# STEM Education in India: A Path to Innovation

## Empowering Students for a Bright Future

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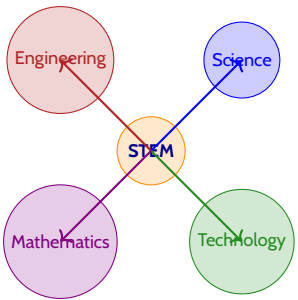
# Session Overview

- Discover what **STEM** education is and why it matters
- Learn about STEMs origins in India and globally
- Explore how STEM helps students create, solve problems, and work together
- Understand challenges and solutions for STEM in Indian schools
- Align with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020



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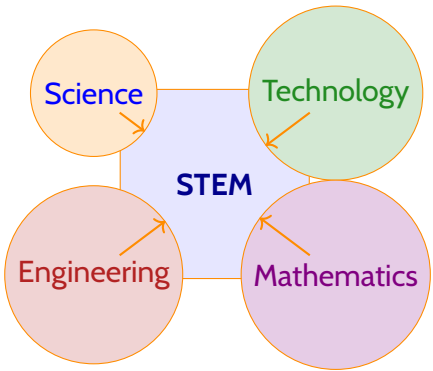

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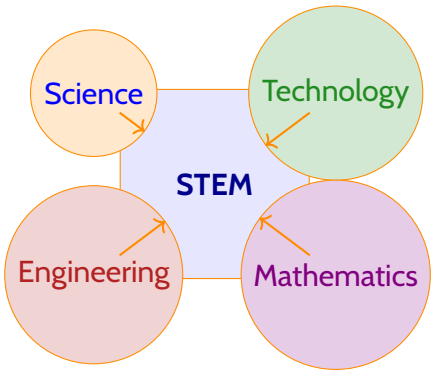


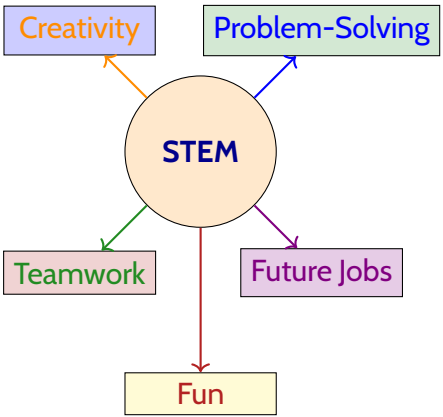

**STEM is about hands-on projects, critical thinking, and teamwork!**

# Why STEM Matters

STEM makes learning exciting and prepares students for the future:

- **Creativity**: Design games or models [3].
- **Problem-Solving**: Solve challenges like clean water.
- **Teamwork**: Collaborate like scientists.
- **Future Jobs**: Prepare for tech careers like AI [4].
- **Fun**: Experiments and coding!

**Activity**: What STEM project would you like to try?



# Origins of STEM Education

- **Global**: Began in the 1990s by the NSF to enhance science and math learning [5].
- **Influencers**: MIT and Stanford pioneered projects like robotics [3].
- **China & UK**: Adopted STEM education in 2000 [6].
- **India**: Began adopting STEM in 2006, boosted by NEP 2020 [2].
- **Example**: Schools use Scratch for coding and math [3].

# Challenges of STEM in India

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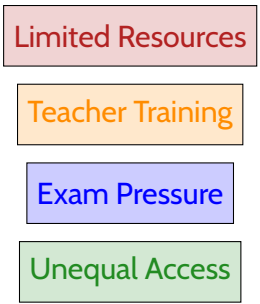
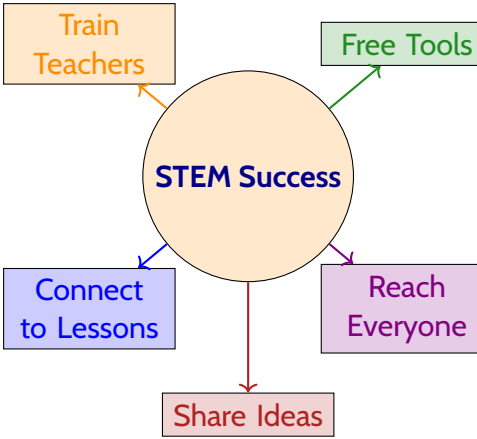
**Discussion**: What challenges do you see for STEM in your school?



# Solutions for STEM Success

- **Use Free Tools**: Scratch or GeoGebra for coding and math [3].
- **Train Teachers**: More workshops for teachers [1].
- **Connect to Lessons**: Link STEM projects to subjects.
- **Reach Everyone**: STEM kits for rural schools [6].
- **Share Ideas**: Share projects at events.



# Wrap-Up

- STEM combines science, tech, engineering, and math for fun learning.
- Helps students create, solve problems, and prepare for the future.
- Challenges can be solved with free tools and training.
- **Next Steps**: Try a STEM project or join an event!

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