Inclusive Education

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Every child has the right to education according to the <u>limits of</u>
his capacity, whether that capacity be small or great.



Children with special needs are termed as Exceptional Children.

Types Of Exceptional Children

- Mentally Retarded
- Visually Impaired
- Hearing Impaired
- Gifted Children
- Physically Handicapped
- Learning Disabled

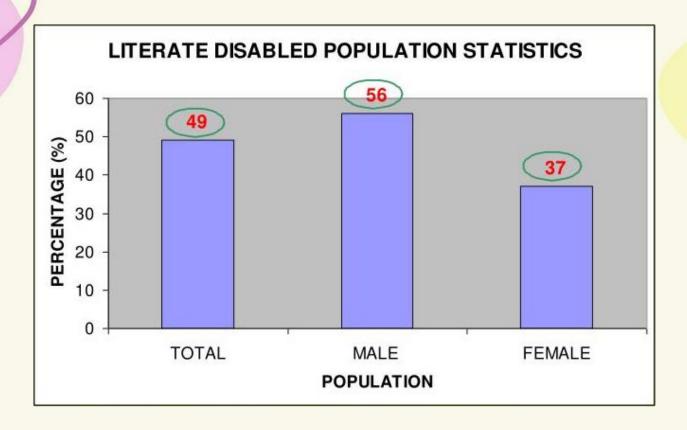
Meaning of Inclusive Education

Inclusive Education implies all young learners, young peoplewith or without disabilities being able to learn together through access to common pre-schools and schools with an appropriate network of support services.

Statistics Of The Disabled Children



- Over 1.24 lakh children with disabilities have been integrated in about 20,000 schools.
 - At the elementary level over 14 lakh children with disabilities have been enrolled.



The percentage of literacy level of the disabled population is only 49%

Literacy rates of the female disabled population is only 37%

Literacy rates for the male disabled population is 56%

According to NSO,2005, of the literate disabled population only 9% have completely secondary and above education.

Principles For the Inclusion of Disabled Children In Schools



- Zero rejection
- All the disabled children have the equal right to learn and benefit from education and co-curricular activities.
- It is the school which has to adjust according to the needs and requirements of the disabled children.
- To provide for the training of regular teachers.
- To provide for vocational training suitable according to their abilities at higher and senior secondary level.
- To promote awareness and realization in the community for the education of the disabled children.

Practicing Inclusive Education



- Understanding inclusion as a continuing process.
- Encouraging the participation of all students, teachers and parents.
- Making the curriculum flexible according to the needs of the disabled, while keeping the objectives of education the same for all children.
- Providing support for the teachers as well the students.

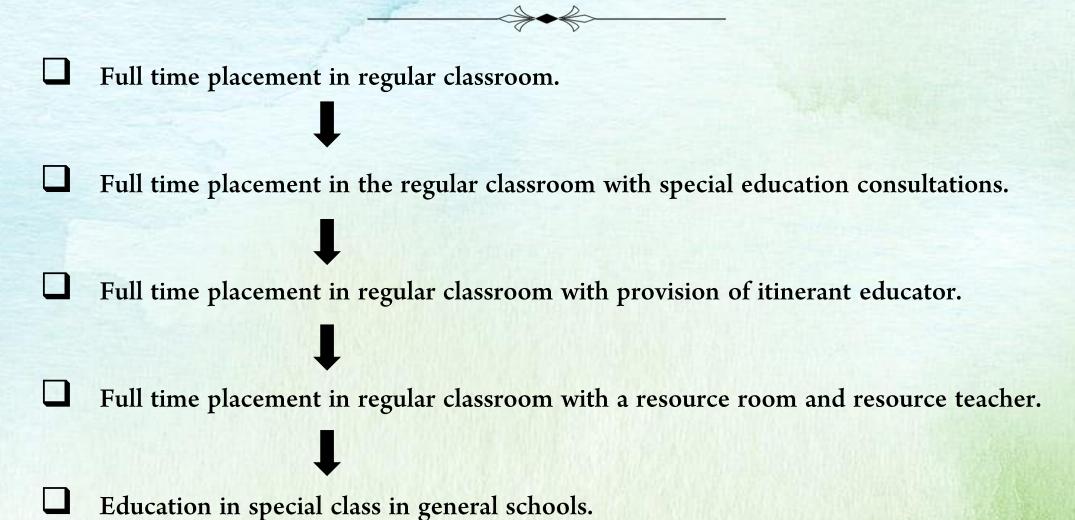
Competencies Needed for an Inclusive Teacher

- Should have the ability to solve problems.
- Should know about the interest, aptitude and abilities of the disabled children and use them to develop various skills in them.
- Have the ability to set high targets for disabled children.
- Have the ability to provide success experiences to the disabled children.
- Should have the knowledge of special instructional material and how to use them.
- Should be highly patient, welcoming, polite and devoted.* Should work as team with parents and special educators.
- Keep a record of the child's achievements and failures.

Fear Of The Parents

- Parents think that their children with disability may not gain effectively in the inclusive setting.
- Parents fear that their children will be teased or harmed in the inclusive setting.

Continuum Of Inclusive Education



Instructional Strategies and Compensatory Support Devices

FOR PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED:

- Adjustable furniture
- Wheel chairs, Crutches
- Removing structural barriers
- Standing frames

FOR BLIND CHILDREN

- Braille
- Mobility sticks
- Yellow path
- Audio aids and recordings
- Concrete objects to teach shape, size, weight, thickness etc. near to real experiences through touch, smell and hearing.
- Teacher should be more verbal.
- Talking books and calculator
- Making them familiar with the directions
- Providing for auditory cues in games and sports.

Instructional Strategies and Compensatory Support Devices

FOR HEARING IMPAIRED:

- Hearing aid
- Action oriented situations like dramatization for teaching emotional concepts.
- Use of visual aids like transparencies, chalk board, flash cards, handouts of classroom instructions
- Lip reading.
- Placing the child in the front row.
- Providing for speech trainer

FOR MENTALLY RETARDED (slow learners):

- Concrete objects for teaching different concepts real life like situations
- Making repetitions.
- Activity based learning rather than seat based learning.
- Limit the distractions as much as possible
- Providing the content in easy language with a lot pictures.

Instructional Strategies and Compensatory Support Devices

FOR GIFTED CHILDREN

- Skipping the classes at Primary Level.
- Receiving some instructions at a Higher Level with another group of students.
- At secondary level special courses can be organized like-foreign languages, college level course.
- Modification of the content by increasing its complexity and by bringing novelty.

