

## **About the Journal**

The journal 'Voices of Teachers and Teacher Educators', an initiative of the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), is now being co-ordinated by the NCERT. The Journal highlights the vital role of teacher education in India, as the country is poised to provide quality education to all its children, irrespective of gender, caste, creed, religion and geography. The National Curriculum Framework (NCF)-2005, the National Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education (NCFTE)-2009 and the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act (RTE)-2009 all reflect this commitment and underline the principles that make such an effort necessary and also spell out the strategies for it. The challenge is to augment the role of teachers in shaping the social transformation that India is witnessing, have a long lasting impact on the quality of education, and making education equitable. Teachers and all those concerned with education need to recognize that their ownership and voices are important and that they can and do learn not only from their own experiences but also from each other through collective reflection and analysis. The Journal attempts to lend voice to teachers, teacher educators, researchers, administrators and policy makers in varied institutions such as schools, Cluster Resource Centres (CRCs), Block Resource Centres (BRCs), District Institutes of Education and Training (DIETs), Institutes of Advanced Studies in Education (IASEs), Colleges of Teacher Education (CTEs), State Councils of Educational Research and Training (SCERTs), etc., and make their engagement visible in accomplishing extraordinarily complex and diverse tasks that they are expected to perform. Contributions to the Journal are welcome both in English and Hindi. Voices is an e-Journal and we hope to circulate it widely. We also look forward to suggestions and comments on the articles published. The views expressed and the information given are that of the authors and may not reflect the views of the NCERT.

### **Call for Contributions**

This biannual publication is for all of us: teachers, teacher educators, administrators, researchers and policy makers. It is to provide a platform and also to build a network for our voices, ideas and reflections. Since the idea is to make this journal reflect all our voices, it would fulfill its purpose if we contribute to it in as many ways as we can. We look forward to all of you contributing with your experiences, questions, suggestions, perspectives as well as critical comments on different aspects of teacher education and schooling. Your contributions could be in the form of articles, reports, documents, pictures, cartoons or any other forms of presentation that can be printed. This could also be through comments and reflections on the current issue for improvements of the publication to make this a participative endeavour and improve its quality. We look forward to your inputs to make this journal truly reflective of our voices. We look forward to receive your contributions for the next issue by 30th April, 2017. We also look forward to comments and suggestions. The next issue would be focused on Curriculum and its practice. The contributions can be sent to the following:

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