

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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NEW EDUCATION POLICY

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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to devise a new education policy;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to consult stakeholders while framing new education policy;
- (d) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the time by which the new education policy will be formulated and introduced in the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (e) : Yes, Madam. The National Policy on Education 1986, as amended in 1992, has been the guiding document for the policies of the Central government in the education sector. In the last twenty years, the education scenario has seen a monumental change with the emergence of several new paradigms like rights based approach to elementary education, the endeavour to extend universalization to secondary education, reshape the higher education scenario and its impact on the innovation environment and providing an impetus to skill development through vocational education in the context of the emergence of new technologies in a rapidly expanding economy placed in a globalised environment.

The Government proposes to formulate a New Education Policy aimed at meeting the challenges posed by lack of quality, research and innovation in our educational institutions. Suggestions will be invited and examined while framing the New Education Policy. No time frame can, however, be indicated at this stage.