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# A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF EDUCATIONAL POLICY BETWEEN INDIA AND NEPAL

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#### **ABSTRACT**

The research article" A comparative study of educational policy between India and Nepal. The main aim of this article is to find out the common and different facts of educational policies in India and Nepal. It is a descriptive and analytical research where only secondary data are used. The research is delimited with structure of education, objectives of education, qualification needed for teaching staffs, commission of education and boards of examination in both countries. It is found that in most of the cases there are the similarities in educational components in India and Nepal.

**KEYWORDS:** educational policy, teaching staffs, objectives of education.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Education plays a vital role for the development of a country. It makes our lives better and easier. It increases the productivity of a person and provides job opportunity. All the infrastructures and developmental task depend on education. Different countries in the world are trying to improve educational status of their citizens investing alarge amount of capital in education. Many countries got success each countries have their own educational policies and practices since Nepal and India are close neighbors. They have also their own polices in education. This article tries to find out that what are the same and different factors in educationsystem in these two countries.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

The main objective of this study is to compare the educational policy between India and Nepal.

## **METHODOLOGY:**

It is a descriptive and qualitative research paper. Only secondary data are used in this research. They are analyzed, tabulated, described and presented in tables.

## **DELIMITATION:**

I have delimited my research paper in only structure of education, objectives of education, examination boards, problems seen in education and education commissions in Nepal and India.



# 1. Structure of Education in Nepal and India

# 1.1) Pre-Primary level:

Nepal	India
1 to 4 years child care	from conception to birth
4 to 6 yearspreprimary	from birth to 2.5years
	2.5 to 4 years
	4 years to 6 years

The above table shows that there is not significant difference of primary education between India and Nepal. It ends at the age of 6 in both countries.

## 1.2 ) Primary level:

Nepal	India
Basic level 1 to 8	Lower Primary: class 1 to 5
	Upper primary :class 6 to class 8

Primary level of education is divided into Lower primary and upper primary in India. But we have basic level education from 1 to 8 in primary education.

# 1.3) Secondary level:

Nepal	India
9 to 12	JuniorSecondary 6 to 8
	Upper sec 9 to 10
	Higher sec 11 to 12

It is seen that secondary education in India is divided into three categories: junior, upper and higher secondary. But Nepaldoesn't have different secondary levels.

## 1.4) Higher education:

Nepal	India
General GR 4 years	General graduation 3 years
Tech 5.5 years	Technical graduation 4 to 6
Post graduate 2 years	General post-graduation 2years
M Phil 1.5 years	M Phil 1.5 years
PhD 2 to 6 years	PhD 3 to 6 years

The higher education in both countriesdoes not have significance different.

## 2. National objectives of education:

National objectives of education are the backbone the development of education. The whole educational process, educational activities, educational programs, policy run around it. National objectives of education are made according to need of the country. Thus it differs from country to country. The following are the national objectives of these two countries

India	Nepal
Free and compulsory education up to 14	Help to release internal potentialities and
years' children	personalities of an individual
Education should strengthen democratic	Help to produce local, national level profession and
system and reliable national unity	employment as well as international employment
To provide equal opportunityof self-	oriented productive and skilled citizens.

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development for all Indians
Encouraging secularism to achieve the goal of
social cultural and religious tolerance
Education should contribute for Indian
development achieving affluence.

Help individuals for socialization and make social unity strong.

Help to modernize the society and develop human resources for nation build

Help to preserve and use of natural environment and national resources

Help for social equality and inclusive society

Prepare skilled manpower related to global modern technology, having the capacity to use it

Prepare the citizens having critical thinking and creative thoughts feeling proud being Nepalese, andrespecting nation and nationality. Democracy and, human rights

Help to prepare the citizens to pressure, modify and develop Nepalese arts, ideal and, beauty

#### 3. Board of examination:

If we talk about boards of examination of Nepal and India, it is clear that Nepal has a limited boardon the comparison to India

India Nepal Since India is a federal republic country. it has Previously Nepal had a centralized government been practicing this system for a longer time. the system. all the educational and other institutions states in it are also strong and state were governed from the center. there was central educational board for different level. SLC board for National Boards Central Board of Secondary SLC student, Higher secondary Education board for Education (CBSE) Established in 1962 under the Higher secondary level students and university purview of MHRD, CBSE gives affiliations to both board for higher level students. Now Nepal has public and private schools. There are currently been changed in to federal system, we have now 7 about 15,167 schools affiliated under CBSE. The federal governments. B1ut we have still central board conducts final examinations. level board of examination. currently SLC board Council of Indian School Certificate Examinations and HSEB are joint together into National Education Board(NEB).

(CISCE]. It conducts the ICSE (for class X) and ISC (for class XII) examinations in India. About 1,900 schools are affiliated with the CISCE board.

State Government Boards: These educational boards are regulated and supervised by the state apex organization for secondary and senior secondary education.

National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS): It is the board of education for distance education.

International Boards. International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO): IBO was founded in 1968 as an international, non-governmental, non-profit educational organization based in Geneva, Switzerland. IB World Schools in India offer three IB programs—primary years' program (PYP), middle years' program (MYP) and IB Diploma program (IBDP). There are 109 IB World Schools in

**Indian boards:** There are some educational institutions in Nepal. They have been using Indian curriculum and affiliated to Indian board.

**International boards**: We have some international boards. specially in town area some institutions are affiliated with them.

**University boards:** The number of university in Nepal limited. they has their own examination boards.

India offering one or more of the three IB programmers. 50 schools offer the PYP, 11 schools offer the MYP and 96 schools offer boards of COBSE: **Associate Members** Higher Secondary Education Board, Sanothimi Bhaktapur, Nepal Mauritius Examinations Syndicate, Reduit Mauritius Bhutan Board of Examinations, Ministry of Education, Thimpu, Bhutan The Aga Khan University Examination Board, Karachi, Pakistan Inter Board Committee of Chairmen (IBCC), Islamabad, Pakistan Cambridge International Examinations, UK Edexcel, London, UK

## 4. Qualification of the head and other teachers:

The qualification for staffs, teachers, head teachers, principal and vice principal is fixed in education act of any country. I have tried to show it in the following table.

India	Nepal
Minimum Staff Qualifications Heads of Schools	Minimum qualification of the candidates in
CBSE Higher Secondary Schools: Masters or Honors	teaching profession:
Degree of a Foreign University recognized as	Primary one to five
equivalent to the Master's Degree of an Indian	Principal: certificate level education
University.	Subject teachers:SLC
Secondary Schools: At least Master's Degree (or its	Basic level one to Eight:
equivalent).	Principal: diploma in education
CISCE Principal/ Headmaster / Headmistress: The	Subject teachers:Certificate level
Principal / Headmaster / Headmistress must ppossess	Secondary level:
a postgraduate academic degree in a teaching subject	Nine to ten:
from a recognized University and a recognized	Principal: Minimum BEd
teacher-education degree.	Subject teachers: BEd
Vice-Principal / Senior Master / Senior Mistress: The	Nine to twelve:
Vice-Principal / Senior Master / Senior Mistress must	Principal:Post graduate
possess a postgraduate academic degree in a	Subject teachers: Post graduate
teaching subject from a recognized University and a	
recognized teacher-education degree.	
Minimum Staff Qualifications Teachers at Higher	
Secondary Levels (Classes 11 and 12) CBSE (i) A	
Subject Teachers: Master's Degree in the subject	
(Persons having post graduate qualifications with	
specialization in a branch of the subject.	
Other Activity Teachers: Qualifications as recognized	
by NCTE. CISCE	
(i) Teachers at Secondary Levels (Classes 6–10) CBSE	

(i) Subject Teachers: Graduate Degree in the subject.	
: Teachers at Primary Levels (Classes 1–5) CBSE Higher	
Secondary with JBT (Two years) OR	
Intermediate/Senior Secondary with JBT (One year)	

# 5. Problems of education:

When I go through the problems of education in India and Nepal, I have found the similar problem in both countries. They are: Problem in curriculum, Problem in language and Problem in evaluation system. I have discussed these points below.

# 5.1 Curriculum:

India	Nepal
Curriculum is not accordance with explosion of	Since curriculum of Nepal is made in centralized
knowledge	process, it is unable to fulfill the local needs
Curriculum is not made according to time making	Our curriculum is only a theoretical basis.
research	Implementation parts of curriculum is weak
Teachers are not oriented to the new curriculum	There is gap between upper level and lower level
4 Three language approach in education brings	of curriculum
problems	The curriculum of Nepal is unable to address the
Present curriculum is unable to cope feeling of	interest, wants and needs of the child
nationality among students	The opportunity of education is enjoyed by only a
Curriculum is based on only theoretical basis	high level
Diversity is seen in curriculum	Still we are facing the lack of practical knowledge
Is not made in all mother languages curriculum	and life skilled curriculum
lack of coordination between central and state	Our curriculum is unable to produce the man
govt in making curriculum is producing problems	power to compete to the rest parts of the world
	lack of coordination with different concerned
	authorities while making curriculum has brought
	many problems

# 5.2 Language:

India	Nepal
Three language approach has brought problems	Nepal is a multilingual country but instructional
Hindi language is given importance	process in all mother language has not been
Not all mother languages are equally used in	started.
education	We are still in lack of curriculum in mother
Indian curriculum has not made balance among	language
mother language, regional language, and Hindi or	Since medium of instruction is Nepali and English,
English language	it is difficult for the children who speak other
	language
	Lack of materials in Nepali and other mother
	language shows great problems

#### **5.3 Evaluation system:**

India	Nepal
Lack of internal evaluation system	Only examination is considered as tools of
	evaluation
Importance isgiven towritten examination	Instructional process is oriented to examination
Given importance for external evaluation	Lack of real evaluation knowledge
implementation parts of CAS are weak	Unscientific evaluation system
Given importance to only a summative evaluation	Lack of analyses and use of exam result
No practical evaluation	Lack of internal evaluation
Stress on only in cognitive aspect	Financially weak
Skill and attitude are not evaluated	Lack of coordination
with present curriculum	Uselessness of CAS in primary level
	Meaningless DLEin lower secondary level

## 6. Different education commission for the betterment of education:

The following are the different commissions of education in Nepal and India. These commissions have played a vital role for the betterment of education. If we see the history of these commissions, the first one was formed in 1882 in India but only in 1954 in Nepal. When the first commission of education was formed in Nepal the 5<sup>th</sup> education commission was formed in India. Thus India has made a great revolution in education. It is competing with the rest of the world in the field of education.

India	Nepal
The Indian Education commission 1882	Nepal National Education planning commission
The Indian University commission 1902	1954
The Calcutta University commission 1917	All round National Education Commission Report
The university Education commission 1948	2018
The secondary Education commission 1952	National Education System Plan 1971
Education Commission 1964	Royal commission for Higher Education 2040
	NationalEducation commission 1992
	High level National Education commission 1998

#### **CONCLUSION:**

It is concluded that there is the similarity in educational policy in Nepal and India. Most of the facts are similar. The rate of educational progress in India is higher and rapid in India than in Nepal.

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