

## ONLINE EDUCATION

Online education is a form of education which is delivered and administered through internet. It is also called 'E-learning' or 'Online learning.' In E-learning, students use their home computers or smartphone devices and attend online lectures through them. In the wake of Covid-19 pandemic, digital learning has emerged as a necessary resource for students and schools all over the world. However, this method of education has its own advantages and disadvantages.

### ADVANTAGES

1. Increased flexibility: It allows students to learn on a personal schedule that suits them.
2. Reduced costs: It eliminates transport costs. It is affordable.
3. Saves time: It allows students to attend classes from any location. So there is no need to travel.
4. Safe: During the pandemic period, online study is indeed a safe alternative to school education.
5. Convenient: It is convenient method for both students as well as teachers to participate in a knowledgeable session without even stepping out of their houses.

### DIADVANTAGES

1. Poor internet connectivity: In some places consistent internet connection with decent speed is hardly available. It creates a lack of continuity in learning.
2. Over exposure to screen: Students have to stare into the screens for long hours which may cause headaches and vision issues.
3. Limited interaction: The student teacher interaction is very limited as compared to physical classroom. Group discussions are difficult to conduct.
4. Possibility of distractions: With no faculty around for face-to-face

interaction, the chances of distractions are high.

5. Requires discipline: As there is no continuous attention of your teacher, success of an online session depends on the honesty and discipline among the students.

Despite these drawbacks, online learning is gaining popularity. It can prove really advantageous in certain critical situations. It can be seen as a complement and extension of traditional classroom learning.