

for M.Ed
1st sem

EDUCATION AS A DISCIPLINE

Education is the most important and powerful instrument— invented by mankind to shape and mould himself in a desirable manner. Learning is the key concern of education. Any modification brought about in the behaviour of an individual, as a result of his interaction with the environment, constitutes learning.

The history of the world proves that education has been the root cause for any change which takes place in the social, cultural, spiritual, political and economic aspects of human life. It is education which not only transforms the human animal into a rational human being, but also prepares and develops him to survive and adjust with surroundings so as to lead his personal as well as social life successfully.

Today, life is education and education is life. In fact, education is part and parcel of human life. Generally, human life consists of biological, sociological, spiritual and cultural aspects. The biological aspects of human life can be sustained by food, shelter and reproduction. This aspect of life is found common in almost all biotic organisms.

But the sociological, spiritual and cultural aspects of life are found in human life alone. It is the only aspect which differentiates mankind from all other living organisms on the earth. Therefore sociological aspects of human life should be given due consideration. They can be achieved and developed only through medium of education. Lock has remarked 'Man is born and developed by cultivation and man by education.'

universal concept of education

Education is the drawing out of the innate capacities of the individual to develop his personality to the full extent by training or teaching.

Narrow meaning of education : The narrow meaning of education usually implies imparting information, giving instruction, schooling, training, making people literate. In the narrow sense, education is confined to school, college and university instruction.

Wider meaning of Education ;

'In the wider sense, education is a process that goes on throughout life, and is promoted by almost every experience in life'.

'As long as I live, so long do I learn'
जितनी जियात जीवित रहूँ, उतनी सीखूँ
— Confucius