

## LOCKDOWN INDIA VS UNLOCK INDIA

There is a very famous saying- 'Wish carefully, for it may come true'. All of us have wished in at least one point of our life that it would be so nice if school was closed and we would relax at home. Same goes with office employees. Little did we know, that all of a sudden our wishes would come true to such an extent that nobody would be able to step out of their house for so many months unless it's really necessary.

The Coronavirus pandemic had started spreading vigorously in India in March 2020. To avoid further spreading of the disease, the country went into a complete lockdown on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2020. While some students got highly overworked with studies, online classes and homework, some people got a huge amount of free time and are still binging Netflix to pass their time. The lockdown life is going very different for different kinds of people. Some people are utilising their free time to learn new things (well I don't think anybody needs restaurants or sweet shops now, everybody has got their PhD in cooking from YouTube), on the other hand, some people are extremely bored and frustrated from this kind of life. Online classes and WFH have become the new normal. Well, we can enjoy or

complain, that's our choice. 'Stay home, stay safe' is the new mantra.

While we are making decisions like which new series we should watch, the government is thinking about much bigger issues. As more people are recovering, the situation is getting better. The one thing that's making us all excited is that India is gradually moving towards its unlock phase. The reactions of the people are going to be different this time too. Some will be happy and cheerful now, some will not be able to move on from the lockdown hangover. Let us all stay positive and see how India's unlock journey unfolds.