

'Learning by Doing' Programme

Why in News?

The Uttar Pradesh government launched the **Learning by Doing (LBD) programme** to transform **education** in government schools by integrating hands-on learning.

Key Points

- About the LBD Programme:
 - The programme provides practical training to students of Classes 6 to 8 in fields such as woodwork, metalwork, energy and environment, agriculture and horticulture, and health and nutrition, in line with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.
 - The pilot phase of the programme, conducted in 60 schools across 15 districts, trained 5,937 students in various trades. The initiative significantly boosted student attendance and engagement.
 - In 2025–26, the government plans to expand the programme to 3,288 more schools **under Samagra Shiksha and PM SHRI schemes**.
 - The initiative, implemented under the <u>Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan</u>, reflects the vision of linking education with employability and life skills.
 - To implement the programme effectively, the Basic Education Department provided fourday multi-skilling training to science and mathematics teachers.
 - With technical support from <u>UNICEF</u> and <u>Vigyan Ashram</u>, the state developed a teacher manual with 60 skill-based activities, which has been approved by <u>SCERT (State Council</u> <u>of Educational Research and Training)</u>.
- Expansion to Modern Skill Labs Across Schools:
 - In the academic year 2024–25, the government will set up modern LBD labs in 2,274 upper primary and composite schools across all 75 districts.
 - Each lab will feature modern tools and equipment, and School Management Committees (SMCs) will receive raw materials and consumables to support these hands-on activities.

Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan

- **About:** Introduced in the Union Budget 2018-19, **Samagra Shiksha** is a comprehensive program covering education from **pre-nursery to Class 12** to ensure equitable learning outcomes.
- Key Features:
 - Integration of Schemes: It subsumes three earlier schemes:
 - Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA): It focuses on universal primary education.
 - Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA): It aimed at secondary education.
 - Teacher Education (TE): It focused on training teachers.
 - Sector-Wide Development Approach: It streamlines implementation across all levels (state, district, and sub-district) instead of fragmented project-based objectives.
 - **Alignment with SDGs:** Ensures free, equitable, and quality education (**SDG 4.1**) while eliminating gender disparities and ensuring access for vulnerable groups (**SDG 4.5**).
- Implementation: It is a <u>centrally sponsored scheme (CSS)</u> implemented through a <u>single</u>

State Implementation Society (SIS) at the State/UT level.

• SIS is a state-registered body implementing CSS and development programs.

PM-SHRI Scheme

- About:
 - The Prime Minister's Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI) Scheme is a centrally sponsored initiative, launched in 2022, by the Government of India aimed at establishing over 14,500 PM SHRI Schools by enhancing existing schools to showcase the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.
- Objective:
 - The primary objective is to create an inclusive and nurturing environment that promotes the well-being and safety of every student, offering diverse learning experiences and access to quality infrastructure and resources.

