



# New Curriculum for Fourth Year UG Students

## Why in News?

With the upcoming session, the **Department of Higher Education (DHE) in Madhya Pradesh** has formulated a **new curriculum for undergraduate** students who are starting their fourth year under the [National Education Policy 2020](#).

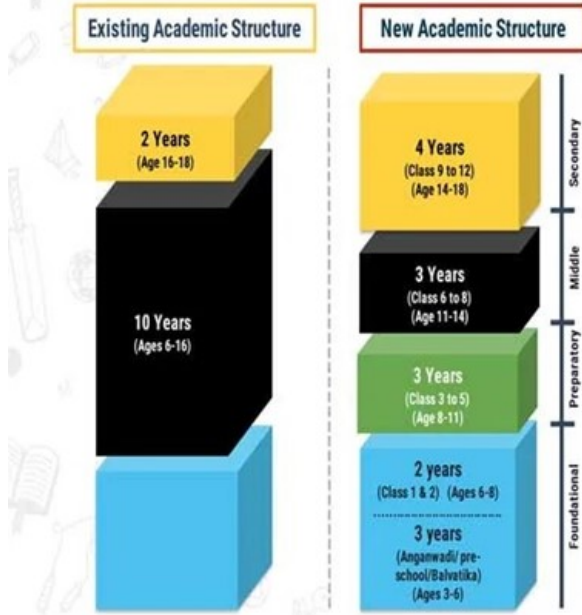
## Key Points

- Madhya Pradesh has become one of the primary states in India in carrying out the **National Education Policy**.
  - More than **450,000 students** in **undergraduate professional courses** in the state can apply for admission in the fourth year if they have a **CGPA of 7.5 or above**.
- According to the new curriculum developed by the DHE, students can specialize in different subjects through **research projects**.
- The switch to four-year programs is anticipated to be advantageous for students who plan to study further on international soil, as it matches the entry criteria for specific graduate courses abroad.

## National Education Policy 2020

- The **National Education Policy 2020** seeks to tackle the evolving development needs of India.
  - It calls for a **comprehensive overhaul of the education system**, including its **regulations and management**, to establish a modern system that aligns with 21st-century educational goals, including **Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG4)**, while respecting India's cultural **heritage and values**.
- It replaces the thirty-four year old **National Policy on Education, 1986, modified in 1992** (NPE 1986/92).

## Transforming Curricular & Pedagogical Structure



New pedagogical and curricular structure of school education (5+3+3+4): 3 years in Anganwadi/pre-school and 12 years in school

- **Secondary Stage(4)** multidisciplinary study, greater critical thinking, flexibility and student choice of subjects
- **Middle Stage (3)** experiential learning in the sciences, mathematics, arts, social sciences, and humanities
- **Preparatory Stage (3)** play, discovery, and activity-based and interactive classroom learning
- **Foundational stage (5)** multilevel, play/activity-based learning

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