

EMERGENCE OF ONLINE TEACHING – LEARNING AMIDST COVID-19 CRISIS IN INDIA: IMPACT, ISSUES AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

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ABSTRACT:

The online teaching-learning in India was not much in vogue before the year 2020 when it became a compulsion due to the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic world over. There were only very few schools, colleges/higher education institutions using technology or the digital platforms for dissemination of information, teacher –student interactions or we can say in the teaching-learning process as a whole. For the first time in the history of India we have seen whole education system getting transformed into a completely digitalize pattern, but this change came up in the form of a forced intervention due to the COVID-19 crisis. However, it can be taken as a blessing in disguise as its high time for us as a country to explore the new dimensions of learning that are available for students and keeping the teachers well equipped and technology ready in this continuously changing World. The online learning platforms has helped in ensuring the continuity in learning during these tough times. The present study seeks to highlight the impact of online teaching –learning on the overall education, issues that make the implementation difficult. It also gives suggestions about the future course of action as how we can go about the online learning to enrich the overall teaching learning experience post COVID-19.

KEYWORDS: COVID-19, Online Learning, Technology, Education, Digitalization.

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