

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATIONAL
RESEARCH & TRAINING
SHILLONG - 793011**



STATE SEMINAR

On

**IMPLEMENTATION OF
NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY 2020:
ISSUES, CHALLENGES
AND WAY FORWARD**

**INFORMATION
BROCHURE**

Date: 25th June, 2026

Time: 09:30 AM – 05:00 PM

Venue: State Convention Centre, Shillong

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About DERT

Established on 4th October 1976, the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT), Shillong, began under the Directorate of Public Instruction, Meghalaya. With a small but committed team, it was envisioned as the State's premier academic institution supporting teacher education and educational development.

A major milestone occurred on 4th September 1997, when the Directorate of Public Instruction was trifurcated, leading to the establishment of the Directorate of Educational Research and Training (DERT) as a full-fledged institution. Today, DERT plays a pivotal role as Meghalaya's academic authority, contributing to:

- Policy implementation
- Academic development
- Teacher education
- School Education

About the Seminar

The seminar on the National Education Policy 2020 is important to conduct because the policy represents a major transformation in India's education system, and stakeholders need clarity, alignment, and practical understanding to implement it effectively.

The National Education Policy 2020 marks a transformative shift in India's education system, replacing the 34-year-old NPE 1986. It emphasizes to overhaul the education system to foster critical thinking, creativity, and multidisciplinary learning.

NEP 2020 replaces the old 10+2 system with a new school structure of 5+3+3+4 (Ages 3-18).

- 1. Foundational Stage (5 Years):** Ages 3-8 (Preschool 1 -Grade 2). Focus on Early Childhood Education and Foundational Literacy & Numeracy (NIPUN Bharat).
- 2. Preparatory Stage (3 Years):** Ages 8-11 (Grades 3-5). Focus on interactive learning and language skills and development.
- 3. Middle Stage (3 Years):** Ages 11-14 (Grades 6-8). Introduction to vocational training and coding.
- 4. Secondary Stage (4 Years):** Ages 14-18 (Grades 9-12). Flexibility in subject choices, multidisciplinary approach, and critical thinking.

The policy focuses on Key Reforms in Pedagogy & Assessment

- **From Rote to Competency:** Shift from memorization to understanding, application, and skill-based learning.
- **Multilingualism:** Promotion of mother tongue/regional language as a medium of instruction, at least up to Grade 5.
- **Assessment Reform:** Introducing a 360-degree holistic report cards that track student progress across cognitive, affective, and psychomotor domains.
- **Vocational Education:** Integration of vocational education starting from Class 6, including internships.

Objectives

1. To examine the progress of NEP, 2020 implementation in Educational Institutions in Meghalaya.
2. To identify key challenges faced during the implementation of NEP, 2020.
3. To analyse the issues encountered by Educational Institutions in implementing NEP, 2020.
4. To recommend a way forward action plan for effective implementation of NEP, 2020 in Meghalaya.

Seminar Themes

1. Foundational Stage
2. Preparatory Stage
3. Middle Stage
4. Secondary Stage
5. Teacher Education

Sub-Themes

1. Curriculum, Textbooks & Reading Materials
2. Teaching Learning Resource Materials
3. Teacher's Training (CPD, Bridge Course, Online Courses, Blended courses)
4. Best Practices & Innovations

Call for Papers & Timeline

Original research papers, case studies, and best practice reports are invited from School Teachers and Principals, College Faculty and Administrators, Teacher Educators Researchers and Principals, Policy Makers and Education Leaders, Educational Institutions, etc.

1. **Abstract Submission:** Maximum 250 words
Submit via email: dertseminar@gmail.com

Deadline: 29th May, 2026

2. **Notification of Selection**

Selected paper presenters shall be intimated by email on or before the **9th June, 2026.**

3. **Full Paper Submission:** Maximum 2500 words

Format: Typed in MS Word, Times New Roman with Font Size 12 and 1.5 line spacing.

Referencing style: APA/MLA referencing style

Selected paper presenters will have to submit the complete paper on or before **19th June, 2026** in hard copy only (5 copies)

Submission Address

Directorate of Educational Research & Training,
Nongrimmaw, Laitumkhrah, Shillong - 793011

Registration

No Registration fee for Paper Presenters and Participants

Financial Assistance

Honorarium will be provided to all selected paper presenters

Accommodation

Free accommodation only will be arranged for paper presenters on a request basis.

Organising Committee

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