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**"'Earn while you learn' scheme needs to be strengthened to make vocational education and skill training meaningful." Comment.**

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2021 · GS II · 10 marks · Health, Education and Human Resources

Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector / Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources.

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

Numbers move. Confirm the latest Budget, Economic Survey or census round. This sheet is for revision, not a substitute for the model answer.

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**NEP 2020**

Policy that integrates vocational education, internships and multiple entry-exit into the mainstream academic path.

**Apprenticeship Act / NAPS**

Legal and promotional frame for on-the-job training with a stipend.

**PMKVY**

Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana; short-term skilling that still needs workplace earning to stick.

**NSQF**

National Skills Qualifications Framework that levels vocational competence; empty without logged workplace hours.

**ITI / polytechnic dual models**

Existing institute-industry pairings that show earn-while-you-learn can work when firms actually take trainees.

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