ONLINE EDUCATION IN MALAYSIA: INSTITUTIONAL CHANGE TO STIMULATE DIGITAL LITERACY

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DIGITAL LITERACY

The ability to identify, understand, interpret, create, communicate, compute and use printed and written materials associated with varying contexts. Literacy involves a continuum of learning in enabling individuals to achieve their goals, to develop their knowledge and potential, and to participate fully in their community and wider society

DIGITAL LITERACY

"The ability to understand and use information in multiple formats from a wide range of sources when it is presented via computers.

Paul Gilster 1997

"the ability to access, manage, understand, integrate, communicate, evaluate and create information safely and appropriately through digital technologies for employment, decent jobs and entrepreneurship. It includes competences that are variously referred to as computer literacy, ICT literacy, information literacy and media literacy"

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DIGITAL SKILLS FOR EDUCATION

photo-visual literacy





information literacy



MOTIVATION FOR MIGRATION

Keeping up with IR 4.0

- Changing work requirements
- Updating skillsets
- Augmenting learning experience

Responding to emergencies

- Pandemic
- Areas with infrastructure issue
- Easier accessibility

Management requirement

- Streamlining
- New administrative needs
- Revenue increase
- Increased flexibility

CHALLENGES

INFRASTRUCTURE ADEQUACY

National connectivity
School subsidies
T&L digital infra

DIGITAL DIVIDE

Poverty gap Age/generation gap

ADJUSTMENT FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

Replication of in class support
Attention readiness

SECURITY

Awareness
Policies and measures

READINESS

Training
Mental health
issues/stress

THE WAY FORWARD



GOVERNMENT

- Emphasis on infrastructure development
- Better policies and enforcement
- Transitionary preparation
- Revision and evolution of curriculum
- Focus on closing divide



EDUCATORS

- Upskilling
- Engaging with new services
 with cutting-edge deliverables
- Reforming linear education style



LEARNERS

- Proactivity in new educational content
- Awareness/mindfuln ess in data overabundance
- Engaging beyond the screen

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