

NEP2020: The Importance of National Professional Standards for Indian Teachers

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Abstract: *Teachers are essential to sustainable global development and one of the most potent and effective forces for equity, access, and quality in education. The quality of classroom instruction has a direct impact on the quality of education. When it comes to putting all educational reforms into practice at the local level, teachers are thought to be the most important component. The teaching-learning process is significantly impacted by the teacher's commitment, academic background, subject-matter expertise, and teaching competency and skills. The success of teacher education programs and the professional development of the nation's in-service teachers must be given sufficient attention, which requires increased effort. Out of 167 countries, India is placed 101st in the Legatum Prosperity Index 2021. The education index falls between 121 and 150.*

Hopefully, these ranks will rise as a result of the NPST ideas being implemented. In addition to needing time to teach, teachers also need to prepare themselves to meet the standards. As a result, the NEP 2020 has reaffirmed the restoration of teachers' high prestige and respect in society through empowerment. In order to make man-making faultless, an action plan for capacity building has been presented. The moment has come for Indian educators to take advantage of this and take control of their own lives! The writers of this research communication have covered topics including teacher preparation, motivation, advancement, high-quality instruction, ongoing professional development, and the creation of professional standards to help educators deal with.

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