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“To make our youth future-ready, we need to continuously skill, re-skill and up-skill them. We need to align their competencies with evolving work profiles and practices.”

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi

The 4th G20 Education Working Group (EdWG) was held in Pune from June 20 - 21, 2023. About 80 delegates from G20 Members, invited countries, and international organisations (IOs) attended the EdWG Meeting.

The two-day meeting was chaired by Indian Chair Shri K. Sanjay Murthy, Secretary, Department of Higher Education with Shri Sanjay Kumar, Secretary, Department of School Education and Literacy, and Shri Atul Kumar Tiwari, Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship as Alternate Chairs. The meeting was also attended by the Shri Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Chief Coordinator, India's G20 Presidency, Government of India on the first day.

Day 1: June 20, 2023

The 4th and final Education Working Group meeting (EdWG) commenced to delegates to finalize outcome documents to be presented at the Education Ministers' meeting on June 22, 2023.

On the first day, the G20 delegates initiated deliberations focusing on drafting the outcome document with interventions by G20 Troika. The International Organisations (IOs) UNICEF, OECD, and UNESCO presented the education working group report.





Shri Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Chief Coordinator, of India's G20

Presidency emphasized that India, as the world's largest democracy, is being considered a source of solutions for global and local challenges. He highlighted the valuable exchange of

best practices in the previous three EdWG meetings held in Chennai, Amritsar, and Bhubaneswar, focusing on tech-enabled learning, research and collaboration, and the future of work. He further added that India is focused on driving towards an inclusive international order that works together despite ideological differences for sustainable global good.

The first day of the meeting came to a close after engaging sessions on drafting the outcome document for the WG.

Day 2: June 21, 2023

On the second day of the meeting, G20 India delegates & dignitaries continued deliberations on drafting the outcome document.



Wrapping up discussions for the day, delegates

reconvened along with Ministers from G20 and invitee nations at the Education Ministers' Meeting in Pune on June 22.

Experiencing the grandeur of India

1. From visiting the famous Shaniwar Wada to learning about the iconic Lal Mahal, delegates experienced Maharashtra's rich history through a heritage walk covering landmarks in the vibrant city of Pune.



2. A cultural evening of traditional music, captivating dances & delectable flavors from Maharashtra was also organised which left the G20 delegates spellbound.



3. G20 India delegates participated in large numbers at the International Day of Yoga 2023 celebrations led by Minister Dharmendra Pradhan on the sidelines of the 4th EdWG Meeting.

4. Delegates danced to Puneri beats and participated wholeheartedly in a truly spectacular cultural evening organized by the Government of Maharashtra & Indian Council of Cultural Relations, displaying the colours of India through dance performances from across the country.



5. A multimedia exhibition was held at Savitribai Phule Pune University from June 17th-22, 2023. With over 12,000 attendees and 80+ exhibitors, the exhibition provided an opportunity to showcase Foundational Literacy and Numeracy-related initiatives. Notable participants in the exhibition included NCERT, IKS (Indian Knowledge System), Microsoft, Nipun Bharat initiative, Indonesia, UNICEF, UNESCO, and many others.



6. A seminar on ‘**Ensuring Foundational Literacy and Numeracy**’ in the context of Blended Learning was held at Savitribai Phule Pune University. The seminar was organised as part of the G20 4th Education Working Meeting. Around 50 delegates from 20 countries attended the Seminar.

References:

[4th Education Working Group Meeting commences in Pune](#)

[A seminar on Ensuring Foundational Literacy and Numeracy in the context of Blended Learning held at Pune as part of G20 4th Education Working Group meeting](#)

[The two-day 4th meeting of the G-20 Education Working Group under Indian Presidency concludes in Pune](#)

Twitter Links:

[As 4th EdWG delegates deliberate on innovative methods to promote education globally, a quick look at the heart of the action!](#)

[Ensuring universal access & transforming learning ecosystems is one of the main priorities of the Education Working Group.](#)

Video Link:

[INAUGURAL SESSION Of The 4th Education Working Group Meeting, Pune](#)

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