You should spend about 40 minutes on this task.

Write about the following topic:

The Internet when used as a source of information, has more drawbacks than advantages. To what extent do you agree with this statement?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

You should write at least 250 words.

Internet has created an all new virtual world that is very helpful in providing every information by click of a button and also very user friendly. Internet, as a source of information, is a boon for people. It provides anything and everything without having to go out and explore. By saying this, I completely disagree with the author and feel that the advantages outweigh the drawbacks.

Let’s discuss a few benefits of internet, especially when it comes to knowing some information. Internet is one of the reasons as to why the number of travelers has increased drastically. It helps to know the other parts of the world in minutest detail possible thereby helping everyone know about the place even before travel. This can be corroborated by the recent study done by Indian Tourism Ministry, which states that without internet the number of tourist visiting India would have been reduced by 50%.

To illustrate more benefits – if anyone wants to know how to cook something, there are hundreds and thousands of websites that come up to help. It also helps in locating any address, in knowing what’s happening in other parts of the world etc. For example: I wanted to know which type of A/C to buy that will suit my budget. Internet was quite helpful and made me buy the exact brand with appropriate features. Without internet, it would have been a herculean task to know and compare details.

In conclusion, though there are umpteen a number of benefits, internet has some disadvantages too. Hence it is prone to providing some sensitive information like how to make bombs, how to hack another system and also provides schematics of the government buildings thereby facilitating some terrorist activities. I reckon, this can be easily controlled by the Cyber Crime Branch and make these sensitive information pass through various layers of check and approvals before making it available.