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NEP-2020: Scope For Govt. Dr. Indrajeet Singh College Akaltara

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A B S T R A C T

Govt. Dr. Indrajeet Singh College Akaltara is recognized as a college of rural area where GER is not up to the mark. More than 92% students of this college belong to reserve categories and more than 65% students are girls. Introduction of NEP-2020 will improve the GER of the college. It will provide more financial support to the students of reserve categories and will open more opportunity of acquiring quality education for them. It intends to improve women leadership capacity. It will provide opportunity for research and innovation for them.

Key word – GER, NEP

Introduction

As recent findings says that no Indian University could secure better rank in good quality Universities around the world. So, there was strong need of giving a solid effort to improve the quality of education especially in the field of higher education. Keeping in view the basic objective of getting development of entire country, the Indian government decided to change its education policy after 34 years. The first education policy was introduced in 1968 by the government of Former Prime Minister Mrs. Indira Gandhi. The second education policy was formulated by the government led by Rajiv Gandhi in 1986 and then with some amendments by the government of Narsimha Rao, it was implemented in 1992. The National Education Policy 2020 is the third education policy of independent India. In 2017 a committee headed by Dr. Kasturirangan drafted National Education Policy 2019 which was approved by the central government in July 2020. With the introduction of new Education Policy the name ministry of Human Resource Development has also been changed as ministry of Education.

In India the gross enrollment ratio (GER) is 26.3% in 2018, which was targeted in new education policy to increase it up to 50%. And the effort is to add about 3.5 crores new seats in higher educational institutions in India. Except medical and legal education institution, for all types of higher education institution a Higher Education Commission of India will be set up in place University Grant Commission (UGC) of India. With that

equivalent to Universities like IITs, IIMs etc. a multidisciplinary education and research university will be set up. The admission in these world class universities will be done through a general entrance examination, which will be conducted by National Testing Agency. The examination will be elective as well as there will be no compulsory subject. The most important fact in the National Education Policy 2020 is that there will be no division like arts, science and commerce but the student can choose any subject of their own choice. All the institution of India will follow the way to make the holistic development of students, even the technical institute like IITs will teach arts and humanities to the students.

Higher Education Commission of India (HECI) will have four governing bodies:

1. National Higher Education Regulatory Council (**NHERC**) to regulate higher education institution including teacher education.
2. General Education Council (**GEC**) to create framework of expected learning outcomes of all the higher education institution of India.
3. National Accreditation Council (**NAC**) for accreditation, proper functioning, self-disclosure, good governance and better result of the institutions.
4. Higher Education Grants Council (**HGFC**) to give financial support to the colleges and universities.

Provisions related to Higher Education in the NEP-2020

In National Education Policy 2020 there is multiple entries and exit system in undergraduate programs. It means, the undergraduate programs will be of three or four years where the students are free to leave the program at any level and they will be awarded degree or certificate accordingly. Suppose a student leaves the course after one year, he will be awarded Certificate, after two years he will be awarded Advanced Diploma. Similarly after three years he will be awarded Bachelor's Degree and after four years he will be awarded Graduate Certificate with Research. As well as one who secures Graduate Certificate with Research will be able to continue Ph.D. with MA in one year. During the program the Academic Bank of Credit will be formed through this policy in which, the digit or credit secured by the student will be preserved digitally.

This new policy aims at universalization of education in India with 100% gross enrolment ratio of girls by 2030 for school education and 50% by 2035 for higher education. The NEP 2020 aims at making 'India a global knowledge superpower'. The policy prescribed to approach gender as a cross-cutting priority to achieve gender equality in education with the partnership of states and local community organizations. It also proposes various steps to increase access of women into schools, which includes creating special education zones, gender inclusion fund toward equitable education for girls who are underprivileged, the targeted scholarships, and formula based and discretion funding of gender inclusionary projects in school levels. Within the goal, it also intends to improve women leadership

capacity through positive civil dialogues with women leading institutions, including principals, teachers, wardens, physical instructors and other staffs.

In the funding section to education, main emphasis is to invest up to 6% of GDP in the education sector. At present it is 4.43% of GDP. Efforts will be made to encourage the qualification of the students belonging ST, SC, OBC and other specific categories.

Other announcements:

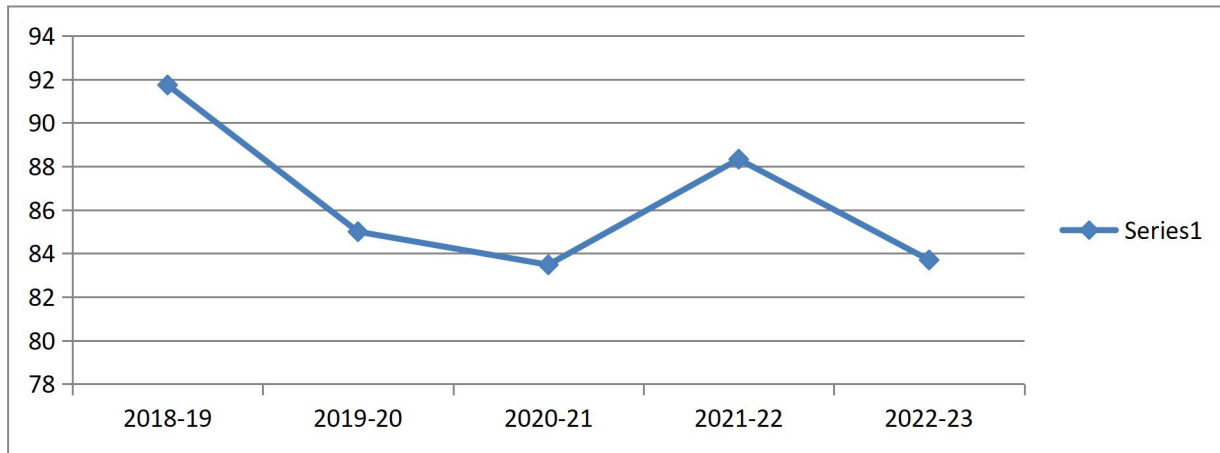
- There will be a single regulator in place of UGC, AICTE, NCTE in higher education to direct the institutions.
- In 15 years, the process of affiliation with university will be eliminated by giving autonomy to colleges. They will be made fully autonomous colleges that will award degrees or will be attached to a university.
- To give international shape to education the top global ranking universities will be allowed to open its branches in India, so that the student of India will not have to go abroad to get admission to the world's best colleges and universities.
- The national research foundation will be set up as an apex body to conduct research and to promote strong research culture and research potential in higher education.

The status of Govt. Dr. Indrajeet Singh college Akaltara and its scope from NEP-2020:

Govt. Dr. Indrajeet Singh College Akaltara is situated 30 km. away from Bilaspur (C.G.) railway zone in Mumbai-Hawda Railway rout. The college belong to a college of rural area. Govt. Dr. Indrajeet Singh College, Akaltara is an institution devoted to meet the needs of higher education especially for the students who come from rural areas in the circle of 16 km. surrounding Akaltara. The college is getting progress continuously from last few years in respect to academic and co-curricular activities as well as maintaining high degree of discipline in the campus. The mission of the college is to spread education among the students who mostly belong to SC, ST and OBC category and who deserve to be educated with real sense. This college is given the name after the great personality, social worker, creative writer and Barrister Dr. Indrajeet Singh.

Scope for improving the Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER):

Govt. Dr. indrajeet Singh College Akaltara is a single college where no other government college is situated in 16 km. circle. There are more than 15 Higher Secondary Schools running within this range and more than 800 students get eligibility for under graduate programs every year. If we see the Graph (a) for enrollment ratio with total seats available, it is still to reach 100%.



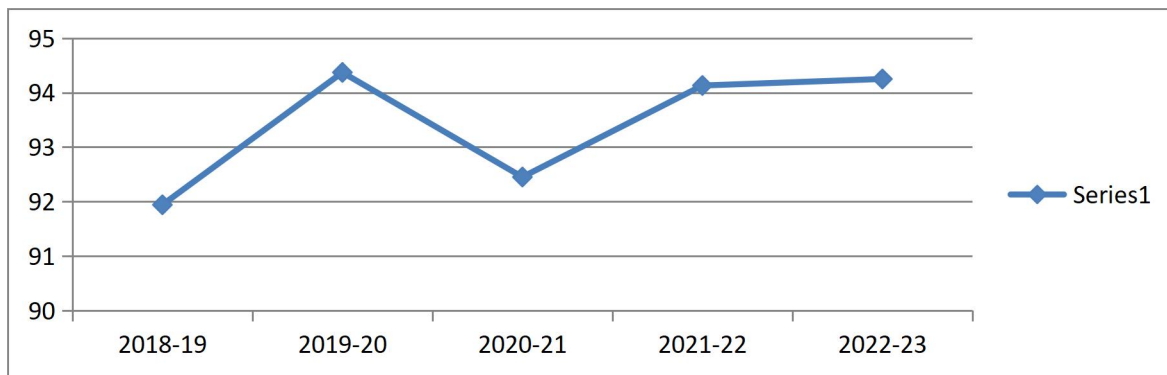
Graph (a): Percentage of students enrolled.

From the Graph (a) it can also be observed that the number of students getting enrolled in under graduate program every year is much behind the number of eligible candidates in this region. It means GER is not up to the mark.

As one major aspect of NEP-2020 is to increase GER in Higher Education. So fourth coming effort through different policies to improve GER in Higher Education will bring a significant change in GER of the college.

Scope for providing quality education to students of reserve categories:

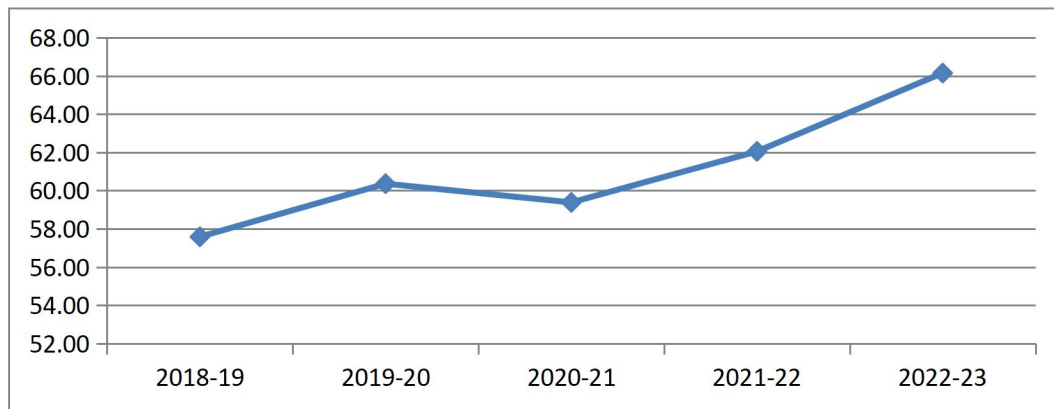
Graph (b) shows the ratio of students admitted from reserve categories to total students admitted. It can be observed that every year students from reserve categories (ST, SC, OBC) are over 92% and they have right to get quality education that is mentioned in the vision of the college. In the aspects of NEP-2020 there is special provision for these children to help them financially. They will be helped not only by continuing the scholarship provided but also with the help of generating funds. This prospect of NEP-2020 will reinforce the attempt of the college to achieve the vision every year.



Graph (b): Percentage of students enrolled from reserved categories.

Scope for empowerment of women:

As shown in the graph (c), since last five years the number of women enrollment in the college is continuously increasing and in the current year 2022-23, it is 66.15%. This is one special area which makes the college different from others. Government is trying to increase the women literacy rate in India and hence it appeared in the prospects of NEP-2020. So, the approach of the college, gender as a cross-cutting priority to achieve gender equality in education is going to be more promising.



Graph (c): Percentage of girls students enrolled.

Other Scopes:

- The prospect of multiple entry and exit system in NEP-2020 is going to bring a significant change in the mind set of young learners and they will be motivated towards higher studies. The opportunity of doing research work after graduation will shower the innovations in huge.
- The prospect of providing autonomy to colleges will be a mile stone for the college as it will be able to structure curriculum as per the need of local people. The college will get free hand to implement new programs to attract and provide maximum to the students who come from rural areas and belong to reserve categories.
- The prospect of top global ranking universities will be allowed to open its branches in India will provide new experience of learning to the students of the college. It will vindicate the slogan “Vashudhaiv Kutumbkam” written in the logo of the college and enable the students to stand themselves with worldwide panorama.

Conclusions:

The National Education Policy July 2020 reflects, there is lot of changes in the education system of India especially in higher education. The prospects of NEP-2020 to increase the GER up to 50%. And the effort is to add about 3.5 crores new seats in higher educational institutions in India. In the funding section to education, main emphasis is to invest up to 6% of GDP in the education sector. Efforts will be

made to encourage the qualification of the students belonging ST, SC,OBC and other specific categories. Within the goal, it also intends to improve women leadership capacity through positive civil dialogues with women leading institutions, including principals, teachers, wardens, physical instructors and other staffs. Some other prospects like multiple entry and exit system, providing autonomy to colleges, top global ranking universities will be allowed to open its branches in India. All these prospects of NEP-2020 will bring a significant change in the way of learning at Govt. Dr. Indrajeet Singh College Akaltara. The students of the college are going to have new experience of learning, research and innovations. They will observe the improved financial support for their education as well as more opportunities and doors to gain quality education. The young women learners will experience more practices of their empowerment.

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