

UNIT : I

EDUCATION IN CONTEMPORARY INDIAN SOCIETY

1.1 a) – Types of Education : -

Formal, Informal, Nonformal

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Education

- Education is the process of learning.
- Skills, knowledge etc. and routine of a group of people are transferred to other people, through discussion, teaching and many more.
- Education repeatedly takes place under the guidance of educators, but learner may also educate ourselves.
- Education forms a holistic and significant part of any individual's life.

Types of education

- Formal education
- Informal education
- Non formal education



Formal Education

- Formal education arrives in a structured environment whose obvious purpose is teaching students.
- Usually, formal education takes place in a school environment with classrooms of multiple students learning together with a trained, certified teacher of the subject.
- Formal education is the one that works under the framework set by individual boards of education.

Formal Education...

- Formal education, as the name suggests, is very structured in nature as proper guidelines are laid, and the students are expected to work under these guidelines.
- Education focuses on the development of academic, psychological, spiritual and physical capabilities of a person.
- An uneducated person faces several difficulties in life.
- EDUCATION HAS NO SPECIFICATIONS OR BOUNDARIES ASSIGNED TO IT.

Formal Education...

- Formal education is normally delivered by trained teachers in a systematic way within a school, college , university or academic or trade skills.
- It is provide under certain set of rules and regulations.

PROS

- Works towards instilling technical skills in the students.
- A proper schedule helps in disciplining the students towards achieving a common goal.
- Teamwork and social interaction skills get developed.

CONS

- Every student has a different set of abilities and keeping everyone together under typical coursework can be disadvantageous to specific students.
- The costs incurred and the resources used can come out to be very expensive in the long run.

Characteristics of formal education

- Schools / institutions involved
- Time bound
- Syllabus and subject oriented
- Certificates and degrees.



INFORMAL EDUCATION

YOUR COMMUNITY RESPONSE

Informal education is the type of knowledge that one gains through several life experiences. Individual necessary skills of life that are important for survival and sustenance comes under this category.

Informal education

- Informal education is learning anything of your own interest.
- For example people can informal education by reading many books from a library or educational website.
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PROS

- A cost-free and natural system of gaining an education.
- There is no time pressure and boundaries.
- One can choose their preferred sources of gaining an education.

CONS

- Reliable sources for getting knowledge are absent.
- A person may fall prey to all kinds of misleading information.
- Absence of professional trainers can lead to inefficient learning practices.

Characteristics of Informal education

- Learning from home
- Learning from experience
- Learning from surroundings
- No certificates and degrees.



NON- FORMAL EDUCATION

THIS TYPE OF TRAINING IS NOT CONSIDERED AS A NECESSITY BUT MORE OF A SKILL.

Non-formal education is one that is framed according to the requirement of a particular job. A proper framework can be developed in making this education more mainstream. These can be various fitness programs, boy-scouts, software learning etc.

Non-formal education

- Non formal education involves time bound basic education of aged or adult person.
- It include someone (who is not in school) can learn literacy, other basic skills or job skills.
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Characteristics of non-formal education

- Open university course
- Full time or part time learning
- Time table and syllabus can be adjustable
- No age limit.

