and collaboration as we work together to provide the best possible education for your wards.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

For more information, please visit to the school website.

Warm regards

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