

To Study the use of Portable Partitions for Creating Flexible Teaching Learning Spaces - A Review

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Abstract: Indian education is being reshaped as the New Education Policy (NEP) is being implemented all over the country. The NEP is giving the students a chance to learn and educate themselves in a very flexible manner. They have the option of selecting subjects they like and can also opt for the teaching learning medium (online/offline) they are comfortable with. Implementing these new rules and regulations of NEP will be a little challenging to the educational institutions as they will need manpower and infrastructure for the smooth execution of the NEP. The educational institutes have limited built-up space in which they will have to accommodate all the necessary amenities prescribed by the government for the implementation of the NEP. More classrooms, laboratories, staffrooms, and other basic amenities have to be built in the already existing building structure. Constructing brick walls and dividing the interior spaces can be difficult and may not solve the problem of space constraint. So, an alternative for fixed walls and fixed partitions has to be thought of. This research is concentrated on one such alternative, portable partitions. Portable partitions can serve the same purpose as walls and can add beauty to the interior spaces. For this study secondary data has been collected from books and previously done research work based on movable/portable partitions, the New Education Policy and the benefits rendered by portable partitions. Results show a comparison between the research works done based on their methodology and the conclusions drawn. Further scope of work has also been discussed based on the research gaps found.

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