

AI IN PHILIPPINE SCHOOLS

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With the plethora of innovations in the field of science and technology that is witnessed by our naked eye over the years, one can ask, are we already reaching things that we think are impossible to achieve?

With the advent of the 21st century, computers have become smarter and smarter and inevitable. People became avid fans of the latest breakthroughs and information has turned out to be easily attainable by everyone.

According to the 2019 Philippine Statistics Authority's Functional Literacy, Education and Mass Media Survey (FLEMMS), there is an improvement in the functional literacy of Filipinos aged 10-64 years old reaching 91.64% from 90.3% in 2013. The institution defined Functional Literacy as a competence not just in basic literacy such as reading and writing but in numerical skills. The rise in the Functional Literacy rate which could've been possibly reached because of computer intervention imposes the idea of incorporating artificial intelligence in our education system.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) or what they sometimes called it human intelligence stuck in a machine has greatly affected each one of us because it makes our work easier and faster. The best examples of AIs are smartphones, smart cars, smart home devices and appliances, drones, etc. Some countries already adopted artificial intelligence in their schools which eliminates the tedious admin tasks such as automated grading systems, scheduling systems, and record management systems.

The hype about the positive effects of Artificial Intelligence also exhibits negative feedback such as the costs, social and emotional skills of the learner, hacking, and misinformation are only a few to mention. It would be a great challenge to anyone involved like the government, the parents, the teachers, and most especially the students to put such innovations in the Philippine education system but rewarding one's been planned thoroughly.

Adaptation is innate to humans to survive, and with the fast-changing world, we also need to acclimatize ourselves to it.

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