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Topic - Awareness and Usage of Open Educational Resources at

Jamia Millia Islamia: A Case Study

Objectives of the study:

1. To study the awareness about open educational resources at Jamia Millia Islamia in reference with:

- a) Concept of Open Educational Resources
- b) Searching of Open Educational Resources from its platforms
- c) Open Educational Resource platforms
- d) Licensing mechanism
- e) Available types of Open Educational Resources
- f) Accessible Open Educational Resources platforms at Jamia Millia Islamia

2. To study the usage of Open Educational Resources as

- a) ICT based activities performed by students of Jamia Millia Islamia
- b) Usage of different types of OER by students of Jamia Millia Islamia

3. To study the challenges in using Open educational resources in reference of

Findings

The findings of the research may be concluded as the awareness among the students at Jamia Millia Islamia is moderate as there are still more students who know about what are open educational resources but they are not familiar with searching process of OERs. Majority of the students do not know about the licensing mechanism (CC licenses) of OERs. There is a limited number of OER platforms about which the students are aware. Students at JMI were found aware about most of the types of OERs but not fully aware about how to access them. Students are using different forms of OERs from some times to frequently but they face different types of challenges like internet connectivity. Limited knowledge about editing or modifying OERs is another challenge which they face. Students have also reported that unavailability of OERs in particular language or in a particular subject is an issue which they face if they wanted to use Open Educational resources. They do also feel that limited assistance from their institution in relation to ICT is a barrier in using open educational resources. Students has also shown that spending more than usual time on screen while using OER in electronic form may cause of different types of health issues.

Researcher revealed that usage of open educational resources used by the students of JMI was at the point of sometimes which indicated moderate usage of educational resources.

The challenges which were faced by students were related to internet access, unavailability of resources, unawareness of searching a particular open educational resource, limited technical assistance provided by the institution and health issues like headache, pain in fingers and joints and backache.