

Q. No. Unit-V (18) :-

Examine the new trends in curriculum planning.

Ans. to the Q. No. Unit-V (18) :-

Title :- 'The new trends in curriculum planning.'

Introduction :-

In the Paper-09 i.e., 'Foundations of Curriculum Development', I got the assignment topic, 'The new trends in curriculum planning'. Before, going to discuss about this topic, first of all I want to explain the meaning of Curriculum Planning.

Meaning of Curriculum Planning :-

Curriculum planning or planning of curriculum is the key concept in curriculum. To construct curriculum,

one important requirement is the curriculum planning. Planning is the pre-requisite of every activity or phase. Curriculum planning is about making plan or discussion about the content and organization of the course. Curriculum planning is the result of collaborative process among pupils, parents, teachers, and other partners. A close analysis of the factors and contemporary issues affecting life and society reveal the curriculum needs of the society and indicate the trends that affect curriculum planning and education in general.

Now, I am going to discuss about the new trends in curriculum planning.

Main Discussion :-

New trends in Curriculum Planning:

The modern era is the era of globalization. It has brought tremendous changes in each part of human life. The modern education has to prepare the students with knowledge, skill and information essential for competing the outside world.

Various new trends has occupied places in the process of curriculum planning :-

(i) Scientific and Technology oriented change or trend :-

Moving towards global competitiveness some scientific and technology based trends or change have been brought to the process of curriculum development.

The application of policies and strategies of ICT in curriculum planning can bring a positive change.

(ii) Reflection of National and Universal Culture in Curriculum :-

It is necessary to prepare the today's learner for facing the realities at a global context. Therefore, curriculum should be prepared in such a way. A recent trend that have attracted the curriculum planner is to need of understanding the global culture. Reflection of National and Universal culture in the curriculum will be able to create international understanding.

(iii) Staff development of Curriculists :-

Curriculum planning or the developmental process not takes into account the course content selected or planned by the planner. A new trend in the

that is accepted the staff development of curriculists. A successful curriculum can realize the educational goals. Therefore, according to the trend, the different parties involved in the curriculum development must undergo in-service training.

(iv) Digital Diversity :-

As we have mentioned earlier present age in the age of ICT. To survive in the various field of life it is essential to acquire the knowledge and skill of technology. For effective transaction of curriculum, which is an essential part of curriculum planning, the curriculum must be made digitalized.

(v) Need and development based

Curriculum :— Another recent trend that have influenced the whole curricu-

Curriculum planning is the trend to construct or make curriculum need and development based. Need and development based curriculum can best deal with the learner. Earlier the curriculum had been developed on account of the need of society and time.

(vi) Modular Curriculum with credit base system :-

Modular curriculum provides real freedom of learning. This trend has been emerged in the modern curriculum and it is highly appreciated and widely accepted in till the institution of higher level.

(vii) Choice based curriculum :-

It is another recent trend that have been added to the curriculum planning. Such curriculum can meet

the educational needs of the learner effectively because it is based on their choice and they can access for their choice.

(viii) Online Courses :-

It has comprehensively effected the process of curriculum planning. It another consequence in term of a new innovation in the said process in the online courses. Through various courses like - Coerces. com learner can be introduced with many useful and need base courses for free of cost.

(ix) Constructivism :-

Another concept or trend in the process of curriculum development is constructivism. According to this new trend, learner should be given freedom to construct his/her knowledge. If a learner is fully active in constructing knowledge then learning process will be highly effective.

(x) Monitoring and Evaluation of curriculum implementation :-

Planning and implementation of curriculum do not mean the successful realization of the educational goals. For realizing the educational goal, the curriculum must be successfully transacted. Therefore, a recent trend that has been given priority in the process of curriculum planning is the monitoring and evaluation of the curriculum implementation.

(xi) Establishment of Evaluation procedure and needs :-

The curriculum frame frame the curriculum keeping in view the needs, choice, development aspect of the learner. Therefore, establishment of evaluation procedure have been added as an important part of curriculum planning.

Conclusion :-

In this assignment, I had discussed about the meaning of curriculum planning and new trends in curriculum planning in detailed.

Thus, we can conclude as with all these latest trends the curriculum planning is changing as per the need of the society and time. Change is dynamic and natural. More change and more trends will be added in new future with thinking and new ideas. The curriculum frame must be aware of such change to bring newness to the curriculum which is the backbone of the educational process.

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