# World View: Business Opportunities in Education

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# **Global Opportunities**

- Global Phenomenal Growth Continues: (UNESCO)
  - 1970:29 M
  - 2007:153 M while population grew: 200%
- "Students online performed better than those receiving face-toface instruction." Barbara Means, SRI International for the Department of Education Research from 1996 to 2008
- **Opportunities:** Develop new methods of education-training using technology to prepare an order of magnitude more people, more cheaply, with outcomes not possible earlier.
- Breakthrough: The game changing breakthroughs will come from India because of its youth density.

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# **Report on Education Reform**

- Education: key to the economic growth, prosperity and ability to compete globally
- Path to good jobs and higher earning power
- Solves most challenging problems
- Urgent priority:
  - college graduates from XX percent to YY percent by 2020.
  - close gap so students are ready to succeed in college and careers
  - need aggressive goals
- Challenge is limited resources
  - need cost-effective and cost-saving strategies
  - yet those that improve learning outcomes
  - scalable
- Revolutionary transformation rather than evolutionary tinkering
  - leverage technology
  - provide engaging and powerful learning experiences and content
  - scale innovative best practices
- Time to act is now
- **Q: Which report is it from?**



# **Reports\***

# \* Summary (with poetic license) of reports from

- National Education Technology Plan (NETP), USA, 2010
- Education Initiatives (EEI), Egypt, 2006
- National Knowledge Commission Report, India, 2006
- Education Initiatives (JEI), Jordan, 2003



# Model of Learning Powered by Technology

Radical improvement in Five essential areas:

- 1. Learning
- 2. Assessment
- 3. Teaching
- 4. Infrastructure, and
- 5. Productivity



# Technology in Classroom: Traditional

Level	Focus	Features	Examples	Initial Trends	Emerging Trends
U 0.0	Teacher-Centric	Brick-n-mortar	Ubiquitous	Chalk & Talk	Multiple alternatives for Learning





# Technology in Classroom: Leverage Teacher

Level	Focus	Features	Examples	Initial Trends	Emerging Trends
U 0.5	Teacher- Centric	Teaching Aids	Ubiquitous	Projectors Video Computer Labs	Web based
				Classroom technology	Interactive Multi-media



# Technology in Classroom: Online

Level	Focus	Features	Examples	Initial Trends	Emerging Trends
U 1.5	Leverage Student	Online Asynchronous	Capella U Walden U	Authoring Tools LMS, LCMS e-Learning	Scenarios Gaming Avatars
			American I/C Argosy Rasmussen C	Acquire Traditional U & convert	
			Career Education DeVry	Career oriented	
			Traditional U	Upgrading from Distance Learning	



# Technology in Classroom: Distance Learning

Level	Focus	Features	Examples	Initial Trends	Emerging Trends
U 1.0	Student -Centric	Synchronous Distance Learning	Established U	Mail Satellite VHS Tape delay	Streaming
			U of Phoenix IGNOU		Web based 2-way interactive
			Bridgepoint CGU Global Corinthian Grand Canyon Strayer Tuoro	Acquire Traditional U & convert	Synchronous to <mark>Asynchronous</mark>



# Technology in Classroom: Innovations

Level	Focus	Features	Examples	Initial Trends	Emerging Trends
U 2.0	Student Centric	Lower cost <u>and</u> Higher Quality	Western Gov U Ashford U UN Open U Academic Earth	Distance Time Travel Emerging examples	Crack Paradox Assessment based credits Free Innovation
		Peer Interaction	Peer2peer	Social Interaction	Social Networking
		Content IP	MIT Academic Earth	Scarcity IP protection Proprietary	Open content from top schools Abundant- Free
		Customized learning/degree	WGU L.A. College Chancellor U	Parochial	Competency- based Mass customization Novel degrees Inter-disciplinary
		Skills within Education	Career Education DeVry, UTI K12 School Specialty	Professional Degrees Skills are for Votech K-12	Skills are essential for <mark>employability</mark>
		Industry Academia connection	GMU	Trade Schools	Mandatory

# **Technologies:** for Learning

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#### Learning Content **Management Systems**

OutStart

Blackboard

Moodle

	Learning	N
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Plateau
Learn.com
SumTotal
Meridian
Saba

Learning	Social Networking
Apple	mZinga
VCom3D Blackberry	Ning
Synchronous Technologies	Gaming &
Adobe	Realmware
Nacon	Vcom3D
eSkillz	
WebEx	
Yugma	
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Social

# **Revolution in Social Media Tools**

#### How many will find their way in Education/Training?



### Commonly accepted

- People: an asset, not a burden
- English: global language of aspiration
- Technology: empowering, essential
- Globalization: providing opportunities not just competition
- Democracy: deepening roots, consequent rights and entitlement
- Entrepreneur: a role model, not a cinema villain
- Still being Debated
- In open conflict
- Will emerge as we move forward



• Commonly accepted

# • Still being Debated

- Focus of education: is employability
- Infrastructure: work around constraints, inadequate
- Various Paths: skills/cerebral mix
- In open conflict
- Will emerge as we move forward



- Commonly accepted
- Still being Debated
- In open conflict
  - Ideology: reservations, subsidies
  - Regulations: government driven, profit prohibition
  - Labor laws: obsolete, apply to small organized sector
  - Cost: high quality vs. dramatically lower cost for masses
- Will emerge as we move forward



- Commonly accepted
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- In open conflict
- Will emerge as we move forward
  - Leap frog: Why merely catch-up?
  - Body-Mind Connection: nutrition as pre-requisite to learning
  - Systems Theory: theoretical frameworks: Micro, Meso, Exo, Macrosystem
  - Beyond Content: new learning concepts
  - Continuum: coordinated life- long learning path



# **Our Perspective:**

### Immense Opportunities in India Within Enormous Problems

#### Features of High Potential Opportunities in EduTraining

#### 1. Role of Education is Employability

- Increase your <u>hire</u> potential
- 2. Skills within Education
  - Global Benchmarking
  - Localization for India

#### 3. Technology

- Scalability
- Cost mitigation
- Mass customization
- Cheap, Appropriate, Good Enough

#### 4. Industry Linkage

- Relevant
- Employability
- Continuous Improvement
- 5. Transformational
  - Leap frog



# **Difference with Employability Training**



# Employability Development: A 5 Step Model



# **Myriad of EduTraining Opportunities**

### Areas

Consulting

#### Sales

#### **Curricula Development & Design**

- Corporate
- Associations
- Multi-national Businesses
- Government

#### Technology

- LMS
- LCMS
- Authoring tools
- Collaboration Tools
- Gap Technologies

#### Training Programs

- Corporate
- Vocational
- Associations
- UN Agencies

#### Preparation

#### • Employability

- College
- Professional
- Competitive
- Remedial

#### **Industry Segments**

Agriculture, Food, & Natural Resources Architecture & Construction **Automotive** Business, Management & Administration **Education & Training** Finance Government & Public Administration Health Science Hospitality & Tourism Human Services Information Technology Law, Public Safety & Security Industrial Manufacturing Marketing, Sales & Service Science, Technology, Engg. & Maths Transportation, Distribution & Logistics

# Education

Research Pedagogy Androgogy Teacher Training EduEntrepreneurs



# **Areas of Opportunity:** Within Employability Development

- Assessment
  - Interests/Aptitudes lead to Job Fit
  - Very low cost per personValidity
- CounselingWithout counselors
- **Foundation skills** 
  - Scalable
  - Modular Content
- Domain specific Certification

  Industry 101
  Industry linked certification
  Modularity
  Extendable
  Advanced Methods
- Induction Program
- Placement
- **Repair programs**
- Solutions to specific situations



# Vision:

### India: Centre of Education-Training Transformation



# e-Learning in a Global Setting

Size: \$10 Billion+ (\$20 Billion worldwide)

Growth Rate: 30-40% CAGR

Drivers:

- ILT being replaced/augmented by e-Learning
- Desirable features: Anytime, anywhere; just-in-time, just-enough

### Risk:

- e-Learning is more than words on a computer screen
- Appropriate content designed for learning
- Shift from pay-per-seat to up-front investment model

### Caution:

- Judged by a higher standard
- Completion of training no longer a sufficient success criteria
- It's not ILT or e-L; It is ILT and e-L

### **Opportunity:**

- It's big. Precision of market size is not as important



# Segment:

### Corporate, Association, Business & Government

Size: US \$5 Billion+

### Growth Rate: 40 -70% CAGR

**Drivers:** 

- Early adapters: Military, Corporations
- ROI is a compelling argument vs. in Academia
- Shift from IT to core content

### Risk:

- Generic vs. tailor made

### Caution:

- Life time costs vs. initial cost

### **Opportunity:**

- Numerous niches. Present 8 specific situations among many

# Localization:

# Global modules for Multi-national Corporations Drivers:

- Consistent global processes
- Same training in multi-languages
- US: English, Spanish, Hmong, Somali, Vietnamese
- NATO: 44 languages simultaneously

### Risk:

- Cost of second language is 100% of first
- How many types of "English" are there?

### Caution:

- Local language is not the same as localized
- Processes/tools to reduce cost of each additional language

### **Opportunity?**

- Yes. Language and localization is big global opportunity



# **Vocational Training**

### Drivers:

- Excess of engineers and critical shortage of skilled workers
- 70% of people do not go to college need to be trained in a vocation
- Processes are becoming global; global consistency
- President Kalam's PURA concept: e-Learning as only viable method

# Risk:

- Mental frame of mind is Brick and Mortar
- High degree of blending needed

### **Caution:**

- Important to have Competency certification
- Unless linked with employment; difficult to sell
- Bridges between Education and Corporate segments

# **Opportunity**?

- Yes. Large global opportunity



# **Tools and Technology:** LMS, LCMS, Authoring tools

### **Drivers**:

- Logical leap from SW development
- Consistent with capabilities
- VC's have funded many in this arena
- Need for productivity enhancement tools

Risk:

- Over 300 competitors
- Enterprise wide implementation needed
- ERP companies have their modules that are offered add on

### Caution:

- Proprietary tools are losing favor
- No one standard in place

# **Opportunity?**

- No. Stay away. Big write-offs.



# **Consulting and Research**

### **Drivers**:

- Large corporations; having burnt their fingers; looking for someone who can avoid the land mines
- Credibility
  - Proven in Western Countries for It and ITES
  - High regard for educational institutions

Risk:

- Building domain knowledge

### **Caution:**

- It is not like building SW
- Requires local presence

# **Opportunity?**

Yes. Major growth area specially if combined with domain specific knowledge.



# **B to C Training Programs**

### **Drivers:**

- Compelling Thought: Build a library and sell to many
- Desirable features: Pay per seat; higher gross margin per transaction

Risk:

- Corporations prefer specific content vs. Generic
- Renewal rate is declining
- High cost of selling

### Caution:

- A few large companies in this space

# **Opportunity?**

- No. Stay away. Numerous B to C companies have folded



# Associations

### **Drivers**:

- Associations need to demonstrate relevance to members
- Spread the cost of focused training over many members
- Professional certifications are growing

Risk:

- Ability to customize for individual member needs
- Many professionals are addicted to "cheap" CEU's
- SME: scope creep

### **Caution:**

- Need either carrot of CEU or some kind of stick

# **Opportunity?**

– **Yes.** High growth opportunity



# **UN Agencies**

### **Drivers**:

- Various UN agencies are spending \$\$ for basics e.g. Water, Hygiene, etc
- Very poor results/\$; interest in alternative solutions
- Scalable and ability to migrate to many countries

Risk:

- Highly political

**Caution:** 

Very long lead times

# **Opportunity?**

- Yes. Global. Once initiated, the programs go on and on



# **Curricula Development and Design**

### **Drivers:**

- Great need for Subject matter/Content
- Learning Design services in demand

Risk:

- Offer only a portion of the total solution
- Limited continuing revenue stream
- Trend is towards one-stop relationship

### Caution:

- Unless an acknowledged expert, little differentiation

# **Opportunity?**

- Yes. Link up with credible entities and be their partner



### Scalable Model: Eco-system for Fulfilling the Human Capital Needs





# Question: Where are the people to pull all this off?





# Project to Create EduEntrepreneurs: in Large Numbers

The Parijaath Flowers: *Nyctanthes arbor-tristis,* from the wishgranting tree which perfumes the entire universe

O Parijaath flower! Serpents live in your midst, you bear no edible fruits, your leaves are covered with thorns, you are crooked in growth, you thrive in mud, and you are not easily accessible. Still for your exceptional fragrance you are as dear as kinsmen to Kings. Hence, a single excellence can overcome a multitude of blemishes. **Chankya Arthashastra17.21**.