

New Courses Added to BHU's Swayam Programme

Why in News?

The faculty members of the **Banaras Hindu University** have developed 15 courses for the <u>SWAYAM programme</u> for the **2024 session**. The courses have been developed in line with requirements and expectations of the learners.

Key Points

- These courses cover various subjects like management, commerce, science, medicine, social sciences, humanities, and philosophy.
- BHU has entered the realm of online education for the first time with the introduction of these courses.
 - The initiative not only enriches BHU's educational offerings but also supports the broader goals of providing accessible and quality education for everyone.
- The technical support for the courses is provided by IIT Madras and IIT Kanpur, with funding from the Ministry of Education, Government of India.
- **SWAYAM**, launched by the Government of India, aims to make the best teaching and learning resources available to all individuals, regardless of their geographical location or institutional affiliations.

SWAYAM programme

- Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds (SWAYAM), was launched on July 9, 2017 by the Ministry of Human Resource Development to provide one integrated platform and portal for online courses.
- This covers all higher education subjects and skill sector courses.
- The objective is to ensure that every student in the country has access to the best quality higher education at the affordable cost.
- Academicians from hundreds of institutions throughout the country are involved in developing & delivering <u>Massive open online courses (MOOCs)</u> through SWAYAM in almost all disciplines from senior schooling to Post <u>Graduation</u>.

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