Changing Face of Class Room Education

In the past, there have been a number of difficult situations such as war, floods and other natural and artificial calamities which have hampered conventional class room education in some countries. But COVID-19 has presented a unique situation before the world, with a different set of problems in the context of regular class room based school education, that relate to the new norms – maintaining social distancing along with other ‘rules’ such as constant wearing of face masks by students. To tackle these potential difficulties, various national governments have invented alternative solutions to the conventional schooling pattern.

At varying levels of lockdown restrictions, different schools in different countries have devised innovative options to ensure that the practices of social distancing, mask use etc. are followed.

In Thailand, children under the age of 10, who are considered more vulnerable to diseases, have resumed school. However, their entire classroom experience has undergone a sea change due to the pandemic. Young pupils are asked to study inside mini transparent cubicles to help fight the spread of corona virus.

The Wat Khlong Toey School in Bangkok welcomed back its 250 students. Besides installing hand sanitisers, temperature scanners and painting social distancing markers inside the school premises, the authorities have also put screens around the classroom desk. The play areas too have been boxed off. (timesnownews)

In the Indian context as well, various institutions have developed varying options using different technologies. SMEfuture talks of Corona virus lockdown as ‘Indian online education gets a shot in the arm’. From powering potential candidates with competitive exam preparation to solving syllabus related queries, education-tech platforms are finally having their moment during the lockdown. (smefutures)