

CELEBRATION OF THE WORLD MINORITY RIGHTS DAY AND 20TH FOUNDATION DAY OF THE COMMISSION

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The Indian Constitution is a testament to the nation's commitment to diversity and inclusivity. At its heart lies Article 30, a powerful provision that guarantees religious and linguistic minorities the right to establish and administer educational institutions of their choice.



The Department of Secondary and Higher Education, Ministry of HRD, Government of India, notified the National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions Act on 11th November 2004 and constituted the Commission on 16th November

2004, with its Headquarters situated in New Delhi. The Commission's formation was welcomed by minority communities as a positive step towards ensuring that their educational aspirations were met with justice & equity.

On the momentous occasion, held at the Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on December 18, 2024, the NCMEI celebrated the World Minority Rights Day and its twentieth foundation day Commemorating 02 decades of dedicated service to the cause of Minority education. The event was a testament to the Commission's envisaging commitment to safeguarding the education rights of minority communities in India.

The celebration held in New Delhi was graced by the presence of Sh. Dharmendra Pradhan, the esteemed Union Minister, Education. His presence underscored the Government's recognition of NCMEI's pivotal role in fostering an inclusive & equitable education system. Distinguished dignitaries, including Sh. Indresh Kumar, Dr. Iqbal Singh Lalpura, Dr. (Prof.) Faizan Mustafa also graced the occasion.





The event served as a platform to reflect upon the Commission's journey, acknowledge its achievements and chart a course for the future. The 20th Foundation Day Celebration was not only a ceremonial event, it was an occasion to reaffirming NCMEI's commitment to its founding principles and to acknowledge the ongoing needs for the services in a rapidly evolving educational landscape.

Addressing the gathering, Sh. Dharmendra Pradhan delivered a powerful message, emphasizing Government's vision for inclusive progress through education. His words resonated with the core values enshrined in India's Constitution, reaffirming the nation's commitment to providing equal opportunities for all. Hon'ble Minister lauded NCMEI's significant contribution in safeguarding the education rights of Minority communities over the past two decades the acknowledged the commission's role in creating a more just & equitable education system where every individual have the right to quality education, regardless of their background. The Ministers' address went beyond acknowledging past achievements. It outlined a forward-looking vision for the future of minority education.

Sh. Pradhan urged MEI's to actively participate in the implementation of NEP 2020 recognizing their crucial role in shaping the future of Education in India. He envisioned these Institutions as key drivers of innovation & change, contributing to the creation of a knowledge-based economy.