

IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN INDIA

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ABSTRACT

Almost the people of every state in India are threatened due to the speedy spread of dangerous disease namely corona virus which is life challenging. To prevent and eradicate the darkness caused by the COVID-19, the Government of India has taken number of preventive measures including the closure of all Educational institutions followed by one day nationwide Janta-curfew to combat virus and 21 days lockdown to curb the corona virus, etc. Showing the great concern towards students, teachers and other stakeholders many circulars/ notices/ letters were issued by the relevant authoritative governing bodies like MHRD, UGC, CBSE, etc. On the other hand, the lockdown period has caused some severe issues also such as breakdown in regular lectures, postponement of exams, etc. which might cause the shortage of time during the next upcoming academic year. Focusing on the prevailing situation, 'the study highlights the Impact of COVID-19 on educational institutions in India.'

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INTRODUCTION

Corona virus disease is a communicable disease caused by a newly detected corona virus. The 2019–20 corona virus epidemic is an ongoing epidemic of corona virus disease 2019 (COVID-19), caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome corona virus2 (SARS-CoV-2). The outbreak was first found in Wuhan, Hubei, China, in December 2019 (The first confirmed death was on 9th January 2020 in Wuhan), and was declared as a pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO) on 11th March 2020. WHO depicted countries to take immediate actions and scale up responses to treat, detect and reduce transmission to save people's lives. As of month March 2020 more than 7,50,000 cases of COVID- 19 have been found in over 200 countries and territories, resulting in around 45,000 deaths and over 1,00,000 recoveries.

The Indian government has announced several defensive measures to reduce the entry and spread of the corona virus in the country. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is continuously reviewing the country's readiness in battling the COVID-19 epidemic in India, while both the state and central governments continue to announce new measures and responses to deal with the current situation.



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