



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 [SWAYAM programme](#) 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 [Massive open online courses \(MOOCs\)](#) through SWAYAM in almost all disciplines from senior schooling to Post Graduation.