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The crucial aim of the mathematics curriculum is to teach and educate the learner to be dynamic, sense of city dwellers, understanding the universe logically and also usage of mathematics to rally around their calculations, forecasting and pronouncement regarding individual and economical precedence (NCB, 2009). Imperative skill of existence that involves in a series of routes consisting analysis, interpretation, way of thinking, forecasting, assessing and dazzling is said to be predicament/problem solving. In many countries of the world, mathematics curriculum is either overarching aim or fundamental module. On the other hand, by increasing winning predicament solvers is the multifaceted chore necessitates an assortment of proficiency and temperament (Stacey, 2005). Majority of the learners require logical thought and understanding of mathematics as well as heuristic approaches for the solution of non-routine tribulations. Majority of the teachers have had a lot of options to construct their comprehension and understanding in teaching about the problems in their teachings and using problems as a concern of learning in mathematics (Cai, 2003). In one of the well developed country of the universe, Australia recommendations to the teacher has been endow within the choice of pamphlet, journals magazines etc (e.g., Peter-Koop,2005), in the declaration of national curriculum (Australian Education Council, 1991) and also in the documents of tertiary curriculum (e.g BOS NSW, 2002). These kinds of advices have been accomplished in variety of services curriculum to revolutionize in practice of teaching from most of the conventional methodologies where teacher make use of non-routine problems and problem centered responsibilities (Anderson & Bobis, 2005). If focus on the limited preference for Australian students in the solution of problems as compare to the short practical involvedness (Stacey, 2003). It is might be possible that text books and the examinations are the main hurdles in the implementations of questions (Doorman et al., 2007; Kaur & Yeap, 2009; Vincent & Stacey, 2008).

Intercontinental Approaches in the Curriculum of Predicament / Problem Solving

Numerous documentation regarding mathematics curriculum are lists of 'Content' and a place of 'processes'. Characteristically, contents consist of basic and deep-seated thought of mathematics (Numbers, Sets, Measurement, Geometry data etc). Despite the fact that processes, incorporate with achievement that are interlinked wit usage and implementations of mathematics to answer the questions that might be regular or irregular (Clarke, Goos & Morony, 2007). Predicament / problem solving approaches in the curriculum of mathematics sustain for the teachers in Singapore, Hon Kong, England and Netherland are selected to illustrate few of the approaches.

Singapore

The study of (Kaur, 2001) illustrates that Predicament / Problem Solving have become the fundamental objective of learning mathematics. He further concludes that frame of mathematical curriculum based on skills, concepts, processes, attitudes and met cognitions. He says that content is put forward as skills and processes while attitudes correspond to the affective proportions of learning, while Meta cognition is the

center of attention towards self-regulation likewise processes consists of acquire and relating to mathematical knowledge.

Hong Kong

The mathematical curriculum of Hong Kong base on three interlinked mechanism;

(1) Central learning paradigm; (2) Nonspecific expertise; (3) Attitudes and Values. It is said be that mathematics is a Central learning paradigm and the Nonspecific expertise consist of teamwork, announcement, imagination & creativeness, significant accepted wisdom, numeracy, predicament crack, self-management and schoolwork skillfulness. Fascinatingly, the *Basic Education Curriculum Guide (Education Dept. HKSAR, 2002)* shows that priority in the year of 2001-2006 was teamwork, announcement, imagination & creativeness. Wardlaw (2008) acknowledged that students have very stumpy self-efficacy and very poor attitude, more especially in the field of mathematics.

England

In England, the latest curriculum of mathematics in the 1st four years of the secondary schooling is with a reduction of dogmatic that is allocating more suppleness especially for the teachers. They have personal knowledge agenda and reasoning skills and have focal point on measurement and evaluation of learning. Predicament / Problem Solving is said to be that “lying at the heart of Mathematics” (DCSF, 2008) and is the representative as the series of demonstration that consist of calculations, forecasting and pronouncement regarding individual and economical precedence.

Netherland

The frame of mathematical curriculum in Netherland known as *Realistic Mathematics Education*. In other terminologies it is said as activity of human beings that need to be experienced the mathematics for by the students “mathematizing” throughout learning. Solution of the problems based on the way that students can be imagine the contexts. It makes the learner to usage the skills of mathematics skillfulness and procedures. It uses very legalistic problems as the starting point in the learning and also in the implementations of new ideas.

CONCLUSION

Mathematics Curriculum and role of predicament / problem solving in Singapore, Hon Kong, England and Netherland make known some alike and differences. Singapore made significant modifications in reducing mathematics contents. Netherland intend to build mathematical learning from related predicament context, while in England, it endow with improved suppleness and Hong Kong is, however to expand the equivalent echelon of in teacher prop up.

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