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Recommendations of Purash-Kanpur Haridas Nandi Mahavidyalaya for Bharat Padhe Online in wake of COVID-19 pandemic outbreak

Recommendations:

- 1) The Government should ask all regional TV channels to provide some air-time slots university wise for taking classes by the reputed teachers of the respective universities.
- 2) More and more 'FM Community Radio' will be encouraged to open and asked to deliver lessons by reputed teachers of the university.
- 3) The Governments should ensure good internet quality by the internet providers at every nook and corners of the country otherwise no online teaching-learning will be successful using any procedure.
- 4) The UGC may have its own teaching-learning app (as like as Zoom cloud meeting app) on its own website for all the colleges and universities in India where virtual classes may be taken on membership basis.

Background:

The Government of West Bengal has instructed its all academic institutions to stop classes in school and colleges with immediate effect since 14th March 2020

Academic Council at Purash-Kanpur Haridas Nandi Mahavidyalaya, Howrah has started online classes since 17th March 2020.

Mode of online teaching-learning by its teachers being a) WhatsApp messenger and voice call service, b) Google Classroom and Conference Calls and 3) video conferencing meeting with students as class on Zoom app.

However, Purash-Kanpur Haridas Nandi Mahavidyalaya is a rural college, it has been noted that about **50% of its students are attending online classes**.

The reason for its non-attendance - a) \sim 40% students are unable to join online classes due to poor internet facilities in the locality and b) about 10% do not have smartphone or computer. (The information revealed by an online survey using Google Form).

However, whoever attending the classes are very much liking it and want the online teaching learning process to continue.

Unfortunately, others remain 'left out' due to poor internet quality in the locality and non-availability of smartphone or computer.

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