



THE SPECIAL FEATURES OF E-LEARNING AND ITS ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES.

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ABSTRACT E-learning is a modern learning approach. It is more popular because of its flexibility, usefulness, accessibility and potentiality to provide service. The main purpose of the study is to explain the best characteristic of E-learning, the activities of E-learning and the use of E-learning to get total benefit. It is a qualitative research and the researcher used his reflective thinking and observation for this study. After analysis the researcher found that E-learning is a learning method which introduces modern technology, provides people's own learning, provides skill training, here learning is more enjoyable and also knows the value of time. It has the potentiality to deliver material with blended method, virtual classroom, data saving, session repetition and conduct flipped classroom. It is also popular by its benefits, which are - individualized instructions, access easily, fulfill marginalized children's need, effective learning media, different style of learning, flexibility, spirit like play and learning by doing, motivation and interesting, own learning and own improvement, feedback and evaluation. Although it has some drawback but those are nothing on its benefit.

KEYWORDS : Advantages, disadvantages, E-Learning, Self Learning

I. INTRODUCTION

Modern times are the times of technology. In this situation if one can enhance their teaching learning practice they need to move work smartly than hard. That's why for enhancing teaching learning we need to gradually update our system. For updating the system of teaching learning we need to think how to update the system. Information and knowledge are constantly changing with the changing needs. This changing mentality is also having a huge impact on the teaching-learning system. The old traditional teaching-learning method has changed and new methods are emerging. At present the student is no longer learning to read books, he/she is trying to learn other methods as well. And E-learning is one of them. Meaningful learning is done with the help of e-learning. Here two main principles are combinations of various electronic devices and internet connection. In fact, the concept of e-learning is compatible with e-mail, e-commerce, e-banking, e-booking, etc. In a word, e-learning refers to the method by which students can manage their own learning using electronic devices through internet connection is called E-learning. In this paper we will learn the potentiality of e-learning and its advantages and disadvantages.

II. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

The specific objectives of the study are-

1. To explain the special characteristics of E-learning.
2. To investigate the facilities of E-learning.
3. To explain how the uses of E-learning can will be more effective.
4. To know the advantages of E-learning.
5. To know the disadvantages of E-learning.

III. RESEARCH QUESTIONS

1. What are the special characteristics of E-learning?
2. What are the various facilities provided by E-learning?
3. How can effectively use E-learning tools to take most benefits?
4. What are the advantages of E-learning?
5. What are the disadvantages of E-learning?

IV. METHODOLOGY OF THE STUDY

It is basically a review research. The researcher was conducted the study by studying E-learning and its uses in different journal articles and use researcher's thought and reflective thinking about the E-learning and its relevance in present time.

V. FINDINGS AND DISCUSSION

Major findings of the study are-

1. Research Question: What are the special characteristics of E-learning?

When we discuss the main characteristics of E-learning then we will understand its potentiality to enhance teaching learning. The main characteristics of E-learning are-

- i. Authorize by digital technology- This is governed by digital technology. With the help of digital technology we can learn

everything from anywhere.

- ii. Technology centered learning- The main focus of E-learning is smart technology. This technology also enhances teaching-learning system.

- iii. Online teaching-learning- we can learn online with the help of E-learning. And online learning in this COVID time is very popular and appropriate.

- iv. More than CBL and CAL- In E-learning here not only provided Computer Based Learning and Computer Aided Learning but also flipped classroom, virtual teaching-learning, blended learning and so on.

- v. Web based and internet based learning- In this platform need to know about web technology and internet access that's why it is called E-learning.

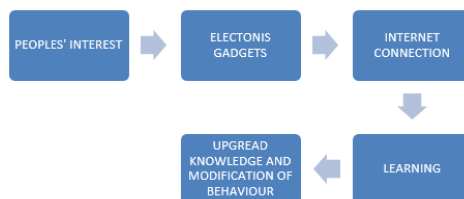
- vi. It is basically conducted with electronic gadget- For conducting E-teaching learning here more needed tools is electronic gadgets, without electronic gadget E-learning can't possible.

- vii. It is more flexible and user friendly- because people can learn from any times anywhere.

- viii. It is low time taking- In E-learning people can learn easily with minimum time because some time here need not go to any institution or anywhere, people can learn from his/her home.

- ix. Basically learner centered – Here learner can learn everything that he/she want and the material is developed by the thought of learner need, interest and level of aspirations.

Table no-1 Traditional Concept of E-Learning-



2. Research Question: What are the various facilities provided by E-learning?

E-learning is such a learning approach that helps students to learn effectively and enjoyably. With the help of E-learning there are various facilities have and students got more benefited. So many facilities provided by E-learning that are-

- i. Facilities provide for pupils own learning- E-learning provide the

facilities to people to learn their own way. It has the potential to provide the people to learn everything that he/she wants. That's why it made all scope to learn individual, group and share with public.

ii. Introduce modern technology- people can learn with modern technology. Such as- blog, article, YouTube, Unacademy, Telegram, Testbook and so many digital learning platform.

iii. Approach to pupils' all-round development- E-learning can provide peoples' all-round development.

iv. Provide skill training- skill is very important now a day in every field. So many skill training is provided by the govt. and private organization. And it is only possible with E-learning some time is more effective in E-learning.

v. Provide value of time- Here in E-learning is taking minimum of time then traditional teaching-learning. That's why work is done fast and quick.

vi. Learning is more enjoyable- Teaching learning is more effective and enjoyable because here learning is happening on the thought of students' interest or capability to learn.

vii. Low cost- because of different tools and techniques are included with it that's why sometimes external tools are not needed.

viii. Provide blended technique- In E-learning here people can use online learning with offline learning method.

2. Research Question: How can effectively use E-learning tools to take most benefits?

For taking most benefit in one's learning E-learning is very much effective. The use of E-learning is may be different by person to person. There are so many use of E-learning. Here the researcher will discuss the effective use of E-learning for getting its most benefit.

i. Blended method – In blended techniques where we combined offline teaching-learning materials with online teaching-learning method. That's why it is very effective method to learn something new.

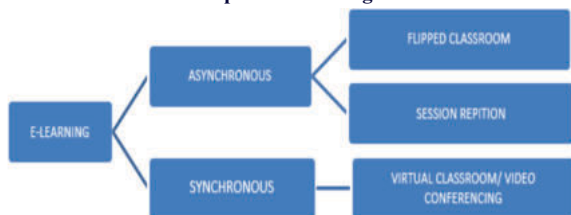
II. Virtual classroom- In virtual classroom situation where people will learn all the things which happened out of the classroom and it can only possible with ICT with E-learning technique.

III. Session repetition – In E-learning we can revise the session for further use and it can help to concept clarity.

IV. Data saving- E-learning can help to save the data and store the data for future use.

V. Flipped classroom- It can help to conduct flipped teaching-learning. In flipped classroom where teacher provide the task to students before teaching so students can learn the basic concept of the topic. It can only possible with E-learning.

Table no-2 Modern Concept of E-Learning-



4. Research Question: What are the advantages of E-learning?

There are lots of advantages of E-learning. That are-

- i. Individualized instructions
- II. Access easily
- III. Fulfill marginalized children's need
- IV. Effective learning media
- V. Different style of learning
- VI. Flexibility
- VII. Spirit like play and learning by doing
- VIII. Motivation and interesting
- IX. Won learning and own improvement
- X. Feedback and evaluation

5. Research Question: What are the disadvantages of E-learning?

There are so many disadvantages of E-learning that are-

- i. Basic knowledge and skill needed.
- II. Different equipment requires.
- III. Sometime costly.
- IV. Social discharge and isolated feeling.
- V. Lack of extracurricular activities.
- VI. Negative attitude.
- VII. Unfavorable effect on health.
- VIII. Technical problem.
- IX. Sometime more time consuming.
- X. Sometime stressful.

CONCLUSION

At the end we can say that E-learning is a very good learning approach. We know that now technology is change and it is ever changing. With the changing technology teaching-learning system will be change. E-learning is only a platform where peoples adopt with the changing technology. Here people not only learn predetermined content but also learn everything that he/she want to learn. In this way he/she can learn naturally.

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