



Shagun: Integrated Online Junction for School Education

The Union Human Resource Development Minister has launched **one of the world's largest Integrated Online Junction for School Education 'Shagun'**.

- It is an **online junction of different websites and portals into a single platform** to enhance the accessibility of information relating to schools.
- It will ensure a **holistic approach to transforming the [education sector](#)**.

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- It is an initiative to improve school education system by creating a junction for all online portals and websites relating to various activities of the Department of School Education and Literacy in the Government of India and all States and Union Territories.
- The term 'Shagun' is coined from two different words- '**Shala**' meaning **Schools** and '**Gunvatta**' meaning **Quality**.
- The portal seeks to provide a very robust feedback mechanism which will increase public participation and will ensure accountability and transparency.
- It also provides vital information relating to the availability of nearby schools, navigable distance vis-a-vis aerial distance between schools.

Integrated National School Education Treasury

- Union Human Resource Development Minister has also announced the setting up of the **Integrated National School Education Treasury (INSET)**.
- It will envisage a fully integrated, accessible and seamless information network for all parameters relating to the students, teachers, and schools in the country.
- The **main focus of INSET** will be on the following areas:
 - Reinforcing and cleaning the data of the Integrated Online Junction through feedback from Stakeholders.
 - Ensuring full interoperability among the websites, portals and applications which are already hosted in the junction.
 - Creating high-quality e-content, including quizzes and puzzles to enhance learning and also for teachers in aiding classroom transactions.
 - Using artificial intelligence and deep machine learning in a variety of ways to enhance the quality of school education including for designing evidence-based inventions.

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