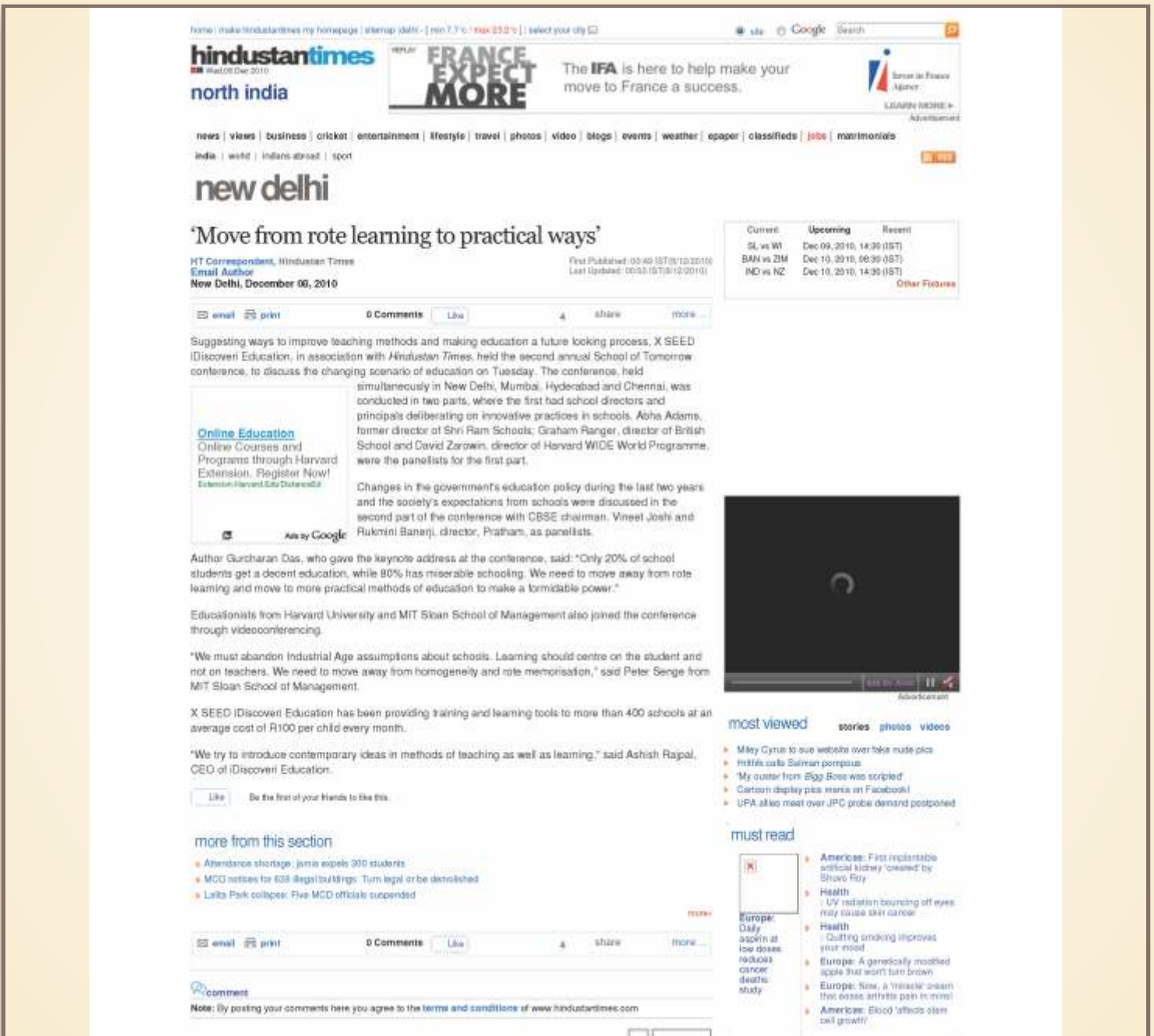


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The screenshot shows a news article on the Hindustan Times website. The article is titled "Move from rote learning to practical ways" and is dated December 08, 2010. The author is identified as HT Correspondent, Hindustan Times. The article discusses a conference organized by XSEED IDiscoveri Education in association with Hindustan Times, held on Tuesday. The conference, held simultaneously in New Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad, and Chennai, was conducted in two parts. The first part had school directors and principals deliberating on innovative practices in schools. Panelists for the first part included Abha Adams, former director of Shri Ram Schools; Graham Ranger, director of British School; and David Zarwin, director of Harvard WIDE World Programme. The second part of the conference with CBSE chairman, Vineet Joshi and Rukmini Banerji, director, Pratham, as panelists. Changes in the government's education policy during the last two years and the society's expectations from schools were discussed in the second part of the conference. The article also mentions that Author Gurcharan Das, who gave the keynote address at the conference, said: "Only 20% of school students get a decent education, while 80% has miserable schooling. We need to move away from rote learning and move to more practical methods of education to make a formidable power." Educationalists from Harvard University and MIT Sloan School of Management also joined the conference through videoconferencing. Peter Senge from MIT Sloan School of Management said: "We must abandon Industrial Age assumptions about schools. Learning should centre on the student and not on teachers. We need to move away from homogeneity and rote memorisation." X SEED IDiscoveri Education has been providing training and learning tools to more than 400 schools at an average cost of ₹100 per child every month. Ashish Rajpal, CEO of IDiscoveri Education, said: "We try to introduce contemporary ideas in methods of teaching as well as learning."

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