

## PREFACE TO THE EDITION

With great excitement and eager anticipation, we unveil the latest issue of the International Journal of Education and Pedagogy (IJEP). This journal is a vibrant mosaic of innovative ideas, meticulous research, and transformative insights bridging the gap between research, policy, and practice, lighting the path for transformative change in education. We invite you to embark on this intellectual journey with us as we explore the cutting-edge developments that are shaping the future of education.

The articles in this issue reflect the rich and diverse landscape of contemporary educational discourse. Each contribution is a beacon, illuminating critical issues, sparking meaningful discussions, and offering practical solutions to enhance teaching and learning. This edition is a testament to the relentless pursuit of knowledge and the unwavering commitment to improving education for all.

The initial article, *"NEP 2020's Effects on Teacher Education: An Examination of Policy Implementation and Pedagogical Changes in B.Ed. Programs,"* examines how the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 is transforming teacher education in India. This study delves into the current execution of policies, curricular reforms, interdisciplinary methodologies, experiential learning, inclusivity, and digital literacy.

In *"Parental Involvement in Learning Disabled Children's Academic Success,"* the authors explore the crucial role of parental involvement in the academic performance of children with learning disabilities. It also addresses challenges and strategies to enhance parental engagement, advocating for stronger parent-teacher partnerships.

The main focus of *"Total Quality Management in Education"* is the discussion of Total Quality Management (TQM) as an organizational approach that emphasizes quality and collective participation for long-term success. The article discusses the principles, benefits, and drawbacks of TQM, providing a comprehensive overview of its application in the education sector.

The impact of technology on pedagogy is critically assessed in *"Gamification in Education: Improving Learning Outcomes and Student Motivation."* This article highlights how gamification fosters problem-solving skills, persistence, collaboration, and provides immediate feedback.

An insightful investigation into educational policies is presented in *"Examining the Contribution of Educational Policies to Closing the Gender Gap in STEM Fields."* This study analyzes the effectiveness of targeted initiatives such as scholarships, mentorship programs, and gender-sensitive curricula in addressing the gender disparity in STEM disciplines.

The necessity of innovative pedagogical methods is explored in "*Novel Teaching Techniques for Classrooms in the 21st Century.*" This article examines various modern teaching strategies, including project-based learning, gamification, flipped classrooms, and the integration of advanced technologies..

We sincerely hope that these contributions will spark stimulating conversations, inspire innovative ideas, and support educators and legislators in their efforts to shape a better future for students.

We extend our profound gratitude to the writers, editors, and reviewers whose unwavering dedication has brought this issue to fruition. We extend our gratitude to all who have joined us on this journey as we explored the dynamic landscape of education. Let us collaboratively endeavour to establish significant, influential, and inclusive educational experiences for everyone.

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