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The Information Age offers tremendous opportunities to promote social, cultural and economic wealth at the individual, organizational, national and regional levels.

e-Learning is a critical element of the Information Age. It has the potential to deliver great benefits for the Society by increasing the speed and degree of dissemination of knowledge, by facilitating knowledge and skills acquisition, by providing flexible learning opportunities for students and citizens, personalizing learning and by creating new collaborative learning opportunities.

I would like to share with you that e-Learning Division of DIT arrived at a Vision Paper (www.elearn.cdac.in), bringing out thrust areas to be addressed in this present and futuristic learning paradigm. We planned the technical sessions of ELELTECHINDIA to be inline with some of the thrust areas identified by us. The vision paper was prepared after taking inputs from experts of industry, academia and R&D. Our vision paper identified thrust areas such as development of inexpensive technology for design and delivery of content, training of teachers in e-Learning, open source content development, quality assurance framework for e-Learning etc.

I am extremely happy to note that a number of institutions from different parts of the country responded to our call and sent papers for presentation. Key-note Speeches and Invited Talks from experts, I am sure, would give the participants right insight on what is happening and what can be done further to take benefits of e-Learning to the common man.

I do hope that the deliberations and recommendations of the Seminar would become key inputs in planning our future activities in e-Learning.

I wish the seminar a grand success.


(Pankaj Agrawala)