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## EDUCATION THROUGH ONLINE & DISTANCE LEARNING

The concept of Online & Distance Learning has become quite popular over the last few years. These programs have been helping many students who are not able to attend the campus-based or full-time courses to realise their educational aspirations. This mode of education, once considered the most suitable learning scheme to reach remote areas, is now catering to the needs of working professionals, housewives and people whose situations of life such as job, location of residence, time restraint and home responsibilities make it difficult for them to attend classes in a traditional classroom setting. Emerging technology of imparting education through online & distance learning is being widely used in universities and institutions around the globe.

The Covid-19 pandemic has forced us all to reimagine some of our most basic, day-to-day tasks. One of the ways in which the pandemic has permanently changed our view is in the realm of education. Online education once considered a niche area, is now becoming a much more appealing option for universities and post-graduate students around the world. Covid-19 forced universities around the world to suspend face-to-face classes and move to online learning. There was a sudden transition and all stakeholders had to learn new ways of teaching, evaluating and learning.

Most students have found the flexibility and convience of online classes quite attractive. A number of changes initiated by Universities are now here to stay. However in rural areas there are constraints to this mode of education as well. An effective online class depends heavily upon well structured course content, instructors with clarity, excellent technology and feedback.

Since online & distance learning is no longer looked down upon as an impediment to pursue a course, the interest of students and several working professionals in this stream of education is growing. It has spread its roots all over the globe. Online & Distance education is being embraced by several leading open universities which have launched several distance education courses to cater to the rapidly growing demand.

Keeping the growing importance of online & distance learning in mind, we believe it is very essential for us to highlight few of the most online & reputed distance education institutions and universities to facilitate the stakeholders take important career-related decisions.

This year again, we are bringing a list of some of the well-known online & distance learning B-Schools in India. The list is presented in a random order. The institutes and universities mentioned in the list have embarked upon the path of success through their unique and innovative teaching and learning methodologies.



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## **Top Online and Distance Learning Institutes of India**

	Name of the Institute
*	Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth Centre For Online Learning (DPU COL), Pune, Maharashtra
*	IMT - Centre for Distance Learning, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh
*	Directorate of Distance Education, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, Haryana
*	Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab
*	Centre for Distance & Online Education, Tezpur University, Tezpur, Assam
*	Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi
*	Symbiosis Centre for Distance Education, Pune, Maharashtra
*	Dr. C.V. Raman University, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh
*	Nalanda Open University, Patna, Bihar
*	Institute of Insurance and Risk Management (IIRM), Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh
*	Bharati Vidyapeeth University, Pune, Maharashtra
*	Periyar University, Salem, Tamil Nadu
*	Madurai Kamaraj University (DDE), Madurai, Tamil Nadu
*	Yashwantrao C. Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, Maharashtra
*	Patna University, Patna, Bihar
*	Maharishi Dayanand University (DDE), Rohtak, Haryana
*	Alagappa University (DDE), Karaikudi, Tamil Nadu

Most big universities in India both government and private have moved into online education and some changes are definitely here to stay. Recorded classes and live online classes conducted as webinar or zoom sessions had become norm through 2020 and much of 2021. These programs have been helping many students who are not able to attend the campus-based or full-time courses to realise their educational aspirations.



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