

- How do you think technology contributed, either positively or negatively, in limiting losses through the COVID 19 Pandemic so far?

I struggle to see any opinion that suggests the overall impact of technology in COVID-19 is negative, not by a long shot.

Firstly, and most importantly, remote work. The organization who hadn't adapted are facing severe consequences, months of lockdown rendered their business void. But for those who had adapted, they are working from home, maybe not working as efficiently, but still working and cutting cost.

Secondly, get the message out there, WHO and other organizations have been using their social media to get trusted info out there, conspiracy theories also have used this, but social media sites have been (surprisingly) good at suppressing conspiracy, Youtube as an example, started to demonetize (stop ads from running on video) any untrusted video that mentioned covid-19, until after the storm had calmed. This has stopped youtubers from spreading rumours to get views and money.

Thirdly, ordering stuff online. We live in a very convenient time these last years, you can get all your needs online, groceries, food and any kind of product you could ever think of.

It can be said that technology amplified spreading rumors, and that's true to some degree, even with all the suppressing from social media sites.

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