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ROLE OF TEACHER EDUCATOR FOR QUALITY TEACHER EDUCATION



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ABSTRACT

Education is Process which is helpful for any society's development or positive mobilization. Quality teachers can deliver quality teaching. This will help for quality education. Quality teachers can be produced by quality teacher education. This quality teacher is possible only if our teacher educators play their proper role in teacher education in modern end there as many reforms in total education system. This paper focuses on the role of teacher education in changing scenario of this reforms Objective of teacher educators for Quality teacher education.



KEYWORDS : *Teacher Educator, society's development, education system.*

INTRODUCTION :

Education is process which is helpful for any society's development. Main factors of education are teacher, pupil and society of this teacher plays important role in process. As teacher is one of the key factors. Quality teachers can deliver quality teaching. This will raise quality of education. And quality teachers can be produced by quality teacher education. This quality teacher education is play their proper role in teacher education

In this modern era there are many reforms in status of education system. This should be followed by teacher educators. Before going to the changing role of teacher educator in these reforms, we have to see concept of teacher education and teacher educator.

TEACHER EDUCATION

Education of teachers has be defined by many experts. But first we will sea the recommendation by Indian Education Commission.

"A sound programme of professional education of teacher is essential for the qualitative

improvement of education.”

DEFINITIONS OF TEACHER EDUCATION

Form C.V. Good’s Dictionary of Education “All Formal and Informal activities and experience that help to quality of person to assume the responsibilities as a member of the educational profession or to discharge his responsibilities more effectively.

Munroe’s Encyclopedia of Educational Research Teacher education refers to the total educative experience which contribute to the preparation of a person for a teaching position schools, but the term is more commonly employed to designate the programme of course of experiences offered by an educational institution for the announced purposes of preparing persons for teaching and other educational service and for contribution to their growth in competency for such service such teacher education programmes are offered in teacher’s college and normal schools and colleges and universities.

The national council for Teacher Education The Teacher education as a programme of education, research and training of persons to teach for preprimary to higher education level.

Teacher Education = Teaching Skills + Pedagogical theory + professional skills.

Teacher Educator

Educator can be defined as -A Person such as teacher of School, administrator who has job in the field of education

–Webster dictionary

We can define teacher educators as

- + A person who has job in the field of teacher education as teacher.
- + Teacher educator is anyone who educates teachers.
- + Personnel from a policies, who design, implement and evaluate professional study for teachers
Dr. Robert Fisher.
- + Personnel in schools who administer or conduct instructional activities designed to provide advanced professional study for teachers.
Dr. Robert Fisher.

Role of Teacher Educators for Quality Teacher Education

Quality Teachers can deliver quality education and for this the education teachers should be quality. For above purpose the role of teacher educator is important. Let-us see what is role of teacher educator in reforming teacher education.

Constructivist Teacher Educator

Today constructivist philosophy of education has come forward and curriculum, teaching – learning processes has changed accordingly. Teacher educator has too play following roles.

1.Encourage and accept student’s autonomy and initiatives-

As constructivist philosophy want students to be want students to be thinking, exploring individuals who generate hypotheses and test them out. The teachers role here is to encourage and

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accept students in such activities. They have to frame assignments which will help students to work autonomously

2. Provide raw data and primary Syllabus along with manipulative, interactive and Physical material

Concepts, theorems, laws are formed in human mind, and they are generated through interaction. In teacher education many concepts from philosophy, psychology and technology etc are studied. Teacher educator can teach above for interaction among student teacher.

3. Change Instructional Strategies

The teacher educator should of change their teaching strategies from teacher centered to student teacher centered.

Eg. Use of strategies such as Brain storming, Group discussion, assignments, Project methods, panel discussion, co-operative learning strategies etc.

4) Constructivist teacher educator encourage student teachers to engage in dialogue, both with teachers and with each other.

5) Teacher educator's role as constructivist teacher is to encourage student's inquiry by thoughtful, open ended questions and encourage student to ask questions to each other.

6) He should elaborate student's initial responses.

7) Engage students in experiences that engender contradictions to their initial hypothesis and then encourage discussion.

8) He nurtures student teacher's natural curiosity which will teach him to implement this in his teaching.

9) Evaluator - The new strategies (Stated above) has also changed role of evaluator new teacher has to assess the students capabilities of concept formation, sharing..

ROLE OF TEACHER EDUCATOR IN ICT ERA

As this is ICT era the role of teacher educator changes accordingly. The teacher educator should have following competency in himself-

1) He should know technology operation and concept.

2) He must plan and design learning environment and experiences accordingly.

3) He should know new technologies which enhance learning-teaching processes.-e-mail, instant mailing, mobile colleagues, web-tools like blogs, wikis, chats.

He should collaborate online tools of learning e.g. blogs, wikis, and chats. He should publish learning resources online.

ROLE OF TEACHER EDUCATOR AS RESEARCHER-

Teacher education is undergoing many reforms, so teacher educators should also change accordingly.

For this he has to be a researcher. This research mind will help him to introduce new strategies and ideas in his field and also solve his problems in teaching process.

ROLE AS FASCILITATOR-

As constructivist education system has come in action teacher educator is in the role of facilitator, that is he should provide facilities to learn by them self.

ROLE AS LIFE- LONG LEARNER-

As there are constant reforms in teacher education, to cope with this reforms teacher educators should be life-long learners.

These are some changes in role of teacher educator for quality teacher education. In concluding part teacher let us see traditional teachers role and changed teacher’s role.

| Traditional Teacher Educator Role | Changing Role of Teacher Educator |
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| 1. Teacher’s role in teaching learning process was central. | 1. Student’s role is central in teaching learning process. |
| 2. Unidirectional teaching process. | 2. Student centered process |
| 3. Unidirectional discipline. | 3. As active learning takes place self-discipline. |
| 4. Traditional evaluation. | 4. CCE is followed |
| 5. Text books, handbooks and limited activities. | 5. Use of ICT so ICT literate |

This way role of teacher educator has drastically changed and for good purpose. All these changes are for quality enhancement of teacher education.

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