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## National Education Policy 2020: Vocational Education and Skill Development

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Abstract: The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 recognizes the need to align education with industry needs and emphasizes the importance of vocational training. In this article, we will discuss the provisions outlined in NEP 2020, highlight examples of successful implementation, explore the benefits it offers and address legitimate criticisms. Let's begin this journey of empowering future professionals! The National Education Policy 2020 places a strong emphasis on vocational education and skill development, aimed at equipping students with the skills and knowledge needed to thrive in the modern workforce. In this study paper, the researcher focuses on different immense significance of vocational education, skill development, industry relevant curriculum, apprenticeship and industry exposure, recognition of prior learning, entrepreneurship and innovation

**Keywords:** National Education Policy, NEP 2020, vocational education, skill development, industry curriculum, apprenticeship, prior learning, entrepreneurship, innovation.

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