

Topic:- Online education has given more opportunities than challenges

### Outline:

#### 1. Introduction

Online education, like every new invention, came with pros and cons. The opportunities it possesses are far greater than the challenges, such as remote learning and access to multiple platforms. On the other hand, health issues and self-discipline fall under challenges. However, the opportunities are strong enough and outweigh the challenges which can be dealt with.

#### 2. The necessity for new method of learning

- ✓ With the fast-paced world learning methodology had to be evolved.
- ✓ Pandemic, Covid-19 clarified the urgency.

#### 3. The Opportunities of Online learning

- a. Allows a person to upskill by learning different skills.
- b. People can learn from far-fledged areas. Remote learning.
- c. Flexibility and Convenience.
- d. Learning through multiple platforms.
- e. Cost effective.
- f. Global networking and collaboration as connects people from around the globe.

- 4, The challenges of Online Learning:
- limited hands on practical experience.
  - technical and connectivity issues as internet is not always reliable.
  - Opens room for procrastination and self-discipline issues.
  - ~~Practical~~ <sup>Lack of</sup> Physical instructor availability and support causes assessment and integrity concerns.
  - Lack of conducive educational environment.
  - Lack of face-to-face interaction, debates and causes social isolation resulting in health issues.

- 5, How can the opportunities outweighs the challenges?
- E-learning is not only more effective for students but also friendly too.
  - Study proves, there is a higher rate of retention with online learning.
  - Less time and energy consuming. Customized timetable so focus maintained.
  - Up-to-date information available in excess.
  - Tutor can be chosen according to individual's understanding.

B, Conclusion

Learning is an essential endeavor that distinguishes and serves as a valuable asset. In today's world, Online learning has emerged as a transformative force, providing access to education not only for the economically disadvantaged but also for remote areas that previously lacked educational opportunities. Online learning demands determination and passion to upskill themselves. Unfortunately, traditional methods of education have confined learning within specific age groups, skill sets and social classes. However, the advent of e-commerce has shattered these stereotypes and social barriers, enabling education to be accessible to everyone. Moreover, Online Education learning platforms empower individuals to pursue knowledge across a wide range of genres, be it worldly or religious, from various sources giving purpose to their lives. While there are challenges too, such as the lack of physical interaction and a conducive learning environment, studies have consistently shown that online learning offers numerous advantages. The flexibility of a customized schedule and the ability to study in one's comfort zone outweighs the challenges.

People are still concerned regarding the necessity of this new methodology. Conventional method seemed comfortable. With evolving world, the evolution of education methodology was necessary. Due to online learning people were able to gain knowledge in Covid-19. An unprecedented pandemic that

brought the world to halt clearly proved the need of online-learning and its power.

Firstly, online learning opens the avenues for a person to learn different skills. A human can upgrade its value by thriving to indulge in incorporating numerous skills. It includes either being totally dependent on online method or learning additional skills along with traditional school. Stats on online education show that 2 in 5 of the largest companies in the US are also taking advantage of it. 61% experts chose use this platform to close their employees skill gaps and nearly 44% want to improve employee engagement. Also, more than 30% of American students have taken at least one online course. Hence, it proves online learning has diminished the borders and is available for all.

Secondly, there is no doubt that the difference of equality and equity is persistent even in the field of education. E-learning has tried its best to narrow the difference by giving equal learning opportunities. The rural and far-fledged areas that did not have proper facilities, the e-industry caters to those needs too. By providing access to real-time resources and scholarships giving chance to every individual to grow. The National Center for Education Statistics shows, about 5.7 million

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e-learning sector as of 2014, 30 states offered full-time virtual schools.

Thirdly, people dreamt to work on their rules, to have their own flexible timings at one's comfort zone. The dream has turned into reality by the emergence of online methodology to learn. It has become easier to manage life accordingly. Every individual is different aligning everyone to same designed schedule and moulding accordingly would create nothing but frustration. As per the Higher Education Academy [HEA], 2015 - "A more significant focus on the comfort and quiet environment of your study place. Flexible online learning means "how, what, where and when [individuals] learn: the pace, place and mode of delivery". This allows a person to take charge of their lives. Pursue passion along with their careers and gain contentment and as well as satisfaction.

Next, the opportunity to choose the instructor is rare. One used to get scolded for asking the same question multiple times for clarity. The option to study material multiple times from different perspectives, covering its angles does not only motivates an individual but also enhances their critical thinking skills. These are highly required to cope up with the practical world and build analysis based on real situations. The tools provided by platforms

Such as images, videos, multimedia interactive pushes a person to grasp the concept in depth. A survey was conducted in Indonesia whose findings revealed that the level of critical thinking skills in problem solving of students who are exposed to online learning are higher than traditional. Therefore, the main objective is gaining knowledge and applying for a prosperous present and bright future.

Moreover, E-learning requires a gadget/electronic device, internet connection and the passion. The accessible resources make it cost-effective than other traditional methods. ~~The benefits of cost-cutting is not only in terms of monetary but~~  
In daily routine, one does not realize but when the transition takes place it is accentuated if cumulatively seen the distance, physical infrastructure and commute expenses along with others.

Furthermore, Remote learning connects people around the globe. This feature ~~it~~ offers students to indulge in discussions from different perspectives. They do not remain confined to limited area hence their spectrum of engulfing knowledge and opinions broadens. An MIT Professor emphasizes on the impacts of online learning by breaking the stereotypes and also cultural enrichment. This trait is normally missing in candidates hence promoting tolerance level and healthy discussions.

On the contrary, there is no denial that along with the advantages, Online learning possesses challenges too. The challenges that cannot be condoned. No matter, how hard one tries the in-hand experience would only be limited. Online learning would fail to surpass the importance of practicality that one would only involve in when reached on field. The argument is backed by a survey conducted by the Society for HR management in 2020, found that 41% HR professionals believed that Online learning programs were less effective in developing practical skills compared to in-person training programs. Which clearly articulates that Online-learning cannot teach all skills and comes with limitations in expertise.

Additionally, one should not forget the source of online learning. It is the mode is relying on the source of Technology and internet. The source which is highly essential and impertinent in today's time still not trust worthy. This dependence does not only disrupt the learning experience but also hinders the focus and dead-lines one has to meet. All the areas of a country do not provide stable network or connectivity especially rural areas lack strong connection again which further aggravates the problem. Multiple learners have complained regarding the issue.

The law and order reinforcements are not only as a phenomenon. These methods have immense importance when it comes to regulate a person and keep them on the right track.



Balance and check is important, it is very easy to divert and indulge in unnecessary practices if left on their own. Thus, self-learning or online-learning gives birth to problems such as procrastination and lack of focus. Human nature tends to prioritize short-term contentment and gratification over long-term rewards. Whenever, an aversive task is in hand, one chooses to avoid and studies have shown many people do not accomplish their online task due to this major issue.

Similarly, every new task takes time to be ingrained. It is always abstruse to grasp the concepts. To clear the queries and handle the curiosities at times physical teacher is needed. Unfortunately, Online system is designed in a way that it promotes virtual culture learning and with time is willing to obsolete the traditional method. One gets frustrated and requires attention as well as emotional support - however if one fails to get on time, there are higher chances to be a victim of involuntary depression. Also, online learning opens ways for peers to involve in malpractice when it comes to take exams causing integrity concerns. The statistics prove that <sup>cheating in</sup> online-exam pro is prevalent as per the study conducted by Kessler International 2020, 54% candidates reported cheating during online exams.

Environment, a term which is neglected but if accentuated holds value. The conducive learning environment builds confidence in a

an individual. It does not only eradicate the chances of distraction but also the person takes interest as it gives the spirit to compete and solve the query here and there. Online learning system fails to provide that interactive environment that is set in a way to help students learn. It becomes difficult to even remember names of students when teachers are taking classes online. The physical environment has an edge over online when it comes to familiarity. A survey by the Babson Research Group put in 2018 puts it as that the teachers find it challenging to establish instructor-student familiarity in the online environment.

Apart from familiarity, the classroom environment is also essential for healthy social communication. The 'we' feeling that a student gets by entering into the classroom cannot get it while sitting in front of the screen. The void is always there. The healthy or heated debates, involves a student as an audience or a participant. As Aristotle says:

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Man is a Social Animal"; also the Durkheim's theory of suicide further elaborates that social isolation may lead a person to commit 'suicide'. It has its own repercussions and a man needs to indulge in a society for the face-to-face interactions and healthy social lifestyle.

However, even after facing challenges the technological industry had evolved so much that it has reached levels to overcome the concerns. The advantages outweighs the challenges. Environment plays a key role but the responsibility of eco-friendly method of teaching is fulfilled by the methodology of e-learning. It does not involve the carbon emissions to travel the distance, does not include tree-cutting as lesser papers are required. Saves energy as physical classrooms utilize a lot as the whole school system has to function incorporating the school population. Along with students, it benefits the environment too. It is highly important to preserve environment for current as well as for future.

Moreover, human brain tends to have the tendency to forget more ~~fast~~ promptly than to retain knowledge. Pupil need to go-back again and again to recall and revise. This quality of playing recorded lectures, watching the lecture again and again dozens of times is provided by e-learning. In a physical classroom, a student cannot go to the instructor any at

any given time. This opportunity is not only great but also rare. The synthesis is backed by The Research Institute of America, it mentions, "learning online yields retention rates of 25 - 60% while face-to-face yielding is only 8 to 10%." Many students had a difficulty in understanding the concept in one-go by the physical teacher but to revisit the lessons is a blessing by the advanced teaching system.

Furthermore, E-learning has always been flexible. Learner has their own timetable and is customized. It teaches to take control of life from a young age. The quality that does not only rewards in personal life but in practical life too. One prioritizes tasks according to their interests. The flexibility also provides accessibility from anywhere and at any time. People always say, "Every human is different": E-learning proves it by offering a platform to learn as per their interests. It promotes the approach of Oscar Wilde as he said "Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery that mediocrity can pay to Creativity". Promoting originality, hence creating masterminds that would be beneficial for future.

Staying abreast is not only a choice but a privilege. Internet gave a boost to that privilege and made it accessible for everyone. Traditional method provides out dated material but the internet and the innovations in Education industry will

Web browsers like AI and Chrome keep me ahead of traditional students. Being aware of the surroundings and innovative tools to focus and interact with the methods and inculcating oneself to dive in and open the topic from all the aspects is the beauty of online learning only.

### Methods and teaching

Lastly, methods and teaching techniques of every teacher is different. All students can not either match the pace or understand the style of the instructor. Online learning solves that problem too. Moreover, the instructor would be chosen by the student. Hence, several online platforms also provide features such as virtual teacher-student interaction solving the problem of familiarity like zoom and meet by gmail. This methodology also encourages innovation as teachers compete to adopt the best style.

To sum up, the coin has two sides so does every invention. Online learning being a modern methodology does not only have benefits but challenges too. It was invented to cater the teaching and learning problems of students and its challenges could be curtailed with time and improvement but the benefits and opportunities it provides have far reaching effects and it has been invented, adopted and revolutionized

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The education system. It prospered at the time of pandemic Covid-19 and after that there is no going back. It will evolve <sup>for</sup> towards betterment.

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Topic: Promoting Tourism in Pakistan: opportunities and challenges

### Outline:

#### 1, Introduction

Pakistan is blessed with breathtaking scenery and has potential to promote its tourism industry. However, along with opportunities like lush mountains and waterfalls, it faces challenges too, such as security threats. Pakistan needs to invest in this area if it wants to attract tourism.

#### 2, The potential of tourism in Pakistan

- a, Diverse landscape, unique and attractive.
- b, Avenue for growth.

#### 3, Opportunities for promoting Pakistan's tourism

- a, Potential to explore; an untapped industry.
- b, Enriching cultural exchange.
- c, Preservation of heritage.
- d, Ability to increase employment.
- e, Tendency to be a major component of GDP.
- f, Better foreign relations; would attract global tourists.

#### 4, Challenges Pakistan is facing in promoting tourism

- a, The security threats; internal and external.
- b, Inadequate infrastructure; underdeveloped.
- c, Political instability; policies fluctuate.
- d, Deteriorated National Image.

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- c) Lack of professionals to meet world's standards.
- d) Environment ; pollution and diseases.
- 5) How to improve the conditions for tourism :
  - a) Prioritize this industry ; invest.
  - b) Enhance security measures ; to gain trust.
  - c) Develop infrastructure ; train and skilled professionals.
  - d) Raise awareness ; foster community involvement.
  - e) Collaborate with international partners.
- 6) Conclusion



Social mobility is not merely an option but a compelling necessity. Yet, amidst the rapid advancement of technology many seem to have forgotten the profound value of travel and exploration. As John A. Shedd once wisely said, 'A ship in harbor is safe, but that is not what ships are built for.' Indeed, humans are also meant to venture beyond their comfort zones, discovering the world that awaits them. Pakistan, with its strategic location and unparalleled natural beauty, is undoubtedly one of the most justifiably endowed nations. From majestic snow-capped mountains to sandy beaches, it offers a treasure trove of scenic wonders. The promotion of tourism has opportunities not only for cultural exchange but also employment and GDP growth. However, the full potential of tourism in Pakistan remains largely untapped. Moreover, numerous challenges such as security threats and political instability, have overshadowed the benefits that lie in promoting tourism. Also, additionally, inherent obstacles, such as the lack of infrastructure, further hinder progress. Despite nature's abundant gifts, they often go unnoticed, requiring prioritization, attention and investment. It is vital to recognize that the economic growth and prosperity of the country are intrinsically tied to the promotion of tourism.

"Necessity is the mother of innovation," a phrase often heard but seldom practiced. While Pakistan actively seeks avenues for growth and change, its tourism industry remains relatively untapped, brimming with potential. The country boasts not only diverse landscapes but also varying weather patterns, offering visitors a range of experience. From the blissful cold winds in the Northern areas to the more moderate climate in the Southern region, Pakistan's weather adds to its allure. Furthermore, the rich tapestry of religious culture passed down through generations contributed to the hospitable nature of its people. Opening up to a myriad of attractions for adventurous souls seeking water and ice sports. Despite this, current statistics reveal that the number of visitors falls far short of its potential. On average only around 7500 visitors from India and approximately 2000 visitors from Europe, the USA, and Canada make their way to Pakistan each year. Considering the fascination Pakistan has to offer, these figures portray an untapped potential in its tourism industry.

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