

A-VIEW to be launched in Schools

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Kochi, Jan 3 (PTI): Amrita University's indigenously developed e-learning platform A-VIEW (Amrita Virtual Interactive E-Learning World) will be launched in schools throughout the country, starting off from Maharashtra. After successfully deploying at more than 2000 higher educational institutions across the country, Amrita's A-VIEW is making its foray into schools, a press release here said. The A-VIEW launch in schools will start off from Maharashtra on Jan 4 during Mata Amritanandamayi's two day programme at Amrita Vidyalayam, Nigdi, Pune as part of Amma's Bharat Yatra 2013. Dr Vijay Bhatkar, eminent computer scientist and the architect of India's first super computer 'Param', Dr Arun Nigawekar, former UGC Chairman, Indrajeet Deshmukh, Maharashtra Deputy Commissioner for Regional Development, Shridhar Salunke, Maharashtra Director for Secondary Education and Shri Dinkar Patil, Deputy Director, MSCERT will be among those attending the A-VIEW launch. A-VIEW is currently popular in Higher Education; several Universities such as IIT-Bombay, IIT-Hyderabad, Mumbai University, JNTU Hyderabad and others conduct regular online classes, seminars, workshops and meetings via A-VIEW. For schools, A-VIEW will be used to provide coaching classes for entrance and scholarship examinations and class subjects. Prof Kamal Bijlani, Director, Amrita E-Learning Research Lab, stated, for colleges, A-VIEW was successfully used to train around 14,000 teachers online simultaneously across India. The scalability of A-VIEW can be effectively used for addressing the shortage of teachers in schools." President, Pranab Mukherjee, dedicated the latest version of A-VIEW to the nation for higher educational institutions in November last year as part of the 'Train the Trainer Program' by IIT Bombay. A-VIEW runs on Windows, Mac, iOS platform, Android Phones and Tablets including Aakash, thus enabling learning on the move. With the help of handheld devices, students can answer the questions and teachers can receive instant feedback. By introducing A-VIEW to schools, Amrita hopes to enhance the quality of school education across India. A-VIEW is majorly supported by NME-ICT, Ministry of HRD, Government of India. pti ud UD TV