Library is a Heart of an Institution

PERSPECTIVE FROM THE NEW NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL POLICY 2020



Background of Library

- Library is a house of knowledge and it occupies a very important place in the institution.
- With unlimited access to resources, it has a special call to the patrons of their different ages can go there and quench their thirst.
- With its calm and tranquil atmosphere, the patrons can have a better environment for reading the material which may not be provided in the classroom.
- Thus, the library is a common platform where the diversity of people without any kind of discrimination can meet on a common level with equal opportunities.

Efforts of Dr. S. Radhakrishnan towards Library

- University Education Commission or Radhakrishnan Commissions under the chairmanship of Dr. S. Radhakrishnan in 1948.
- Commission emphasized the importance of libraries in higher education and innovative research and need for improving the conditions of the university libraries.
- Recommended for the allocation of 6.5% of the total budget of the institution to its library and to spend Rs.40 per student should be allocated for their libraries.

New National Educational Policy

- National Education Policy envisions an education system rooted in Indian ethos that contributes directly to transforming India, that is Bharat, sustainably into an equitable and vibrant knowledge society by providing high-quality education to all. Therefore, making India is a global knowledge of superpower.
- First education policy of the 21st century to replace the 34 years old National Policy on Education (NPE) in 1986. The NEP 2020 is based on the foundational pillars of access, affordability, equity, quality, and accountability.
- NEP 2020 aims to increase the Gross Enrolment Ratio in higher education including vocational education from 26.3% (2018) to 50% by 2035. 3.5 Crore new seats will be added to Higher education institutions.

Point of Views from Library Professional

• The NEP emphasizes the teachers and faculty, including the library professionals, to have a positive attitude of service. Keeping that in mind, the library becomes the educational service center of limitless resources in print, digital, and personnel.

• For effectively laid down the principles of NEP, the collaboration of library professionals with teachers is the best practices for better outcome of education. Thus, this can be done by pursuing - Curiosity & Passion Projects through cluster groups.

Revamp the Collection of Library

- Knowledge of India: ancient and modern
- Environmental awareness including water and resource conservation, sanitation and hygiene
- Current affairs and understanding of critical issues facing local communities
- The specialties of each state, countries and the world around
- Tribal and indigenous knowledge
- All forms of literature in national and International level
- A multi-disciplinary approach to all subjects

Supporting the Online and Digital Education

- Enthusiasm in training and learning for teachers
- Content creation and dissemination
- Life skills, such as communication, cooperation, teamwork, and resilience
- Articulate new directions for research and innovation
- Raise awareness on issues of privacy, laws, policies and standards associated with data handling, data protection and preservation, etc.

Library's Plans to Enhance Skills when Planning







Conclusion

- Due to misperceptions, some outdated public attitudes are still exists. However, today's libraries are more continue to busier and vibrant than ever in respect of dynamic and transparent influence on digital technology.
- Libraries continue to represent a community investment in a vision of a better tomorrow through sharing data, information, knowledge and wisdom. They are the repositories for the collective memory of our communities, our state, and our nation, and offer us an institution that reflects the dream of Atmanirbhar Bharat (आत्मिनिर्भर भारत).

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