

WEBINAR ON NEP 2020

REPORT

“Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think.” -Albert Einstein

One of the sweeping changes in school and higher education brought about in the year 2020 is the New Education Policy proposed by the Cabinet. What we know of NEP is that it is a framework to guide the development of education in the country. This is the third NEP released by the government this year. While we know many highlight features of it which include opening up of Indian Higher Education to foreign universities, dismantling the UGC and various others, there were still many unanswered questions in all our minds. To address all those questions and to give a better and clearer picture of the New Education Policy 2020 to the teachers, **MBS International School, Dwarka organised a webinar on NEP 2020 on December 29, 2020 for Pre-Primary to Class II and on December 30, 2020 for Classes III to VIII.** The webinar was helmed by Ms. Alka Rai who has Teacher Training sessions for more than 12 years across the country. She has been trained by CBSE on creative and critical thinking skills. In the session she explained that how the NEP 2020 focuses on “How to think” as opposed to “What to think” being followed by previous education models in India. In fact, NEP focuses on the all-round development of students with emphasis on extra-curricular activities, music, arts and sports. The introduction of vocational learning and coding from 6th standard onwards would help develop students the skills required to grow in the modern world. Students can select subjects of their liking across the streams. Emphasis on critical thinking, creativity and stronger conceptual understanding will encourage students to become self-motivated learners. It was explained in the session that the NEP recognizes and respects the different capabilities of the students. This is the central focus of it. While curriculum and teaching are central to educational quality, the focus is students’ experience in learning. This was an extremely informative, interactive, enjoyable and above all valuable session.

