

# Open Education Strengths and weaknesses

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### 1) Introduction:

with some of its inherent weaknesses open education provides immense opportunities for individuals. It has its both strengths and weaknesses. However, by certain policy interventions its weaknesses can be converted into strengths.

### 2) Strengths of open Education System:

2.1) Open education is easy to access

2.2) Less expensive mean of Education as compared to traditional form of education

2.3) Time saving way of acquiring Knowledge, Flexibility of learning

2.3) Promotes life-long learning

2.4) Fosters the sense of global community

2.5) open education promotes gender equality, reduce gender

related bases.

2.6) Environment friendly mean of  
Education, reduces carbon footprint

2.7) Reduce on burden on countries  
economy

2.7.1) Reduce the large

Infrastructural requirement

2.7.2) Promotes quality education  
with less administrative

Structure

2.8) Diverse learning environment with  
Free availability of online resources

### 3) Weaknesses of open Education System:

3.1) open Education is less-  
interactive mean of  
learning

3.2) lacks real time Problem  
Solving approach

3.3) lacks Network building  
opportunities for students

3.4) Lack of accountability  
and Transparency on both  
Students and Teachers  
end.

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3.5) Open Education is subjected  
to digital inequality

3.6) challenges of securing funding

3.7) cultural resistance to open  
education

3.8) copyright issues of online  
available resources

## 3) Conclusion

"Open Education is crucial  
in ensuring that Education  
is a Fundamental Human  
right and not a Privilege"

(UNESCO)

Open Education ensures the availability  
of Basic Human Right of education  
to all. It is an affordable and  
readily available mean of Education.

It not only Provides opportunity  
of life long-learning for individuals  
but also fosters the community  
building among the learners from  
all across the world. Open Education  
Provides environment to promote  
diverse learning patterns and challenges  
the cultural norms that made accessibility  
to Education difficult. However, it  
comes with its own challenges, as  
it is less interactive mean of  
learning and lack network building  
opportunities due to lack of Problem  
Solving approach in it. Inequality  
and digital divide exists in a Society  
make it less common and lack

of proper funding for its resources are the hurdles open Education is facing. Copyright issues associated with it also contributes to its weakness. With some of its inherent weaknesses, Open education provides immense opportunities for individuals. It has its both strengths and weaknesses. However, by certain Policy interventions, its weaknesses can be converted into strengths. In a Nutshell, Open education promotes the Fundamental human right of Education by fostering life long learning mechanism and make education easily available along with its strengths. It has its challenges of copyright issues of online available resources and cultural acceptance of this process. By proper Policy mechanism these challenges can be mitigated to bolster the strengths of open education.