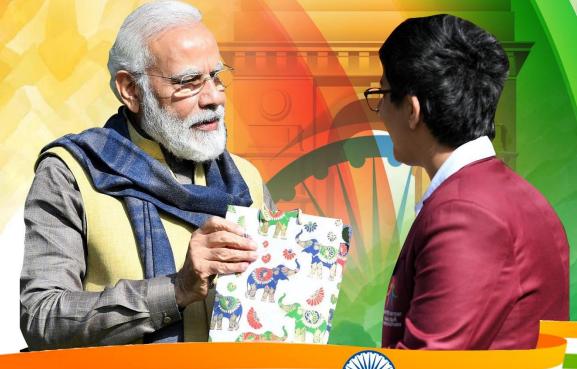


ATMANIBHAR BHARAT

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YOUTH EMPOWERED BHARAT

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Background

BHARAT – A proud Nation which served as birthplace for culture, tradition, respect, human values, science, healthcare, technology, trade, economics and education. Many centuries ago, our great Nation served as center for "youth Empowerment" to entire world. Bharat's great ancient Universities like Takshashila, Nalanda, Mithila, Telhara, Sharada, Vikramashila, Valabhi, and Somapura acted as "**Youth Empowerment Hub**" across the world.

Youths are the roots of our great Nation & their dedication with commitment contributed in a big way to build our Nation. Youth icons like great warrior Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, Swami Vivekananda, Veer Savarkar, Keshav Baliram Hedgewar, Subhash Chandra Bose, Mahakavi Bharathiyar and Tiruppur Kumaran sacrificed their youth life for building our Nation through their selfless services.

Youths in India represent most dynamic & vibrant segment of our population. While most of developed countries face the risk of ageing workforce, our Nation has world's largest youth population. India's talent pool will provide a great opportunity for growth, creation of self-employment opportunities, empowering skills, enable startup platform for talented youths & a platform to develop talented innovative minds. The success of nation always depends on the success of its youths.

A responsible citizen needs "passion & patriotism" for Nation development. But a responsible leader needs to showcase dedication, commitment, patriotism & determination to deliver Nation empowerment. Our people Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi showcased the entire world about the potential and strength of "Yuva Shakti Bharat"

For first time since independence, to empower above qualities in youths, our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri.Narendra Modi continuously enabling many initiatives to make our Nation again as "Youth Empowerment Hub for Entire World".

We will see various major measures, efforts, initiatives by Shri. Narendra Modi government for youths of our proud Nation.

1. New Education Policy (NEP)

Initiative Need:

3000 years ago, our proud Nation was "Education capital of the world" with world famous Universities like Takshashila, & Nalanda where youths from across world queue up to gain knowledge. Many scholars, physicians, authors, rulers, astronomers, politicians studied in our ancient universities to gain rich knowledge across subjects like Vedas, Vedanta, Ayurveda, Surgery, Military, Astronomy, commerce, politics etc. Students could choose their interested topics.

World is undergoing rapid changes in knowledge landscape. A Nation to become self-reliant needs good education system to gain rich knowledge and contribute for Bharat development. World needs skilled & talented people & only Bharat can empower this need.

The National Policy on Education initiated in the year 1986, became reality only in 2020 after 34 years.

Our Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi mission "keep Bharat's current and next generations future-ready". Every student should get an opportunity to follow their passion.

This National Education Policy 2020 is the first education policy of the 21st century and aims to address the many growing developmental imperatives of our country.

This Policy proposes the revision and revamping of all aspects of the education structure, including its regulation and governance, to create a new system that is aligned with the aspirational goals of 21st century education.

Current Education System Challenges:

- Students focus on marks rather knowledge
- Lacks Creativity & Innovation
- Theory oriented rather practical knowledge based
- Lack of values about our rich tradition and culture
- Students interest and passion areas not given importance
- Need of good teachers
- No effective body to govern higher educational institutions
- High education fees



National Education Policy Benefits:

- The 10+2 system will be divided into 5+3+3+4 format
- 3 Language formula: All students will learn three languages in their school under the 'formula'. At least two of the three languages should be native to India.

Example: If a student in Chennai is learning Tamil and English, he/she will have to choose to learn another Indian language (Malayalam, Telugu, Kannada, Hindi or any national language)

- Promote skill-based education and enhance the practical skills of the students
- Strengthen research and innovation in the country
- Give importance to students' practical knowledge
- Help students to develop scientific temper from a young age
- Set up new quality of higher educational institutes which will be at par with the global standards
- Affordable education for all with ramp up Digital Learning
- Students will also be free to choose major and minor subjects for their degree
- Importance to Practical Assignments, Skill Development
- ONE SINGLE Education regulator for all higher education



2. National Recruitment Agency

Initiative Need:

Approximately 1.25 lakh government jobs are advertised every year for which 2.5 crore aspirants appear in various examinations largely youths.

At present, candidates seeking government jobs have to appear for separate examinations conducted by multiple recruiting agencies for various posts. Candidates have to pay fee to **multiple recruiting** agencies and have to travel long distances for appearing in various exams.

These multiple recruitment examinations are a burden on the youth candidates, as also on the respective recruitment agencies, involving avoidable/repetitive expenditure, law and order/security related issues and venue related problems.

For example, presently, if a youth wants to apply for Staff Selection Commission (SSC), Railways Recruitment Board (SSC) and Institute of Banking Personnel Selection (IBPS) as well, he/she will have to appear for three preliminary tests (PT) and three tier-2 exams followed by the physical tests and medical examination, wherever required

Challenges:

- Multiple entrance exams (6)
- Multiple agencies to contact & coordinate
- Limited exam centers
- Additional finance burden due to travel & stay
- Tests only in 2 languages (English and Hindi)

National Recruitment Agency Benefits:

- One Common Entrance Test and will be conducted for three levels:
- Graduate, higher secondary (12th pass) and the matriculate (10th pass) candidates.
- CET will be conducted twice a year
- The CET score of a candidate shall be valid for a period of three years from the date of declaration of the result.
- No restriction on the number of attempts to be taken by a candidate to appear in the CET
- Relaxation in the upper age limit shall be given to candidates of SC/ST/OBC and other categories



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- The exam will be conducted in 12 languages that are in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution of India (including Tamil).
- Single eligibility test would "significantly reduce" the recruitment cycle.
- Removes the hassle of appearing in multiple examinations.
- Single examination fee would reduce financial burden that multiple exams imposed.
- Since exams will be held in every district, it would substantially save travel and lodging cost for the candidates. Examination in their own district would encourage more and more women candidates also to apply for government jobs.
- Applicants are required to register on a single Registration portal.
- No need to worry about clashing of examination dates
- Drastically reduces the recruitment cycle.
- Brings standardization in examination pattern.
- Reduces costs for different recruiting agencies. Rs 600 crore INR savings expected
- Govt. sanctioned Rs 1517 Cr INR budget to setup National Recruitment Agency



3. Unemployment Allowance - Atal Bimit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana

Initiative Need:

The current COVID19 pandemic hit industrial sector badly. Industrial workers largely youths either lost jobs or on verge of losing jobs. Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi always ensured every section of people, especially youth from rural areas gets all required support from government.

Unemployment Allowance Benefits:

Workers can claim 50% of average earning per day for 90 days (Joblessness between March 24 to December 31 2020)

More than 35 Lakhs workers (especially youth) will benefit from this initiative

All workers registered under Employee State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) will be eligible

Eligibility:

The workers should be part of ESI scheme for 2 years (April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2020) and should have contributed for 78 days (Oct 1, 2019 to March 31,2020).

For more information www.esic.nic.in/information-benefits



4. Skill India - Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)

Initiative Need:

With only small proportion of India's youth workforce have any formal skill trainings, India has world's largest youth population & need skills and training for better job & self-employment opportunities. India's economy to grow, every sector needs skilled workforce to improve productivity.

India has potential to become top skilled workforce provider in world for ageing developed world. Enable and mobilize many Indian youth to take up skill training and become employable and earn their livelihood especially from rural areas. Increase productivity of the existing workforce and align the training and certification to the needs of the country

Challenges:

- No proper training centers to learn (basic & short term)
- Without skills, getting basic employment was difficult
- Huge skill gap between industry demand and available skills
- · Rural youths were largely unskilled

Skill India Benefits:

- Increased employment
- Raise confidence among the youth
- Improve productivity and knowledge
- Enable youth to get blue-collar jobs
- Development of skills at school level
- · Balanced growth in all sectors
- Equal importance to all jobs
- · Compulsory soft skill training for every job aspirant
- To touch base with rural and remote India



Initiative Achievement (as on Aug 2020):

Description	Details
Training Centre (prior learning)	22550
Trained Candidates	3320403
Training Partners	141
Job Roles	586
Short Term Training Centre	8804
Trained Candidates	3417641
Placement percentage	56%

For more info http://www.pmkvyofficial.org/Index.aspx



5. Startup India

Initiative Need:

Indian people especially youths have great potential, talent and ability to contribute for our economy. Many talented youth entrepreneurs wanted to start own business, but due to lack of financial support & other regularities, people not able to start business.

Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi wanted to empower youths as "Job providers" rather "job seekers".

Shri. Narendra Modi ambition and vision are to make Bharat as "Youth empowered economy". This needed a great platform to support.

Startup India Hub is a one-stop platform for all stakeholders in the Startup ecosystem to interact amongst each other, exchange knowledge and form successful partnerships in a highly dynamic environment.

Startup India Benefits:

- Dedicated funds of 10,000 Cr INR to promote startups
- E-registration &self-certification compliance
- No inspection for first 3 years
- No income tax on profits for first 3 years
- Mobile app for start-up registration in one day
- Startup India as hub as single point of contact
- Easy Exit policy
- Special arrangement for female applicants

Under the leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi, **first time** the startup ecosystem was started and empowering youth minds to be more innovative to contribute for Atmanirbhar Bharat.

Initiative Achievement (as on Aug 2020):

Description	Details
Total Startups recognized	35,547
SIDBI Funded	264
Startup India Hub Members	4,24,371

For more info https://www.startupindia.gov.in/



6. National Entrepreneurship Awards

Initiative Need:

Youths have talent. Talent needs recognition. Recognition enables participation and contribution.

With talented youths of Bharat willing to take responsibility to transform & contribute of our Nation development, its is essential to recognize and honour outstanding young first-generation Entrepreneurs and their Ecosystem Builders for their outstanding contribution to entrepreneurship development.

Our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi always believes in enabling talent with due recognition.

National Entrepreneurship awards was started to in 2016 to identify the youth talents.

NEA Benefits:

- Many sectors are included (Textiles, Agriculture, Healthcare, Tourism, Logistics etc)
- Awards categorized as sectors award & special category awards
- Winners are recognized with trophy, certificate & cash prizes (5 lakhs & 10 Lakhs)
- No inspection for first 3 years
- No income tax on profits for first 3 years

Other Proposed Initiatives (Entrepreneurship Development):

- Educate and equip potential and early stage entrepreneurs across India
- Connect entrepreneurs to peers, mentors, incubators
- Support entrepreneurs through Entrepreneurship Hubs (E-Hubs)
- Catalyse a culture shift to encourage entrepreneurship
- Encourage entrepreneurship among underrepresented groups
- Promote Entrepreneurship amongst Women
- Foster social entrepreneurship and grassroots innovations

More Info https://www.msde.gov.in/nea.html

7. Khelo India

Initiative Need:

A fit mind & body can contribute better in many ways & bring great quality in a person. A Nation's youth power is judged by their active participation in sports.

Sports is an extremely important component for the overall development of our nation. The importance of sports and fitness in one's life is invaluable. Playing sports inculcates team spirit and develops strategic thinking, analytical thinking, leadership skills, goal setting and risk taking. A fit and healthy individual lead to an equally healthy society and strong nation.

Unfortunately, children & youths in our Nation did not have a platform that can identify & showcase their talents in sports.

First time in our Nation, Khelo India has been introduced to revive the sports culture in India at the grass-root level by building a strong framework for all sports played in our country and establish India as a great sporting nation.





Khelo India Benefits:

- Talented youth players identified on priority across many sports disciplines at various levels by the High-Powered Committee will be provided annual financial assistance of INR 5 lakh per annum for 8 years. Awards categorized as sectors award & special category awards
- Sports disciplines like Archery, Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Boxing, Football, Gymnastics, Hockey, Judo, Kabaddi, Kho-Kho, Shooting, Swimming, Volleyball, Weightlifting, and Wrestling are promoted especially for rural youths' participation
- More than 1.6 Cr kids and youths took oath to adopt sports under this scheme across India



Conclusion

A Good heart creates good thinking Good thinking enables good services Good services deliver good Governance Good Governance empowers Nation Transformation

Nation derives great energy from a good-hearted person Honorable Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi.

The efforts of our Prime Minister are to bring talent, skills & knowledge to youths of our proud Nation who will make the dream of "Atmanirbhar Bharat" a reality.

Nation needs every youth to stand up now and join the great mission of the century "**Self -Reliant Bharat**". It is responsibility of every responsible citizen to understand the wonderful initiatives of our people welfare focused government.

We need to contribute for our Nation building by sharing the benefits of various initiatives to bring awareness & knowledge.

Proud India.. Prime Minister who made every Indian Proud