

National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA)

About NUEPA

Birth of NUEPA (Earlier known as NIEPA - National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration) is associated with the UNESCO's regional center for Educational Planners and Administration started in 1960 - 61 for taking care of educational needs of South Asia. The organization was renamed as Asian Institute of Educational Planning and Administration in 1965.

It was in 1970 that the institute was taken over by the govt. of India from UNESCO and was renamed as National Staff College for Educational Planners and Administration. The institute with the present name was rechristened in 1979.

The NUEPA as an autonomous organization emphasizes on planning, management and capacity building in educational policy, through research, training, consultancy and dissemination. The NUEPA structure is based on nine academic and one administrative unit.

The Minister for Human Resource Development, Government of India, is the chairman of the NUEPA Council. Director of the institute as head of the Executive Committee is responsible for policy making and implementation.

Financial advices to the institute is the responsibility of the Finance Committee. Eminent academicians from various institutions of the country, senior educational administrators and members of the faculty of NUEPA comprising of the Planning and Programme Committee, tender advice on academic programmes and training and research.

International Organizations like World Bank, UNESCO, COL etc. also take assistance from the NUEPA on several issues.

The university is fully involved in the capacity building and research in planning and management of education in not only India but also in South Asia, For enormous contribution made by it in the field of education, it was awarded with the status of deemed to be university in August 2006. Thus, university is now fully authorized to conduct its own examinations and give degrees.

Departments

The university functions through its nine Departments, which are as follows

Department of Educational Planning

Department of Educational Administration

Department of Educational Policy

Department of Educational Finance

Department of School and Non-formal Education

Department of Higher Education

Department of International Cooperation

Department of Sub-national Systems

Department of Operations Research and Systems Management

NUEPA undertakes the following activities

Training educational planners and administrators

Research in educational planning and administration

Providing consultancy services at national and international levels

Disseminating the latest knowledge and information through its publications

Organizing seminars, conferences and workshops in educational planning and administration

Providing a forum for exchange of views and experiences between practicing educational administrators, planners and academics.

Sponsoring research in educational planning, policy and management.

Programs

NUEPA offers following programs in educational policy, planning, finance and administration.

M. Phil : The programme is of two-year duration and is offered in three parts. While the first part

comprises of Compulsory Papers, the second have optional papers. In the third part, a student is required to do dissertation work.

Ph.D : The full-time Ph.D programme is of five years' duration. A student has to complete the thesis within this timeframe. However, it can be extended too, but only on the recommendation of a supervisor. For part-time students, the maximum time is 7 years. But prior taking up the course, a student has to mandatory go through a eight month Pre-Ph.D. course to get oneself registered for the Ph.D. Under the pre-Ph.D a student has to appear for four papers of Part I of M.Phil program. In the remaining months, a student has to prepare a synopsis, to be submitted to the institute for registration to Ph.D.

Role and functions-

The University is actively engaged in teaching, research and advisory services in the areas of educational policy, planning and administration.

The core activities of the University include:

Developing expertise among young scholars through programmes of M. Phil. and Ph. D., as well as other capacity-building activities;

Providing leadership in reforming educational policy, planning and management at all tiers of the education system and structures;

Developing specialized human resources in the areas of educational policy, planning and administration through its

inter-disciplinary interventions, especially advanced level teaching and research;

Shaping the research agenda and undertaking, aiding, promoting and coordinating research in various aspects of educational policy, planning and administration;

Providing technical support to Central and State Governments in educational policy and planning;

Organizing professional development programmes in educational planning and administration for education professionals of the country;

Conducting research in all aspects of school and higher education;

Providing a forum for exchange of ideas and experiences among policy makers, planners, administrators and academics

Extending advisory services to national and international organizations;

Functioning as a clearing house for dissemination of knowledge and information

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