The draft National Education Policy (NEP) 2019 has indicated 3-8 age group as the foundational stage. However the fact is that 0-3 years are the most crucial years in the lives of children, since this is the time when 90% of the brain develops. The team behind the NEP has very clearly indicated about the change that needs to be brought about in terms of teaching pedagogy, system of conducting examinations, curriculum designing and content development.

31.4% OF INDIAN CHILDREN WILL BE STUNTED BY 2022

A recent report that includes a baseline analysis of the country’s progress in achieving the second Sustainable Development Goal to end hunger states that almost 1 in 3 Indian children under the age of 5 years will be stunted by 2022. The report prepared by the UN world Food programme in collaboration with the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOSPI) is a telling account of the current food security trends in the country, where child stunting in the country has only reduced at a rate of 1%.

PODCAST: ARE STUNTING & WASTING DIFFERENT?

In this podcast, Technical Directors of the Emergency Nutrition Network (ENN) Tanya Khara and Carmel Dolan, Martha Mwangome from the Wellcome Trust research programme in Kenya and Dr Sophie Moore from King’s College, London discuss if the distinction between wasting and stunting is justified or helpful.