## **Department of Higher Education**

## BRIEF ON PANDIT MADAN MOHAN MALVIYA NATIONAL MISSION ON TEACHERS AND TEACHING

With the fast pace of expansion of the education system in the country, both at school and higher education stages, improving quality has come to occupy centre stage in educational development. Needless to say that teachers hold the key for success of any effort in this direction. Attention, therefore, has to be focussed on the preparation of teachers and their working conditions in classrooms, schools and colleges, as also their continuous professional development, ensuring that best talent in the country are made available to shape the future generations.

- 2. Hence, with above background, Government of India launches the Scheme; **Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers & Teaching** with an outlay of Rs. 900 crores during XII Plan.
- 3. The Mission envisages to address comprehensively all issues related to teachers, teaching, teacher preparation, professional development, Curriculum Design, Designing and Developing Assessment & Evaluation methodology, Research in Pedagogy and developing effective Pedagogy. This will be one of the major thrust areas of action of the Government. The Mission would address, on the one hand, current and urgent issues such as supply of qualified teachers, attracting talent into teaching profession and raising the quality of teaching in schools and colleges. On the other, it is also envisaged that the Mission would pursue long term goals of building a strong professional cadre of teachers by setting performance standards and creating top class institutional facilities for innovative teaching and professional development of teachers.
- 4. The Mission would focus on these goals in a holistic manner dealing with the whole sector of education without fragmenting the programmes based on levels and sectors as school, higher, technical etc. This is an umbrella scheme which will create synergies among the various ongoing initiatives on Teachers and Teaching under Ministry of HRD and other autonomous institutions.

- 5. The Mission would have following components:-
  - (i) Schools of Education (in Central Universities) 30
  - (ii) Centres of Excellence for Curriculum and Pedagogy -50
  - (iii) Inter-University Centres for Teachers' Education 2
  - (iv) National Resource Centre for Education 1
  - (v) Centres for Academic Leadership and Education Management 5
  - (vi) Innovations, Awards, Teaching Resource Grant, including Workshop & Seminar
  - (vii) Subject Networks for Curricular Renewal and Reforms

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