

National Achievement Survey (NAS)

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In news– National Achievement Survey (NAS) was held on 12th November, 2021 across the country.

About the survey–

- The Government of India has been implementing a rolling programme of sample based National Achievement Survey (NAS) **aimed at classes III, V, VIII and X with a cycle period of three years.**
- NAS is undertaken by the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India.
- It is the **largest, nationwide, sample-based education survey conducted across India.**
- **It** will help to assess the learning interruptions and new learnings during the COVID pandemic and help to take remedial measures.
- The instrument development, testing, finalization of the test items, sampling of the schools etc. has been done by NCERT.
- However, the **actual administration of the test in the sampled schools will be done by CBSE** in collaboration with the respective states/UTs.
- **NAS 2021 will cover the entire spectrum of schools i.e. Government** Schools (Central Government and State Government), **Government Aided** Schools and **Private** schools across the country.
- It is expected that nearly 1.23 lakh schools and 38 lakh students in 733 districts across 36 States and UTs will be covered in the NAS 2021.
- **It will be conducted in** Language, Mathematics & EVS for class 3 & 5; Language, Mathematics,

Science & Social Science for class 8 and Language, Mathematics, Science, Social Science and English for class 10.

- **The Test would be conducted in 22 mediums of instruction covering** Assamese, Bengali, English, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Manipuri, Marathi, Mizo, Odia, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu, Bodo, Garo, Khasi, Konkani, Nepali, Bhutia, and Lepcha.
- **A National Steering Committee** has been constituted for conduct of NAS **headed by Chairman, CBSE.**
- **The last NAS was held in November 2017** for assessing the competencies developed by the children at the grade levels III, V and VIII.
- Though it was scheduled to take place in 2020, due to the Covid-19 situation, it was postponed until this year.