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## MOOCS in Higher Education: Prospects and Challenges Ahead of Future Generations

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## I. INTRODUCTION

India has a rich tradition of learning and teaching right from the ancient times. These were handed over generations to generations either through oral or written medium. **Education means studying the subjects for deeper knowledge and to understand the various subjects which are going to utilize in our daily life.** In the Ancient times the term education was not restricted to our academic knowledge but it stood for knowledge that is obtained and experienced by us outside the books or classrooms. Thus Education changes our perspectives to live the life. Education gives us knowledge of the World around us. It prepares us to face the challenges of the world. It changes us for better and provides us for prosperous Life.

The entire progress of the nation is dependent on her literacy rates. But unfortunately, today education is not free of cost for all. It is neither easily accessible nor affordable to some sections of Society. Education, for most, remains a distant dream. <sup>1</sup>Education is the foundation of the progress of a country. Education can help people choose their desired skills and career paths. With high literacy rates, any country can have happy and healthy citizens. Thus Education is the backbone of any developing country and hence sustainable development of economy is directly proportional to the number of educated citizens in that country.

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