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Online Education has given more opportunities than challenges

Outline

1- Introduction

Thesis Statement: Online education has brought tremendous opportunities. The favourable environment of online education overcomes the challenges at larger extent.

2- Opportunities and challenges to online education

3- How online education has given more opportunities

a) Increase in accessibility of education

b) Financial cost of education has reduced

c) Saving a lot of time and money

d) Access to high standard educational institutions

e) Larger accessibility of female to education

4- More challenges to online education than opportunities.

- a) Poor connectivity in remote areas
- b) Requirement of digital learning is not free of cost
- c) Wastage of time more than saving owing to connectivity
- d) High standard educational institutions charge exorbitant fee for digital learning
- e) Women have no resources to access digital learning

5- Opportunities of online education has overcome the challenges at large

- a) Increasing access of digital technology across the world.
- b) Physical learning requires more resources than digital learning
- c) High speed technology has resolved connectivity problems
- d) Less resources require to access high standard institutions
- e) Increasing number of women in access to digital technology.

6- Conclusion

Essay:

Covid-19 has proved a blessing in disguise for online education as covid-19 has brought many changing in social, political and economic lives of the people across the world. Promotion of online education is one of them. Online education, also known as digital learning or distance learning, has brought many opportunities. These opportunities have entirely overcome the challenges to online education. The opportunities of online education mostly include: the accessibility to education, less financial resource requirement, saving of time and money, accessibility to high quality institutions, and enhancement of accessibility of female to education. While online education is not totally free from challenges as it faces problems in form of connectivity for remote areas, cost of digital tools and devices, more wastage of time due to poor connectivity, high cost

and fee of quality institutions, and dearth of resources for women to get online education access. Though online education is facing these issues yet, its opportunities have capability of overcoming ~~so~~ called problems.

As ~~with~~ digital technology is increasing day by day, physical education requires more financial needs. New technologies have resolved the problems of connectivity. High standard educational institutions provide many free of cost courses. And, women are digitally connecting to the world at a greater extent.

Online education has both its opportunities and challenges. Being a new method of learning people feel difficulty while accessing online learning. For example, faculty of many universities do not well-known from digital devices and their uses because of their ages who are almost above 50 years. Thus, it becomes huge challenge for online learning to

of online education. Online education takes less amount of time as compared to traditional learning. For example, a student who is studying in University, gets up early in the morning living hundred meters away from main campus where he takes physical classes of 4 to 5 hours, for which he wastes almost 2 to 3 hours extra for attending those classes. While a student who takes online classes does not need a proper place and discipline for attending his classes. But he enters an online class when it would start without any formalities, planning and environment. Thus, online learning has saved a lot of time.

Online education has not only saved a lot of time but has given access to high standard educational institutions. Online learning makes it possible to access the standard educational institutions as MIT, Oxford, and various international universities. Without online education,

accessing to these institutions is not an easy task as it requires a large amount of financial resources, to support the expenses of education in living metropolitan cities. But online education has now made it possible to access them through their online learning facilities which require a few financial resources. In this way, online education has brought opportunity to get one's self with the ornament of education by connecting with high standard educational institutions.

Besides connecting with high quality educational institutions, online education also opens ~~and enhances~~ the doors of education for women and enhances opportunities for them to get education. As online education is more favourable for women in access to education. For example, many girls in our society cannot get opportunities of traditional education due to various

family issues. However, they can now get opportunity of online education to achieve their goals through ~~access~~ the access of digital technology. After transformation of education from traditional mode to online, more women are getting benefits from it. Thus, online education has given more opportunities to women to get education.

Despite numerous opportunities, online education is also facing several challenges. The critics of online education rejects the idea of accessibility to education on the ground that there is poor connectivity in remote areas where online education is less likely possible. They say that people do not have equal access to technology across the world. For example, a person who is living in remote areas of Third world country does not access the digital technology as compared to a person who is living in a highly developed country where is

no issue of connectivity. Thus, it is a challenge to online education to connect ~~all~~ entire population of the world.

Due to poor connectivity online education wastes a lot of time, rather than the claim of saving time. The opponents of online education argue that online education is a greater source of time waste. It wastes not only time but also energy and resources. For example, online education has many problems of connectivity as it connects and disconnects many times during a period of conducting a class or lecture. Thus online education wastes a lot of time without ~~giving~~ benefits to its attendee.

Besides, wastage of time, accessing to high quality institutions is not free at all. Though high quality international institutions give opportunity of accessing their facilities, yet they charge exorbitant fee. Their fee is

so much that everybody cannot be able to access their online facilities. They are mostly profit-makers rather than given benefits to their clients and poor students. Thus online access of high quality educational institutions does not facilitate all equally.

In the same context, women online education does not provide benefits to women as they do not have enough resources to purchase digital tools for accessing online learning. Women, in many developing countries, are financially weak. They have no authority on the financial resources. They opponents of online education supports their argument on the basis of dividing the world haves- and have-nots concept on women. They say that women in poor societies unable to get benefits from so-called opportunities. Thus, online education is less supportive in terms of benefiting women educationally.

Although the critics of online education are right in some extent on the basis of poor connectivity, yet people are witnessing that digital technology is increasing day by day. The accessibility of digital technology has ^{almost} reached entire world. For example, billions of people in developed and developing world are using digital devices and technology. The use of digital technology will enhance in coming days, too. The various issues connected with digital technology will overcome with passage of time. Thus, online education will further bring new opportunities in form of reducing educational cost.

Indeed, online education has some cost. But it is far less expensive than physical and traditional learning. For example, online learning is free from physical infrastructure of educational institutions. Anybody can sit anywhere to run the business

of education through conducting online classes. For example many academies in our society during Covid-19 period started online education which not only become a source of revenue generation for them but also benefitted the attendee of those classes. Thus, online education has benefit of less financial cost.

The argument of wastage of time can be counter on the basis that technology is advancing day by day. The issues of connectivity will be resolved in coming days. For example, 5G and 4G technology has resolved these issues at a larger extent. However, many areas of the world do not get these technologies. But these are the exceptional cases. Government of every developing world tries its level best to get these technologies so that people can get benefit from digital technologies. Thus high speed technology will resolve connectivity issues which ~~will~~ will benefit online edu.

To conclude, online education has brought many opportunities which has overcome its challenges. The opportunities of online education are accessibility to education, less expensive, time saved, and connecting with international institutions. However, many critics of online education believe that the challenges like connectivity issues, availability of digital devices and technology and financial cost are real. Though they are seemed true, yet they will be resolved with passage of time through advancement of technology. Thus, online education is progressing day by day. It has bright future.