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## **Training programmes for teachers**

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The Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education launched a National Mission to improve learning outcomes at the Elementary level through an Integrated Teacher Training Programme called NISHTHA – National Initiative for School Heads' and Teachers' Holistic Advancement on 21st August, 2019.

The aim of this integrated teacher training programme was to build the capacities of around 42 lakh elementary teachers and Heads of Schools, faculty members of SCERTs and DIETs and Block Resource Coordinators and Cluster Resource Coordinators. In view of the COVID pandemic, 'NISHTHA-Online was launched on 06th October, 2020 and the remaining training of NISHTHA at elementary level was conducted online by the NCERT on the DIKSHA platform using high quality professionally made e-content.

In 2021-22, NISHTHA has been extended to Foundational Literacy and Numeracy and secondary level, for Pre-primary, Primary and Secondary level teachers with a focus on improvement in quality of teachers and learning outcomes of students.

NISHTHA 2.0 (Secondary Level) –online on DIKSHA for secondary/senior secondary level teachers was launched on 29th July, 2021. The training programme aims to cover around 10 Lakh Teacher and School Heads at Secondary Level across all States and UTs. NCERT has developed a package including 13 Online Courses with 12 Generic modules and 56 subject specific modules for NISHTHA 2.0

NISHTHA 3.0- Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) in online mode on DIKSHA platform for teachers and school heads of pre-primary to class V was launched on 7th September, 2021. The NISHTHA 3.0 – FLN envisions covering nearly 25 Lakh Teacher and School Heads at Pre-Primary and Primary Level across all states and UTs. A special package consisting of 12 online modules have been developed by NCERT for this purpose, as per the objectives of NIPUN Bharat Mission.

The information was given by the Minister of State for Education, Smt. Annpurna Devi in a written reply in the Rajya Sabha today.

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