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Extension Work

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## **Introduction**

The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 is a comprehensive framework introduced by the Government of India to revamp the country's education system. It has replaced the previous National Policy on Education, which has aim to ensure universal access to quality education from preschool to higher education, including vocational education. NEP 2020 emphasizes a more holistic, multidisciplinary, and flexible curriculum which lay emphasis on conceptual understanding rather than rote learning allowing students to choose subjects across disciplines without strict boundaries.

The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 of India addresses the role of higher education institutions in fostering community engagement and extension work. It highlights the social responsibility of higher education institutions towards their communities. It encourages institutions to engage with local communities, address societal challenges, and contribute to sustainable development. The policy promotes the implementation of outreach programs by higher education institutions to disseminate knowledge, provide services, and support community development. These programs may include literacy campaigns, career development programs, social issues awareness programs, health and hygiene initiatives, skill development workshops, and technology-oriented activities. The policy suggests integrating extension work into the curriculum of higher education programs. This allows learners to gain practical experience, develop leadership skills, and contribute to community development while pursuing their studies. It recognizes incentives to encourage active engagement in community service and extension activities.

Overall, NEP 2020 recognizes the significant role of higher education institutions in promoting community engagement, social responsibility, and sustainable development through extension work. By integrating extension activities into their mission and operations, institutions can contribute in building inclusive and resilient societies.

*Extension work in the context of education refers to the activities and programs conducted by educational institutions to engage with communities, address societal needs, and promote social development.*

### *Aim of Extension Work under NEP:*

- Extension work aims to identify and address the specific needs and challenges faced by communities. NEP 2020 encourages higher education institutions to engage with local communities and contribute to their development by offering programs and services that

address social needs, such as literacy programs, health awareness campaigns, and vocational training.

- Extension work aims to empower communities by providing them with the knowledge, skills, and resources they need to address their own requirements and improve their quality of life.

*Key objectives of Extension Work under NEP:*

- To ensure equal access to quality education and educational opportunities to aspirants.
- To support the government initiatives in achieving universal foundational literacy and numeracy as per sustainable development program.
- To organize remedial programs to address the learning breaches among the youth and provide unending education opportunities.
- To offer more holistic, multidisciplinary, and flexible curricular activities with an emphasis on conceptual understanding and personality development.
- To offer a wide range of activities & promote critical thinking, creativity and innovation.
- To provide aspirants with multiple pathways for skill development and employment.
- To implement outreach programs to disseminate knowledge, provide services, and support community development.

**Extension Work Activities:**

Extension Work activities introduced by DLLE are a crucial aspect of the educational environment, offering multifaceted benefits that extend beyond academic learning. Many extension activities focus on social issues, sustainability, and environmental conservation. These activities educate the communities on sustainable practices which promote inclusivity and social justice. These activities focus especially on training women in various skills, including entrepreneurship and digital literacy through various vocational skill-oriented projects offered by the department. These activities have significantly contributed to skill development among community members, leading to improved employment opportunities and personality development. Learners participate in extension work activities as part of their curriculum, to gain practical experience and to contribute to community development. Thus, engaging in extension work fosters a sense of social responsibility and civic engagement among the learners and facilitators.

### **THE EXTENSION DIMENSION (Reach to Unreached)**

The college students are enrolled for extension work projects and perform various activities for the **social awareness based on various issues / problems in the society such as Save Girl Child, Pollution, Aids, Global Warming, Environment, Tree Plantation, Importance of Education, Illiteracy, Child Labour, Dowry Deaths, Malnutrition, Watershed Management and so many.** The students are creating awareness about these social problems / issues through various activities such as Street Play, Exhibition, Poster Making, Songs, Speech, Survey, Elocution, and participation in Seminar & Conferences. For this purpose, students are going to remote areas and involve the community and make them aware of our role in eradicating social problems faced by the society and trying to convince the people human duties as an ideal citizen.

To facilitate the sensitization of the student to the socio-cultural realities, the Department offers extension work projects encompassing social issues for the student. There are many Extension Work Projects being offered by the department under the two different units for enhancing the employability and IT skills of the student. The projects are given below for which the details are available on DLLE website at [www.mudlle.ac.in](http://www.mudlle.ac.in).

#### **I) Vocational Career Oriented Projects**

1. Career Project [CP]
2. Industry Orientation Project [IOP]
3. Anna Poorna Yojana [APY]
4. Skill Development (SD)

#### **II) Community Oriented Projects**

1. Population Education Club (PEC)
2. Survey Research
3. Education for All (EFA- NIOS, IDOL)
4. Environment Education
5. Civic Sense (CS)
6. Consumer Guidance

**Given below are the activities / programs to be conducted by the colleges as a part of 10 Extension Work Projects as listed above. The learner will select any one extension work project for this academic year and participate in following activities to complete 60 hours of activities during Semester I in this academic year.**

**ACTIVITIES FOR SEMESTER I = TOTAL 60 HOURS – 2 Credits**

1. Exhibit your talent (Talent Search Program) **(practice session to presentation-05 hours)**

A talent search program is a critical component of modern human resource management that compels sensitization of self-awareness. By systematically identifying, attracting, and nurturing talent, the colleges can build a workforce that is capable, diverse, and aligned with their strategic goals to achieve objectives of extension work. The following talents / skills are expected from learners to conduct training, extension work and field outreach activities as per the project assigned to the students. (Organization, Crowd control, Storytelling, Stage performance (singing, acting, musical instrument playing), Script writing, Poetry composition, Drawing & painting, Collage, Drafting and writing report, PPT presentation and Video Making.

2. Organizing & Participation in Training Session and Note Making **(05 hours)**

Every learner should attend the training session organized by their college for orientation of annual extension work program. Attendance is compulsory. In this session the learners will be oriented about all the extension work projects followed by question-and-answer session. The learner must read resource material and guidelines carefully and understand the structure Extension Work under NEP 2020 and accordingly plan for participation in various programs, college level and field outreach activities. Documentation of the activity and report preparation needs to be completed by the learners.

3. Self- Introductory Video / Stage Performance **(practice session to presentation-05 hours)**

All learners enrolled in Extension Work can make self-introductory video or stage performance (3-4 minutes duration) stating his / her name, college, areas of interest, reason to join DLLE, goals, why did he / she choose the particular project, how will he/she perform & achieve his/ her objectives etc. followed by 2 page report writing.

**4. Participation in Project /Activity (as per selected extension work project) (35 hours)**

- Organize and participate in programs related to projects / government policies.
- Participation in
  - Seminar /conferences, discussion sessions, debate, rallies
  - Competitions (essay/creative writing, elocution, poster/ video/ rangoli making etc.
  - Extension Work group activities of other groups in the college.
- Prepare your PPT, design your posters / charts.
- Survey / short term academic courses / innovative programs.

Learners should perform and participate in the activities as stated in the extension work project chosen by him / her and strictly follow the guidelines. All the programs must be related to extension work projects to fulfil the DLLE objectives.

**5. Report Writing and Final submission of projects / report (10 hours)**

- Every learner will prepare final report as per format given by DLLE
- Present your report during the college program.
- College will organize a program in the hall / classroom for all learners and give them opportunity to present their report with PPT presentation followed by question answer session / test / interview by the college.

**Monitoring and Evaluation:**

Monitoring and Evaluation will be conducted by College Teacher and Field Coordinators (Senior Teachers in Extension Work) deputed by DLLE on the basis of attendance, punctuality, completion of hours, participation in programs and proficiency in required skill sets, feedback and student's overall performance and additionally on the basis of written report and presentations. Approval of Principal, Field Coordinator and Director, DLLE will be final for granting academic credit to the students.

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