

A two-day Vice Chancellors' Conference of Central Universities to be held in Kevadia, Gujarat from 10-11th July 2025

Conference to focus on Central Universities' role as drivers of educational transformation and their contribution to Viksit Bharat@2047

Conference to review progress and set future course of NEP 2020 implementation

Focussed sessions on key National Education Policy 2020 themes to be discussed

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The Ministry of Education is organising a two-day Vice Chancellors Conference of Central Universities in Kevadia, Gujarat from 10th -11th July 2025. The event will be attended by the Hon'ble Union Minister for Education, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan; Hon'ble Minister of State for Education, Dr. Sukanta Majumdar; and senior officials from the Ministry of Education.

The conference as part of the five years of implementation of National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) on 29th July 2025, will bring together leaders of Central Universities to review the institutional progress and collectively shape the path ahead. The discussions over the two days are expected to broadly cover three key areas:

- 1. Strategic Alignment:** To ensure that Central Universities are aligned with the policy's next-phase goals.
- 2. Peer Learning and Knowledge Exchange:** To foster dialogue among academic leaders on institutional innovations, enabling environments, and shared challenges.
- 3. Forward Planning and Readiness:** To prepare institutions for upcoming policy milestones, regulatory transitions, and the global academic landscape of 2047.

The conference will cover key aspects of higher education – teaching/ learning, research and governance through ten thematic sessions spread over the 2 days aligned with the key pillars of NEP 2020 —Equity, Accountability, Quality, Access and Affordability. These include:

1. Understanding and Implementation of NHEQF/NCrF with focus on Four-Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUP)Future of Work – Alignment of Courses as per the requirement of future of Job RoleDigital Education – SWAYAM, SWAYAM Plus, AAPAR with focus on Credit TransferUniversity Governance System - SAMARTHPromotion of Equity in HEIs- Fostering an Inclusive and Equitable Environment.
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1. Education in Bhartiya Bhasha and Indian Knowledge System, Bhartiya Bhasha Pustak SchemeResearch and Innovation including ANRF, CoE, PMRFRanking and Accreditation SystemInternationalisation including Study in IndiaFaculty Development - Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Programme
Some of the participating institutions include the University of Delhi, Central University of Haryana, Assam University, Hemvati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University, Central University of Rajasthan, Central University of Kashmir, Visva-Bharati, National Sanskrit University, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University (IGNTU), Sikkim University, Tripura University, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), University of Allahabad, and many others.

NEP 2020 lays out a clear vision for transforming India’s higher education landscape by 2040. It envisions vibrant, multidisciplinary institutions that encourage inquiry, collaboration, and global engagement. In alignment with this vision and to build synergies between different stakeholders, the Vice Chancellors’ Conference is expected to generate meaningful insights, strengthen collaboration among institutions, and help chart a clear roadmap for the next phase of NEP 2020 implementation. The outcomes of this conference will play a key role in shaping the future of higher education in India and advancing the nation’s collective vision of becoming a Viksit Bharat by 2047.

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