



# Commission on Reforms to the Education System of India



PORTFOLIOS

1. *Dr. G.Immanuel: The current Chairman of the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examination, a private board of school education in India. He claims to have brought about many changes in the ICSE education, including modernisation of the syllabus and effective communication.*
2. *Anita Karwal: She is the current Chairman of Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is a national level board of education in India, controlled and managed by Union Government of India. Karwal, has been at the centre of a massive controversy that broke out following reports class X and XII board paper leaks.*
3. *Dr. Siva Kumari: Since January 1, 2014. Dr. Kumari served as the Chief Operating Officer of International Baccalaureate Organization, Inc. Dr. Kumari has claimed to have prioritized and strengthened support to IB heads of school, teachers, students and schools throughout the IB worldwide community.*
4. *Abhay Karandikar: He joined IIT Bombay in 1997. Earlier I also worked in Indian Space Research Organization and Center for Development of Advanced Computing. He served as Dean in IIT Bombay and the Head of the Electrical Engineering Department. He is the current director of IIT Kanpur.*
5. *Vineet Joshi: He is the current head of the National Testing Agency as well as the former Chairman of the CBSE. He has been credited with the introduction of the Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE) schemes as well as the optional class X board exam system.*
6. *Krishnaswamy Kasturirangan: He is an eminent scientist and the former chief of ISRO. He was appointed as the chairman of the committee tasked with the task of preparing the final National Education Policy. He is also the chairman of the Karnataka Knowledge Commission.*
7. *Narendra Modi: - He is an Indian politician serving as the 14th and current Prime Minister of India since 2014. He was the Chief Minister of Gujarat from 2001 to 2014. Modi, a member of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), is a Hindu nationalist and member of the right-wing RSS. He has written a book about facing exams, for school children and youth, called 'Exam Warriors'.*

8. *Rahul Gandhi: He is an Indian politician. He is the President of the Indian National Congress and serves such additional offices as the Chairperson of the Indian Youth Congress and the National Students Union of India. A member of the Indian Parliament, Gandhi represents the constituency of Amethi, Uttar Pradesh in the 16th Lok Sabha.*
9. *Prakash Javadekar: He is the current HRD Minister and has proposed changes to the current system of education, introducing the new proposal to be implemented at the end of 2018. He was responsible for the discontinuation of the CCE pattern and re-introduction of the Uniform System of Assessment.*
10. *Kapil Sibal: He was the minister responsible for the CCE pattern of education under the Central Board of Secondary Education. He advocated reforms to the traditional method of pedagogy, and announced several schemes in his capacity as HRD Minister.*
11. *Smriti Zubin Irani: On 26 May 2014, Prime Minister Narendra Modi appointed her as the Minister of Human Resource Development in his cabinet. Her appointment was criticised by many people owing to her lack of formal higher education.*
12. *Satyapal Singh: India's Minister of State for Human Resource Development responsible for Higher Education. He believes that there is a need to change school and college curriculum. He also is known for his strong disbelief in the fact of evolution.*
13. *Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore: Rathore joined Bharatiya Janata Party after taking retirement from the Indian Army. On 9 November 2014, he was sworn in as the Minister of State for Information & Broadcasting. He was appointed as the Minister of Sports on 3 September 2017.*
14. *Ghulam Nabi Azad: The current leader of opposition, he has experience as a party leader and as a chief minister. He is extremely well-versed with various fields and is the voice of the INC in the Rajya Sabha.*
15. *M.M.Pallam Raju: In October 2012, he was sworn in as the Union Minister for Human Resource Development. Some of the important milestones during his tenure include the Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA), which was set up to provide higher education to deserving students.*

16. *Subramanian Swamy: -Subramanian Swamy is an Indian economist, statistician and politician who serves as a Member of Parliament in Rajya Sabha, the upper house of the Indian Parliament. He was the President of the Janata Party until it merged with Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).*
17. *Shashi Tharoor: -In 2012 Tharoor was re-inducted into the Union Council of Ministers by Prime Minister Manmohan Singh with the portfolio of minister of state for HRD. In this role he took special interest in the problems and challenges of adult education, distance education and enhancing high-quality research by academic institutions.*
18. *Tanveer Sait: The Primary and Secondary Education Minister of Karnataka, Sait is also the chairman of the Karnataka Minorities Development Corporation Limited. As the Minister in-charge of Minority Welfare he urged the Karnataka State Board of Wakfs to appoint an administrator to the Rifahul Muslimeen Educational Trust.*
19. *Siddhartha Bhattacharya : He is a Cabinet Minister of Education of Assam. He is a National Spokesperson for the Bharatiya Janata Party for the North Eastern region.*
20. *Sengottaiyan K.A: He is the Minister for School Education in the Government of Tamil Nadu. He said that the department had introduced new syllabus for classes I, VI, IX and XI. The department has planned the new curriculum for class XII in such a way that those wanting to take up a job thereafter would be able to do so.*
21. *Vinod Tawde: The minister for School Education, Higher and technical education, Sports and Youth welfare and Minority development of Maharashtra. The ministry has special provisions for children with special needs, along with inclusion programs etc.*
22. *Dinesh Sharma: Minister of Secondary and Higher Education in Uttar Pradesh, the ministry is working towards providing free education to all girls up-to graduate level under Ahilyabai Kanya Nishulk Shiksha Yojana.*

23. *Jignesh Mevani: He is a politician from Gujarat, India. He is a member representing Vadgam constituency in Gujarat Legislative Assembly. He has worked as a social activist and lawyer. He had led protests by Dalits, considered 'lower castes' in the Indian caste hierarchy.*
24. *Fairoz Khan: Indian student leader who is the national president of the National Students' Union of India (NSUI). Khan started a movement against the Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board (JKSSB) over mass copying in exams. The NSUI has been working to implement the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act (RTE).*
25. *Sucheta De: Sucheta De is the national president of All India Students' Association (AISA), a left-wing student organisation of India. It has organised mass delegation against the proposed reforms under Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in Delhi University.*
26. *Dr. Anil Sahasrabudhe: Chairman of All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE). Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced that the AICTE along with the University Grants Commission would be scrapped and replaced by a new body called Heera (Higher Education Empowerment Regulation Agency (HEERA). Post that, AICTE recently internships compulsory for engineering graduates.*
27. *Yogendra Yadav: A Senior Fellow at the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), Delhi. He is a former member of University Grants Commission (UGC) and National Advisory Council (NAC) on Right to Education Act (RTE).*
28. *Dr. W. G. Prasanna Kumar:- He is the present Chairperson of the National Council of Rural Institutes. National Council of Rural Institutes under the Ministry of Human Resource Development, in Government of India strives to promote resilient rural India through Higher Education interventions.*
29. *Mangala Narlikar:- Mangala Narlikar is Indian mathematician who has worked and taught in both advanced mathematics and simple arithmetic. An established and well-known teacher, she has taught in various renowned institutions and has experience in various fields.*

30. *Sudha Murthy*: She is the chairperson of the Infosys Foundation and a member of the Gates Foundation. Murthy's social work covers the healthcare, education, empowerment of women, public hygiene, art and culture, and poverty alleviation at the grassroots level. She also taught in various institutions and has much experience across several fields.
31. *Brajesh Maheshwari*: He is the present chairperson of ALLEN Career Institute. Since he has taken over the reins, ALLEN is believed to have reached to new heights, their students achieving first rank in the top examinations of the country.
32. *Chetana Keni*: Director-Principal of Aurinko Academy, a progressive school. The Institute works with children, parents, teachers, teacher educators and community to increase awareness and ensure acceptance of individual differences to enable better adjustment of children with special learning needs by helping them overcome barriers that interfere in their learning and holistic development.
33. *Kailash Satyarthi*: An Indian children's rights activist. He is a Nobel Peace Prize recipient and founder of Bachpan Bachao Andolan (lit. Save Childhood Movement), the Kailash Satyarthi Children's Foundation, Global March Against Child Labour, and GoodWeave International.
34. *Amartya Sen*: A highly respected teacher, he has taught a range of institutions, from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to Jadavpur University. Sen was a companion of distinguished economists like Manmohan Singh, K. N. Raj and Jagdish Bhagwati. This is a period considered to be a Golden Period in the history of DSE. He also received the Nobel Prize in Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences in 1998.
35. *Chetan Bhagat*: An Indian author, columnist, screenwriter, television personality and motivational speaker, he feels that India's education system is broken somewhere and that the college cutoffs should not bog one down because hard work can also take people places. Chetan Bhagat feels scoring high percentage in board examinations is not enough, students should also know how to market themselves.

36. Biswa Kalyan Rath: An Indian stand-up comedian, writer, and YouTuber, he is a graduate from IIT Kharagpur and has a lot of views on the modern education system of our country. He has recently broadcasted a new TV Series, highlighting the everyday struggles of an 'IIT-Aspirant', called 'Laakhon Mein Ek'.