

Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Samagam and ULLAS Initiative

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Why in News?

Recently, the Prime Minister (PM) of India inaugurated **Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Samagam** a two-day event. The event is organized to mark the **third anniversary of the** <u>National Education Policy (NEP)</u> 2020.

 Additionally, the Union Minister of Education launched the ULLAS: Nav Bharat Saksharta Karyakram mobile application.

What are the Key Highlights of Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Samagam?

- The PM released the **first installment of funds under the** PM SHRI Scheme, supporting the establishment of schools that nurture engaged, productive, and contributing citizens, in alignment with the NEP 2020 vision.
- The PM also released education and skill curriculum books translated into 12 Indian languages, enhancing learning by allowing students to study in their mother tongue.

What is ULLAS: Nav Bharat Saksharta Karyakram?

- About:
 - The ULLAS (Understanding Lifelong Learning for All in Society) is a transformative initiative launched by the Indian government to promote lifelong learning and bridge the gaps in basic literacy and critical life skills among citizens aged 15 and above.
 - The program aims to empower individuals with essential knowledge and skills for **personal** and national development.
 - ULLAS User-Friendly Mobile Application serves as a digital gateway to diverse learning resources via the DIKSHA portal.
- Key Features of ULLAS: Nav Bharat Saksharta Karyakram:
 - Lifelong Learning Focus:
 - Emphasizes continuous learning throughout life.
 - Fosters a culture of knowledge-sharing and personal development.
 - Digital and Financial Literacy:
 - Equip participants with digital literacy skills.
 - Promotes financial awareness and empowerment.
 - Critical Life Skills:
 - Impart important life skills such as legal literacy and digital literacy.
 - Enhances citizenship and empowerment.
 - Incentives for Student Volunteers:
 - Provides credits in school/university for student volunteers.
 - Offers appreciation through certificates, letters, and felicitations.



What are the Other Government Initiatives Related to Educational Reforms?

- National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning.
- Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan
- PRAGYATA
- Mid Day Meal Scheme
- Beti Bachao Beti Padhao
- PM SHRI Schools

UPSC Civil Services Examination, Previous Year Question (PYQ)

Prelims

Q. Which of the following provisions of the Constitution does India have a bearing on Education? (2012)

- 1. Directive Principles of State Policy
- 2. Rural and Urban Local Bodies
- 3. Fifth Schedule
- 4. Sixth Schedule
- 5. Seventh Schedule

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3, 4 and 5 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 5 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

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