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E-learning is a term to refer to all the learning-teaching activities using computer and communication technologies. Rapid developments in technology have resulted in the emergence of several e-learning tools and systems. The most revolutionary advancement in the e-learning scenario is the Learning Management System (LMS), a software application used to document, track, and deliver educational courses and programs entirely online.

The LMS has enabled both the learner and educator to move out of the traditional (class) environment. Using an LMS, a teacher can set-up his courses online, create eLearning content needed for the courses, enroll students in the said courses, deliver the content to the students, and, finally, monitor and assess their performance. There are both commercial (eg.Blackboard & Adobe captivate prime) and open-source Learning Management SystemsEg. Moodle & Canvas)

An LMS deployed at an Institutional level is known as the Institutional Learning Management System (ILMS). The AiiSH Institutional Learning Management System has been named as **e-AiiSH**, the homepage of which is given in figure 1. Our ILMS is developed on **Moodle**, the world's no. 1 open source e-learning management software. The system has three types of accounts: Administrator, Teacher and Student and it is

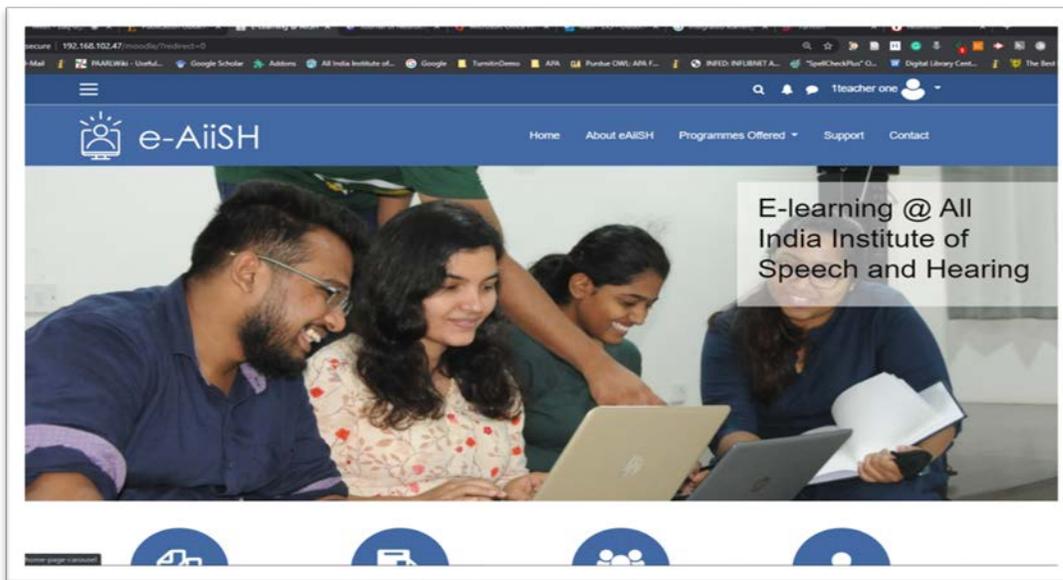


Figure 1

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accessible using the **Username** and **Password** from anywhere (*not necessarily from inside the campus*) by the AiiSH faculty and students.

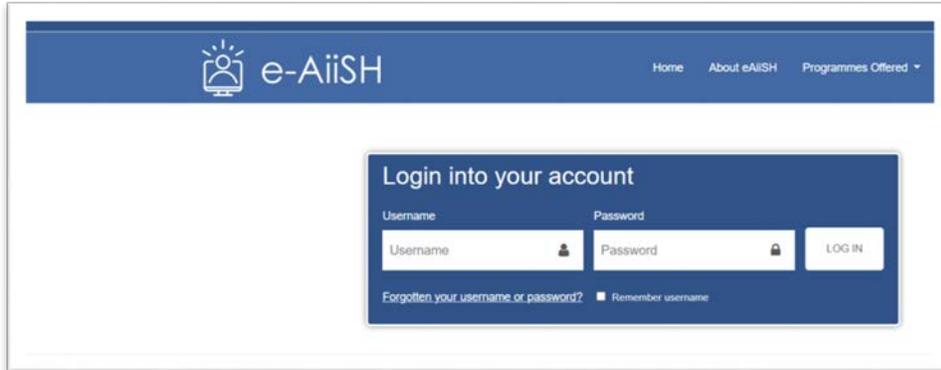


Figure 2

You can tick the **Remember Username** option on the login screen in case you are using own computer to access e-AiiSH always (Figure 2).

The User will be taken first to his/her **Dashboard** from where he/she can access the enrolled / assigned courses. (Figure 3)

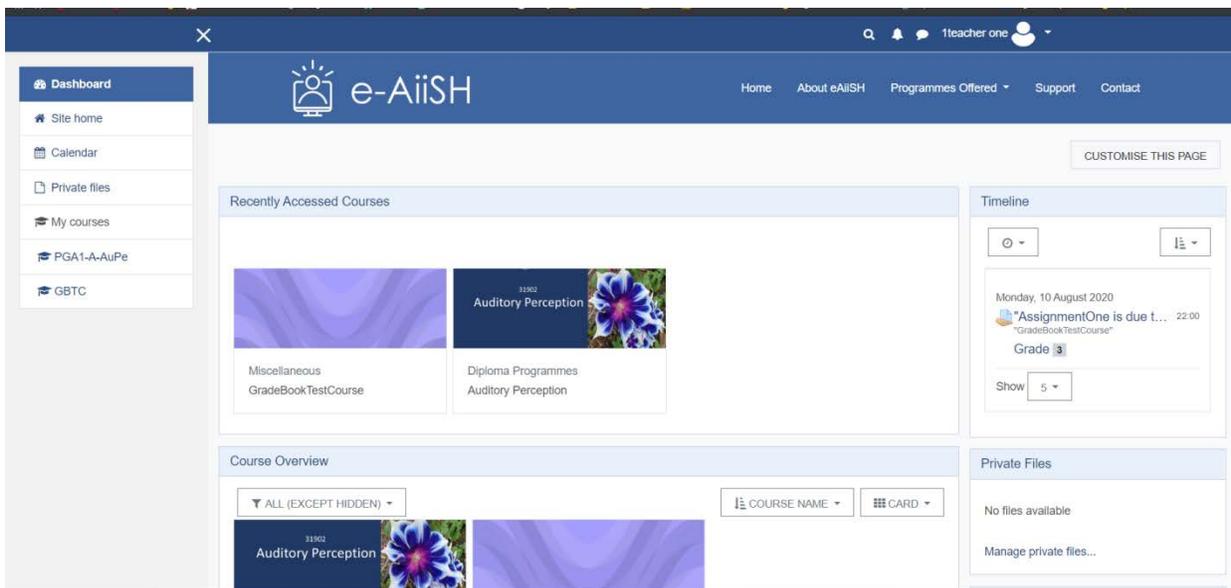


Figure 3

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The very first-time access to the dashboard will facilitate a flash-card 'tour' to familiarize the user on various components or blocks of the dashboard.

The dashboard has 3 portions: (1) the Left side **Navigation Drawer** with links to: Site **home**, **Calendar**, **Private Files**, **My Courses**. Below '**My Courses**' all the courses assigned to the teacher will be listed,(2) the Middle portion will lists the **Recently Accessed Courses** and **Course Overview** and (3) the Right side block will have a series of blocks like Calendar, Private Files and Upcoming events in various courses. The Dashboard can be customized using the **CUSTOMISE THIS PAGE** button on the top right.

By default, all the courses assigned to a teacher will be listed on the dashboard. However, if required the view courses option can be changed to: In Progress OR Future OR Past OR Starred OR Hidden courses.

The **Private Files** block is a **folder where** the teacher can store various types of files useful for the courses. The files can be organized into folders.

The **Upcoming Events block** lists all the upcoming events in various courses assigned/enrolled. The upcoming events will also be marked in **Calendar** (display when the cursor moves on the calendar)

The **Personal Profile** can be modified by clicking the icon with your photo on the top right corner of the dashboard. Of the different options click **Preference**. Here, under **Edit Profile** you can change name, email, photo etc. Using **Change Password** option the password can also be changed at any time.

Course Dashboard

Clicking a particular course will take to that course's dashboard. The Course dashboard also looks like the main dashboard with 3 sections: The left side navigation drawer, middle Course content area and the right side various blocks like Course Instructor details, Upcoming Events, Calendar etc.