

The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires.

— William Arthur Ward —

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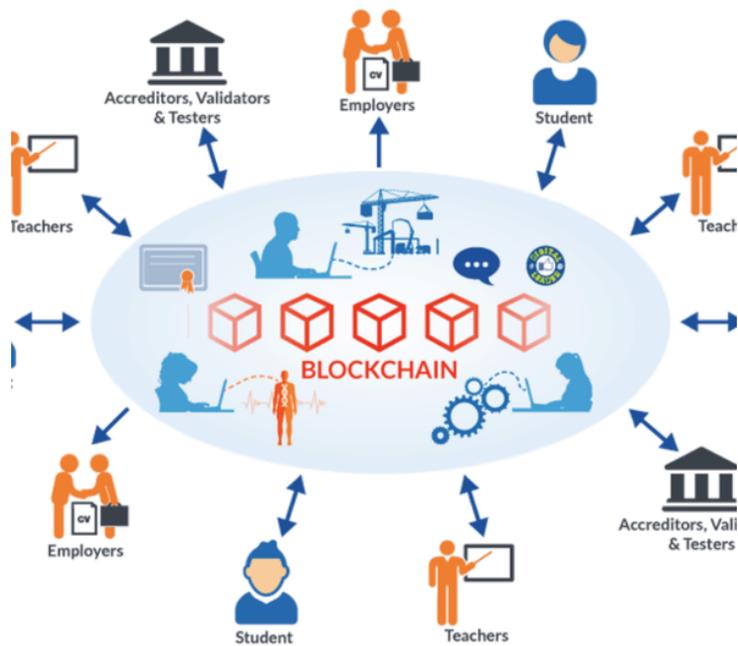
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## Education News across the World



### INDIA JUMPS FIVE RANKS TO 35TH IN WORLDWIDE EDUCATION

India jumped five ranks in the Worldwide Educating for the Future Index (WEFFI) 2019, as per a report published by The Economist Intelligence Unit. The index ranks countries based on their abilities to equip students with skill-based education. The report analyses education system from the perspective of skill-based education "in areas such as critical thinking, problem-solving, leadership, collaboration, creativity and entrepreneurship, as well as digital and technical skills." India ranked 35th on the overall index in 2019 with a total score of 53, based on three categories - policy environment, teaching environment and overall socio-economic environment. The country ranked 40th with an overall score of 41.2 across categories in 2018.. **Source: The Hindu Business Line**



## BRAZILIAN MINISTRY OF EDUCATION PROPOSES ISSUING DIPLOMAS ON THE BLOCKCHAIN

In an attempt to fight against the falsification of university diplomas in Brazil, the Ministry of Education (MEC) has proposed, creating a Blockchain-based platform to issue digital certifications among non-state universities. To finance the creation of the platform, Brazilian newspaper Valor Economico has said that the resources will come from the private educational institutions themselves since they will be exclusively responsible for issuing diplomas. Local media also report that at least 14 private universities have expressed interest in the government's proposal to implement such technology. Gilberto Garcia, former president of the National Education Council, told Valor Economico that this proposal also implies the dissemination of all the historical data of educational institutions, which would be part of the transparency that the blockchain mechanism can offer. The ministry's proposal aims to attack a problem that is not new in the country: the issuance of fake university certificates, which has been the subject of local press headlines for years. The National University of Colombia (UNAL) has been offering diplomas in digital format since 2019, thanks to the Blockchain. **Source: Coin Telegraph**

## DSGMC TO PROVIDE FREE EDUCATION TO REFUGEE CHILDREN FROM PAKISTAN

The Delhi Sikh Gurdwara Management Committee (DSGMC) will provide free education to children from Hindu and Sikh refugee families from Pakistan. Meritorious students will be given scholarship and other incentives to prepare them for taking admission in other professional educational institutes. The students will be given admission in schools which are run by the committee. All eligible students will be able to enrol themselves from the next academic session, that is, from April 2020. DSGMC president Manjinder Singh Sirsa said, "The children will be admitted in Delhi-based chain of 11 co-educational schools run by the Delhi Sikh Gurdwara Management Committee." **Source: The Tribune**



## UAE PUPILS TO LEARN SUSTAINABLE FARMING AT SCHOOL UNDER GREEN SCHEME

School pupils in the UAE soon will be taught how to farm and calculate their carbon footprint under a new sustainability scheme. Launched by Madar Farm, this initiative will aim to ensure younger generations are conscious of the environment and their own impact on the planet. The programme, targeting children aged between 11 and 16, will also educate pupils on food nutrition in a bid to reduce childhood obesity in the country. The "Sustainable Futures" initiative has been piloted at five private schools, but registrations have now been opened to schools across the country. Pupils are provided with a tool, customised to the UAE, through which they can calculate their carbon footprint. New schools in the emirate have encouraged children to grow their own food. The Aquila School has a desert gardening programme where children are educated in food technology. The school has a 1,500 square metre indoor organic garden powered by solar energy and using recycled water. **Source: The National**

## CORONAVIRUS (2019-nCoV)

### Symptoms:

- Fever
- Dizziness
- Severe cough
- Difficult breathing
- Chills, general malaise
- Decreased appetite, nausea and vomiting

### Complications:

- Pneumonia
- Kidney failure
- Encephalitis, meningitis
- Exacerbation of chronic diseases
- Impaired liver and kidney function

**Incubation period 2-14 days** represents the estimated range at the moment. Period can vary greatly among patients.

### At risk groups:



People over 65 years old



Pregnant and people with weakened immunity



Children under 7 years old



Smokers

### Preventive methods of protection against coronavirus:



Cover mouth and nose with tissue when coughing and sneezing



Avoid close contact with sick people



Wash your hands with water and soap, use alcohol-based sanitizer



Cook meat and eggs properly. Avoid contact with wild and farm animals

**Remember! Prevention is the best treatment. In case of illness, consult a doctor, do not self-medicate!**



## ASK THE EXPERT

What is the best way for migration? Should i approach agencies or can i directly do this? - **Aliya Nayyar**

Hi Aliya,

Many individuals opt for travelling to different countries to gain access to new opportunities in life. The first step towards migration must be to find out the place where you wish to migrate and gain all necessary information about the country, their culture, locality where you wish to stay and importantly job opportunities. Once you have finalized your destination, you can either try applying for your migration through an agent or by yourself as well. But if you choose to go through the migration process through an agent please make sure that the agent is approved and authorized. Go ahead and check their previous records and go through their client reviews to get a correct idea on their track record. But then the cost of the entire process will cost you from approx 75,000INR to 10,00, 000 INR, which proves to be extremely expensive. Hence if you wish to reduce your costs you may opt for applying your application on your own.

The very step to apply for migration includes giving the ILTES and score a perfect score which can facilitate your application. Second step: Create an account for yourself in the embassy website and submit your credentials. Make sure your documents are properly attested before you do the same, The third step would be to check your eligibility and the score required for migration. Many countries do have direct recruitment of skilled workers who are in great demand in their respective countries, hence you may even try searching for such opportunities since it will boost your chances and speed up your migration process. This information is just the tip of the iceberg and I urge you to research deeper. I wish you all the best for your future.

This specific corner has been introduced for those who seek advice on education and related matters. If you have a feel free to submit your questions to [aimri@ariesgroup.ae](mailto:aimri@ariesgroup.ae)