Cabinet Approves National Education Policy 2020, paving way for transformational reforms in school and higher education systems in the country

New Policy aims for Universalization of Education from preschool to secondary level with  $100\,\%$  GER in school education by 2030; GER in higher education to be raised to  $50\,\%$  by 2035

NEP 2020 will bring back 2crore out of school children into the main stream and add 3.5 crore seats in higher education

New 5+3+3+4 school curriculum with 12 years of schooling and 3 years of Anganwadi/ pre-schooling

Emphasis on Foundational Literacy and Numeracy, no hard separation between academic streams, extracurricular, vocational streams in school; Vocational Education to start from Class 6 with Internships

Assessment reforms with 360 degree Holistic Progress Card, tracking Student Progress for achieving Learning Outcomes

Higher Education curriculum to have Flexibility of Subjects, Multiple Entry / Exit, and transfer of credit through an Academic Bank of Credits

Affiliation System to be phased out in 15 years with graded autonomy to colleges

Light but Tight Regulation of Higher education, single regulator with four separate verticals for different functions

National Research Foundation to be established to foster a strong research culture

NEP 2020 advocates increased use of technology with equity; National Educational Technology Forum to be created

New Policy promotes Multilingualism in both schools and HEs; Teaching upto at least Grade 5 to be in mother tongue/regional language; National Institute for Pali, Persian and Prakrit, Indian Institute of Translation and Interpretation to be set up

NEP 2020 emphasizes setting up of Gender Inclusion Fund, Special Education Zones for disadvantaged regions and groups.