



## **WE SHOULD FOCUS URGENTLY ON QUALITY EDUCATION**

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### ***Abstract***

*In this 21<sup>st</sup> century, we have lots of opportunities and options to provide quality education to students. Many things are dominated education system. Administrative influences more on academics. Though, teachers played their role efficiently. They perform their duties regularly. For quality concern in education, we should focus urgently on quality education. So that this paper suggests focus areas for quality education. We just follow these areas such as Content knowledge, Skills/Pedagogy, Know learner's psychology, use of ICT and Management of teaching learning. We will find quality will definitely come. Our students will do better in their life.*

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### **Introduction**

We could find that teaching learning process depends on teacher, learner, curriculum and availability of time, pace and tools. In the school education system, we can observe different types of schools like Kendriya Vidyalaya, Navodaya Vidyalaya, Sainik Schools, State Government Schools, Model Schools, Aided Schools, Private Schools, International Schools, Special Schools etc. Through these schools our students are taking education as per facilities available in the schools. Every school is committed to provide quality education towards the students. Government of India, State Government, Different agencies and Public try to develop better educational scenario in the country. They provide as much as possible for improving quality in education. They organises orientation programme, refresher programme, methodology programme, interaction programme etc. for teachers.

### **Parents Expectation**

Parents have faith in the education system of our country. They know the different types of schooling are available for their wards. According to the fees and other expenses of the

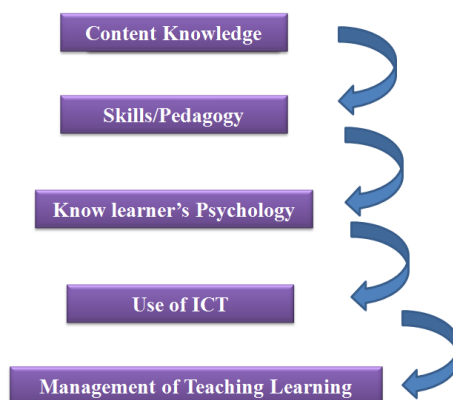
school, they try to admit their children in that school which will be affordable for them in future. Parents want quality education for their children so that they monitor teaching-learning process, school activities, cultural events, parents meet directly or indirectly. They think that their children will gain quality education. Another thing, every parent is not attentive towards the progress of his ward. They make sure that their children going to school only and completed secondary education. But we know that education is tool of revolution. By it we can develop our nation. We are responsible for making students future. Parents have given the responsibility to school for overall development of students during 12 years of schooling.

### **Focus Areas**

Teacher is the back bone of the education system. S/he is guide, friend and philosopher. Government plans for the students but teachers actually implement the plan. Teachers take care of all students just like their children. They have to play various types of roles in the schools like class-teacher, administrator, facilitator, resource person, mentor etc. They have to work for government time to time directly like census; elections etc. and they perform their duties carefully and sincerely. They select this teaching profession by choice for that they completed their teacher training and entered this profession by applying for this teacher post. Question is that. Why we are not providing quality education to students? Our primary concern must be student and their overall development.

Here are five focus areas for teachers. They must start their work on these areas and we will provide the quality education for our students. This will be great dedication towards our profession.

## **QUALITY EDUCATION**



### **1. Content knowledge**

This is the knowledge society. We can find the information from various sources like newspapers, magazines, journals, pamphlets, text books, reference books etc. We have multimedia also like T.V., Radio, computer/internet, social Medias (Google, facebook, twitter, whatsapp etc). So that we can access more information easily. We should keep updating about our subjects (English, Hindi, Social Science, Science, Maths, etc). We must know the history, present and future of the subject. We have to prepare notes on changes in the subject. What is the scope in the subject for/after higher education? Which are the researches going on in the subject? What are the findings? Which finding is important to improve your teaching learning process? We must know the answers of the above questions. We should assure methodology/technique/approach for teaching particular topic and note down the effect/outcome of the particular methodology/technique/approach. We must read all types of books, articles, opinions, views, discussions related to the subject. We have to find out the interdisciplinary nature of the subject also so that we could correlate our subject to other subjects easily. We have to make our subject interesting, relevant and practical for our students.

### **2. Skills/Pedagogy**

Teaching is a complex process. Teaching is not merely a long lecture impregnated with a mass of facts but consists of several purposeful tasks or skills. A teaching skill can be defined as a set of teacher's behaviours which are especially effective in bringing about desired changes in pupils. We should have mastery over our all skills. We should practice on writing board, explaining content, asking questions, giving reinforcement like master in all skills. Our time is so important. That's why we have to utilize it for the better results. We should prepare the best pedagogy for the content and always use it. Without pedagogical/methodological knowledge we can't teach properly. So that, we should find out the best pedagogy/methodology by own. Pedagogy/methodology knowledge is easily available in/on books/internet. We must take care of students and prepare them for future challenges. Do not wait for others to start but you should start as professional. Think professional and be professional.

### **3. Know Learner's Psychology**

As teacher, we have to transmit syllabus/content towards students. We have to complete syllabus within stipulated time. So we don't care about learning condition of the student. I think for better output, we must think about the learner's psychology. Which time is perfect for teaching your subject, make your subject interesting, take feedback from students or ask

whether continue this class or take it next day. We must motivate them for learning and set their goal for that they will easily agree. Teaching learning process is the two way process. We could not ignore the importance of learner. We should change our methods, techniques and approaches according to learner/content. We can develop our own way of teaching for better results. Be positive about students learning. Always start a class by saying positive sentences/story/thought. Discuss their progress in staff room. Plan new things for their overall development. Don't think it is a work of school, it is our work. Teachers, who transmit/implement government policies in reality, have to take initiation for change in student's behaviour. We have got an opportunity to enlighten student's life.

#### **4. Use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT)**

This is the era of digital evolution. Everyone has gadgets like mobiles, laptops, i-pad, recorder etc. Learner learns more effectively than traditionally through information and communication technology. E-learning is the new option for learning things dynamically. We should promote e-learning and mobile-learning (m-learning). We should give students assignments/projects on ICT based. Students will complete assignments/projects by using computer and internet. We should encourage them to find out new words/information by using mobiles. We should use LCD projectors for teaching. We can show youtube for experiments/demonstration the practical aspects of the content. We should plan that once in a week to use computer/mobile/internet/youtube/power point presentation/data sheets (excel) in the classroom teaching. Certainly we will be able to do virtual classes. We try to upload our own/experts videos or download.

#### **5. Management**

Management is the vital part of our life. Management in Education/Educational Management is emerging area in recent time. For better output, we must implement the principles of educational management. Management stands for the attempts of managing the available resources so properly as to yield the best possible results. Educational Management includes management of teaching-learning. *Management of teaching learning is the process of planning, organizing, leading and controlling the efforts of the variables involved and the resources available in the process of teaching learning in such a way as to result in the attainment of stipulated teaching learning objectives with the maximum possible efficiency and effectiveness.* We should focus on maximum utilisation of available resources (books, magazines, newspapers, journals, computer, internet, e-books etc). The variables such as teacher, learner, learning situations, methods, and materials involved in the teaching learning

process are better organized, controlled and manipulated resulting into the success of the process.

*Steps of Managing Teaching Learning as follows:*

### **Planning\_Organization\_Leading\_Controlling**

It improves the overall teaching-learning system in terms of its parameters, namely input, processes and output. It helps in making prediction about the teaching-learning outcomes on the basis of the quality of the managerial activities of the teacher. In short, the management of teaching learning helps in the overall improvement of the processes and products of the teaching-learning. It helps in resolving the conflicts, smoothening and coordinating the working, and improving in the efficiency and effectiveness of the efforts of the resources.

### **Conclusion**

I appeal to all dear teachers/teacher educators to take initiation for changing the scenario of education system. We have lots of power/authority to perform in the classroom teaching. We follow these areas like Content knowledge, Skills/Pedagogy, Know learner's psychology, Use of ICT and Management of teaching learning; definitely positive results will come. We must understand that no one will come here for quality. We have to start by own and take whole responsibility of quality education. Each and every action is important in teaching learning process. I am very sure we can change the destiny of India.

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