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PAUSE & PONDER

If you start each day with a smile in the morning, you might be surprised at the positive energy that you will carry throughout the day. Every day, try to think of the things that make you smile. All of us do have many reasons to smile.

Biz opportunities in Indian education sector @ Open a e-library/ e-book club

List of five business opportunities that 'edupreneurs' in India can use to make a mark in the sector.

- □ Start a day-care / pre-school
- Private tutorial service
- □ Open an e-library/ e-book club
- Skill development /Training school

Educational tours for school children

ConciseFrom <u>https://www.newstodaynet.c</u> om/index.php/2018/05/28/bizopportunities-in-indian-educationsector/?upm_export=pdf

Learning curve @ Education Loan

The cost of higher education is steep, and the graph is expected to rise in the coming years to surpass the rate of inflation. It's not easy to fund a degree whose cost may be several times the family's annual income. And that is where education loans come in.

An education loan is taken by a student as the primary applicant. Parents or siblings can stand in as a co-applicant. Before applying for a loan, it is mandatory to qualify for admission in a course from a recognized educational institution accredited with the UGC and according to norms laid down by the lending institutions. The applicant for an education loan must be a citizen of India. A good academic record is preferable. The lending institution may seek relevant documents and mark sheets.

Concise From https://www.telegraphindia.com/business /learning-curve-233664

National digital drug database to be a reality soon as DTAB backsDrugs and Cosmetics (D&C) Rules amendment to make submission mandatory

The Central Drugs Standard Control Organization's (CDSCO) bid to create India's first national digital database for pharmaceuticals has got a shot in the arm with the Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) agreeing to the proposal to make a declaration mechanism mandatory for all firms licensed to manufacture medicines in India. The apex drug advisory body on technical matters has also backed amendments to the Drugs and Cosmetics (D&C) Rules of 1945 to bring the initiative to fruition. it is learnt.

The central regulator aims at making it mandatory for all drug makers to upload the details of their manufacturing licenses and list of products on 'Sugam', an online portal developed by the health ministry. The state licensing authorities can easily verify it by checking the inputs on the site. Once it is made mandatory, all the manufacturers will be putting details of their facilities and products regularly in the database.

"At present, India doesn't have comprehensive information on domestic drug manufacturing industry and the CDSCO has to bank on data obtained from state authorities. And many a time, the state officials are helpless in providing specific real-time data. The 'Sugam' portal can resolve this issue to a great extent if the current self-declaration clause is made mandatory," an industry lobby group representative opined. The database would come in handy for the drug manufacturers and consumers alike as it provides details of licenses issued for manufacturing sites and drug formulations by state FDAs along with a list of approved wholesalers and retailers.

It may be noted that the Union health ministry has been striving to digitize information key to healthcare to enable interoperability and exchange of data in the country. The government has recently finalized the draft of the proposed digital information security in healthcare act (disha) to establish a nodal agency for creating regulatory framework for digital healthcare data.

Indian pharma sector is estimated to account for 3.6 per cent of the global pharmaceutical industry in value terms and 10 per cent in volume terms. It is expected to grow to \$100 billion by 2025. According to official estimates, the sector would generate 58,000 additional job opportunities by the year 2025.

Source

http://www.pharmabiz.com/NewsDetails.aspx?aid content. Besides, we have the flexibility of

Learning Outcomes in India @ Less talk & More Action

When it comes to improving learning outcomes in India, we have no time to waste. No time for conference speakers to drone on, no time for research that only produces another report on poor learning levels in the country, and no time to how complain about accountability systems and processes are broken. Too many children are not learning and every moment that we don't act is a moment wasted in a child's life. We also need to act in ways that will focus on improving learning. While there has been an increase in education spending over the last five years, learning outcomes have been poor and have been declining.

Third, we need to involve parents

• Fourth, we need to scale programmes that demonstrate impact and not just run to the next innovation or pilot

Fifth, we need to partner more

Link http://www.thehindu.com/opinion/oped/less-talk-moreaction/article24203172.ece

Classrooms still have a lesson for online courses

KunalVed, a relationship manager in a private bank, is taking up an elearning course to upskill himself on the digital learning platform 'Imarticus'. "The course is not completely online and we meetco-learners for a few days every month to discuss varying experience levels and get a better sense of the

accommodating our work schedules and course timings," he said.

Even as corporates adopt elearning platforms and micro-learning to upskill their employees, classroom teaching has not lost its sheen. Blended learning — a combination of online courses and offline touch points — is increasingly adopted by corporates and individuals.

E-learning service providers see a 25-30% increase in companies opting for blended learning over 100% classroom or e-learning courses. Facilitating discussions and collaborative learning, blended learning offers flexibility for working professionals and also fosters better completion rates.

Imarticus learning managing director Nikhil Barsikhar said, "For those looking for employment and new career opportunities, 30% of the course is recommended to be acquired online, and those who want to upskill, look for 20% of the course contents through touch points, since it facilitates collaborative learning."

Experts from the field are roped in to offer the missing links in e-learning components. 'Udacity' offers the course in its B2B offering to corporates for its nanodegree programs. The company recently partnered with Infosys for 'UdacityConnect', a combined in-person and online training offering in autonomous vehicles.

Udacity India MD Ishan Gupta said, "The 20-week program is training select Infosys engineers in self-driving car technology, including advanced concepts of deep learning and machine learning. It is a blended learning model, which commenced with virtual classes and then converted to in-person trainerled classes at the Mysuru campus of the company."

Companies say that for courses done solely on e-learning, completion rates are at around 30%.

Great Learning founder and CEO Mohan Lakhamraju said, "Learners find the drive to take up courses for hybrid or blended learning, because of collaborative learning and the personal touch. The completion rates have doubled and have gone up to 90%."

Source | Times of India | 30th May 2018

AICTE @ Internship Day Fourth Saturday of August – Internshala: To Honour Colleges with Best Internship Record

New Delhi: All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) and Internshala have announced Internship Day to be held on the fourth Saturday of August. The Internship Day will felicitate colleges with the best internship record. The event is meant to acknowledge the colleges who have made remarkable efforts in helping their students secure internships during the months of April - July. This year, the event will be held on 25th August 2018 in Delhi.

AICTE is working to improve the employability of students and has mandated internships for all the students enrolled in AICTE approved academic institutions. To make internships popular among the student and the college communities and to acknowledge the colleges putting significant efforts to help their students, AICTE, with the help of Internshala, will recognise the colleges.

Chairman, AICTE Dr Anil D Sahasrabudhe, said, "Internships are an essential part of the college life for students. It helps them gain immense exposure, develop entrepreneurial abilities, and learn industry-specific skills, enabling them to land their dream jobs. The college, including faculties and the T&Ps, plays an essential role in preparing the students for their future jobs, and through the Internship Day event, we hope to see greater participation from students and colleges in promoting internship culture in India."

Sarvesh Agrawal, the founder and CEO of Internshala, said, "We are really excited to collaborate with AICTE to recognise India's best colleges with internship culture. Since 2010, Internshala has been on a mission to build an internship culture in India and through the Internship Day, we hope to make internships even more popular among students across India and acknowledge the efforts of the Training and Placement officers who shape the future of the students."

Source

https://www.ndtv.com/education/aicteinternshala-to-honor-colleges-with-bestinternship-record-1859489

Exploring the Relevance of Libraries in the Internet Age

We visit libraries in Delhi to assess their relevance for the younger internet generation

NEW DELHI: The world over, the digital age has seen the decline of libraries -with more and more governments cutting crucial funding that supports public libraries. As the younger generation turns to the internet, Pankaj Singh, a Librarian at Dyal Singh Public Library sums up the importance of libraries in the statement "libraries are the real heritage of a city." In the last two decades, the advent of technology has led to a huge increase in consumer options. Online ecommerce stores (Flipkart, Amazon), smart phones, e-readers and tablets have entered our fast paced lives. For all the convenience they bring, we have seen a huge shift in how we choose to read -- e-books have become as common as paperback books itself, and the trends show that e-books will only increase in popularity as time goes by.

So, would it be a logical to infer that fewer people would take the trouble of visiting a library? By extension, it's worth asking the question -- are libraries now becoming redundant? Let's look at a few prominent libraries in the New Delhi to provide some insight into the troubling question.

Delhi's oldest library, Hardayal Municipal Public Library, is over 100 years old now. Located in a silent alley of Chandni chowk, the library is fully packed even on a hot summer afternoon. Everything is still old school here with plans of having an elibrary not an immediate concern. Sunita, who is studying for her bank examinations here, says, "I come here because there isn't enough space in my house to study peacefully. I get AC, too, here."

As per records at DPL and DSPL, their membership has been rising over the vears. Most come here for economical reasons but demands for not restricted books are only to competitive exams books, which partly explains the 2 lakh+ multilingual books at DPL and around 43000+ at DSPL.

Trend of increasing membership is witnessed even in more research and

literature based libraries of the city like Memorial Nehru library and SahityaAkademi Library. "Over the years, we have seen more people coming to our especially those who library. are in inter-disciplinary field", researching says Dr. Ajit Kumar (Library & Information Officer), Nehru Memorial Library.

"The Library is a place of knowledge dissemination. Number of people visiting library doesn't matter as much as potential users. We get request from all over India for references from rarest books collection which we maintain. There are around 10-15 people who have been regular to our library for over 20 years now. Internet can supplement the knowledge from books, but books are here stay." to savs Dr. Sufian Ahmad (Librarian), SahityaAkademi Library.

Source

http://www.thecitizen.in/index.php/en/new sdetail/index/8/13957/exploring-therelevance-of-libraries-in-the-internet-age

Times Higher Education World Reputation Rankings 2018

The Times Higher Education World Reputation Rankings 2018 are based on the world's largest invitation-only opinion survey of senior, published academics. It asks scholars to name no more than 15 universities that they believe are the best for research and teaching in their field, based on their own experience.

The Top 10 of the annual list, compiled from a global survey of more than 10,000 senior academics between January and March 2018, remains almost unchanged from last year, said *THE* in a release.

Harvard University is in first place for the eighth year in a row, followed by: Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Stanford University; University of Cambridge: University of Oxford: University of California, Berkeley: Princeton University; Yale University; University of California, Los Angeles; and University of Chicago.

There are 21 countries represented in what seems to actually be a Top 105, as there are 25 universities in the 81-100 group.

Switzerland, Canada, France, Australia and South Korea each have three universities on the list. There are two universities each from Singapore, Russia and Sweden, and one each from Belgium, Taiwan, Denmark, Israel, Finland and India – the Indian Institute of Science is in the 91-100 group.

Ranking Available <u>https://www.timeshighereducation.com/w</u> <u>orld-university-rankings/2018/reputation-</u> <u>ranking#!/page/0/length/25/sort_by/rank/s</u> <u>ort_order/asc/cols/stats</u>

Mumbai's Open Study Centers @ Underprivileged Students can build their dreams

In the city of dreams and paradoxes, aspirations of many who want to pursue higher education are often crushed in their 180-200 Square feet homes. Five to six members of a family live in each of the cramped dwellings in chawls and slums and the atmosphere is hardly conducive for any meaningful academic pursuits.

The Study Centre near the Cooperage Ground in Colaba is the refuge of many such students. "I live in a slum in Cuffe-Parade. I've been coming here for the last 4-5 years and spend nearly my whole day here. This is where I studied for my boards too," said Pinky, currently pursuing her second year B.Com.

She has, over the years, made lots of friends here and likes the 'studious' environment. The open-air center, shaped like a gazebo, has a water cooler and toilets, and is sandwiched between a park and an arterial road.

Another Centre

There is a similar center at the S.K.PatilUdyan in Charni Road. At the corner of the garden is an open-air,

medium-size concrete construction, with tables, chairs, charging points and fans. An advanced version of the one in Colaba, this one is packed during exam time. Ashwini is 20 years old and admitted to studying only at the last minute.

Not libraries

The students are poring over their books, taking notes or a few taking cat naps. But why not just go to a library?

"Libraries don't allow any group study and there are not too many free ones. This place has everything, we don't feel the need to go to libraries," said Rajeshwari, a B Com student. Both centers are open 24x7, though students recommend carrying mosquito repellents at night.A similar center stands at the Walter De Souza garden in Marine Lines. However, this one shuts at 8 pm.

Reputation

What makes these centers tick? Their reputation as exclusive study centers for underprivileged students keeps miscreants away. Additionally, they signal accessibility and are open all day, the latter being a very important factor for students who prefer to study at night.With adequate neighborhood and societal participation, they could certainly make a positive difference to the lives of the underprivileged.

<u>Press Release | Mumbai's open study</u> centres help build dreams for underprivileged students

Website Monitoring Services @ five best options

Stay in control of the performance and functionality of your website

Get real-time visibility of your website with these monitoring services

The web is a crazy place. Even pages that look the same are updated constantly. So, if you want to make sure you stay on

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top of all the changes made to your website, you need to use one of the best website monitoring services.

These services are useful to a variety of businesses and even ordinary people to keep an eye on competitors. You can even use some website monitoring services to make sure your site experiences minimal downtime. No matter what you are looking for, here are five best website monitoring services that will suit your needs:

1 Wachete

The first thing you will love about Wachete is that it is able to pack in all the meta web browsing functionality from its competition and implement it in a 2018-friendly package. Not only will it monitor publicfacing websites for any changes, but it will also keep an eye on website status, dynamic and JavaScript-powered pages, and even monitor password-protected pages. Apart from daily or weekly email reports, it also offers mobile apps and browser extensions so that you can keep an eye on this information while on the go.

2 Webmon

One of the most important things to keep an eye on when you are a web admin is the actual status of your website. If your website goes down, you are not earning income. Luckily, you don't have to hire somebody to sit at a computer refreshing your page over and over again. You can pay Webmon to do it instead. Unlike many other services, Webmon won't alert you when there's a change in the content of your page, but it will send you metrics measuring your site's performance and status.

3 Changetower

If you run a retail business, or if you are a consumer looking to support a retail business, it may be useful to check out Changetower. While the free version will only check websites once every 12 hours — which isn't useful in the fast-paced world — once you start paying \$9 a month you'll stay up-to-date with any changes that your target website makes. Changetower will also send you detailed reports that show any changes that were made.

4 Distill.io

Sometimes you just need raw power to get the job done. That's where Distill.io comes in. It is one of the most flexible website monitoring services because it allows users to do anything they need to do even run monitors locally. By allowing any user to employ a browser extension to monitor websites for free, without placing any kind of limit on it, this may just be the most affordable and sensible way to monitor websites.

5 Versionista

It is one of the best website monitoring services targeted at politicians. And it's useful to anyone running a campaign. It allows the user to reach any information relevant to his campaign. Versionista will then produce a colour-coded report showing any changes made to, say a political rival's website, highlighting anything that has been deleted, and anything added.

Source | Economic Times | 1st June 2018

Novel Initiative @ Encourage Science Communication

Department of Science and Technology (DST) plans to reward students who write popular articles about their research.

The articles can either be submitted to DST directly or published in newspapers.

The Augmenting Writing Skills for Articulating Research (AWSAR) initiative will each year reward 100 best articles by PhD students with cash prize of Rs.1,00,000 each and a certificate of appreciation. The reward for post-doctoral fellows will be Rs.10,000 each and a certificate of appreciation for 20 best articles.

Concise from <u>http://www.thehindu.com/sci-</u> <u>tech/science/novel-initiative-to-encourage-</u> <u>science</u> communication/article24068354.ece

SUITE YOURSELF @ Other than Microsoft Office, Free Cloud-based Alternatives

Gone are the days when Microsoft Office was the only productivity suite worth considering. Here are some fantastic free cloud-based alternatives

If you're a student, an amateur writer, or just simply flat out broke, paying for a Microsoft Office license or subscription may not make it too far up your priority list of essential expenses. Or maybe you've been using Office for years and are ready to try something else. The great news is that there are plenty of great productivity suites out there, many of which take advantage of cloud storage to make your work accessible anywhere and on virtually any device, as long as you have a working internet connection.

Below we've compiled our picks of the best cloud alternatives to Microsoft Office, each of which at least offers the basic three elements – word processing, spreadsheets, and presentations. Oh, and best of all, they're all free.

GOOGLE DOCS, SLIDES, SHEETS

It's on the cloud, it's tied to your Gmail account and it's got fantastic multi-editing collaborative features. The magic all happens in your browser (on PC/Mac), and while it does not have the staggering options that Office does, it offers a minimal layout, with most of the basic features that you would need. In addition to the word processor Docs, you get the presentation tool Slides, and the Excel-like Sheets. All three are also available as individual apps for iOS and Android tablets and smartphones. So you can write and edit on the go, switching between devices along the way. The collaborative features are the best, letting several people edit the same file in real time, while constantly auto-saving them to Google Drive so you never lose a thing.

LIBRESUITE

Built on OpenOffice.org's framework and a project of The Document Foundation, Libresuite one of the is most featurepacked, truly free office suites you will find. The suite contains Free Writer for word processing, Calc for all your spreadsheet needs, Impress for presentations, Draw for those vector graphics and flowcharts, Base for databases, and Math for formulae. While Libresuite does not have apps like Google's services do, it does have a reader app for iOS and Android as well as presentation controller. It's a fullа featured suite that's open source and free, with a great set of editing tools. It also comes in a small-footprint portable version, so you can carry it on your pendrive.

OFFICE ONLINE

For creatures of habit who are too accustomed to Microsoft Office and find it difficult to move to something unfamiliar, Microsoft offers a free alternative. Not many people know this, but there are Office editing tools available for free online through the cloud. Office Online packs fully-featured and free cloud versions of Word, Power-point, OneNote and Excel, along with collaboration as well as tools like OneDrive, Mail, Calendar and more. If you happen to have the desktop apps, you can transition to Online easily. The iOS and Android apps require a subscription, but you can use them as document viewers (no editing capability) without paying.

iWORK FOR ICLOUD

If you own a Mac, then look no further than Apple's very own iWork suite for iCloud that can be accessed on the web, along with collaboration features to work with other people easily. Apple's variants of Word, Excel and Power-point - called Pages, Numbers and Keynote respectively - are fully featured. In fact, Keynote is the very same presentation software Steve Jobs used and Apple executives continue to use in their globally broadcast keynote presentations. As expected from the masters in product design, this suite is supremely well designed with minimal interfaces and powerful tools that just sense your context and work.

DROPBOX PAPER

If you are a Dropbox user and want something quick to write documents, then Dropbox Paper is a beautiful alternative to Word or Pages. Wonderfully simplistic yet powerful, it allows you to not only write documents but also paste pictures that seem to snap together wonderfully.

WPS OFFICE

A freemium option, WPS Office comes in paid and free versions with a mobile option. While not as feature-rich as Libresuite, WPS does have a basic word processor, presentation tool and spreadsheet app. Microsoft Office users will be at home with the design of WPS Office, and it also includes a handy tool to convert PDFs into an editable format.

Source | Mumbai Mirror | 4th June 2018

Collaborative Marketing

Collaborative marketing can bring benefits beyond what money can buy and it involves partnering other institution/businesses/media. In other words, this is how you can stretch your marcom budgets.

In business or institution, just as in personal lives, finding the right partner will

always bring positive outcomes. Here are some pointers to consider next time you want more bang from your bucks:

- □ Can we pool ad budgets?
- Can we swap mailing lists?
- □ Can we share display space?
- Can we share literature racks?
- Can we insert promotional items?
- □ Can we do statement stuffing?
- Can we consider co-sponsorship?

□ Can we share below-the-line promotions?

□ Can we bundle products and services?

□ Can we share unconventional media?

Have you done any collaborative marketing as yet in LIS Domain? Do share your experiences for others to benefit and learn from.

Concise From | <u>http://mydigitalfc.com/fc-</u> supplements/roar/collaborative-marketing

A School Without Walls @ Anand Shanti Niketan

Anand Shanti Niketan started by a 9year-old in Murshidabad 16 years ago, now has 500 village students, but lack of government support has stopped it from growing into a full-fledged school

The house of joyful learning is the name given by Babar Ali to Anand Shiksha Niketan, a community school for 500 students in Murshidabad, West Bengal, as this is where village girls and boys get mainstream education till class VIII. In that area, this was the only school for girls.

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In 2002, when Babar was 9-year-old, he started teaching his sister under a tree in the backyard of his house. This prompted other kids to join him. Babar was one of the few village boys who attended a school, 10 km from their village, so he would teach his sister and other kids whatever he studied in the school.

The trust of the villagers grew, and soon, Babar had made school at his makeshift setup in the village. He soon acquired the sobriquet of 'youngest headmaster of India', as described in a documentary by BBC. Now Babar's school has grown, but it is yet to get government recognition and other aids to function smoothly.

For long, most children in the village helped their parents in making the ends meet, and education was nothing less than a luxury. "When I started teaching children, most parents would ask if learning alphabets and numbers, will fetch them one square meal?," recalls Babar. "It was very difficult to motivate children, who spent most of their time grazing cattle in the forest to come and study," he adds.

Getting the girls to school was a bigger challenge. The school, currently has 500 students and many have gone ahead to take undergraduate courses outside the village. Babar, himself is into studies, as is currently pursuing MA in History after finishing MA in English Literature.

For him, his biggest achievement is that six girls taught by him, are attending UG course in University of Kalyani, a 170 kilometres journey from the village. Yet another student of Babar, now teaches in the same school. A TED Fellow now, Babar has many feathers to his hat, as he is featured in Forbes Under 30 list in the social entrepreneur category in Asia region.

Financial aids and technical support to set-up computers in his school has come from US based NGO - Opportunity Education. However, not much of help has come from indigenous sources. While the school has got accreditation till class VIII from the stategovernment, monetary aid is yet to reach the school.

Source | Times of India | 26th June 2018

Digital Addiction @ Can we outsmart Smartphones?

A new study finds that smartphone use can be similar to other types of substance abuse. It urges us to outsmart smartphones for our own good.

Study Available @ Digital Addiction: Increased Loneliness, Anxiety, and Depression | Peper | NeuroRegulation

Virtual Reality - Concerns & Challenges

Virtual reality (VR) is a computergenerated scenario that simulates experience through senses and perception.

Currently, VR technology uses virtual reality headsets or props to generate three-dimensional images, sounds and other emotions that simulate the real world in a virtual environment giving the users an ability to live and explore the virtual world. VR has applications in a vast variety of fields e.g. gaming, entertainment, robotics, medical, space exploration, education, marketing and so on.

Concerns @ Health & Safety

From a health and safety perspective, prolonged use of VR may lead to virtual reality sickness with symptoms like dizziness, fatigue, disorientation, and headache.

Concerns @ Long-Term Effects

In addition, the long-term effects of virtual reality on vision and neurological development are still unknown including rising concerns of virtual reality addiction and developmental issues in children.

According to Varun Vohra (Expert from IT audit and security domain)

VR technology is disruptive in nature facing a number of privacy and security challenges.

For example, VR related products enable the collection of personal and health data of users including sensitive sensory information like eye and head movement, reactions, gestures and other behavioural aspects with or without user's knowledge.

VR @ Cloud Computing

It is anticipated that most of the VR companies will be using cloud based technology for their VR platforms which adds more weight to the security and privacy challenges with the addition of third party cloud vendors to this already complex landscape.

Therefore, it is very important that users are wary about the services they sign up for to ensure their data remains safe and does not get misused for targeted spams and other malicious activities.

In addition, attacks by bad actors exploiting the vulnerabilities present on the VR platform or supporting cloud environment to hijack the VR devices is also an area of great concern with serious implications. It can only be addressed if good system development practices are followed by VR companies as well as the cloud vendors and include the right balance of security and privacy controls.

Concise

From

http://www.afternoondc.in/epaper/Epaper Post.aspx?id=225668

This couple requested books as a wedding gift to set up a library for the needy @ Unique Initiative towards Library Development

Weddings are a grand affair in India, but not every wedding leaves behind a legacy like **Amar** and **Rani Kalamkar's.** The Maharashtrian couple has requested all their guests to bring gifts only in the form of books. With these gifts, they intend to build a library for the underprivileged children.

The couple, who always believed in the power of books, has always been interested in social good. Amar works with an NGO called Yuva Chetna, and has been a social worker for the past 15 years. He always dreamt of helping the students who wish to take up competitive exams, and somehow don't have the means to it.

A lot of people in rural Maharashtra neither have the means to afford the books nor the resources to locate them otherwise. Competitive exams are hard, but finding the right books for these exams is even harder.

The couple put across the idea in their wedding invitation, which was a WhatsApp message, says <u>Indiatimes</u>. Their invite was circulated wide, and the wedding saw people thronging in to support the cause so much, that even strangers stopped by.

The couple has collected nearly 3,000 books, and intend to set up a library in Ahmednagar in Maharashtra, says <u>Kenfolios</u>. Amar is associated with the Art of Living, and his wedding saw Sri SriRavishankar guruji gracing and blessing the newlyweds.

Source

https://yourstory.com/2018/06/amarrani-kalamkar-books/

Relevance @ New Skill

The competition for employment in the next decade is likely to get harder and only those that rise to relevance will flourish. With an increasing number of graduates entering the market every day and limited job opportunities, only those with value-added resumes will pass muster with businesses and employers.

Resumes that boast of additional relevant qualifications will have an edge for

employability as well as growth opportunities.

The courses choose practical, vis-à-vis, academic knowledge sharing having relevance and use to add value to one's profession.

Online courses are specific, flexible and relevant.

So, we do start with an advantage of a large workforce, but it only remains an advantage if they acquire relevant skillsets and remain relevant. Online courses support this need and are hence here to stay as an important cog in the wheel for skill development in India.

Concise

From

http://www.dailypioneer.com/avenues/ relevance-is-the-new-skill.html

Web 3.0 – The Tech Industry's Next Stage

Web 1.0 wasn't given its name until it met its digital grave. The "World Wide Web" as it was known, was just a set of static websites with a load of information and no interactive content.

... Then there was 2.0

This phase of the internet was much more interactive and gave birth to the age of social media. YouTube, Wikipedia and Facebook gave everyone a voice and brought together countless likeminded communities.

On the surface, the learning curve from **2.0 to 3.0** will be smooth.

How can we expect things to change as we use the internet?

Instead of Google Drive or
Dropbox, decentralized cloud services
like <u>Storj</u>, <u>Siacoin</u>, <u>Filecoin</u> or <u>IPFS</u>
technology will distribute and store files

As opposed to Skype, we have platforms like <u>Experty.io</u>

□ Evolving from WhatsApp and Wechat, there is <u>Status</u>

 Operating systems such as iOS and Android will be pushed aside for frameworks such as <u>Essentia.one</u> and <u>EOS</u> to provide a gateway to the new web

Akasha or <u>Steemit</u> will play the role of Facebook, the <u>Brave browser</u> will serve as Chrome and <u>Ethlance</u> can take over from freelancing platform Upwork

Full Info

@ http://www.stockhouse.com/news/ne wswire/2018/06/19/web-3-0-%E2%80%93-the-tech-industry-s-nextstage#p7irsHAPyeseyf25.99

Digital Revolution: Learning Modes & Resources

Modes of Learning

- □ ILT Instructor Led Training
- Online training
- □ E-learning

All the above modes of learning are now available with multiple choices. All of these modes have now evolved and continue to improve by the day providing learners varied options right form basic tocutting edge technology training.

Resources Available

Indian companies understand us better and hence design programs that are better suited to Indian learners. Some of the popular providers include

- <u>www.skillsigma.com</u>
- Edureka
- Digital Vidhya.

The Ministry of HRD along with support of many state governments, AICTE and leading universities also provide multiple platforms for the benefit of students. Some of them are listed below

 NPTEL (National Program on Technology Enhanced Learning) accessible through <u>www.nptel.ac.in</u>

Swayam (Free online training portal) accessible
through www.swayam.gov.in

Virtual Labs (for practicing through virtual environment) accessible through <u>www.vlab.co.in</u>

PR Link |<u>https://telanganatoday.com/digital-</u> revolution-learning-availableresources

From preservation to perpetuation @ KM Deep Approach

We're quite familiar with the problems of knowledge loss, especially of the digital variety, as formats and technologies continue to change every few years. In response, we've taken steps such as digital records management and information governance to preserve our critical knowledge artefacts.

"Knowledge perpetuation" extends these practices to include not only the preservation of knowledge, but also the curation of its evolution.

We define knowledge perpetuation as: the capacity for extending and projecting actionable knowledge over long periods of time spanning multiple generations and even multiple millennia.

The challenges

So, what's stopping us from creating as many knowledge continuums as we want, whenever we want? Three major challenges are:

- records management policies,
- knowledge artifact design and
- ontology management

Actions to take

□ making knowledge perpetuation as well-recognized and accepted as the current practice of physical preservation;

□ advancing the science and methods needed to support knowledge perpetuation and the design, construction and curation of knowledge continuums; and

□ taking an active role in helping to ensure that knowledge perpetuation is included as part of national-level science policies and priorities.

Full Article | <u>http://www.kmworld.com/Articles/Colu</u> <u>mn/The-Future-of-the-Future/A-deep-</u> future-approach-to-KM-125947.aspx

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