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The paradox of education is precisely this - that as one begins to become conscious one begins to examine the society in which he is being educated.

(James Baldwin)

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FOREIGN UNIVERSITIES TO FACE A DRASTIC DROP IN THE NUMBER OF ASIAN STUDENTS

UK universities have been told to expect a sharp fall in the number of new international students coming next year, including a loss of up to £460m in income from students from east Asia.The decline of 20% in students from east Asia would amount to a 12% fall in overall international student numbers, causing a £460m loss of income from tuition and living expenses such as accommodation.While the fall in student numbers appears smaller than some institutions are anticipating. A new survey of international students from eight countries – including China, Singapore and Malaysia – are likely to come to the UK in 2020/21 in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic.. **Source: The Guardian**



TOI CONDUCTS ITS FOURTH LEDERSHIP CONCLAVE SESSION ON JUNE 8TH 2020

TOI organised its fourth leadership conclave session on 'Future of education in the Covid era' on June 8th 2020. TOI dialouges is an e-conclave format which brings together some of the best -known though leaders in India and a few chosen experts from the industry. The conclave threw light on how Indian parents and schools can address the challenges thrown by COVID 19 crisis in the education sector and answered some of the critical questions like how has COVID 19 shifted the dynamics of education. The panelists for the session included Prakash Maliya (VP & MD - SMCG -INTEL), Anindya Mallick (Partner- Deloitte), Amitabh Jhingan (Partner - EY), Dr. Usha Ram (Educationist) and Chhavi Mittal (Actor and Parent) **Source: Times of India**



One of the biggest universities across the world, The Harvard University is likely to at least begin its fall semester with remote learning. But when it comes to pricey Ivy League schools that are able to charge the equivalent of a three-bedroom ranch home in Indiana for a bachelor's degree. At Harvard University, for example, the total cost of attending Harvard last year without financial aid worked out to \$46,340 for tuition and \$67,580 for tuition, room, board, and fees combined. With that in mind, I think it's easy to imagine a world where students may not want to pay the Harvard sticker price to attend a prestigious university from their living room. After all, many experts say that part of the value of an Ivy League education is in the networking and who you meet and collaborate with while you're in school. With remote learning in place, this major benefit is off the table.. **Source: Forbes**





SRI LANKA'S MINISTRY OF EDUCATION ENABLES DIGITAL AND INTERACTIVE CLASSROOMS WITH MICROSOFT

Microsoft and the Ministry of Education in Sri Lanka have signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) on 14 May 2020 to advance remote pedagogy during a time when the health and safety of educators and students is paramount. The agreement will enable educators to embrace Microsoft Office 365 tools and build their IT competence, while efficiently engage students in virtual classrooms.Under the MOU, Microsoft will support the Ministry by providing Students, Teachers, Pirivena, Teacher Training Schools and ministry officials with free access to Microsoft Office 365 tools, such as OneNote, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Microsoft Teams, across PCs, tablets, and smartphones to compliment a "distance learning" initiative for students and teachers. The MOU was signed under the recommendation of the Presidential Task Force - Education to look into the continuation of the education sector during and after the COVID-19 pandemic. Source: Microsoft

STAYING MOTIVATED

We all have been experiencing a lot of anxiety and fear about the recent turn of events, which have changed the ways we live and work. In such situations, it is important that we do not loose hope and stay motivated to combat the blues and recharge ourselves with a lot more positiveness. We are sure that things will return to 'Normal' soon, till then Stay motivated, Stay Safe and Stay at Home.

