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A STUDY ON PREFERENCE OF DEGREE COLLEGE STUDENTS WITH RESPECT TO ONLINE LEARNING OR OFFLINE LEARNING IN THANE CITY COLLEGES

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ABSTRACT

The world have closed due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Because of covid-19 pandemic situation the most of schools and colleges shifted to online learning platforms to keep the academic activities going. The purpose of this research was to know which learning method is more effective among degree college students . To adopt online learning method it's a great task. Online classes in digital platform have been chosen to avoid disruption in studies for students. Degree college students have experienced both the learning method online or offline. Therefore, a study has attempted to know the preference of degree college students with respect to online learning or offline learning in Thane city colleges. We circulated questionnaires through Google forms to collect the data from the degree college students. Most online courses are great to say the least, especially when it's with live instructor but nothing beats face-to-face learning facility.

Keywords: Degree college, Learning methods, students preference, platform

INTRODUCTION

As the coin has two sides, each thing in the world has two sides of advantages and disadvantages.

Due to the pandemic situation of corona virus, the whole world was going online. Children were doing study from home and job seekers were doing work from home. There were many students who were working as well as studying online. Such students were benefited because of online mode. But the interaction between the teachers and students was quite low. Many students were not even knowing there new friends in degree college. Some news channel showed the situation where is kid is sleeping, keeping the online lectures on. Or else students are facing some or the other network issues .So, here the question arises did the online mode really benefited the world?

This research paper contains the answer to some of the questions regarding preferences of online learning or offline learning of degree college students. Very few students were benefited by there learning lessons. But the practical experiences of the students was not possible due to pandemic. After the pandemic , the world is taking time to build back all its previous position. Students are trying to recapture there learning capacity. Some students completed there certificate courses in the online mode during the pandemic. Students gained at least 50% knowledge by attending lectures, webinar , activities or quizzes online. This will help in acquiring the practical knowledge of the theory learning.

OBJECTIVES:-

1. To analyse the satisfaction of degree students towards online learning.
2. To know the preference of application for online learning.
3. To study the benefit of degree students while online learning.
4. To understand the most effective way (online /offline) to learn for degree students. 5. To collect the reviews of degree students regarding online or offline learning mode.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

In research conducted by Dhawan (2020), learning online is a need in times of covid-19 situation and some colleges for school still stuck to with offline system Dhawan (2020) has reported that some online platforms are growing rapidly in delivering online learning and integrating multimedia. This is the most important challenge for online education with the help of online learning platforms teachers and students are more comfortable to learn digitally while sitting at home. According to Rachmah (2020), most of the students are in favour to offline lectures, because that students preference is to understand better in materials being taught through offline teaching method. Their personality will grow better in offline learning. The gate opportunity to boost their skills and performance in offline lectures.

In a research conducted by Allen, Bourhis, Burrell and Mabry (2002) , the students performance level will decrease, if the teaching method is online the student get low satisfaction, because they are not able to do some

activities which will help them to achieve more. However, they said that distance learning is usually just effective as offline learning. IJTHAP (2021) , they stated that method of learning is shifted to online learning process due to covid-19 pandemic. In this situation many of students and teachers are forced to use online learning tools. They also stated that teaching online is more beneficial in this pandemic situation. However,the network problem becomes the main problem while learning of online the quality of internet networking is very beneficial on the success of the online method.

Khafit , Sulastri and Fauzan (2020) found that self confidence, perceived usefulness, perceived ease of use have a significant positive effect on the use of e-Learning in students. Some important features in the online process must be implemented to maximize learning in certain situation.

DATA COLLECTION PROCESS :-

Primary data collection process:-

- Through questionnaires.
- Interviewing some degree students through virtual mode.

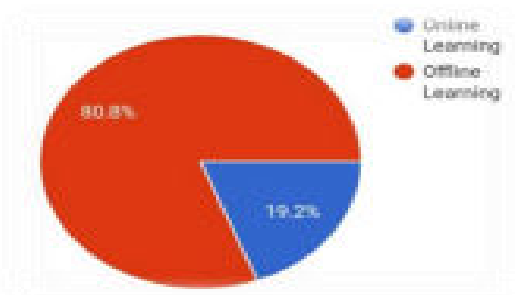
RESEARCH METHODOLOGY:-

Research universe	Thane city
Sampling method	Simple random sampling

Sample size	50
Method of data collection	Primary data collection Method
Primary data collection	Pre- structured questionnaire

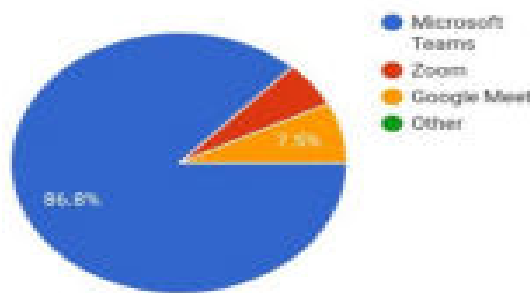
DATA ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION:-

Q.1. Which learning mode is comfortable for you?



Analysis:- The pie chart above shows the highest response towards **offline** learning mode. Interpretation:- we can interpret that offline learning mode is the best and comfortable way of learning.

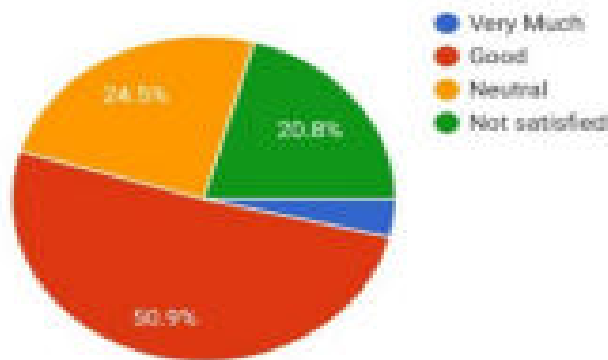
Q.2. Which online platform do you use for your online lectures?



Analysis:- The pie chart above shows the highest response towards **Microsoft Teams** application.

Interpretation:- So we can interpret that degree college students are satisfied with the features of Microsoft teams

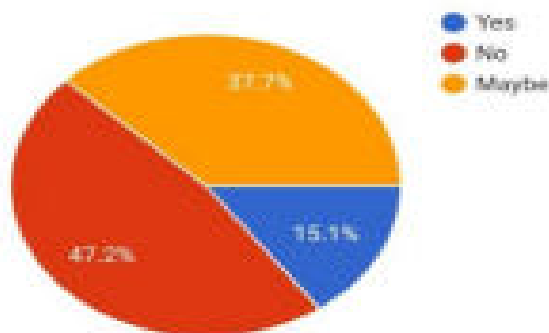
Q.3. How much you were satisfied with online learning?



Analysis:- Analysing the above pie chart maximum respondents feels online lectures are good, while some can't respond a proper answer, and some respondents are not satisfied with the online mode

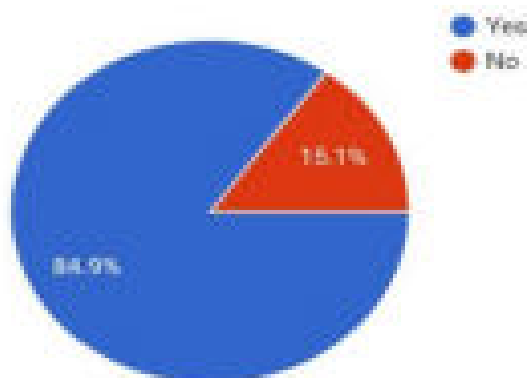
Interpretation:- we can interpret that education system in post COVID period will be online and offline parallel.

Q.4. Do you think learning online is good for your academic?



Analysis:- The above pie chart is showing the response concluding not satisfied. Interpretation:- we can interpret that for better education and understanding offline mode is most preferred by degree college students while some supports online learning mode because one can attend the lectures from anywhere as some students are working on Part-time or full time basis.

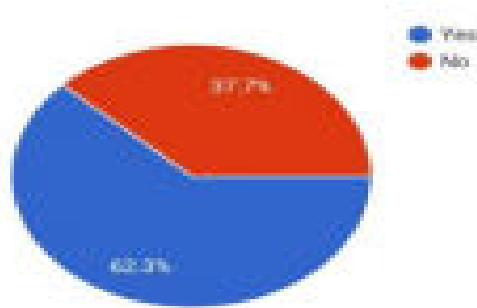
Q.5. Was you a regular attendee of online lectures?



Analysis:- This pie chart is showing that our lots of respondents attend the online lectures regularly.

Interpretation:- we can interpret that due to the lockdown for the pandemic situation of COVID- 19 respondents were interest fully attend the lectures with fail.

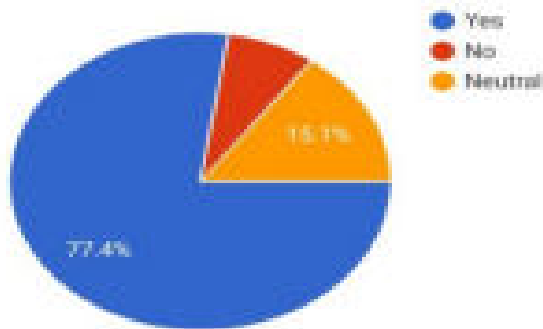
Q.6. Did you face any health issues like body pain, laziness, obesity headache, eyes defect etc. While learning in online mode.



Analysis:- This pie chart shows that the lots of respondents faced a various health issues while attending online lectures

Interpretation:- we can interpret that even if online learning saves time and cost of travelling, respondents are more in favour of offline learning.

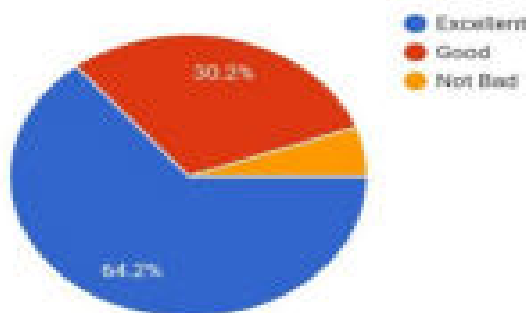
Q.7. Did you find going for offline lectures are more suitable or more understandable than online learning?



Analysis:- The above pie chart shows the feedback of degree students regarding online and offline learning modes

Interpretation:- we can interpret that degree students are more understandable with the practical knowledge which is taken during lectures conducted offline

Q.8. What was your experience of learning offline?



Analysis:- The above pie chart shows the satisfaction of degree students regarding online v/s offline learning.

Interpretation:- we can interpret that even if online mode wasn't so comfortable still the instructors and students contribution in lectures used to satisfy the degree students.

HYPOTHESIS:-

H0 =Education doesn't depend upon learning offline or online

H1= Education depends upon learning offline or online

FINDING & CONCLUSION:-

Through this research we can conclude that degree students are more in favour of offline learning than online learning. As the offline learning mode has various practical knowledge and understandings effectively with discussion among friends and with the Professor.

We can also conclude that post COVID education will be parallel- online + offline learning.

Scope for further research:-

- ✓ Finding the reasons why the students felt offline learning is more better than online learning.
- ✓ Research on the problems faced by students as well as on the instructors during online mode.
- ✓ Absence components in online and offline learning.

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SAMPLE COPY OF QUESTIONNAIRE:-

Questionnaire for Research Paper

Questionnaire for Research Paper for A study of preference of degree college students with respect to online learning or offline learning in Thane city college's

5. Which learning mode is more comfortable for you?

Mark only one oval.

Online Learning

Offline Learning

6. Which online platform do you use for your online lectures ?

Mark only one oval.

Microsoft Teams

Zoom

Google Meet

Other

7. How much you were satisfied with online learning?

Mark only one oval.

Very Much

Good

Neutral

Not satisfied

8. Do you think learning online is good for your academic education?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
 No
 Maybe

9. Was you are a regular attendee of online lectures?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
 No

10. Did you face any health issues like Body pain, lazy ness, obesity, headache , eyes defects while online learning ?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
 No

11. Did you find going for offline lectures are more suitable or more understandable than online learning ?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
 No
 Neutral

12. What was Your experience of learning offline?

Mark only one oval.

- Excellent
 Good
 Not Bad

13. Do you feel that your performance is increased in offline lectures than online lectures?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
 No
 Maybe

14. Do you think you are less active in online classes ?

Mark only one oval.

- Agree
 Disagree