

**Pros And Cons Of Online Teaching Vs. Classroom Teaching Learning Process**

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**Abstract**

In recent times E-learning has become an important part of the day to day life of the students, teachers, learners etc. It is not only used in schools but also in homes, higher education and in various other fields. With the technological advancement in India, the education system has shifted from class room teaching to E-learning. E-learning platform plays an important role in the higher education in India. Colleges and universities are focusing on various E-learning courses. There is various scope of E-learning in India. According to recent study India is reported to have second largest number of online courses. There are many E-learning portals some of the E-learning portals are conducting various mock tests for competitive examinations like medical, engineering, management etc. Thus Indian education system is slowly shifting from class room teaching to E-learning. E-learning has a promising future.

In this study we are going to contrast & compare Online teaching with traditional classroom teaching. The main objective of this paper is to highlight various similarities and dissimilarities between the two teaching methods and we're also going to discuss how one is going to adapt the system. In Online & Offline class's books plays an important role to frame your child's future. It has been noticed that there is lack of interaction between the teacher & the students which is not a problem in traditional classroom teaching. Web based learning is comparatively cheaper than the traditional classroom learning as it does not include the additional expenses.

**Keywords** – E- learning, Technological advancement, Traditional Classroom Teaching, Additional Expenses, lack of Interaction.

## INTRODUCTION

The world at times faces difficulties like natural calamities, a downward economy graph, terror attacks but pathogenic attack always proved to be the most disturbing and uprooting factors since the pre historic times.

The corona virus Covid nineteen pandemic is the ongoing health crisis of our time and the biggest challenge the mankind have faced since world war two. Not only this pandemic has devastated the medical surveillances but also has shattered the socio economic condition of all countries.

Standing in this phase of darkness and uncertainty, Education being a bridge towards development and evolution of the mankind stays disrupted and a trial towards virtual mode of education takes a leap which is juxtaposed yet bold for countries like India due to the term, poverty which has a key role in it's stunted growth.

It has been found that Online teaching/web based learning is increasing on a rapid rate. In the pandemic era many Schools/Universities have adopted online teaching methods to communicate with their students. It's obvious that this process of Web based learning is not as effective as the Ordinary Classroom teaching. Close contact with the students, physical presence, studying body languages of them facilitate communication between the teacher and the learner. *"However, It is the assumption that there are no e-learning advantages or disadvantages which we could hold as absolute universal Zounek . J, Sudicky . P(2013)".* E- learning is the demand of neo normal and we have to adopt it with all its Pros and Cons.

Over the times the education system of India has under gone many changes. India is slowly shifting

from classroom teaching to E-learning. Class room teaching provides a dynamic environment by bringing together students from different background. With the advancement in technology a shift in the teaching methodology is being observed at large. E-learning helps people to get access to a world class learning system. E-learning is considered as a revolution which is overcoming various educational barriers. It is beneficial for the intellectual growth of the students and hence helps in generating an intellectual society. Various challenges which are faced in conventional learning method can be overcome through E-learning process.

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### **Shift from class room teaching to E-learning in India E-learning in India**

With technological advancement at their peak on of recent changes in the education system is the online education or E-learning. The ease and opportunities to attain additional knowledge has boosted the scope of E-learning. As India is a highly populated country there are many poor families, for whom higher education is not affordable due to financial crisis or any other personal constrain. E-learning platform can act as a support system for the students coming from these kinds of families. E-learning provides opportunities for the students to participate in interactive session and helping students making them more competitive.

### **E-learning on higher education**

E-learning ranges from using e-mail to other electronic medium, streaming videos by different teachers. There are also various kinds of app available for distant learning like Google class room, Byju's , unacademy etc. E-learning provides a fully online synchronous and asynchronous distance learning environment to remote learners. E-learning provides a licence for boosting up the higher

education system in India. Websites such as coursera provides online courses through collaboration with national level universities and institute across India. It collaborates with national level institutes as IIT'S and provides courses Such as MOOCS. Through E-learning one can access to variety of courses like Digital Pedagogy, international business (PGDBM), Forensic Science and several MBA courses. E-learning overcomes the problem of non- availability of adequately qualified teachers in rural areas. E-learning provides solution such as live online lecturing, streaming videos and virtual class room. Physically disabled students can access to E-learning study materials at home.

### Scope of E-learning in India

According to a report issued by the ministry of Human Resource Development in India point out that most schools have less number of faculty members because of which they are not able to focus to each student in the classroom. Due to which students are unable to utilise their time effectively in the class room. Through online education students can get access to a variety of courses at an affordable price. According to the recent study in a global level online learning program, India is reported to have the second highest number of online courses. Through internet which is the most commonly used online learning platform students can enrol to these diverse courses. There are many E-learning portals in India providing online tutorial for school students also some e-learning portals in India are also conducting ridicule mock tests for various competitive examination like engineering, medical, management etc. Thus the scope of E- learning in India has expanded from adults to youth.

## **THE ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF ONLINE EDUCATION**

### **Pros of Online Teaching**

#### **1. The schedule can be self-decided**

✓ This online system of education provides infinite flexibility, especially to the strugglers allowing them to learn something new outsider their professional circumference, scheduling one's learning becomes profitable where it doesn't matter whether one is a early riser or a night owl.

#### **2. Intellectuality remains individual and self-proclaimed.**

✓ The ability to grip and catch new objectives is totally a part of individual differences, one cause pause videos for their upcoming doubts and also could dive deeper to any particular confusion.

#### **3. Breaking down Geographical barriers.**

✓ Distance education has been an absolute example of distance studies. Registering and taking part has been easiest till now. It offers the opportunities to travel and engage with various other learners. "In a recent survey by City Square Associates, 50 percent of learners reported receiving more attention from recruiters after completing a Harvard Business School Online course, while one in four said they received a promotion or title change. An online certificate from a reputable institution can have the same, or even better, impact on your resume than a more traditional degree."

\_Harvard Business School Online Blog.

**4. It makes one adaptable in this global tech.**

✓ The handling of technology makes one handle this complex virtual universe as well as endorses the estimated knowledge about the field, which one is currently aspiring.

**5. The continuation of classes is possible just with a network connection.**

✓ The classes could be continued anyway, with a simple internet facility, with whenever and wherever a person is present. One doesn't need to be physically present and can get knowledge with wherever he/she is present.

**Cons of Online Teaching,**

**1. Disorganized habits lead to poor academic achievements,**

✓ One cannot afford to be careless or impractical towards his/her assignments since it doesn't provide a strict schedule also a strict non-involvement of one's presence, thereby one needs to be disciplined and concise enough to deal with his/her on-school performance.

**2. A minimum scope of faculty interaction**

✓ Faculty interaction is a skill which is examined by the universities around the globe look for in their recruits therefore proving its importance rationally. The students need to have a fair communication with their leaders which seems restricted in this virtual method of practicing subjects.

### **3. Fighting against misconceptions**

**A major battle to win is to battle the traditional mindsets of " 'on-school' \_quality\_ education" ,**

✓ which are not only the middle-over-bouncers for the fresh new minds but also a cruel attempt to minimize the best possible ways of evolution of education.

### **4. Poverty restricts the needy to think beyond the boundaries,**

✓ A good networking system is highly important for the continuation of a proper online course for which monetary funds plays the role of superior need because of which a section of counties like India and many more stays disconnected from this modern growing world.

Balancing the diversities of this non-traditional approach of education, it remains as-

*A self-dependent, disciplined and a financially flourished individual can expect standard qualities of virtual mode of education.*

### **Comparison between Web based learning/Online Teaching and Classroom teaching**

Both Online and Classroom teaching requires a lot of interaction between the teachers and students giving of feedback is also very important so that the confusion which arises among students could be resolved. It has been noticed that in ordinary classroom students voluntarily participates in classwork but in online teaching sometimes students shy to participate which results into an non interactive classes, So it must be ensured that more students participate enthusiastically through chats. In both the Virtual and ordinary Classroom class assignments help us to think and learn about different topics and content in our curriculum, also it acts as a cornerstone for our future endeavors. Time management is an essential part of both the studies, because it is very important that students manage their time wisely.

In both cases course books are an essential part for preparation for exams or assignments. In online courses we need to purchase e-books and opt for online courses whereas in traditional classroom we need to buy hardcover but the content in both the books remain the same.

### **Contrast between Online Teaching/Web based learning and Classroom Teaching**

- **Time and Place**

In online teaching and classroom teaching the main difference is the physical presence of student in traditional classroom. While in online classes we can sit at any corner of our house and attend our classes.

Online teaching is beneficial to students as well as the teachers as we can attend the classes from our comfort zone, it saves time.

- **Relationship Between Student and Teacher**

In online based classes there is lack of interaction between the students and the teachers which is very important. It may cause miscommunication between the student and teacher. Similarly, Students are missing out the opportunity to know their teacher personally. While in classroom teaching face to face interaction helps the students to personally communicate with the teachers.

- **Difference in Costs**

Web based learning is more cost beneficial compared to traditional classroom teaching. In classroom teaching various costs are included such as tuition fee, library cost and for transportation there are some additional costs. In Online classes we can overcome these additional expenses and also the tuition fee tends to be lower.

## Conclusion

So, we come to a conclusion that both the online teaching and traditional learning have its advantages and disadvantages it depends on the individual that how he adapts the system.

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