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Guidelines for 10-Days Bagless for Students of Class 6 to 8

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the NEP2020 recommended a 10-day bagless period for students in classes 6–8, if so, the details thereof along with the objectives of the scheme;
- (b) whether the PSS Central Institute of Vocational Education (PSSCIVE) has developed comprehensive guidelines to implement bagless days, if so, the details thereof; and objectives of the scheme; and
- (c) the shortcomings noticed in the implementation of these guidelines and the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)**

(a) to (c): National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 recommends that all students will participate in a 10-day bagless period during Grades 6-8 where they will intern with local experts such as carpenters, gardeners, potters, artists, etc.

In pursuance of the above recommendation, the Government in consultation with concerned stakeholders has developed guidelines for 10 bagless days. These guidelines aim at providing children of classes 6-8 an exposure to skill education using experiential learning pedagogy and to make learning at schools joyful and stress free. Under these guidelines, 'Bagless Days' are encouraged throughout the year for various types of activities involving arts, quizzes, sports, and skills; periodic exposure to activities outside school through visits to places/monuments of historical, cultural and tourist importance; meeting local artists and craftsmen and visits to other institutions / educational institutions in their village/Tehsil/District/State as decided by States and local communities and as mapped by local skilling needs.

These guidelines are dynamic and are subject to periodic review based on feedback from concerned stakeholders and other developments.

The guidelines for 10 bagless days for students have been launched on 29th July, 2024 on the occasion of 4th Anniversary of NEP 2020.
