

# **A Report**

On

National Webinar on

## **“Structural Changes in National Education Policy 2020 and its Implementation”**

Organized by

**Internal Quality Assurance Cell,**

**The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara**

**Date:** 28<sup>th</sup> Sept 2020 (Monday)

**Time:** 5.00 p.m. onwards

**The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda**  
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**Structural Changes In  
National Education Policy 2020  
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**Monday 28 September 2020 05:00 P.M.**

**Presidential Address**



**Shri Bhupendrasinh Chudasama**  
Hon'ble Cabinet Minister of Education  
Government of Gujarat

**Expert Speaker**



**Prof. Aniruddha Deshpande**  
Former Principal, BMCC College, Pune  
President, CEDA, Pune  
All India Communications Chief, RSS



**Prof. Parimal H Vyas**  
Hon'ble Vice Chancellor  
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National webinar on “**Structural Changes in National Education Policy 2020 and its Implementation**” was successfully conducted on Monday **28<sup>th</sup> Sept 2020**, organized by Internal Quality Assurance Cell, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara. *More than 1000 participants from all over India registered for this webinar.*

❖ **Distinguished Expert Speakers**

1. **Shri Bhupendrasinh Chudasama**, Hon’ble Cabinet Minister of Education, GOG.
2. **Prof Aniruddha Deshpande**, Former Principal, BMCC college, President, CEDA, Pune and All India Communications Chief, RSS.

The webinar started at 5.00 pm with the University song.

- ❖ Dr. B.S. Chakrabarty, Director, IQAC the host of the webinar requested Dr. **K.M. Chudasama, Registrar, MSU to give the welcome address.**



- ❖ **Dr. Chakrabarty introducing the Webinar and its theme**, mentioned that since unlock the University has organised almost 150 online programs. He highlighted the significance of this webinar which was the 13<sup>th</sup> in a series of webinars being organised by IQAC and the University related to National Education Policy, 2020. He put on record the fact that since the inception of the idea of a new National Education Policy was proposed and a 477-page draft was issued, the university has taken a keen interest in it and has been deliberating on several important aspects of the draft. Now when the Govt. of Gujarat and Govt. of India have rolled out the NEP 2020, the university is continuing its serious deliberations not only to understand its provisions and implications but also to consider its implementation aspects. He said that these engagements have been spearheaded by Prof. Parimal Vyas, who is a member of the executive council of NBA and Chairman of several peer teams of NAAC.



- ❖ Dr. Chakrabarty then requested **Prof. Parimal Vyas, Hon. Vice Chancellor, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda to give opening remarks.** Prof. Vyas welcomed the esteemed speaker and all the attendees again. After introducing the august speaker, he mentioned the special day of 19<sup>th</sup> July as an auspicious day of Education System, wherein the NEP had come into reality. He briefed about the various dignitaries who delivered on the various topics and placed on record the dates and themes all the 12 webinars which have been conducted on aspects related to NEP 2020. Setting the stage for the present, 13<sup>th</sup> Webinar he stressed the significance of Structural changes required for implementation of NEP, which was theme of the webinar. Prof.

Vyas brought it to the notice of all the Experimental school and Chetan Balwadi which are integral parts of the university. These set up can address the school education reforms of early childhood care suggested in NEP 2020. He laid down the provisions of school education reforms according to NEP 2020 including changes in structure, medium of instruction and school complexes. Prof. Vyas also pointed out those reforms that are required in higher education viz., research intensive universities, autonomy and various expectations from institutions in terms of governance, education and implementation.

He also discussed about the Gross Enrolment Ratio, the pathways to the vocational training, multiple entry/ multiple exit modules, certificate courses, including 4+1 integrated programmes particularly in the Engineering courses, leading to their interest in research and may be even to their Ph.D. Degrees. He also emphasized on the importance to be given to the SWOT Analysis and also discussed the University's approach towards the inter-disciplinary courses and even programmes like executive Ph.D. programmes. He also gave a glance of Research and Consultancy outputs, Incubation Centres and Collaborative works carried out in the University, where students from several countries and from almost all the states of the Country including more than 600 students from the North East States had applied for their further studies. He focused on the importance of structural measures, infrastructural improvements, institutional developmental plans, which will all converge to make the nation *Atma Nirbhar Bharat*.



- ❖ Dr. Chakrabarty then handed over the platform to **Prof. Anirudhhji Deshpande, Former Principal, BMCC college, President, CEDA, Pune and All India Communications Chief, RSS**, the invited speaker of the day to put forth his ideas related to 'Structural Changes in National Education Policy 2020 and its Implementation'.

Prof. Deshpande shared his pleasure in being invited to address a vitally important issue and started his session by remembering Sir Sayajirao Gaekwad and mentioned about the ancient history, legacy and culture of The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda,

its involvement in education by shaping the likes of Ambedkarji and about the special place in the Universities on a global scale. He appreciated the efforts of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Parimal Vyas ji, to bring in the aspects and prospects of the National Educational Policy – 2020, to many academicians and researchers through a series of webinars. He said structural changes play vital role and emphasized that if foundation is not strong then the building will not stand strong.

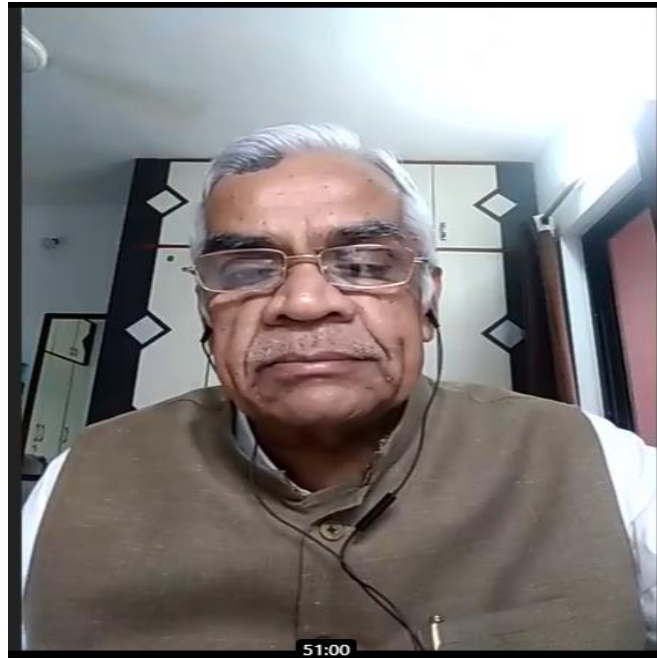
He highlighted the importance of structural changes in successful implementation of NEP 2020 by highlighting the following issues:

- *Comprehensiveness of NEP*
- *Inclusiveness of all sections and strata of society*
- *Integrative of all sections and strata of society*
- *Futuristic approach to address education related issues for next 25 years.*

He then went on to focus on certain aspects of which included the structural changes suggested in NEP 2020;

- Increased span of age group covered; from 3 to 18 years of age
- All covered under compulsory education and Right to education
- Changed structure from 10+2 to 5+3+3+4 in school education
- Importance of vocational education to make students independent and job creators; to start from early period, from 6<sup>th</sup> standard
- Early childhood care
- Training of Anganwadi Teachers
- Measurement of literacy numeracy
- Strengthening NCERT
- Creation of school complexes with shared facilities for common good of all
- Equitability and sustainability
- Special education zones on the model of SEZs
- Reducing drop out ratio
- Gender equity
- Implementation to be done in a phased manner
- Granting gradual autonomy to colleges, emphasizing quality improvement and capacity enhancement
- Emphasis on research
- Multiple entry and exit options
- College clusters and multiple degrees
- Concept of Major and minor subjects
- National Research Foundation

He threw light on 4 verticals of Governance while talking about setting up and strengthening the NEP-2020: 1. Regulation, 2. Funding, 3. Accreditation and 4. Standard Setting. Prof. Deshpande also touched upon mechanism, time frame and task force issues addressed in the NEP.



- ❖ Several Deans asked pertinent questions after his presentation related to the theme as well as NEP in general.



The Webinar ended with a Vote of Thanks by Dr. B.S. Chakrabarty to the chair, the speaker and the attendees.



❖ **Link of the webinar:**

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=3598499350207701>