

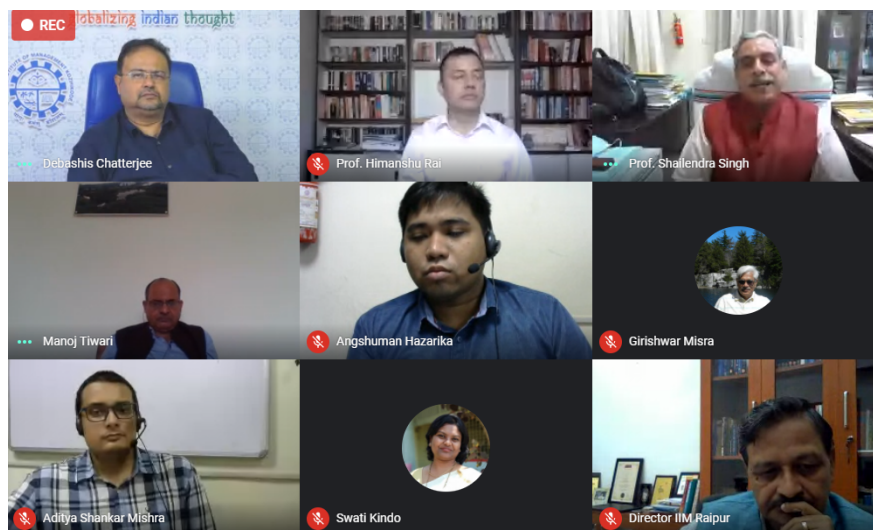
IIM Ranchi, ABVCLPG organized webinar on “National Education Policy 2020: A Paradigm Shift”

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A webinar on National Education Policy 2020: A Paradigm Shift was organized by Atal Bihari Vajpayee Centre for Leadership, Policy and Governance (ABVCLPG), Centre of Excellence, IIM Ranchi on Friday, 18th September 2020.

Ms. Swati Kindo, Secretary to the Director, IIM Ranchi welcomed the Directors and Vice-Chancellors of various institutes. The speakers were Prof. Shailendra Singh, Director of IIM Ranchi, Prof. Manoj Kumar Tiwari, Director of NITIE Mumbai, Prof. Girishwar Misra, Former Vice-Chancellor of Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya, Prof. Bharat Bhasker, Director of IIM Raipur, Prof. Debashish Chatterjee, Director of IIM Kozhikode, and Prof. Himanshu Rai, Director of IIM Indore. She further introduced members of the ABVCLPG Centre.

Prof. Aditya Shankar Mishra, Co-Chair, ABVCLPG Centre, IIM Ranchi, highlighted the activities of the ABVCLPG Centre, its objectives and expected future events. The centre is working in line with Late Atal Bihari Vajpayee’s vision by conducting events in the line of corporate governance and political governance.



Addressing the speakers, Prof. Shailendra Singh, Director, IIM Ranchi added that this webinar was going to be another feather in IIM Ranchi’s cap, amongst a galaxy of learned speakers. He also highlighted that National Education Policy 2020 could transform India as an equitable and vibrant knowledge society through provision of high quality education.

The three pillars of strength of NEP 2020 according to speakers is

1. **Holistic multidisciplinary education** at the undergraduate level will have rigorous exposure to science, arts, humanities, mathematics and other professional fields. It will help in developing well-rounded individuals.
2. **Breaking free from the rigid learning model** The students in colleges will have multiple entry and exit points which means that the rigid semester system is finally out.
3. **Opening up higher education with collaboration to foreign institutions.** Foreign education institutions in the world will be encouraged to come to India and set up campuses. This move will help in reducing brain drain and also help in making global education more accessible.

The learned speakers further added that it could be achieved by the following. Firstly, if we have good faculty, infrastructure becomes secondary. One can see this through gurukul system, Nalanda University where they had great teachers and no proper infrastructure. Focus on ancient teaching encourages value-based education, which will help develop the right habits, values among students. Secondly, remittances should stay in India. Thirdly, strengthen the relations between academia and industry so that funding can be raised by industries.

The eminent speakers also stressed upon the fact that 6 % of GDP is not spent on education so far. The policy is more of a framework of ideas and it should be implemented well. Vocational education should be focused, rather than just being pure thinkers.

Prof. Angshuman Hazarika, IIM Ranchi coordinated the Q and A session. Finally, webinar was ended with vote of thank given by the Prof. Aditya Shankar Mishra, IIM Ranchi.

To conclude" Let the deconstruction begin for reconstruction of a new education system through NEP 2020".

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