MOOC-Powered Transformation

In the landscape of education, NEIEA stands as a catalyst for transformative change, breaking barriers and shaping a brighter future for Muslim and marginalized students in India.

Empowering change requires collective action. Join us in shaping a future where education knows no boundaries. Your support, be it through encouragement, spreading awareness, or engaging in constructive dialogue, can make a profound impact. Let's unite for a cause that transcends barriers and brings quality education to every doorstep. Together, we can build a brighter, more inclusive world for all.



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Silent Struggles

UNMASKING EDUCATIONAL CHALLENGES IN INDIA'S MUSLIM COMMUNITY

INTRODUCTION

- The Sachar Committee, formed in 2005, investigated the social, economic, and educational conditions of India's Muslim community.
- The seven-member committee, chaired by Justice Rajindar Sachar, submitted its final report to the Prime Minister on November 17, 2006.

KEY FINDINGS

1. Fducational Conditions:

• Muslim literacy rate in 2001: was 59.1%, below the national average (64.8%).

2. Higher Education:

- Only 4% of the Muslim population aged 20 and above are graduates or hold diplomas.
- Employment prospects for Muslim graduates are the lowest among Socio Religious Categories (SRCs).

3. Muslim OBC and Affirmative Action:

- 40.7% of Muslims are categorized as Muslim OBCs, but their representation remains low.
- General Muslim category conditions are lower than Hindu OBCs, and Muslim OBCs face worse conditions than the general Muslim category.

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Main Recommendations ::::::

1. Equal Opportunity Commission:

• Establishment to address grievances of deprived groups, including minorities.

2. Madarsa Degrees Recognition

• Recognize degrees from madrasas for eligibility in defence, civil, and banking examinations, acknowledging alternative educational paths.

3. Establishment of Urdu Medium Schools:

 Create high-quality Urdu medium schools where demand exists, coupled with the provision of quality Urdu textbooks.

THE UNCHANGING LANDSCAPE OF MUSLIM EDUCATION IN INDIA: KEY HIGHLIGHTS

1. Persistent Disparity:

 Despite the 2006 Sachar Committee report, recent findings by Arun C.
 Mehta show little improvement in the educational conditions of Indian Muslims over the last 17 years.

2. Higher Education Decline (2020-21):

- Mehta's report notes a significant drop of 1.79 lakh Muslim students in higher education.
- Muslim enrollment decreases from 4.87% (2016-17) to 4.64% (2020-21) of total enrollment.

3. Widespread Dropout Trend:

• Consistent dropout rates among Muslim students across states, notably high in Assam (29.52%) and West Bengal (23.22%).

4. The Dual Challenges for Muslim Students:

In the challenging terrain of financial adversity, many Muslim students, mainly from low-income backgrounds, face significant obstacles in accessing higher education. The abrupt end to the Maulana Azad National Fellowship (MANF) scheme in 2022-23 intensifies this struggle, eliminating vital support for minority students and casting a shadow over their academic aspirations.

5. Government Inaction:

 Apathy from Central and State governments, coupled with the cessation of critical schemes, exacerbates the struggles of educationally marginalized Muslim students.

6. Community Action Urgency:

• In the absence of substantial government support, a pressing appeal for the community to take charge of educating Muslim boys and girls nationwide.

7. Elementary Dropout Trends:

• Muslim students more prone to elementary-level dropout, indicating a persistent challenge.

8. Gender Dynamics:

 Lower gender skew among Muslim school kids compared to other communities.

9. Discrimination Impact:

• Discrimination identified as a key factor behind the elevated ratio of Muslim students' dropout at the elementary level.

BRIDGING DIVIDES: NEIEA'S JOURNEY IN EMPOWERING MUSLIMS AND THE MARGINALIZED

In the pursuit of a shared vision for a world where quality education knows no bounds, the New Equitable and Innovative Educational Association (NEIEA) was born. Comprising educators, activists, and visionaries, NEIEA stands as a beacon of unwavering commitment to dismantling barriers through education. This impact report unveils NEIEA's journey, showcasing its transformative influence in bridging the educational divide and kindling a brighter future for generations.

Comprehensive and Holistic Course Offerings:

NEIEA has embraced modern platforms such as Zoom, MS Teams, and Google Meet, supplemented by Google Classroom, to deliver inclusive education. Offering a diverse range of 10 comprehensive courses, NEIEA caters to various segments, including girls and Madrasa students.

Empowering Students:

Since June 2022, NEIEA has empowered 6,308 students through 24 active English and math classes. The flexibility of learning hours accommodates students from diverse regions, including Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

Empowering Educators:

Recognizing the pivotal role of educators, NEIEA has provided training for 1,000 teachers, enhancing their skills and teaching techniques.

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