

MoU between Microsoft and State Board of Open School Education

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Why in News

Recently, the **State Board of Open School Education** and **Microsoft** signed an MoU to provide support for Digital Transformation, Artificial Intelligence and online education.

Key Points

- During this, **Minister of State for School Education (Independent Charge) and General Administration Inder Singh Parmar** said that Artificial Intelligence would be taught as a subject in **53 EFA (Education for All) schools** of the state. With this, along with the knowledge of latest technology, opportunities for IT employment will also be available at the global level.
- Students of class 8th and 9th will get the facility to choose Artificial Intelligence as a subject from this session while children of class 10th to 12th will get this facility from the next session. Microsoft will conduct online classes for this subject through team software.
- Microsoft has prepared and made available a format for a 240-hour annual course and book on the subject of Artificial Intelligence. Along with this, in the coming year, Microsoft will also give training to the teachers for the teaching of the subject.
- It may be mentioned that Microsoft India has supported 53 Education for All (EFA) schools in Madhya Pradesh through various training programs in the last year. About 1500 teachers and 40 thousand students have been benefited by this.