



# International Baccalaureate

## Why in News

Recently, the **Delhi Board of School Education (DBSE)** signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with **International Baccalaureate (IB)** to implement IB programmes in 30 government schools, including 20 of its new **Schools of Specialised Excellence (SOSE) in 2021**.

- With the signing of this MoU, **government school students will get access to international level of educational facilities**.
- Students of these schools will be issued **joint certification by the IB and the Delhi board when they complete schooling**.

## Key Points

### ▪ About:

- It is a worldwide, **nonprofit education program** founded to give to students aged 3 to 19 the opportunity to receive an education fit for a globalizing world. Its **Foundation Office is in Geneva (Switzerland)**.
- It **emphasizes personal student development** as one of its main achievements.
- There are **four IB education programs**, all of which are intended to develop students' **intellectual, emotional, personal and social skills**.
- It has around **5,000 schools globally**. There are currently **193 IB schools in India**, all of which are top-end elite private schools.

### ▪ Objective of IB Programmes:

- Fostering **critical thinking** and **building problem-solving skills**, while **encouraging diversity**, international mindedness, curiosity, and a **healthy appetite for learning and excellence**.

### ▪ Benefits:

- **High quality programmes** of education, which support development of knowledgeable and inquiring students.
- **Professional development** that supports effective educators and collaborative professional learning communities.
- Students will be able to **engage with people in an increasingly globalized**, rapidly changing world.

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