

# NEP SAARTHI NEWSLETTER

## 2024 – 2025



Swami Vivekananda University, Barrackpore, releases newsletters that highlight major campus activities, academic achievements, and important policy updates, including developments related to the National Education Policy (NEP). In 2025, the university newsletter includes focused content on NEP implementation strategies, integration of skill-based and interdisciplinary curricula, and student engagement with NEP initiatives on campus.

### **SAARTHI Activity Calendar (2025)**

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>Activity</b>                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Month</b> |
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| <b>1.</b>    | i. Quiz based on NEP 2020 initiative taken by UGC<br>ii. Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav                                                                                                      | February     |
| <b>2.</b>    | i. Lectures based on NEP 2020 (e.g.ABC, FYUP, NCrf, etc.)<br>ii. Awareness through Videos: Make a short video on any NEP 2020 based initiatives/scheme relevant to higher education | March        |
| <b>3.</b>    | i. NEP 2020 Booth /Help Desk in College Fest<br>ii. Essay Competition                                                                                                               | April        |
| <b>4.</b>    | i. Awareness Rally based on NEP 2020 to mark launch of NEP 2020.<br>ii. IKS based Panel discussion relevant to different disciplines                                                | August       |
| <b>5.</b>    | i. Debates / Group Discussions/ Extempore on different initiatives being undertaken through NEP 2020<br>ii. Poster Competition                                                      | September    |
| <b>6.</b>    | i. Nukkad Natak/Street Play to raise awareness about NEP 2020<br>ii. NEP Newsletter from respective institute                                                                       | October      |

*Note: Activities are not given in the months of May-July and November-January, considering the exam schedules and holidays of students.*

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## NEP 2025 Activities at Swami Vivekananda University

### **1. Quiz Based on NEP 2020 (UGC Initiative)**

The UGC's NEP SAARTHI initiative coordinated nationwide quizzes on the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 throughout 2025, inviting students and educators to participate. Events such as the online quiz organized on 19th February 2025 by university under the UGC directive aimed to deepen understanding of NEP 2020's vision for holistic, inclusive education and to assess participant knowledge on key policy concepts, reforms, and implementation strategies.

The quizzes commonly covered topics like the new curricular structure (5+3+3+4), introduction of experiential and vocational learning, assessment reforms, and policy provisions about multilingualism, flexible learning, and digital education. These quizzes provide valuable learning experiences and increase student-teacher engagement with the policy's practical objectives.

### **2. Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav**

Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav is celebrated as part of the NEP SAARTHI initiative by UGC and various institutions, with events held across India in 2025 to promote and preserve mother languages and India's linguistic plurality. Featuring cultural performances, traditional art forms, speeches, and discussions about the significance of Indian languages in education and professional growth. The festival encourages appreciation for India's rich linguistic heritage, fosters pride in local languages, and underscores NEP 2020's focus on multilingualism and regional culture in education. Universities use this event to strengthen their commitment to language diversity and cultural unity, engaging students, faculty, and the community through diverse, inclusive programming. These initiatives reflect the NEP's transformative vision for Indian education—prioritizing experiential learning, assessment innovation, and preservation of linguistic heritage for holistic national development.

### 3. Lectures based on NEP 2020 (ABC, FYUP, NCrF, etc.)

Lectures and Workshops: Indian universities have organized lectures focusing on the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC), Four-Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUP), and the National Credit Framework (NCrF) as part of NEP 2020 awareness and implementation. These sessions clarify features such as:

ABC: Enables students to accumulate credits across different institutions and disciplines, improving academic mobility and flexibility.



FYUP: Offers multidisciplinary choices, promoting research exposure and holistic development through flexible, four-year undergraduate degrees.

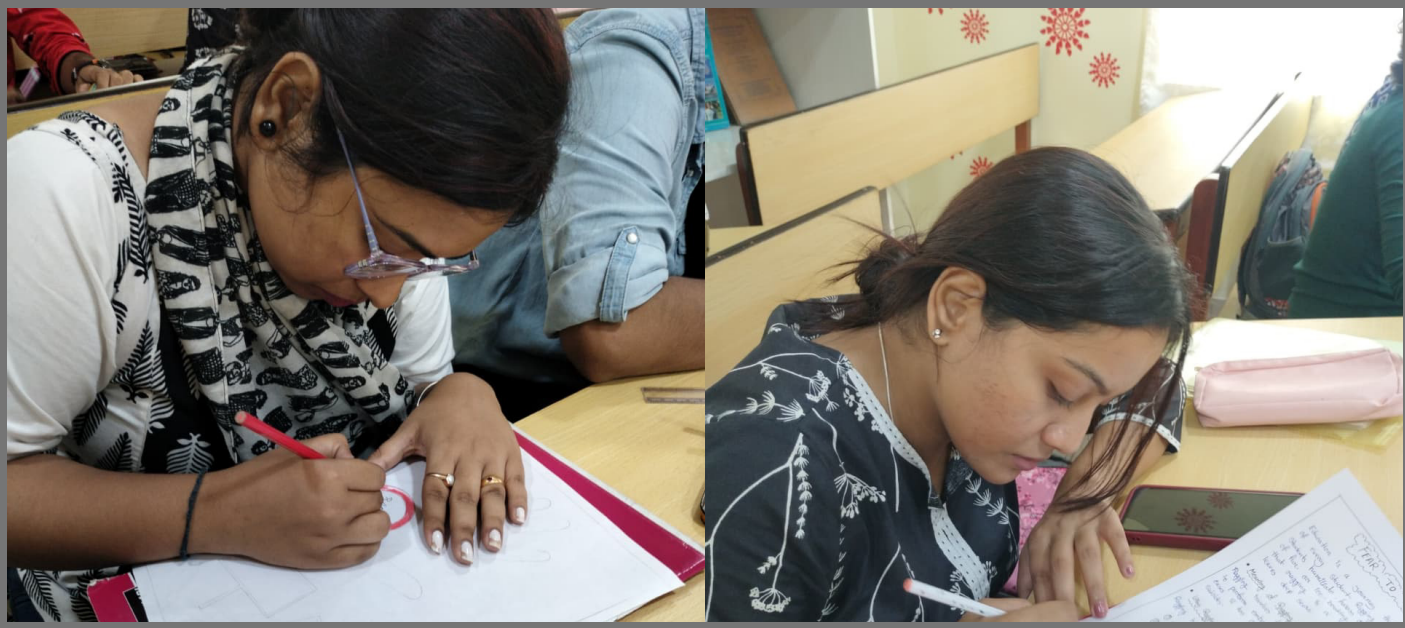
NCrF: Integrates academic, vocational, and experiential learning into one system, supporting lifelong learning and credit recognition.

Keynote speakers and NEP-SAARTHI ambassadors regularly address questions regarding these reforms' practical impact, institutional adoption, and student benefits. Universities document these events and encourage student-faculty interaction for deeper engagement.

### 4. NEP 2020 Booth/Help Desk in College Fest

Colleges and universities set up NEP 2020 Help Desks or informational booths during campus festivals and events as part of the UGC's NEP-SAARTHI initiative. These booths are run by trained student ambassadors (NEP-SAARTHIs) and faculty volunteers, who distribute handbills, answer questions, and give out brochures on NEP reforms—covering multidisciplinary education, the new credit system, language policies, and more. The purpose is to increase undergraduate and postgraduate student understanding of NEP 2020, encourage participation in reforms, and collect student feedback for UGC/college records.

## 5. NEP 2020 Essay Competition



Essay competitions on NEP 2020 are regularly held in April, 2025 at university. These competitions are bilingual (Bengali, Hindi and English), often feature distinct topics related to the policy (e.g., holistic education, employability, language inclusivity, and higher education reforms), and have categories for UG, PG, and Ph.D. students. Typical rules: Essays range from 1000–1500 words, written on the spot or presented for review. Winners receive certificates and awards. The aim is to encourage critical analysis and expression on how NEP 2020 is transforming higher education and the skills/values it promotes for India's future.

## 6. Awareness Rally Based on NEP 2020

**Event Date & Details:** SVU organized a large-scale NEP 2020 Awareness Rally on 29th August 2025, at 11:00 AM on campus.

**Participants:** NEP-SAARTHI student ambassadors, faculty, and staff took part, carrying placards and banners, distributing info sheets, and engaging students in NEP-focused quizzes and discussions.

**Objectives:** The rally marked the official campus launch of NEP 2020, spreading awareness of holistic, flexible, and multidisciplinary reforms. It fostered student and faculty engagement, with a special focus on practical learning and academic credit reforms.



## 7. IKS-Based Panel Discussion Relevant to Different Disciplines

Panel discussions on Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) were organized at SVU in August 2025, with faculty lecture series and interdisciplinary panels scheduled as part of the university's August seminar calendar.

Scope & Participants: Panels featured academic experts, faculty members from diverse disciplines, and student representatives. Discussions focused on integrating Indian philosophical, scientific, and cultural traditions within modern curricula—addressing engineering, management, natural sciences, arts, and humanities.



**Objectives & Outcomes:** The panels highlighted the relevance of IKS for student projects, research themes, and fostering a culturally rooted, globally competitive education environment. As part of NEP-SAARTHI activities, the discussions encouraged cross-disciplinary collaboration and awareness among staff and students about the value of traditional Indian knowledge in contemporary academia.

## 8. Debates, Group Discussions, and Extempore Competitions

These activities included group discussions, debates, and extempore sessions where students analyzed and discussed key NEP 2020 initiatives: curriculum flexibility, multidisciplinary majors/minors, language policies, vocational education, and credit reforms. Faculty and NEP-SAARTHI ambassadors facilitated sessions, encouraging diverse viewpoints and active student participation.

The aim was to deepen understanding of NEP reforms and develop communication, analytical, and teamwork skills linked to policy implementation.

## 9. Poster Competition on NEP 2020

SVU arranged a Poster Making Competition in September—submissions focused on National Education Policy 2020 themes, such as holistic education, academic credit systems, inclusion, multilingualism, and skill enhancement.

Students created original posters with entries accepted in English, Hindi, and Bengali. Final submission for NEP 2020-themed poster competitions was Thursday 0, 18th August, 2025. The event empowered students to visually represent NEP values and reforms, with winners recognized for creativity, message clarity, and content relevance.

## 10. Nukkad Natak /Street Play to raise awareness about NEP 2020

Swami Vivekananda University, Barrackpore successfully organized a vibrant Nukkad Natak (Street Play) on NEP 2020 to raise awareness about the National Education Policy. This event took place on 16th October 2025 under the NEP 2020 initiative. The street play involved enthusiastic student performances, community engagement, and creative messaging to communicate the benefits and provisions of NEP 2020 in an accessible, relatable format. Such interactive performances are a key part of campus NEP SAARTHI activities, fostering grassroots-level understanding and excitement for ongoing education reforms. The event was well-documented on the university's official social media platforms, illustrating SVU's commitment to innovative and participatory NEP 2020 outreach.

