

## Elementary Education

Elementary education is a base laying the foundation of the pyramid of education to achieve all round development of children. With the formulation of National Policy on education. India initiated a wide range of programmes for achieving the goal of Universal elementary education through several schematic and programme intervention.

**“According to Dr. Radha Krishnan, quality of education should aim at perfection of individuals.”**

**“Gandhiji expresses that true education is one that draws out and stimulates the spiritual, intellectual and physical facilities of children.”**

The Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan implemented as India's main programme for universalizing elementary education. Its overall goal includes universal access and retention bridging of gender and social category gaps in education and enhancement of learning levels of children.

Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan provides for variety of intervention including inter alia , opening and construction of new schools, additional teacher, regular teacher, in service training, academic resource support to ensure free text books, uniforms and free support for improving learning outcome.

The Right to free & Compulsory Education Act 2009 provides a justifiable legal frame work that entitles all children between the ages of 6-14 years free & Compulsory admission, attendance and completion of elementary education. It provide for children right to an education of equitable quality based on principles of equity and not discrimination. Most importantly it provide for children right to an education that is free from fear, stress and anxiety.

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