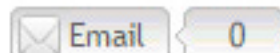


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■ Central Ministry Adopts Amrita Varsity App

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KOLLAM: Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has adopted the distance learning platform developed by Amrita University in its ambitious skill training program for over 50 crore Indians, after it was demonstrated in front of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on World Youth Skills Day.

During the inauguration of the event, the Prime Minister interacted with thousands of trainees across the nation using the platform named A-VIEW (Amrita Virtual Interactive E-Learning World).

Prof Kamal Bijlani, the chief architect of A-VIEW, demonstrated the usage of A-VIEW with 100 ITIs. The new skill development program by the Central Government aims to reach its target by 2022. The Skills Ministry has used A-VIEW in the past to train 15000 ITI trainees remotely.

A-VIEW, a free application developed by the University, is the preferred distance education video conferencing software package used in India. A-VIEW along with GOI's Aadhar were the only two internet-based technology innovations from India chosen by CISCO to receive their prestigious award. It is a proven large-scale distance education and skill training platform already deployed in over 8,000 institutions in India. A-VIEW is also being used in CBSE schools and National Skill Development Centres.

For the past several years, IIT-Bombay has been using A-VIEW to successfully train 10,000 teachers. Recently, the Government of Maharashtra trained over 35,000 school teachers simultaneously using the platform.

A-VIEW, developed by Amrita University in partnership with IIT-Bombay and NMEICT, Ministry of HRD, features a number of easy-to-use features for skill development.