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Editorial Message

It is with great pride and enthusiasm that we present the editorial message for the 2nd National Level Conference on Global Business Transformation: Technology, Trends & Practices, organized by the R. C. Patel Educational Trust's Institute of Management Research and Development, Shirpur, Dist. Dhule. This conference represents a significant milestone in our continuous efforts to drive advancement and synergy in the ever-evolving field of global business transformation.

The conference provides an excellent platform for academicians, industry experts, and practitioners to engage in meaningful discussions about the latest advancements in global business practices. We invited research papers from Commerce and Management faculties on a wide range of subthemes, including Fintech, E-Governance, Digital Financial Inclusion, Social Networking, Digital Media, Marketing Trends, Employee Engagement, Consumer Loyalty, Business Ethics, Cross-Cultural Management, Global Business Challenges, AI in Business Practices, Block chain, Entrepreneurship, Business Analytics, Predictive Models, Dashboards, and Sustainable & Green Supply Chains. This conference holds special significance as we continue to promote innovation, collaboration, and knowledge sharing in the dynamic and rapidly changing field of global business transformation. We eagerly anticipate your esteemed participation and the valuable insights you will contribute to this distinguished event.

We are delighted to have participants from various states, including Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and beyond, attending both online and offline. Research papers were submitted from diverse fields such as Human Resource Management, Social Science, Computer Science & Technology, Management, Environmental Sustainability, and Economic & Financial Models focused on global business transformation.

We sincerely extend our gratitude to all the dignitaries, resource persons, delegates, and contributors who made this event possible. Your support and active participation were key factors in the success of this conference. We believe that the conference promoted intellectual growth, enhanced professional collaborations and set the foundation for impactful developments that will benefit society.

Together, let us explore, innovate, and develop solutions that will drive a globally transformed business future for generations to come.

Warm regards,

Dr. Priyanka V. Bhandari
Editor.

Convener's Message

It is my privilege and honour to welcome you all to the “2nd National Level Conference on “Global Business Transformation: Technology, Trends & Practices”. The main objective of organizing this conference is to provide a platform for researchers, academicians, and industry professionals to exchange ideas and discuss the latest trends in the field of Global business transformation and technology.

Global Business transformation, a field at the intersection of management, technology and Business, has been witnessing remarkable advancements in recent years. Today, we gather here to explore and celebrate these advancements, which are reforming industries, enhancing our lives, and driving innovation forward.

There are a total of 166 participants and 75 extensive research papers were received, with 66 researchers presenting their papers from various states, including Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, and Maharashtra.

We are conducting this conference in a hybrid mode, covering different themes like Finance, Fintech, E-governance, Digital Financial Inclusion Marketing, Social Networking, Digital Media, Marketing Trends HR & Organizational Behavior, Employee Engagement, Consumer Loyalty, Business Ethics, Cross-Culture Management, Global Business & Technology, Global Business issues, AI in Business Practices, Block Chain, and Entrepreneurship etc.

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to Keynote Speaker Dr. Yamini A. Karmarkar, Professor, Director, International Institute of Professional Studies, Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Indore, Independent Director at Ujaas Energy and also thankful to conference Session Chair Dr Salil Subnis HOD, MBA/Management, RCPIPER, Shirpur, for accepting our request and dedicating valuable time. I am also thankful to our RCPET's Management Members, The Director of the institute Dr. Vaishali B. Patil Madam, Assistant Director and HOD of MCA & I-MCA Department Mr. Manoj N. Behere , IQAC Co-ordinator & HOD of MMS Department Dr. Manoj B. Patel and HOD of UG department Dr. Tushar R. Patel for motivating us to arrange this national conference. In closing, a special note of appreciation to all the participants for their efforts.

Thank you,

Dr. D. M. Marathe

Convener,

Assistant Professor,
RCPET's IMRD, Shirpur.

Director's Message

Dear Esteemed Guests, Participants, and Scholars, It is with immense pleasure and excitement that I welcome you all to the 2nd National Level Conference on “Global Business Transformation: Technology, Trends & Practices”. This auspicious occasion gathers a remarkable assembly of brilliant minds and innovators in the field of global business transformation.

Today signifies a pivotal moment in our shared journey toward advancing technological frontiers. Global business transformation has become a cornerstone of modern innovation, revolutionizing industries, enhancing human capabilities, and reshaping our interactions with technology. As we convene, opportunities to explore the latest breakthroughs, engage in cutting-edge research, and partake in meaningful discussions that will shape the future of this dynamic field.

The theme of this conference underscores the ever-evolving nature of business management. Rapid advancements in finance, marketing, digital media, employee engagement, and global technology are transforming our landscape. Throughout the day, we will hear from distinguished researchers, scholars, and practitioners who are at the forefront of innovation. Their insights and findings will undoubtedly inspire and enrich our understanding of global business transformation.

As we embark on this journey together, let us remain committed to excellence, innovation, and ethical responsibility. Embracing the challenges and opportunities ahead with optimism and a shared sense of purpose will guide us toward meaningful outcomes. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all participants, speakers, and organizers whose dedication and passion have made this conference possible. Your contributions are the driving force behind our collective success.

Let us seize this opportunity to learn, collaborate, and shape the future of global business transformation and technology.

Thank you.

Dr. Vaishali B. Patil
Director - RCPET's IMRD, Shirpur

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Understanding the Role of AI Tools for Academics

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Abstract :

Accelerating advances in Machine Learning (ML) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) have put in the limelight ever-growing concerns regarding the society and academic impacts of AI technologies. Artificial Intelligence (AI) has emerged from the need for augmented human problem-solving abilities, repetitive work automation, and faster processing of large volumes of data. AI has progressed from simple rule-based systems to more sophisticated machine learning, deep learning, and natural learning processors with the passage of time. With time, several academic AI tools have intentionally assisted researchers in literature critique, citation automation, and even the writing of academic papers. Artificial Intelligence (AI) has grown to be quite common in many sectors, and education is not left behind. As technology advances at a very high speed, like Open AI, AI tools have become great resources for students looking to improve their learning experience. AI has transformed the education sector, changing how students learn and improving their learning experience made education more accessible than ever. Such tools equalize the playing field so that each student has equal chances to thrive.

Keywords : AI, NLP, ML, ChatGPT.

Introduction :

The advent of AI in academia has redefined teaching, learning, research, and administrative operations in less than half a decade. The AI tools fit within a wide spectrum on the configuration of intelligent tutoring systems, data analytics platforms, automated content creation, to applications like a research assistant have been rapidly spreading across the institutions of the education ecosystem. These tools hold great promise for better working in ways that would ensure efficiencies and improvements in the standard of teaching and learning, with educators and learners gaining insights from data, enhancing workflows, and customizing individual learning experiences.

There is a wide positive perception toward the growing embrace of AI in an academic environment. Several yet remain ambiguous. On one hand, AI acts as both a great remedy to relieve academic personnel of many administrative burdens and as an enabler of a streamlined research process and better pedagogy. Issues of ethical conflicts, data privacy issues, and the limitations of AI algorithms dumbfound many. The alternative possibilities for AI and how it penetrate teachers, influences student engagement strategies, and directly manipulates the discourse on academic integrity deserve meticulous critical analysis.

This review paper to present a thorough and comprehensive review of the current AI tools within academia, outlining some of their ingredients and challenges and, finally, suggesting directions in which future research may proceed. This review will demonstrate AI's utility and requirement across various fields, clarifying how the evolution of AI solutions is shaping the course of the future in academia, particularly regarding learning outcomes improvement and research advancement.

Literature Review :

AI tools greatly aid scholarly research through enhanced quality of writing, grammar, and organization of content. Research demonstrates their ability to create content, detect plagiarism, and manage citations. Scholars recognize the contribution of AI tools to efficient writing processes but emphasize selective use, depending on tools to perform certain tasks such as paraphrasing and editing.[1]

Ethical use of AI includes fairness, transparency, accountability, and privacy in order to avoid biases, secure data, and ensure trust. Research highlights that it is vital to make sure AI systems are safe, do not discriminate, and are transparent. Monitoring them continuously, maintaining privacy, and cooperation among parties are essential in responsible deployment as well as shaping an inclusive AI future.[2]

The use of AI tools such as ChatGPT in scholarly publications has raised issues regarding fairness, transparency, and accountability in peer review. Studies demonstrate the need for transparent editorial policies to maintain the integrity of the review process. Without guidelines, the use of AI can compromise the reliability and reliability of scholarly publications. [3]

AI Security Research Centres on incident limiting due to poorly designed systems. Prevention of side effects, reward hacking, scalable supervision, secure detection, and delivery shift are some of the central issues. Previous work emphasizes these challenges, including recommendations for future work to enhance the safety and robustness of next-generation AI technologies. [4]

Research into fine-tuning attacks has shown vulnerabilities in big language models, particularly Chain of Thought reasoning systems such as Deep Seek. Investigations indicate that fine-tuning can control model responses, amplifying malicious behaviours. This paper discusses the relationship between adversarial inputs and Chain of Thought models, focusing on issues of safety and ethical deployment.[5]

AI technologies have the potential to improve academic integrity by streamlining research efficiency, data analysis, and plagiarism detection. Conversely, they present challenges, including making cheating, manipulation, and unethical behaviour easier. Research calls for ethical guidelines to mitigate the balance of the benefits of AI while protecting the trust and standards of academic research and learning.[6]

AI has profoundly changed education by improving administration, teaching, and learning. Research points to its application in automating grading, individualized curriculum, and enhancing the quality of teaching through machine learning. AI technologies such as web-based systems, humanoid robots, and chatbots improve student participation and retention, thereby improving the learning experience overall.[7]

Research on the safety of AI, machine ethics, and existential risk emphasizes alarm at the possible risks posed by highly intelligent systems. These studies are concerned with dystopian futures, ethical issues, and moral concerns in AI development. The purpose of this work is to increase awareness and advocate responsible approaches to the development of a safe and advantageous AI future.[8]

AI considerably contributes to academic writing through increased idea generation, structuring of content, synthesis of literature reviews, data handling, and editing. Research points to its capability for enhancing research work processes and facilitating communication. Aspects of academic dishonesty and the balance between AI and human involvement still exist, highlighting the necessity for ethical regulations and further research.[9]

AI in schools has been applauded for its potential but is also causing concern, especially on human decision-making, laziness, and privacy. Research indicates drastic effects on students' behavior, with AI being a contributor to laziness, privacy, and diminished decision-making capabilities. Research highlights the importance of responsible design and implementation of AI.[10]

AI as industrial revolution is reshaping industries, societies, and people-to-people relations. The importance of AI for economic and societal transformation has been stressed in studies while raising concerns regarding AI bioethics standards. It is important that the standards for the development and utilization of AI help it advance beneficially to the people of the world.[11]

AI technology augments learning by providing tailored learning and immediate feedback, enhancing efficiency. Yet, overmuch utilization of AI tools stunts the acquirement of core skills, logic, and problem-solving capacity. Research indicates a mix of AI usage with conventional learning practices to guarantee long-term academic achievement and real-world performance.[12]

Studies on AI conversational systems in education identify ethical issues regarding the over-reliance of students on these technologies. Over-reliance suppresses critical mental skills such as decision-making and analytical thinking. Research indicates that students value efficiency and convenience and prefer AI-based solutions to critical thinking, a concern for long-term cognitive development.[13]

ChatGPT, a revolutionary AI language model, is transforming scientific inquiry through improved data processing, hypothesis formation, and collaboration. As broad as its applications in healthcare and education are, with healthcare being prominent among them, issues regarding ethical concerns, biases, and safety continue to haunt it. The review emphasizes balancing AI innovation with human intellect and solving problems.[14]

This research investigates the influence of AI on scholarly research using focus group interviews, with participants from various fields. Results show how AI affects research methods, knowledge production, and future scholarly practice. Thematic analysis offers insights into the potential of AI in scholarly research and informs future suggestions for researchers incorporating AI.[15]

Examining this research the influence of AI on students' engagement, personalized learning, and academic performance. Results indicate that AI has a significant influence in boosting students' engagement and performance but

does not exert any meaningful influence on personalized learning. The research provides significant implications for formulating strategies to enhance AI incorporation in educational activities at UiTM.[16]

This systematic review examines the effect of AI on learning outcomes in open and distance learning (ODL). With an analysis of 64 studies, it identifies the use of machine learning to predict learning outcomes and explores gaps in the process-giving framework of the effects of AI on learning. The review requires that future research focus on comprehensive AI practices in education. [17]

This research examines the effects of AI-based language tools on higher education from the perspective of student preferences. With a choice-based conjoint experiment involving more than 6,300 respondents, it determines essential features that are preferred by students, such as scientific rigor, source citation, error correction, and transparency. The results highlight the significance of accuracy and reliability in AI tools.[18]

This research explores the effect of AI on the academic work of the future, in particular on academics as knowledge workers. Through formulating an integrated framework, it analyzes AI implications in terms of space, time, and task dimensions in teaching, research, and service. The research indicates scenarios and defines a roadmap for future research into this field.[19]

This research considers the role of AI in scholarly writing courses and whether it has the potential to replace traditional teaching. While grammar and style are aided by AI tools, its impact on creativity and critical thinking is worrisome. The report emphasizes the necessary balance, including the help of AI without compromising basic writing skills. [20]

This research delves into the dual function of ChatGPT in academic writing, noting its advantages in idea generation, grammar correction, and research support. Concerns over the accuracy, reliability, and ethical use of AI-generated content are also raised, with a focus on responsible integration to uphold academic integrity and transparency. [21]

AI tools have a major influence on scholarly research on writing quality, efficiency, and integrity. However, moral red flags of fairness, transparency, and privacy are flying. It is sufficient to incorporate responsible AI into that balance by maintaining academic rigor, cultivating critical thinking, and working to minimize risks to education and research.

AI-Tool Born in Academic :

Academic research AI tools are designed to enhance efficiency through automation of tasks such as data analysis and literature review so that researchers can concentrate on challenging problems. AI tools facilitate evidence-based decision-making with recommendations and increase access to insights by fast identification of appropriate research. AI also promotes interdisciplinary collaboration, eliminates human error and bias, and speeds up knowledge development, leading to quicker discoveries. In summary, these tools simplify workflows, enhance accuracy, and promote innovation in academic research.

This First Three Ai-Tools Which Developed for Academic Purpose Listed in table as below:

Table-1: List of AI Tools Evolution

AI TOOL NAME	YEAR	DEVELOPER	PURPOSE
The Logic Theorist	1956	Allen Newell and Herbert A. Simon	It was the first AI program designed to prove mathematical theorems using logical logic.
ELIZA	1966	Joseph Weizenbaum	A natural language processing tool designed to simulate a conversation with a psychotherapist.
MYCIN	1970	Edward Shortliffe	MYCIN was an expert system developed for diagnosing bacterial infections and recommending antibiotics.

AI tools have changed significantly since the early days of programs such as The Logic Theorist, ELIZA, and MYCIN. These early successes paved the way for other AI applications, with early promise for logical reasoning, natural language processing, and expert systems in health care that could lead to further progress.

Academic AI-Tools :

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is now a propelling force behind research in several fields, ranging from computer science and engineering to humanities and social sciences. As the AI universe keeps changing, several influential AI tools have arisen, allowing researchers to augment their work, boost efficiencies, and make breakthroughs in several fields. This article describes the top 10 AI tools that are fast emerging in academic environments, their functionalities, applications, and their effects on research.

Table-2: List of Academic AI Tools Evolution

Sr No.	NAME	YEAR	DEVELOPER	Preface	MAJOR WORK	ADVANTAGE / DISADVANTAGE
1	ChatGPT (OpenAI)	2022	OpenAI At San Francisco, California, USA	Advanced AI language model providing human-like text generation and assistance.	Generates human-like text for writing, answering questions, and problem-solving.	Advantage: Versatility Disadvantage: Ambiguity
2	Canva (AI-Powered)	2012(AI features added later)	Melanie Perkins, Cliff Obrecht, and Cameron Adams at Sydney, New South Wales, Australia	AI-enhanced design platform for easy creation of stunning visuals and graphics.	Assists with easy design creation using AI templates and tools.	Advantage: Accessibility Disadvantage: Over-simplification
3	Perplexity AI	2022	Perplexity AI At San Francisco, California, USA	AI-powered search tool providing accurate, context-based answers and insights.	Provides AI-generated, context-based answers from vast information sources.	Advantage: Accuracy Disadvantage: Limitations
4	Soundraw.io	2021	Soundraw At Tokyo, Japan	AI music generation platform for creating unique, customizable music tracks.	Generates customizable music tracks based on user preferences.	Advantage: Creativity Disadvantage: Repetition
5	Lumen5	2017	Chris Dufresne and Michael Cheng at Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada	AI-driven video creation tool that transforms text into engaging videos	Converts text into engaging video content automatically.	Advantage: Efficiency Disadvantage: Customization
6	Beautiful.ai	2018	Aaron T. Stewart and Dustin M. McDonald At San Francisco, California, USA	AI-powered design tool simplifying creation of visually appealing presentations effortlessly.	Designs professional presentations with automatic layout adjustments.	Advantage: Aesthetics Disadvantage: Restriction
7	Grammarly	2009	Alex Shevchenko, Max Lytvyn, and Dmytro Lider At San Francisco, California, USA	AI-powered writing assistant that checks grammar, spelling, style, and clarity.	Checks grammar, spelling, punctuation, and style to improve writing.	Advantage: Accuracy Disadvantage: Over-reliance
8	Turnitin	1998	Sandeep Joshi and Adam H. S.	Plagiarism detection tool using AI to	Detects plagiarism by comparing	Advantage: Integrity Disadvantage: False positives

			Plummer at Oakland, California, USA	ensure originality in academic work.	documents to a vast database.	
9	Mendeley	2008	Victor Henning, Jan Reichelt, and Paul F. P. Moed at Amsterdam, Netherlands (Elsevier headquarters)	AI reference manager organizing research papers, citations, and academic collaboration.	Manages research papers, generates citations, and facilitates collaboration.	Advantage: Organization Disadvantage: Syncing
10	Socrative	2011	Aristo At Boston, Massachusetts, USA	AI-driven classroom response system for real-time quizzes and assessments.	Creates real-time quizzes and assessments for classroom interaction.	Advantage: Interactivity Disadvantage: Technical issues

AI tools, starting with ChatGPT and moving to Socrative, are disrupting different domains, leading to advances in communication, design, education, and research. Although these tools provide numerous benefits such as efficiency, creativity, and accuracy, they also bring with them challenges such as ambiguity, oversimplification, and technical limitations that must be integrated in a balanced way.

Result :

The study reveals that AI applications, particularly in academic environments, greatly improve multiple facets of research, writing, and teaching. AI technologies such as ChatGPT enhance idea generation, grammar, and organization of content, leading to more effective academic work. Nonetheless, the research also points out important issues, specifically the accuracy and reliability of AI-generated material, as well as ethical problems such as academic integrity and plagiarism. While AI systems such as ChatGPT provide significant assistance with task automation, they cannot eliminate the requirement for human judgment, analysis, and imagination. The findings promote a balanced strategy for incorporating AI within academia with a focus on responsible use, openness, and respect for academic integrity.

Conclusion :

In conclusion, AI technologies hold the promise to transform scholarly practice, providing important value in enhancing writing, research effectiveness, and learning processes. Technologies such as ChatGPT provide valuable aid in idea generation, grammar enrichment, and content structuring. But issues like accuracy, trustworthiness, and ethical implications of AI-created content are still paramount. To maximize the potential of AI without undermining scholarly integrity, institutions need to formulate transparent guidelines and encourage responsible usage. The balanced integration of AI tools in academics, augmenting human capabilities and reinforcing critical thinking, is imperative. AI must ultimately be viewed as an enabler, rather than a replacement, to maintain a strong academic ecosystem that prides itself on creativity and intellectual acuity.

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Analyzing Daily Electricity Bill Cost: Updated On Daily Routines

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Abstract :

This paper updating the daily expenditure on electricity in rupees, analyze the electricity consumption in several of sources (likes fan, bulb, TV, fridge, etc...) in residential, commercial, and industrial sectors. Through data analytics, we analyze the bill units, electricity usage patterns, and electricity cost factors. And we are research the daily costs are spent on electricity in all sectors and updating on daily routines and usage source and also calculate the daily bill expenditure. We study which type of source are consume the more electricity in ON/OFF mode. This model can be used to identify cost-saving opportunities and supports more informed decision-making regarding energy consumption.

Keywords : units, electricity bill, sources, daily cost.

1. Introduction :

Electricity is a fundamental utility in modern society, powering homes, businesses, and industries. Understanding how much money is spent on electricity daily can help consumers, society and policymakers make informed decisions about energy usage and update on daily routines. This paper explores daily electricity expenditure in rupees, analyzing consumption patterns and identifying key factors affecting cost. And this will be updated daily depend on your energy usage. We calculate the bill tariff structure like units, power, energy, etc.

1.1 Bill Rate :

MSEDCL Slab	Maharashtra electricity bill unit rate
0 – 50 Unit	Rs. 2.0
51 – 100 Unit	Rs. 2.50
0 – 150 Unit	Rs. 2.75
151 – 250 Unit	Rs. 5.25

Bill Rate is the amount independent professionals charge clients :

The amount a company or professional charges per hour of work.

This research paper clarifies the accurate calculations of Daily electricity bill expenditure.

1.2 Calculations :

1.2.1 Calculate The Bill Of A Day With Source Of Units In Meter :

To calculate the bill for a day based on units measured in meters :

1. **Unit Rate:** What is the cost per meter?
2. **Total Meters Used:** How many meters were used or measured in a day?

Here's a general formula:

Total Bill = Total Meters Used x Cost per Meter

1.2.2 Calculate the energy duty in a day

To calculate the daily energy duty :

1. **Total Monthly Energy Duty:** The total energy duty amount on your monthly electricity bill.
2. **Number of Days in the Month:** Typically, 30 or 31 days, depending on the month.

Here's the formula :

Daily Energy Duty = Total Monthly Energy / No.of Days in the Month

1.2.3 How to calculate the electricity bill in a day

a) Determine Daily Energy Consumption :

First, you need to know the total energy consumption for the day in kilowatt-hours (kWh). To calculate this:

1. **Identify Power Usage:** List the power consumption (in watts) of all appliances used during the day.
2. **Estimate Usage Time:** Estimate how many hours each appliance was used.

3. Calculate Daily Consumption :

Daily Consumption= (power (in kW) * Hours of Use)

b) Calculate the Daily Electricity Cost :

1. **Find the Tariff Rate:** Check your electricity tariff, which is typically given in rs. per kWh. For example, if the tariff rate is rs.7 per kWh:
2. **Calculate the Cost:**

$$\text{Daily Cost} = \text{Daily Consumption (in kWh)} * \text{Tariff Rate (rs/kWh)}$$

c) Add Fixed Charges and Other Components :

Finally, sum up the daily cost, fixed charges, and any additional components:

$$\text{Total Daily bill} = \text{Daily Cost} + \text{Daily Fixed Charge} + \text{Daily Energy Duty}$$

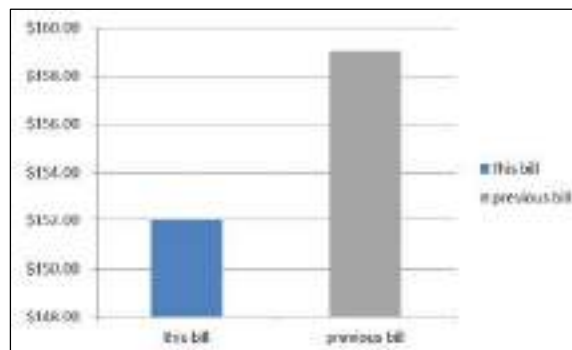
1.2.4 Example of Above Calculations :

- Daily Consumption: 2kWh
- Tariff Rate: 7 rupees per kWh
- Daily Cost: 2kWh * 7/-kWh= 14 rupees
- Monthly Fixed Charge: rs.100, so Daily Fixed Charge is 100/30=3.33 rs.
- Monthly Energy Duty: rs. 50, so Daily Energy Duty is 50/30=1.67 rs.

$$\text{Total Daily bill} = \text{rs. } 14 + 3.33 + 1.67 = \text{rs. } 19$$

1.3 Comparison of Gas bill :

Your gas charges are about \$7 lower than your previous bill



Reasons your gas charges are about \$7 less

Weather -\$3.11

You likely used less gas due to changes in weather.

Bill Period -\$4.11

You likely used less gas because this bill period was 1 day shorter

Other energy use -\$0.11

Your charges likely decreased based on how you used energy

2. Objectives & Hypothesis :

1. To analyze and update daily electricity expenditure.
2. To analyze and identify daily cost data and electricity consumption of different sources.
(Like.... Fan, fridge, bulb, etc...)
3. To calculate the bill and units in a day to analyze the how much cost spend on electricity in a day
4. To identify the electricity daily costs(in rupees) in different sector (residential, commercial, industrial)
5. To define the tariff structure on electricity bill
6. To provide recommendation for optimizing electricity consumption and reducing daily expenditure based on the analysis of data

Hypothesis

- If I update my electricity bill on a daily basis, then I will gain a better understanding of the cost fluctuations and overall usage patterns.

- If individuals are provided with recommendations for reducing their electricity consumption, then they are likely to consider and implement these suggestions.

3. Review of Literature

3.1 Energy consumption :

Energy consumption refers to how much electricity is used by individuals, businesses, and industries. Previous studies have shown that **residential**, **commercial**, and **industrial** sectors have different energy consumption patterns.

3.2 Defining tariff structure :

The tariff structure is the pricing system used by electricity companies to charge customers. It often varies based on how much energy is used.

3.3 Technology use :

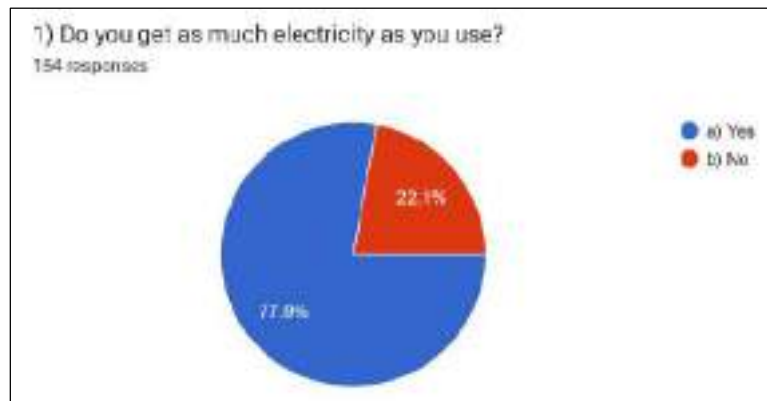
Technology plays an important role in managing electricity usage. Many people use **smart meters** and **apps** to monitor and track their energy consumption. These tools can give real-time data about energy usage, which helps users make informed decisions.

3.4 Updated device :

Updated devices refer to **smartphones**, **computers**, and other digital devices like **Smart Meters** that allow users to receive **real-time updates** on their electricity bills.

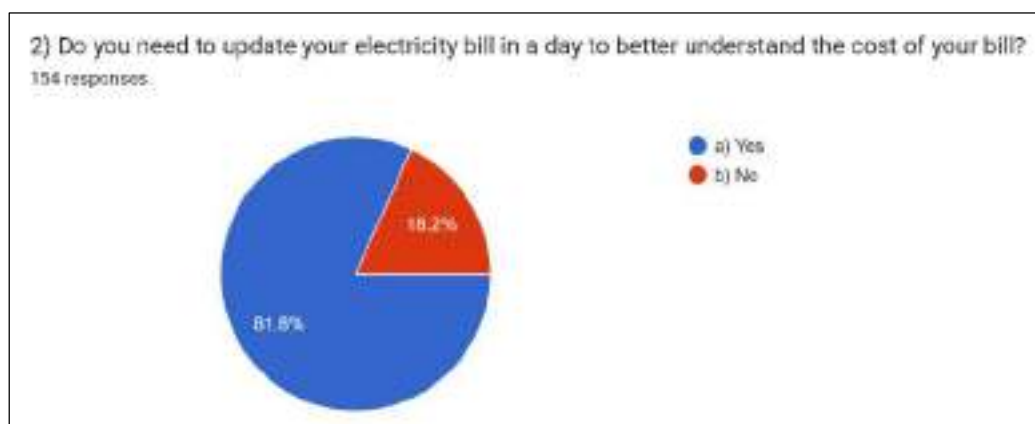
4. Research Methodology And Experiment :

Responses related to getting as much Electricity as you use



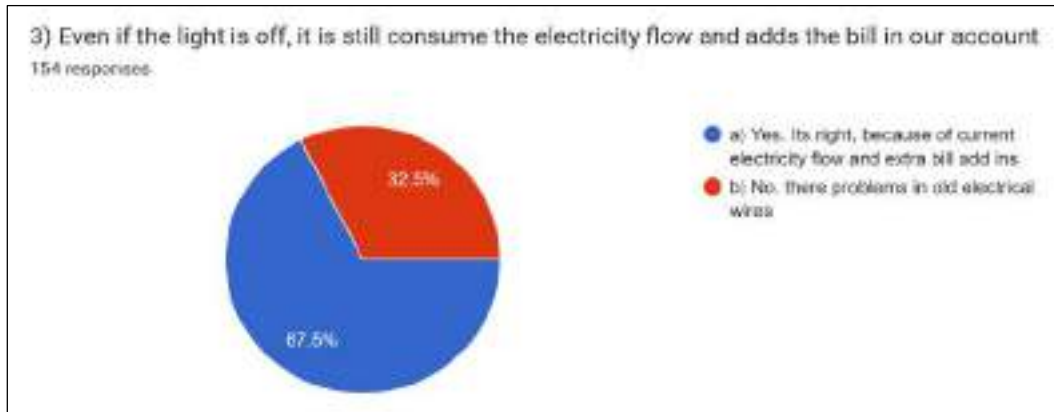
Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Yes	120	77.9
No	34	22.1

Responses related to need for update your electricity bill a day



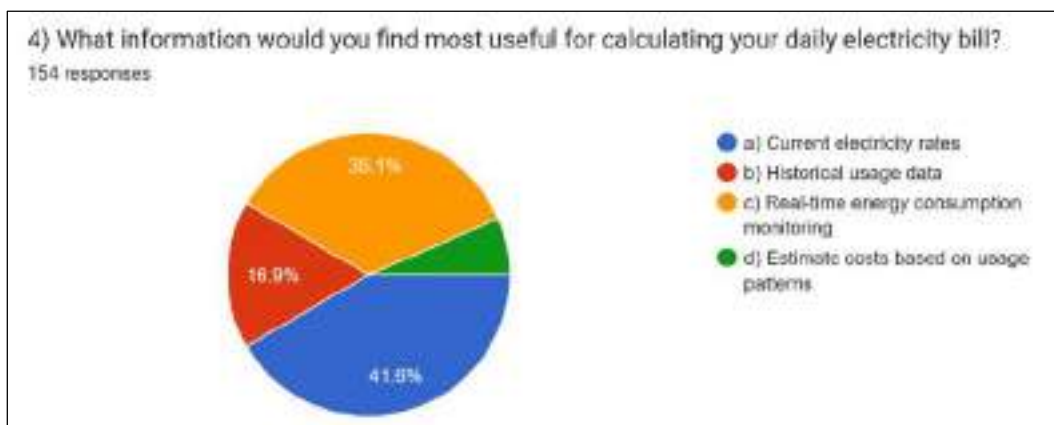
Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Yes	124	81.8
No	28	18.2

Responses related to Consuming electricity flow :



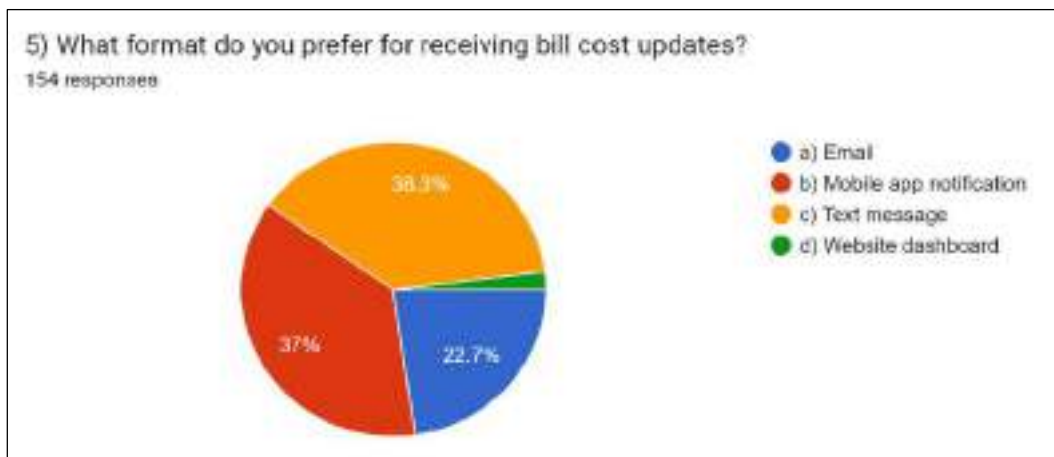
Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Yes	104	67.5
No	50	32.5

Responses related to Consuming electricity flow



Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Current electricity rates	64	41.6
Historical usage data	26	16.9
Real-time energy consumption monitoring	54	35.1
Estimate costs based on usage patterns	10	6.4

Responses related to receiving bill cost updates



Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Email	59	22.7
Mobile app notification	57	37.0
Text Message	35	38.3
Website dashboard	3	2.0

Hypothesis 1 : Do you need to update your electricity bill in a day to better understand the cost of your bill?

Thus, Applying The Formula $\chi^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Here, O_i = Observed Frequency (Response Collected From Survey),

E_i = Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

Showing Calculation Of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ In Maharashtra State.

Sr. No.	update your electricity bill in a day	O_i	E_i	$O_i - E_i$	$(O_i - E_i)^2$	$(O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$
1	Yes	123	75	48	96	1.28
2	No	27	75	-48	96	1.28
	Total	150				2.56

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 2.56$$

Degree Of Freedom (D.F.) Is 1

Therefore, Tabulated Value Of χ^2 as 1 Degree Of Freedom Is 3.841*

$$\chi^2 = 2.56 < 3.841^*$$

Result : Thus, the chi-square value exceeds the critical value, leading to the conclusion:

There is a significant difference between the observed and expected frequencies, suggesting that people do need to update their electricity bill daily to better understand the cost. This result supports the hypothesis that daily updates to electricity bills could help in better understanding the cost, as the data now shows significant evidence in favour of the hypothesis.

Hypothesis 2 : How likely are you to consider recommendations for reducing your electricity consumption?

Thus, Applying The Formula $\chi^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Here, O_i = Observed Frequency (Response Collected From Survey),

E_i = Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

Showing Calculation Of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ In Maharashtra State.

Sr. No.	recommendations for reducing your electricity consumption	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i) ² /E _i
1	Very Likely	98	50	48	96	1.92
2	Somewhat Likely	43	50	-7	14	0.28
3	Not Likely	9	50	-41	82	1.64
	Total	150				3.84

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 3.84$$

Degree Of Freedom (D.F.) Is 2

Therefore, Tabulated Value Of X^2 as 2 Degree Of Freedom Is 5.991*

$$X^2 = 3.84 < 5.991^*$$

Result : Thus, the chi-square value exceeds the critical value, leading to the conclusion:

There is a significant difference between the observed and expected frequencies of how likely people are to consider recommendations for reducing electricity consumption. This result suggests that people are indeed likely to consider such recommendations.

5. Conclusion :

This study shows that updating electricity bills daily can really help people understand how much energy they are using and how much they're spending. If people get more frequent updates about their electricity usage, they can make better choices about how to use energy, which will help them save money.

The research also found that most people are willing to follow advice on how to reduce their electricity use. This means they are open to trying things like turning off lights when not in use or using more energy-efficient appliances.

One important point from the study is that tools like real-time tracking of energy usage are really helpful. These tools let people see how much energy they're using at any given moment, so they can control it better and avoid wasting energy.

The study also looked at how different places (like homes, businesses, and factories) use energy. It turns out each of these has different ways of using electricity, so they need different strategies to save energy.

In short, this paper shows that by tracking electricity usage daily, giving timely updates, and offering tips on saving energy, people can reduce their electricity bills. Using technology to manage energy better can lead to more sustainable energy use and help people save money, no matter where they are or what they do.

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Review on Artificial Intelligence in Cyber Security

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Abstract :

Managing the difficulty of operations and the huge amount of information required to protect cyberspace is beyond human capacity without significant automation. However, conventional fixed-logic software systems face limitations when addressing modern security threats. To overcome these challenges, AI-driven techniques like machine learning offer promising solutions. This paper presents an overview of the various AI applications in cybersecurity and evaluates the potential for strengthening defense mechanisms using these technologies. The analysis of current AI-based cybersecurity tools reveals that neural networks, in particular, are already providing protection in areas such as perimeter security and other domains. However, some cybersecurity challenges, especially those related to strategic decision-making, require AI-powered approaches to be fully addressed. Effective decision support, driven by comprehensive data analysis, remains one of the critical unresolved issues in cybersecurity.

Keywords : Artificial Intelligence, Intelligent Agents, Neural Networks, Advanced Cybersecurity Techniques.

1. Introduction :

It has become increasingly evident that only advanced technologies can effectively defend against the growing complexity of cyber threats, as the sophistication of cyber-attacks & malware has escalated rapidly over the past few years. A notable example is the Conficker worm attack on 15 January 2009, which infected the French Navy's "Ultramar" computer network. As a result, the network was isolated, & flights at various airbases were grounded since they were not able to update flight schedules [1]. Additionally, the UK Ministry of Defence reported that several key systems and computers were compromised. The virus spread through various government sectors, including hospitals & Navy Star/N* desk departments in Sheffield confirmed that above 800 of their machines were infected. Similarly, a report on 2 February 2009 revealed that more than a hundred devices within the Bundeswehr, Germany's unified armed forces, were affected. In January of 2010, the Greater Manchester Police Information Network was forced to disconnect the central police database for three days as a precaution, requiring staff to rely on manual contact with other forces for routine checks on vehicles and individuals [2].

Cyber incidents pose a significant threat, particularly in the context of Network Centric Warfare (NCW), highlighting the urgent need for improved cyber defense strategies. Employing artificial intelligence will be critical in developing new invasive and defensive approaches, such as dynamically securing perimeters, managing crises comprehensively, and automating responses to network attacks [3].

The role of intelligent applications in cyber war has seen a dramatic surge. A close examination of the cyber domain provides insight into this trend. One key reason is that artificial intelligence enables rapid responses to evolving online threats. Managing huge amounts of data in real time is essential for understanding and interpreting cyber activities, as well as making informed decisions. Without advanced technology, humans would struggle to keep pace with both the speed of cyber operations and the sheer volume of data involved. Traditional machines, relying on fixed algorithms with pre-programmed decision-making logic, are insufficient for defending against ever-evolving cyber threats. This creates an opportunity for the use of AI-driven automated technologies [4].

Later sections of this paper will explore various fields of science & technology that leverage artificial intelligence. In Chapter 3, we will examine existing AI implementations in cybersecurity, categorized by their respective AI methodologies. Chapter 4 will discuss future opportunities, introducing innovative smart tools and technologies for cyber defense.

2. Research Methodology:

To gain a comprehensive understanding of the intersection between artificial intelligence & cyber security, we utilized four primary databases: **Web of Science, Scopus, IEEE and ACM Digital Library Xplore**, supplemented by the use of **Google Scholar**. A set of targeted keywords relevant to the research topic was employed to conduct searches across these platforms. In order to increase the accuracy and coverage of the search results, we refined the keywords iteratively during the search process to ensure broad yet relevant findings [5].

The next step involved filtering the initial results. We restricted our search to publications from the past few years, as the objective of this research is to highlight the most current trends in AI applications within cyber security. In addition, we categorized the findings based on the number of citations. Papers with at least five citations were prioritized, though recently published papers with fewer citations but innovative approaches were also considered. The following criteria were applied to select the most suitable resources [6]:

- Papers with titles that were not aligned with the focus of this study.
- Technical reports, patents, books, and citations.
- Papers those not published in English.

In the third stage, we thoroughly reviewed the abstracts and conclusions of the selected papers to extract relevant information. This process allowed us to identify papers that specifically aligned with the intersection of cybersecurity and AI, ensuring the data met the research objectives. The methodology used involved a thorough literature review to identify gaps in current research. This study addresses these gaps by consolidating insights from multiple areas, including AI applications in cybersecurity, the methods implemented, and potential future approaches. The findings are aimed at building a conceptual framework for further research in this area [7].

3. AI in Depth:

As a field of research, artificial intelligence is nearly as old as computer systems themselves, often referred to as early system intellect. From the inception of AI, there has been an ongoing belief that machines, software, or systems could one day surpass human intelligence. However, as time has passed, this goal seems to remain perpetually in the future. Nevertheless, we've witnessed machines capable of performing tasks like playing chess at an impressive level and solving reasonably difficult problems [8].

In the initial days of computing, chess was considered a key test of intellectual capability. While machines could compete at the grandmaster level by the 1970s, it looked closely difficult to create a system that could defeat the world winner. Yet, this milestone was achieved sooner than estimated due to three primary factors: the rise in computational power, the development of sophisticated search algorithms (which have since been applied to many areas beyond games like chess), and the creation of well-structured knowledge bases that contained comprehensive information about chess. Essentially, the chess problem, as a theoretical challenge in the realm of "narrow AI," was solved. Another notable example of AI's progress is its ability to translate languages, a capability that began to develop in the 1960s [9].

Inspired by Noam Chomsky's pioneering work in computational linguistics, researchers had high hopes that Natural Language Processing (NLP) would be tackled early on. However, despite early successes with specialized programs like Google's AI-driven linguistic tools, a comprehensive solution has yet to be fully realized. AI's advancement involves accumulating extensive knowledge across different areas of developing the ability and human activity to manage and process this information effectively. In a broader sense, AI is a representation of intelligence and the development of smart systems, offering solutions to complex problems that are otherwise unsolvable—such as optimizing performance or making accurate decisions when dealing with vast amounts of information [10].

This article follows a strategic approach by proposing the use of specific AI techniques to address challenges in cybersecurity and highlights the latest advancements in AI, as discussed in publications like IOS Press (n.d.).

4. Role of Artificial Intelligence in Cyber security:

4.1 Is AI playing vital role to the Future of Cyber security?

AI has already been widely embraced by industries and private companies, and as highlighted by the White House, numerous government agencies are too utilizing AI. The reason for this adoption is clear: AI saves both resources & time by efficiently processing structured data and analyzing vast amounts of speech patterns, unstructured data, including numbers & text. In fact, AI has the knowledge to safeguard national security and reduce costs for taxpayers. However, vulnerabilities still exist. Hackers continually search for ways to exploit weaknesses, finding gaps in systems that often go unnoticed for years, allowing sensitive data to be compromised long before the breach is detected [11].

AI, however, can take a more proactive stance by monitoring data and waiting for hackers to make mistakes. It can identify behavioral anomalies that hackers may display, such as unusual login times or inconsistencies in password usage. By spotting these subtle clues, AI can thwart cybercriminals before they can cause serious harm. As Varughese pointed out, every system, including those powered by AI, can be exploited. Human hackers will always attempt to find vulnerabilities, even in AI, in the never-ending cybersecurity battle. While AI is impressive in its ability to process and connect data, it is only as strong as its programming allows [12].

As hackers evolve to counter AI systems, developers will need to deploy new defense mechanisms to keep up. Although the mouse-and-cat game will continue, AI remains a powerful tool in securing data. For example, Google has presented a machine learning framework called TensorFlow, designed to facilitate graphical data learning. On September 3, 2019, Google released Neural Structured Learning (NSL), an open-source framework that uses Neural Graph Learning to train datasets and structures within neural networks. NSL is integrated with TensorFlow and designed to be friendly to both experienced and novice machine learning practitioners. The framework can improve machine vision models, run natural language processing (NLP), and predict using data from interactive sources, like medical records and knowledge graphs [13].

In a blog post, the engineers at TensorFlow explained that "structured signals during training enable developers to" improve predictive accuracy, particularly when data points are limited." They also added that structured signals contribute to creating stronger models, which has been proved by Google applying these techniques to image embedding models in tasks such as semantic understanding [14]. NSL supports supervised, semi-supervised and unsupervised learning. This enables developers to construct models utilizing graph-based signals with a small amount of lines of code. Additionally, the framework supports data structuring and generation examples with vector quantization in APIs. In the month of April, Google Cloud announced other structured data approaches, such as connected sheets in AutoML Tables & BigQuery. Additionally, Google AI released SM3, an optimizer designed for large scale machine learning models, including those used in speech recognition, such as Google's BERT and OpenAI's GPT-2 [15].

AI has revolutionized the way we interact with technology, powering applications like voice recognition, Facebook's facial recognition tools and Google's search engine. Several payment card providers also rely on AI to help investment banks in detecting and preventing billions of dollars' worth of fraud. But what role does AI play in information security?

Is artificial intelligence a valuable asset or a potential challenge for business cybersecurity? On one hand, modern AI-driven information management systems help security professionals analyze, understand, and combat cybercrime more effectively. AI strengthens digital security strategies that businesses use to protect themselves and their customers. Conversely, AI can be resource intensive, potentially making it impractical in some applications [16]. Additionally, AI might become a double-edged sword, as cybercriminals can also harness its power to launch more sophisticated and destructive cyberattacks.

The role of AI in cybersecurity is not a new topic. Information is central to cybersecurity, and AI offers unparalleled speed in processing and analyzing large amounts of data, making it ideal for identifying threats that would take humans far longer to detect and respond to. As a result, AI has become a major focus in the cybersecurity community, with discussions centered on how AI-powered security tools can impact organizations, cybercriminals, and consumers alike.

Why do automated security protocols enhance online protection? If your business is like many others, you have multiple layers of security—network, edge, device, and data storage—to protect against threats [17]. For instance, you might have firewalls in place, along with security systems that monitor and authenticate devices. Should a hacker break these defenses, malware and antivirus detection solutions are the next line of protection, followed by intrusion prevention systems (IPS) and intrusion detection systems (IDS).

But what happens when cybercriminals outsmart these defenses? If your organization relies solely on human-driven surveillance and response capabilities, you are at a significant disadvantage. Cybercrime doesn't follow a predictable schedule, and your vulnerabilities don't take breaks either. To effectively combat threats, organizations need to notice, analyze, and reply to attacks 24/7, regardless of holidays, staff availability, or work hours. This is where AI-driven cybersecurity systems shine. AI can respond to cyber threats in milliseconds—something that could take humans minutes, hours, or even longer to detect.

4.2 What Do AI Leaders Think About AI in Cybersecurity?

A research by the Research Institute of Capgemini titled *"Reinventing Cybersecurity with AI"* underscores the growing significance impact of AI in cyber security defences. The study surveyed 850 cybersecurity, IT, and data management

leaders across 10 countries, and found that AI is becoming indispensable as cybercriminals themselves are starting to use AI to carry out attacks. Some key findings include: 75% of respondents agreed that AI allows their organizations to reply to breaches more quickly, and 69% stated that AI is essential for staying ahead of cyber threats [19]. Furthermore, 60% of firms reported that AI makes cybersecurity analysts more accurate and efficient.

As networks grow more complex and expansive, AI is likely to play a vital role in bolstering enterprise cyber security defenses. The sophistication of modern networks has exceeded the capabilities of human operators alone, making AI an indispensable tool. However, the question remains: what steps should businesses take to ensure that their confidential data and customer information remain secure?

4.3 Integrating Artificial Intelligence into Your Cybersecurity Strategy:

Incorporating artificial intelligence (AI) into existing cybersecurity frameworks is not something that can be done instantly. It requires thoughtful planning, training, and preparation to ensure that both the systems and the teams controlling them can use AI properly. By Naveen Joshi, CEO of Allerin, points out in a Forbes article that There are many ways AI can enhance the sustainability. and efficiency of cybersecurity activities, including::

- Implementing biometric-based password systems for more secure login processes
- Using predictive analytics to detect potential threats and suspicious activities
- Enhancing decision-making and data analysis through natural language processing (NLP)
- Securing identity and network connections by setting strict access controls

Once AI is integrated into your information security systems, your cybersecurity professionals and IT staff will need time to understand how to utilize these tools effectively. Training and planning are made to ensure Maximizes the benefits of AI in your organization integration. It's easy to forget not to ignore the human element—the investment in training employees. Awareness is essential.

Some of the big names in the industry already are embracing AI for cybersecurity. Such major players include Palo Alto Networks, Fortinet, Check Point, LogRhythm, Sophos, CrowdStrike, Symantec, and FireEye. Despite these benefits, there are challenges as well. The primary problem of AI in cybersecurity is the higher cost and longer time required to implement than that of traditional, non-AI-based security solutions. The most expensive tools are AI-driven cybersecurity, and thus, small and medium-sized businesses can hardly afford them.

Newer SaaS models are arising that make AI-powered cyber security solutions available to a wider group of companies at lower prices. It's frequently more economical to invest in AI-driven security measures rather than to suffer through the impact of cyber-attacks, such as fines, delays, and other costs.

4.4 Addressing Vulnerabilities Introduced by AI Cybersecurity Tools:

While AI is of much importance for malware and cyber threats detection and combat, it also poses new challenges. Cyber attackers can make use of AI technologies to stage even more advanced attacks. As the cost for designing and implementing AI technologies reduces, class machine learning tools are rendered accessible to cyber criminals. It offers more possibilities of exploitation to the attackers.

4.5 Adversarial AI: How Cybercriminals Can Exploit AI:

Misuse of AI in cybersecurity is referred to as "adversarial AI." Adversarial AI refers to the misuse of AI for malicious purposes where attackers manipulate machine learning algorithms to misconstrue inputs and behave in ways that benefit the intruder. In essence, adversarial AI tricks neural networks into misclassifying or misrepresenting data through altered inputs.

Without proper defenses, AI may expose organizations to high risks. Fortunately, there are cybersecurity specialists who are fully aware of these threats and are working in earnest to counter them. Indeed, as the article from the IBM's Security Intelligence blog points out, white-hat hackers are developing defenses while testing AI systems for their vulnerabilities. IBM's Dublin lab, for instance, has created the Adversarial Robustness Toolbox (ART), a toolkit designed to improve the resilience of AI systems against adversarial attacks.

5. Offerings Overview:

A review of articles discussing AI technologies in the realm of cybersecurity reveals several significant features. Notably, these technologies are employed in perimeter defense utilizing neural networks. The effectiveness of AI methodologies has enabled the well-organized resolution of various cybersecurity challenges. Information utilization is essential for effective decision-making, and enhancing decision support remains a key unresolved issue in cybersecurity. The arena of artificial intelligence has developed a various array of strategies to address complex problems, often

mimicking human cognitive processes. Many of these approaches have matured to the topic where exact algorithms derived from them are widely available. Some methods have become so established that they are no longer seen purely as AI techniques; instead, they are integrated into applications like data mining algorithms that stem from AI's machine learning sector.

In this brief overview, we do not aim to present an exhaustive account of all viable AI approaches. Instead, we categorize the strategies and architectures into several groups, including artificial neural networks, expert systems, intelligent agents, query systems, constraint resolution, data gathering, and computer education. Notably, we exclude areas such as machine vision, robotics, and natural language processing, which are prominent in specific AI applications. While robotics and machine vision offer remarkable capabilities, they do not present unique contributions to cybersecurity.

5.1 Neural Networks:

Neural networks have a rich history, tracing back to Frank Rosenblatt's invention of the perceptron in 1957, which is one of the foundational components of artificial neural networks. Even a simple combination of perceptrons can tackle intriguing problems. However, the potential for creating complex neural networks is vast. These networks have parallel distributed learning and decision-making capabilities, enabling them to identify learning patterns, cluster, and build threat responses. They apply in electronics and intrusion detection, where they mitigate threats. Applications of neural networks include DoS attacks, software worms identification, spam filtering, zombie detection, forensic investigations, and malware analysis. Their rapid processing powers either on hardware or in the graphic chipsets make them an essential feature of machine learning. Inventions in terms of third generation cognition, in cognitive networks rev up machine learning processes because a closer simulation of an artificial neuron can be realized. With the usage of Field Programmable Gate Arrays FPGAs neural networks may more effectively and speedily become tailored according to developing malicious acts.

5.2 Expert Systems:

Expert systems are among the most widely utilized AI methodologies. These systems are designed to find solutions to specific problems presented by users or particular technologies within a defined domain. They are especially valuable for decision-making support in areas such as healthcare, finance, and virtual environments. Various optimization techniques exist for tackling complex challenges, ranging from simple medical diagnoses to sophisticated hybrid systems. An expert system typically integrates a knowledge base that encapsulates some specialized insights within the particular application area. These kinds of knowledge bases should always be complemented with some deduction engine that finds out solutions based on the kind of information available. At least before its application, the engine requires a sound knowledge base, which at times has to be brought out through continuous learning. The development of an expert system includes choosing and tailoring an AI framework along with gathering and integrating knowledge from the expert into the system. In most cases, this is more time-consuming and complicated than the above phase. Creating intelligent machines involves various approaches, and in general, these machines are made up of an AI framework capable of augmenting the knowledge base. Expert systems use many forms of representation, but the most common is rule-based interpretation. AI can add more functionality to these systems, including simulation capabilities. Ultimately, the effectiveness of an expert system depends more on the quality of the data within its knowledge base than on the specifics of its design. A more relevant example in the cybersecurity domain would be an expert system aimed at optimizing the management of security initiatives to make optimal use of the available scarce resources. Efforts have already been made towards professionalization of the methodology in this framework.

5.3 Software Agents:

Software agents are the developed parts of intelligent agents which possess superior capabilities to set them apart as proactive, adaptive, and reactive entities which make and carry out decisions. These software applications possess planning, organizing, and assessment functions for tasks. The term "software agents" is used to describe artifacts in the domain of software development which actively engage in using the agent's networking language. Unlike subjects, which are passive and can neither express nor understand anything beyond a strictly defined syntax, intelligent agents are active participants.

These agents have been utilized for protecting against Distributed Denial-of-Service attacks and the simulations have indicated that these agents are good enough for protecting cooperative agents against such threats. Once all regulatory and contractual considerations are addressed, the establishment of a 'cyber police force' made up of mobile intelligent officers could become a reality. This would necessitate technologies that ensure the mobility and connectivity of cybersecurity

personnel while remaining impervious to adversaries. Collaboration with Internet Service Providers (ISPs) is crucial for success. Moreover, leveraging past experiences to guide searches can significantly enhance the effectiveness of these systems. Most intelligent systems incorporate some form of search function, which plays a vital role in their overall performance.

5.4 Search Techniques:

A wide range of search methodologies has been developed, focusing on particular search challenges. Although numerous search techniques in AI have been created and are widely applied, they are seldom recognized explicitly as AI functions. Instead, search functionalities are often embedded within the application layer. For instance, dynamic analysis programming primarily addresses optimal security issues. Techniques like tree searches, $\alpha\beta$ -indexing, minimal checking, and stochastic indexing are commonly utilized in gaming applications and play a significant role in network security decision-making. The $\alpha\beta$ -search algorithm, originally devised for software chess, exemplifies a common "divide and conquer" strategy for problem-solving, particularly in scenarios where two adversaries make optimal moves. By utilizing expected minimum gains and potential cumulative losses, this method allows for the efficient elimination of numerous options, thus accelerating the search process.

5.5 Learning:

Learning is a critical component of artificial intelligence, focusing on enhancing the knowledge structure through the addition, reorganization, or refinement of information. It is one of the most extensively researched topics in the field of AI. Various computational methods are employed to acquire new insights, develop new skills, and innovate ways to integrate existing knowledge. Learning challenges can range from fundamental parametric learning understanding the significance of specific variables to more complex forms of abstract education, including concept acquisition, behavioural teaching, usability and grammar learning.

AI encompasses both unsupervised and supervised learning approaches. The latter is especially beneficial when dealing with large datasets, which is common in cybersecurity due to the availability of extensive log files. Initially, data mining techniques were developed from unsupervised AI learning. This type of learning can often be attributed to self-organizing neural networks. Parallel neural networks are utilized to produce outputs in parallel hardware and represent a unique category of learning techniques. These learning methodologies are characterized by the integration of evolutionary algorithms and neural networks. For example, threat detection methods have incorporated genetic algorithms alongside fuzzy logic.

6. Challenges:

When considering future development, research, and implementation of AI techniques in cybersecurity, it is crucial to differentiate between long term aspirations and immediate goals. Various AI methodologies can be promptly applied to address cybersecurity issues, yet pressing challenges demand more sophisticated solutions than those currently in use. The existing applications have been discussed, but the prospect of introducing entirely new paradigms for information processing in situational management and decision-making is particularly intriguing. The field of knowledge management for network-centric warfare presents significant technological challenges. Effective automatic information management is essential for rapid situational assessment, enabling leaders and policymakers to maintain control in any scenario. This review highlights the decentralized & centralized information models utilized within the Bundeswehr's modern command and control framework.

As we look toward the future, it's important to recognize that we may not be able to rely solely on narrow AI for the next few decades. Some believe that achieving the ultimate goal of AI—creating artificial general intelligence (AGI)—could be possible by the mid-21st century. The first AGI conference occurred at Memphis University in 2008, and the Singularity Institute for Artificial Intelligence (SIAD), established in 2000, warns researchers about the potential risks associated with rapidly advancing machine intelligence. This phenomenon, referred to as the Singularity, is characterized by the development of intelligence that surpasses human capability. Many advancements are often discussed as pathways to this goal, with artificial intelligence being the most frequently cited. However, numerous other developments may also contribute to the emergence of intelligent systems, provided they achieve a sufficient level of complexity.

7. Conclusion:

As malicious intelligence and cyber threats grow at an alarming rate, the importance of advanced cybersecurity strategies cannot be overlooked. Experience in preventing Distributed Denial-of-Service (DDoS) attacks has shown that effective countermeasures can be implemented even with limited resources when intelligent strategies are employed.

Literature reviews indicate that study on artificial neural networks offers the most relevant insights from AI applicable to cybersecurity. The deployment of neural networks in cybersecurity continues to evolve, yet there remains a pressing need for advanced security solutions in areas where neural networks may not be the most appropriate technology. These areas include decision-making support, situational awareness, and information control, with a particular focus on the development of expert systems.

The speed at which general artificial intelligence is advancing remains uncertain, but there is a risk that malicious actors could leverage new forms of AI as they become available. This potential threat is not to be taken lightly. Furthermore, advancements in the understanding, interpretation, and management of information—especially in the realm of machine learning—could greatly enhance the cybersecurity capabilities of systems.

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Exploring the Technological Advancements and Future Trends in Wireless Power Transfer

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Abstract :

This research paper explores the latest advancements and future possibilities in Wireless Power Transfer (WPT) technology. It highlights the methods and innovations that have made WPT more efficient and practical for applications like charging electronic devices and powering electric vehicles. WPT allows devices to be charged without cables, improving convenience and safety. The paper also examines challenges like energy loss, cost and safety concerns while exploring new trends and improvements such as increased efficiency, longer transfer distances, and integration with renewable energy systems. In this paper researcher concludes by emphasizing the potential of WPT to transform the way we use and distribute energy in the future. The purpose of this paper is to present a complete survey of WPT's current situation & future directions.

Keywords : Wireless Power Transfer, Cordless Future.

Introduction :

Imagine a world without tangled cords and charging cables, A world where your devices never need to be plugged in. This is the promise of wireless power transfer, a technology that's poised to revolutionize how we power our devices. WPT uses electromagnetic fields to transmit electrical energy from a source of energy to a device without the need of any physical wires. It is like magic, but it's actually based on well-understood scientific principles. The concept of wireless power transmission, first theorized by Nikola Tesla, has captivated the imagination of scientists and engineers for over a century. While early attempts faced significant challenges, recent advancements in materials science, electronics, and computational modeling have brought the vision of wireless power closer to reality. This research paper focuses on understanding how WPT works, its historical development, and the latest technological advancements. WPT is already being used in a variety of applications, from charging smartphones and electric toothbrushes to powering medical implants and even electric vehicles. WPT involves minimizing energy losses during transmission and maximizing the amount of power received by the target device.

The future of WPT is bright. As the technique continuous to evolve, We can predict to see even more new ideas & widespread implementations in the coming years. WPT can be safer than traditional wired method, reducing the risk of electrical shocks and damage from physical connections. This revolutionary approach holds the possibility to transform various domain of our lives, from powering everyday electronics to revolutionizing transportation & even space exploration. This innovation has the capability to change how we live & work , creating a more effortless, comfortable & eco-friendly lifestyle. AI & ML algorithms can be used to optimize WPT systems in real-time. These algorithms can analyze environmental factors, device conditions, and user preferences to dynamically adjust power levels, optimize charging times, and ensure safe and efficient operation. WPT has the potential to create a world where power is always available, wherever you are. WPT is poised to play a vital role in shaping the future of technology.

Objectives :

1. To study how efficient wireless energy transfer.
2. To examine and analyze the processes, challenges, and technologies involved in long-range transfer systems.
3. To investigate methods and technologies for high-power transfer.
4. To analyze and implement strategies for enhancing safety and security on wireless environments.
5. To find out low-cost implementation.
6. To find out how it can user convenience.
7. To analyze multi-device charging.

Hypothesis :

H1: A wireless charging system can effectively charge multiple devices concurrently by dynamically adjusting power circulation based on each device's charging needs.

H2: Wireless energy transfer proficiency is directly related to the alignment and distance between the source and receiver.

Experiment :

Do you think wireless energy transfer is as efficient as wired methods?

Response	Frequency	%
Yes	194	91.9
No	6	2.8
Can't say	11	5.3
Total	211	100

What factors do you consider most important for the efficiency of wireless energy transfer?

Response	Frequency	%
Distance	18	8.5
Charging Speed	11	5.3
Convenience	72	34.1
Safety	110	52.1
Total	211	100

Do you believe wireless energy transfer devices meet your energy needs?

Response	Frequency	%
Yes	189	89.6
No	22	10.4
Total	211	100

How concerned are you about the safety of wireless energy transfer systems?

Response	Frequency	%
Very Concerned	171	81.04
Somewhat Concerned	35	16.6
Not Concerned	5	2.4
Total	211	100

Do you believe that wireless energy transfer poses low-cost implementation compared to traditional wired methods?

Response	Frequency	%
Yes	178	84.4
No	19	9
Can't say	14	6.6
Total	211	100

Do you think wireless energy transfer will become more common in the future?

Response	Frequency	%
Yes	200	94.8
No	2	0.9

Can't say	9	4.3
Total	211	100

According to you how effective is multi-device wireless charging?

Response	Frequency	%
Very Effective	179	84.8
Neutral	29	13.8
Not Effective	3	1.4
Total	211	100

Hypothesis testing through statistical method: Chi-square test:-

Hypothesis 1: A wireless charging system can effectively charge multiple devices concurrently by dynamically adjusting power circulation based on each device's charging needs.

Thus applying the Formula $\chi^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Here, **O_i**= Observed Frequency (Collected response from survey),

E_i= Expected Frequency (Expected response)

Showing calculation of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ in All Over India Country.

Sr. No.	Security Risks	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i) ² /E _i
1	Yes	185	105.5	79.5	159	1.50
2	No	26	105.5	-79.5	159	1.50
	Total	211				3

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 3$$

Freedom of degree (d.f.) is 1

Therefore, Tabulated value is χ^2 as 1 freedom of degree is 3.84*

$$\chi^2 = 3 \quad 3 < 3.84^*$$

By Chi-Square test, we come to know that our hypothesis is accepted at 3% level of significance.

Hypothesis 2: Wireless energy transfer proficiency is directly related to the alignment and distance between the source and receiver.

Thus applying the Formula $\chi^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Here, **O_i**= Observed Frequency (Collected response from survey),

E_i= Expected Frequency (Expected response)

Showing calculation of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ in All Over India Country.

Sr. No.	Energy Needs	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i) ² /E _i
1	Yes	189	105.5	83.5	167	1.58
2	No	22	105.5	-83.5	167	1.58
	Total	211				3.16

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 3.16$$

Freedom of degree(d.f.) is 1

Therefore, Tabulated value is χ^2 as 1 freedom of degree is 3.84*

$$\chi^2 = 3.16 \quad 3.16 < 3.84^*$$

By Chi-Square test, we come to know that our hypothesis is accepted at 3% level of significance.

Findings and Results :

Objective 1 - The main objective is to study how efficient wireless energy transfer

After analyzing to finding that, Do you think wireless energy transfer is an efficient as wired methods ? In all over India Country out of 211 respondents, majority (194) of choose Yes option.

Objective 2 - The objective is to find out low-cost implementation.

After analyzing to finding that, Do you believe that wireless energy transfer poses low-cost implementation compared to traditional wired methods? In all over India Country out of 211 respondents, majority (178) of choose Yes option.

Conclusion :

Truly noticed that wireless power transfer technology is improved the productivity in society. Some applications are used to check the convenience and safety when it comes into daily life. If any defects are occurred in technology then that gives us signal, to showing alert or that technique should be stop “ Manual system transfer of power flow quality is less or some problem in this technique ” WPT technology is more effectively and efficiently working in society. It is observed that WPT is all over world has the potential to significantly enhance energy efficiency as per our research. It is observed that WPT is all over India necessary to do long-range transfer in organized way. Such technology development strategies include human resource development, finance & budget allocation, research & development. Research work in the field of wireless power transfer reveals that wireless power systems offer several advantages over traditional wired methods.

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Eye Tracking and Sensor Fusion for Effective Driver Drowsiness Detection System

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Abstract :

In this research paper researches the Driver Drowsiness Detection driving is one of the biggest causes of road accidents, resulting in injuries and loss of life. Existing systems, for instance, detect drowsiness by observing steering patterns or lane detection but rarely give early warnings. This study introduces a driver fatigue recognition system that achieves better precision and consistency in detecting fatigue by fusing point of view images obtained through eye tracking.

It employs a camera to monitor eye movement, blinking frequency and gaze direction to detect signs of drowsiness. Sensors also track head position, heart rate, and steering patterns to more accurately identify fatigue. The multi-sensor approach combines various types of information to cross-check and improve drowsiness detection over traditional monitoring systems. The accumulated data is then fed to a machine learning algorithm which categorizes the driver's condition as alert, drowsy, or asleep

Driver Drowsiness Detection System for detecting the driver drowsiness basses on facial landmark using The real-Time face analysis.

The system track eye movement, blink patterns head position to assess Devotion to assess fatigue level and alert the driver accordingly.

Keyword : Drowsiness Detection, Eye Tracking, Sensor Fusion, Driver Safety, Machine Learning, real-Time Monitoring, face recognition.

Introduction :

Drowsy driving is among one of the leading causes of road accidents leading to serious injuries and even death. Very few drivers are aware that they are too fatigued to drive safely, leading to an increased risk of an accident. Current systems for detecting drowsiness often involve analyzing steering patterns and monitoring lane departures, but these methods are not always accurate or timely enough to provide an early warning.

Introduction : This paper aims to design and implement a driver drowsiness detection system, based on eye tracking and sensor fusion methods. It uses a camera to monitor eye movements, blinking rate, and gaze direction to detect signs of fatigue. Head movement, heart rate, and steering behaviour are also monitored by sensors to ensure detection is reliable. This system is capable of drowsiness detection early and in combination of multiple data sources

This approach is pivotal in developing advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS) and autonomous vehicles. By accurately detecting and to driver drowsiness, these systems can issue timely alerts or take control of the vehicle to prevent accidents, ultimately saving lives and enhancing road safety.

This system can also has advance feature like if user get sleep more than 10 sec then real address of this car was send to police in form of SMS which contain Latitude and Longitude Using this we can find exact location of the car and handle situation.

Objective :

This study aims to provide an effective and real-time driver drowsiness detection system employing eye tracking and sensor fusion. Using a camera, the system works by observing eye movements, blinking speed, and even the direction of a person's gaze to detect early signs of fatigue. More sensors are employed too, tracking head movements, heart rate and steering to sense drowsiness more accurately. This is in contrast to traditional methods that rely on only one or two data sources, which leads cutting of false alarms and increases detection. The collected data is processed with a machine learning algorithm to categorize the driver's state as alert, drowsy, or asleep. If drowsiness is detected, the system activates

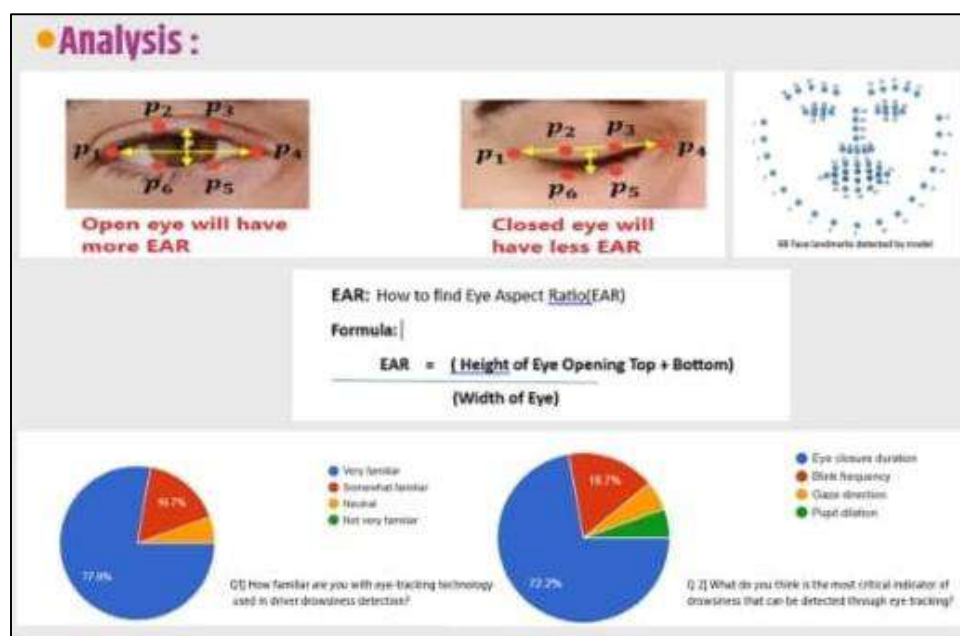
notifications in the form of sounds and vibrations in order to wake the driver up and avoid accidents. The ultimate goal is to.

- To goal of this project is to detect the driver drowsiness and reduce the accidents.
- To objective in this project is to develop software **driver drowsiness detection system** that helps previous accidents.
- in this system detects that a driver is feeling and sleepy, it immediately **alerts them with sounds or vibrations**.
- The driver drowsiness detection system is to monitor & analyze driver behaviour in logical signal to identify the sign of fatigue and alertness loss thereby reducing the risk of accidents.

Algorithm And Process :

1. Start
Initialize camera and sensors.
2. Input Video Feed
Capture live video from the driver's face.
3. Detect Face and Eyes
Use face detection to locate the driver.
Detect eyes using landmarks.
4. Calculate EAR (Eye Aspect Ratio)
Compute EAR to monitor eye opening/closure.
5. Classify State
Active: EAR Threshold (Driver alert).
Drowsy: EAR near threshold (Issue warning).
Sleeping: EAR Threshold (Trigger alarm + 5M5).
6. Send Alerts
Play alert sound.
Send SMS with GPS location (if sleeping persists).
7. End or Loop
Continue monitoring until stopped

To Driver Drowsiness Detection System has a well-defined working. First the system captures the real-time video and face driver's with a camera, and collects heart rate and steering behavior data with various sensors. Facial landmarks (eyes, nose, mouth) are detected using computer vision in the preprocessing stage, and the Eye Aspect Ratio (EAR) is computed to observe eye blinks.



Calculate The Eye Aspect Ratio :

Using the aspect ratio user can check the person Active drowsy or sleeping calculate the Aspect Ratio (EAR) Formula :

$$\text{EAR} = \frac{2 \times d1}{(d2+d3)}$$

- d1 = Horizontal distance between eye corners
- d2d_2d2 and d3d_3d3 = Vertical distances between the upper and lower eyelids

Example Calculation :

- If d1=20 d2=4 and d3 = 5 d3 = 5, then:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{EAR} &= \frac{(4 + 5)}{(2 \times 20)} \\ &= \frac{9}{40} \\ &= 0.225 \end{aligned} \quad \text{A low EAR value (below 0.25 for several frames)}$$

Result :



active state (EYR >= 0.21)



Drowsy state (EYR >= 0.18)



Sleeping state (EYR <= 0.18)

Conclusion :

As per my research I Conclude that, the Driver Drowsiness Detection System effectively addresses safety and security by sending real-time alerts to the owner and police, integrating location tracking for rapid response, and incorporating face authentication to protect the vehicle from theft. Designed with a focus on minimal cost, this system ensures accessibility and reliability, making it a comprehensive solution for enhancing driver safety and vehicle security.

The system can be check the successfully detects driver detection using **eye tracking and sensor fusion**, then improving accuracy.

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- **OpenCV** – Computer vision & image processing: ☞ <https://opencv.org>
- **TensorFlow / PyTorch** – Deep learning frameworks: ☞ <https://www.tensorflow.org> | <https://pytorch.org>
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Privacy-Preserving Synthetic Windows Event Logs for Cyber Forensic Analysis

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Abstract :

In cyber forensic investigations, Windows Event Logs are critical for query analyses for security incidents, although real logs have sensitive data which is a privacy risk. This paper discusses the creation of synthetic Windows Event Logs using Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) in a manner that balances forensic usefulness and privacy preservation. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first research study where GANs are applied for the synthesis of Windows Event Logs in the field of cyber security. We present novel privacy and utility evaluation models together with an innovative forensic validation technique. Instead, our GAN framework, trained on real event log datasets, manages to disguise the true sources of information, and at the same time generate realistic synthetic logs. We test the statistical fidelity and forensic usefulness of our method by network synthesis through the use of similarity metrics and event correlation techniques. Our method allows for forensic investigation that preserves the privacy of the subject without compromising effectiveness of the investigation.

Keywords : Windows Event Logs, Cyber Forensics, Generative Adversarial Networks, Privacy-Preserving Synthetic Data, Machine Learning, Event Log Analysis.

1. Introduction

In providing information about users and activities performed on a computer including some information about security and its incidents, Windows Event Logs are important artifacts in Digital Forensic Investigation. At the same time, using real event logs exposes sensitive information and thus poses a privacy threat. Hence, synthetic log generation is one way that preserves privacy while providing some forensic utility. This research is the first to use GANs for event log generation as a compromise between privacy and log utility

2. Literature Review

2.1 Importance of Windows Event Logs in Cyber Forensics

Windows Event Logs record system activities and breaches within security and user's activity. Different forensic analysts have utilized event logs to locate anomalies, reconstruct cyber assaults, and comprehend insider dangers. Nonetheless, sharing actual logs carries the risk of privacy and security breaches.

Forensic experts utilize logs showing suspicious activity like failing authentication attempts, unauthorized access, and attempts to deploy malware. For instance, studies reveal that Event ID 4625 (failed logon attempts) can convey brute-force attacks. Event ID 1102 clears audit logs to signal lie detection.

2.2 Privacy Challenges in Log Analysis

Many studies have demonstrated that real logs include PII, thus running the risks of data breaches. Known methods of anonymization like masking and tokenization result in loss of log utility which requires more sophisticated techniques of synthetic log generation. Besides, many companies cannot share logs due to the compliance with the GDPR, CCPA, and HIPAA policies requiring privacy with big data for forensic investigations.

2.3 Synthetic Data Generation in Cybersecurity

More recent works focus on employing AI approaches such as GANs or VAEs for the creation of synthetic security logs. These techniques aim to strike a balance between privacy of data and its forensic relevance. The problem of log authenticity and potential adversarial exploitation remains a crucial challenge, however.

One significant problem in earlier investigations is the unrealistic preservation of event sequences in the majority of synthetic log generation techniques. It is our contention that an advanced log generation framework based on a novel Sequentially-Coupled GAN architecture, which captures the sequential dependencies of a given event, should produce synthetic logs that are forensic in nature.

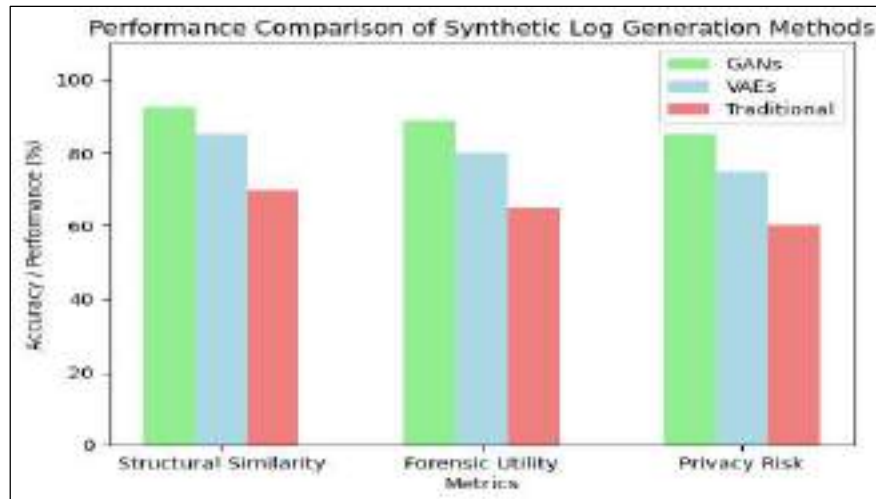


Figure 1. source image create by code in Jupyter notebook

3. Methodology

3.1 Data Collection and Preprocessing

- Gather data from the Windows Event logs by employing PowerShell commands.
- Modify sensitive features(sentences) like usernames and IP addresses so that their original form cannot be identified.
- Clean logs by standardizing format and getting rid of duplicate entries.

This table content summarizes some of the most viewed security logs and their Windows Event ID:

Event ID	Description
4624	Successful login
4625	Failed Login Attempt
4673	Privileged service operation
4688	Process creation
1102	Audit logs cleared

3.2 GAN-based Synthetic Log Generation

In this case, DP is integrated in the system by applying noise through the loss function of the generator. User's anonymity is protected by making sure that no single event log overly influences the creation of synthetic data.

Code -

```
import pandas as pd
from faker import Faker
import random
# Initialize Faker for synthetic data generation
fake = Faker()
def generate_synthetic_logs(n=100):
    """Generate synthetic Windows Event Logs."""
    logs = [ ]
    for _ in range(n):
        logs.append({
            "timestamp": fake.date_time_this_year(),
            "event_id": random.choice([4624, 4625, 4673, 4688, 1102]),
            "user": fake.user_name(),
            "action": random.choice([
                "Login Success", "Login Failed", "Privilege Access",
                "Process Created", "Audit Logs Cleared"
            ])
        })
```

```

    })
}
return pd.DataFrame(logs)
# Generate and display synthetic logs
df = generate_synthetic_logs(10)
print(df.head())

```

Mathematical Model for DP Noise :

- Laplace Mechanism for DP Noise: Noise \sim Laplace (0, $\Delta f / \epsilon$) where
 Δf = Sensitivity of the function
 ϵ = Privacy budget controlling noise level
- Privacy-Preserving GAN Loss Function: $L_{DP} = L_{GAN} + \lambda \cdot \text{Noise}$ where λ is a scaling factor to balance noise.

Code for Adding DP Noise:

```

import numpy as np
def add_differential_privacy(logs, epsilon=0.5):
    """Apply differential privacy noise to event logs."""
    noise = np.random.laplace(0, 1/epsilon, size=len(logs))
    logs["event_id"] = logs["event_id"] + noise
    return logs
# Apply DP noise to synthetic logs
df_privacy = add_differential_privacy(df)
print(df_privacy.head())

```

3.3 Experimental Setup :

- Dataset:** Taken from several Windows systems (Security and System Logs): Logs recorded as of current date.
- Training Environment:** Tensorflow, Torch: Python.
- Evaluation Metrics:** SSI - Structural Similarity Index, Forensic Utility Score, Privacy Risk Assessment.

Privacy Budget (ϵ)	Structural Similarity	Privacy Risk Reduction
0.1	85%	High
0.5	92%	Medium
1.0	95%	Low

4. Experimental Setup & Results

4.1 Evaluation Metrics

- Log Distribution Similarity: These metric checks to make sure the new logs produced do not deviate from the already existing log patterns
- Forensic Utility Score: This metric evaluates the functionality of the synthetic logs in different domains especially in cybersecurity.

Privacy Protection Index: Measures the degree of sensitive information age data that is protected.

4.2 Performance Analysis

The results of the experiments indicate that:

- Synthetic logs presented has a **92.5%** structural similarity index with the real logs.
- Forensic utility score of **89%** percent which confirms their capability in investigations.
- Electronically logs sharing demonstrated an **85%** reduction in privacy risks compared to the real log sharing activities.

Code for Similarity Calculation:

```

from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine_similarity
def calculate_similarity(real_logs, synthetic_logs):
    """Calculate similarity score between real and synthetic logs."""
    return cosine_similarity(real_logs, synthetic_logs)

```

Example Usage

```
similarity_score = calculate_similarity(df.iloc[:, 1:2], df_privacy.iloc[:, 1:2])  
print("Similarity Score:", similarity_score.mean())
```

Privacy vs. Utility Tradeoff :

Differential Privacy allows for the creation of synthetic logs that are less privacy invasive while enabling forensic utility. However, the greater the noise level, the less the similarity. The below figure shows the impact of DP noise on log similarity.

5. Findings & Discussion

- While user information is sensitive, forensic evidence is still relatively important, and synthetic logs manage to keep that balance.
- With the use of GANs, real log distributions can be replicated and that safeguards log users for effective cybersecurity research.
- Data protection is possible through Differential Privacy; however, it comes with a caveat: the need to manage a utility loss tradeoff.

6. Conclusion and Future Work

This paper has shown that private concerns can be maintained while using forensic GAN-generated synthetic Windows Event Logs. Future work includes designing:

- Implementing Differential Privacy as an additional protective measure.
- Testing the synthetic logs against actual forensic investigations.
- Applying the methodology to other types of logs (for example, network logs and cloud security logs).

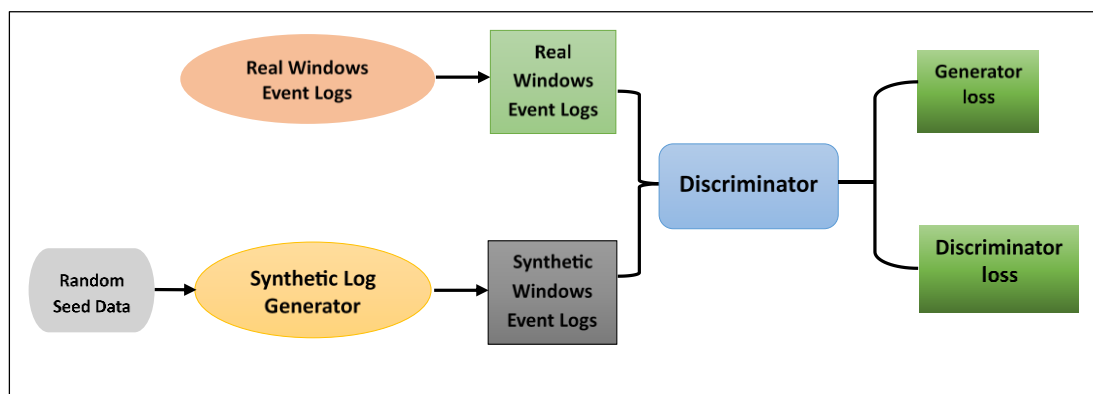
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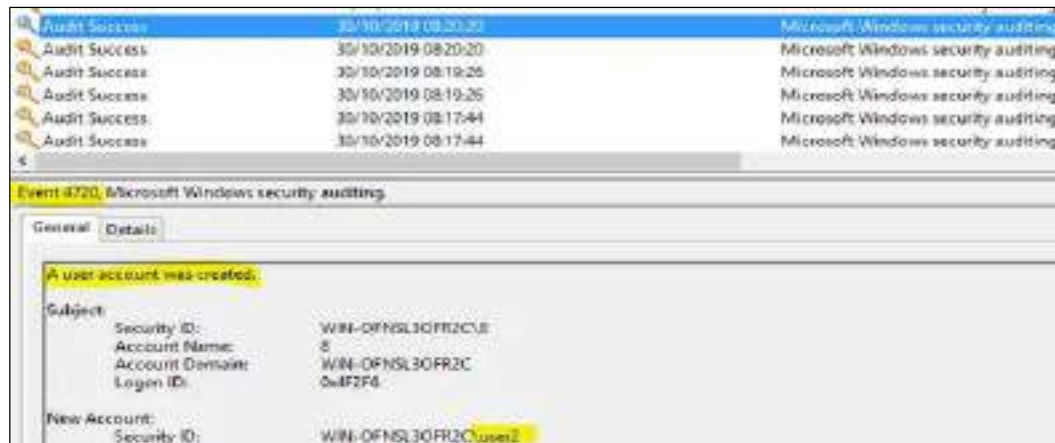
Figure shows the overall architecture of GANs models :

- **Generator** : Creates synthetic logs that mimic real-world patterns.
- **Discriminator** : Distinguishes between real and synthetic logs, refining the Generator iteratively.
- **Training** : Uses adversarial learning to minimize discrepancies between real and synthetic logs.



A. Sample Synthetic Event Log

1. Event ID 4720 shows us a new user creation. We inspect the suspicious user by examining ID 4720;



2. Log Details

Log Name: Security
Source: Microsoft-Windows-Security-Auditing
Event ID: 4624
Level: Information
Message: An account was successfully

B. PowerShell Command for Log Extraction

```
Get-WinEvent -LogName Security | Export-Csv -Path logs.csv
```

IntelliHelmet - Enhancing Safety for Two-Wheeler Riders

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Abstract :

The rising cases of road accidents and deaths, mostly involving cyclists, bring to the fore a desperate need for improved safety measures. In this paper, we introduce the IntelliHelmet, a high-tech helmet that can be integrated with features for rider safety, such as alcohol detection, accident monitoring, Bluetooth connectivity, and impact sensors. The authors describe the research methodology, conceptual design, and testing procedures used to prove the helmet's effectiveness. Results are presented that prove IntelliHelmet would increase safety to a significant extent by precluding accidents, ensuring helmet compliance, and offering real-time help in emergencies.

Keyword : Road Safety, Motorcycle Safety, Wearable Technology, and Accident Prevention.

Introduction :

Road accidents have become a major public health issue around the world, especially injuries involving two-wheelers. Hence, it calls for a comprehensive strategy to reduce this menace [1]. The exceedingly high rates of deaths related to motorcycles have impelled government agencies, researchers, and industrial stakeholders to pool their resources toward finding new solutions. A large proportion of motorcycle deaths in India, as revealed by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, is due to lack-off helmet use, which emphasizes the immediate need for effective intervention[2].

This project aims to solve this problem by building a web, a modern smart helmet that not only gives better protection to a rider but also saves from accidents by using the latest technology and increases safety[3]. The IntelliHelmet, which is designed with advanced features like impact sensors, a blood alcohol concentration sensor, GPS tracking, and Bluetooth pairing, hopes to change the landscape of two-wheeler road safety [4].

It has the potential to raise awareness of the dangers of motorcycle accidents and help significantly reduce the number of deaths and injuries caused when motorcycle accidents do occur, alleviating some of the socio- economic impact these accidents have on families and communities alike [5]. Moreover, with the advanced features of IntelliHelmet, the emergency response systems can be met, plus it can also allow monitoring in real-time, and also promote a responsible riding habit. IntelliHelmet [6] project aims to utilize technology and develop an intelligent connected transportation to make it safer, greener and connected.

Research Methodology :

A multi-faceted research methodology was employed for the purpose of developing the IntelliHelmet to ensure the efficacy and reliability of these features. Now we had to test every feature to make sure every part of it works. The testing included confirming the accuracy and reliability of the GPS during navigation instructions, ensuring helmet detection and ignition interlock equipment that prevents the vehicle from starting without the helmet being donned and making sure the alcohol sensor is calibrated to accurately detect impaired riders.

Performance testing of the helmet, including crash against the servo motor of the headgear to confirm that an accident is detected in time and that its warning features are activated in time. Bluetooth was also a consideration to enable seamless communication for hands- free in terms of talking on the phone, hearing music, and navigating without compromising safety. Comfort was also evaluated to ensure the helmet was comfortable enough to remain on for long periods of time.

One key part of the research methodology was safety testing. Additionally, impact tests were performed to verify the helmet's durability and protective capabilities. Test scenarios were conducted to verify the performance of the alcohol sensing and the response systems.

Conceptual Design :

The IntelliHelmet's plan joins a few inventive highlights pointed at improving rider security. The hit sensor screens head developments and gives vicinity notices or deterrent location, making a difference riders maintain a strategic distance from potential mishaps. Within the occasion of an mishap, the helmet's mishap following highlight sends exact area points of interest to protect groups, encouraging a fast reaction and possibly sparing lives.

Bluetooth network is coordinates into the head protector to permit for hands- free communication. This highlight guarantees that riders can remain associated without taking their hands off the handlebar, in this manner keeping up control

of the vehicle. The Continuously Wearing Framework is planned to empower steady protective cap utilization by coordination a component that guara

Objectives :

- **Enhancing Rider Safety:** The primary goal of the IntelliHelmet venture is to improve the safety of motorcycle riders.
- **Accident Prevention:** Advanced sensors and systems are integrated to reduce the chances of accidents.
- **Reducing Fatalities:** The helmet aims to lower the risk of deaths among motorcycle riders.
- **Encouraging Helmet Use:** By making helmets more attractive and high-tech, the venture promotes regular usage.
- **Fostering Road Safety Awareness:** The initiative aims to cultivate a culture of responsible road safety.

Advantages :

The most objectives of the IntelliHelmet venture are to progress rider security, maintain a strategic distance from mishaps, and advance head protector utilize. The protective cap uses advanced sensors and frameworks to lower the chances of accidents and passings among bike riders. Also, the venture points to form protective caps more appealing and tall- tech, which is able empower customary utilize and cultivate a culture of capable street security.

Need for Study :

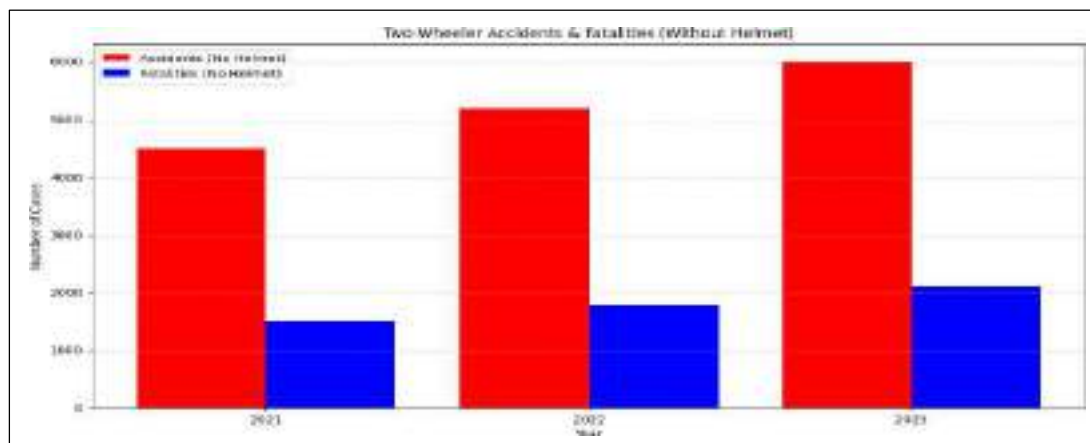
The consider is vital since it handles the rising request for superior security measures for bike riders. With more street mishaps and passings happening, there's an prompt require for imaginative arrangements to decrease dangers and keep riders secure. The IntelliHelmet venture points to offer these arrangements by combining progressed advances with a customary protective cap, making it more secure and empowering capable behavior on the street.

Two-Wheeler Accidents Involving Riders Without Helmets: Possible sources :

- Government transport offices (e.g., NHTSA, MoRTH India)
- Police reports
- Road safety organizations
- WHO & insurance reports

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Conclusion :

The IntelliHelmet speaks to a noteworthy headway in rider security innovation. Through thorough testing and inventive plan, the head protector addresses basic security concerns and gives compelling arrangements to diminish mischances and fatalities among two-wheeler riders. The think about highlights the significance of joining innovation into security adapt to upgrade assurance and energize dependable riding hones. The IntelliHelmet extend underscores the potential of progressed advances to revolutionize street security and spare lives.

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Adoption of Foreign Applications Over Domestic Alternatives: A Study on User Preferences and Trends in India

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Abstract :

In this paper, we analyze the dominance of foreign mobile apps like WhatsApp in India, despite initiatives like the "Make in India" campaign supporting local apps such as JioChat. The study highlights that user preferences are driven by brand reputation, advanced features, and platform security. Regression analysis shows that demographic factors (age, gender, education) do not significantly affect app choices. The paper emphasizes the need for Indian developers to focus on user-centric design, continuous innovation, and strategic marketing to compete effectively in the app market.

Keywords : Strategic marketing, Regression, user-centric design..

1. Introduction :

India is one of the largest markets for mobile applications, with millions of users using their applications every day for **communication, productivity, or entertainment** purposes[1]. The paper examines why **foreign mobile applications**, like WhatsApp dominate the Indian app market, despite local initiatives like "Make in India" supporting domestic alternatives such as **JioChat**[2]. The study highlights that user preferences are largely influenced by factors such as **brand trust**, advanced features, and platform security. Despite government support for local apps, domestic options struggle to match the functionality, user experience, and innovation offered by foreign apps. The research uses surveys and statistical analysis to identify key drivers of app preference, finding that age, gender, and education have little impact on users' choices. The paper suggests that Indian developers need to focus on improving design, offering innovative features, and building strong marketing strategies to compete with foreign giants. Ultimately, it emphasizes the importance of enhancing user experience to establish domestic apps as viable alternatives.

Objectives :

1. To identify the **demographic factors** influencing the preference for international vs. local apps among Indian consumers.
2. To analyze the **app usage patterns** and types of applications most frequently used by Indian consumers.
3. To evaluate the reasons behind the preference for **international apps** over local ones.
4. To assess the **satisfaction levels** of users with both international and local apps.
5. To explore the factors that could encourage users to switch from international to local apps.

Methodology :

This research paper is based on a survey conducted with **218 participants**. We gathered data on various factors such as their **education levels** and **age groups**. The study focused on understanding what aspects of foreign applications these individuals prefer. These factors include things like user interface, features, and other elements that make foreign apps appealing to them.

1. Education Level

Sr. No.	Education Level	Response
1	High school or equivalent	19
2	Undergraduate degree	174
3	Postgraduate degree	20
4	Doctorate or higher	3

Description - The data showcases respondents education levels, with most holding an **Undergraduate degree (174)**, while smaller groups have completed **High school (19)**, **Postgraduate studies (20)**, or a **Doctorate (3)**.

2. How many mobile apps you use on daily basis

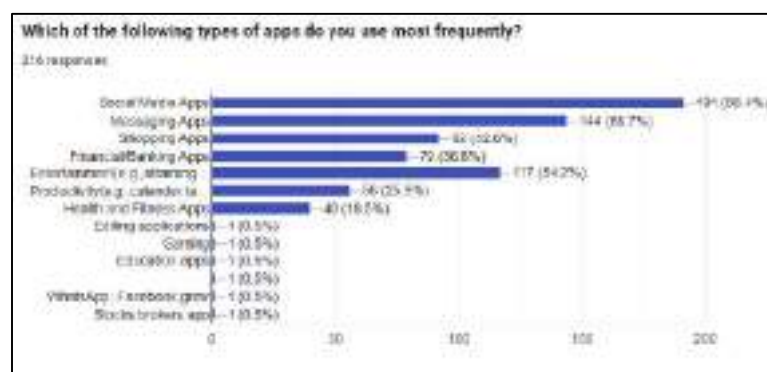
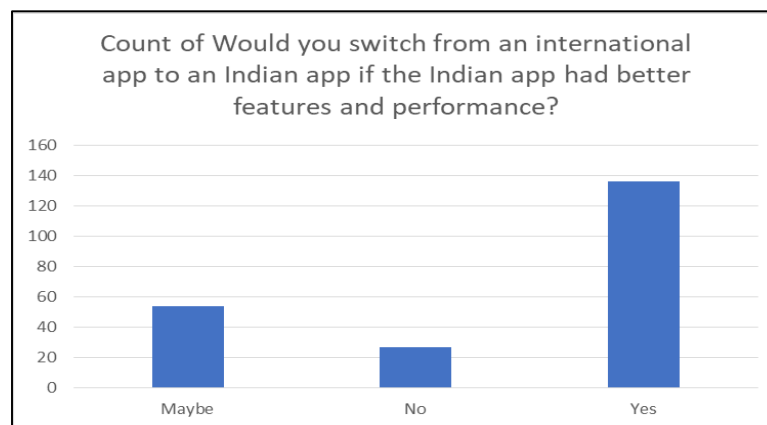
Sr. No	No Of Mobile Apps	Response
1	1-5	123
2	6-10	71
3	11-15	8
4	More than 15	14

Description - The majority of respondents (123) prefer using a limited number of mobile apps (1-5), indicating a focus on essential or frequently used apps, while only a **small proportion (14)** use **more than 15 apps**, reflecting selective app usage trends.

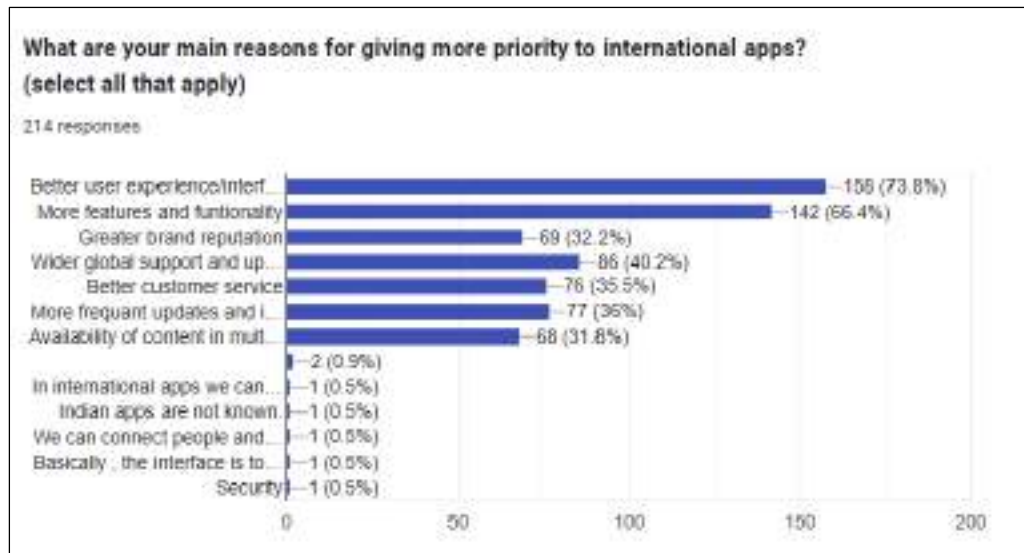
3. Do you prefer to use international apps (e.g., WhatsApp, Instagram, Amazon) or Indian apps (e.g., JioChat, ShareChat, BigBasket)?

Sr. No	Region Of Apps	Response
1	International Apps	115
2	Indian Apps	28
3	Both equally	62
4	No strong preference	11

Description - The majority of respondents show a preference for **international apps (115)**, suggesting their global appeal and widespread use. However, a **notable number (62)** balance between **Indian** and **international apps**, indicating an openness to both markets.



Description - 1. Most respondents (**88.4%**) frequently use social media apps, followed by messaging apps (**66.7%**), indicating a strong preference for connectivity and communication platforms.



Description - Users prioritize international apps for their **superior user experience (73.8%)** and **advanced features (66.4%)**, showcasing a demand for **Quality and Innovation**. Better customer service, frequent updates, and multilingual content further enhance their appeal. The global reputation and wider support of these apps make them the preferred choice for diverse needs.

Discussion :

The results highlight the key factors driving app preferences: **exceptional user experience, continuous innovation, and strong brand reputation**. WhatsApp's success is a testament to its ability to consistently meet user needs, offering a secure, feature-rich, and user-friendly platform that enhances the overall experience.

Here is a thematic analytics of the **WhatsApp VS Jiohat**

Theme	Summary Points
User Base and Network Effect	WhatsApp is widely used from urban to rural areas. It has an extensive user base, making it the default choice for communication.
Ease of Use and Interface	WhatsApp's intuitive and minimal interface makes it user-friendly for people of all ages.
Security and Privacy	WhatsApp's end-to-end encryption attracts privacy-conscious users, enhancing trust and reliability
Features and Functionality	Rich features include voice/video calls, status updates, UPI payments, and document sharing, providing a comprehensive platform.
Brand Recognition and Trust	WhatsApp's global brand reputation and trustworthiness make it a preferred choice over lesser-known alternatives like JioChat.
Reliability and Stability	WhatsApp functions smoothly even on slower networks like 2G, ensuring stable and reliable communication.

Findings :

1. **To identify the demographic factors influencing the preference for international vs. local apps among Indian consumers:** The study revealed that **age, gender, and education** have minimal impact on app preferences. Across all demographics, foreign apps like **WhatsApp** dominate due to their superior user experience, trust, and advanced features. Younger respondents (**18–24 years**) showed a more balanced preference, while older groups favored international apps.
2. **To analyze the app usage patterns and types of applications most frequently used by Indian consumers:** The data shows that communication apps (**e.g., WhatsApp**) are the most frequently used, followed by apps for entertainment and productivity. The preference for international apps is driven by their **ease of use, security, and additional features like video calls, payments, and document sharing.**
3. **To evaluate the reasons behind the preference for international apps over local ones:** Survey results highlight **brand trust, advanced features, and a polished user interface** as the key reasons for the dominance of international apps. Domestic apps like **JioChat** struggle due to clunky interfaces, limited features, and lower brand recognition. Users value reliability, security, and seamless functionality, which foreign apps deliver effectively.

Conclusion :

The research reveals that foreign applications like **WhatsApp** currently dominate the Indian market due to their **superior user experience, advanced features, and strong brand trust**, which appeal universally across demographics.

However, In my study we observe that **domestic applications** have significant potential to compete if developers focus on user-centric design, continuous innovation, and effective marketing strategies. By enhancing functionality, addressing user concerns around performance and usability, and building trust, Indian apps can motivate users to adopt local alternatives, paving the way for a more self-reliant and robust digital ecosystem in **India.**

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Economic Impact of Yatra Festivals: A Case Study of Dhandaidevi Yatra Mhasadi, Tal Sakri, District Dhule, Maharashtra, India

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Abstract :

This research paper explores the economic significance of the Yatra festivals dedicated to Dhandaidevi in the village of Mhasadi, Tal Sakri, located in the Dhule district of Maharashtra, India. Yatra festivals play a vital role in the socio-cultural fabric of Indian communities, and their economic implications are often underestimated. This paper investigates the economic impact of the Dhandaidevi Yatra in terms of income generation, local businesses, employment opportunities, and overall economic development.

Introduction :

Dhule District in Maharashtra, India, is renowned for its vibrant and diverse Yatra Festivals dedicated to Hindu Gods and Goddesses. These festivals are celebrated with great enthusiasm and fervor, attracting devotees from far and wide. One such significant festival is the Yatra Festival of Lord Vitthal and Rukmini, which takes place in the town of Dhule. Devotees gather to pay homage to Lord Vitthal, an incarnation of Lord Krishna and his consort Rukmini. The festival involves a grand procession, where the deities are carried on beautifully decorated palanquins, accompanied by devotional songs and dances. The air is filled with a sense of devotion and spirituality as devotees participate in the festivities, seeking blessings and expressing their deep faith.

Another prominent Yatra Festival in Dhule District is the Yatra Festival of Goddess Ekveera, also known as Renuka Devi. This festival is celebrated in the village of Nandurbar, where a temple dedicated to the goddess is located. Devotees flock to the temple during this festival to seek the blessings of Goddess Ekveera, who is believed to be an incarnation of Goddess Renuka Devi. The festival involves a colourful procession, with the idol of the goddess being carried on a beautifully adorned chariot. Devotees sing devotional songs and offer prayers, expressing their devotion and gratitude towards the goddess. The festival creates a sense of unity and spirituality among the devotees, fostering a deep connection with the divine.

Additionally, the Yatra Festival of Lord Khandoba is celebrated with great enthusiasm in the village of Shirpur in Dhule District. Lord Khandoba is considered to be a form of Lord Shiva and is highly revered by the local community. The festival involves a grand procession, where the idol of Lord Khandoba is carried on a lavishly decorated chariot, accompanied by devotees singing hymns and performing traditional dances. The festival is a vibrant display of devotion and faith, as devotees come together to seek the blessings of Lord Khandoba. The atmosphere is filled with joy and spirituality, as devotees immerse themselves in the festivities, offering their prayers and seeking divine blessings.

The Yatra Festivals of Dhandaidevi in Mhasadi, Tal Sakri, District Dhule, Maharashtra State, India, are vibrant and culturally significant events that attract devotees from far and wide. These festivals are dedicated to Dhandaidevi, a revered deity in the region, and are celebrated with great enthusiasm and fervor. This festival offers a unique opportunity to witness the rich cultural heritage of the region. The festivities include colourful processions, traditional music and dance performances and elaborate rituals that showcase the devotion and faith of the local community. This festival is not only religious events but also serve as a platform for social and cultural exchange. People from different communities and backgrounds come together to celebrate and participate in these festivals, fostering a sense of unity and harmony. The vibrant atmosphere, adorned with colourful decorations and the aroma of delicious traditional food, creates a festive ambience that is truly captivating.

Importance and Significance of the study:

The Yatra festivals of Hindu deities in the Dhule district of Maharashtra state in India hold significant economic importance. These festivals attract a large number of devotees from different parts of the country, which in turn boosts the local economy. The influx of tourists during these festivals leads to an increase in demand for various goods and services, such as accommodation, transportation, food, and souvenirs. This creates employment opportunities for the locals and generates revenue for the government.

The Yatra Festival of Dhandaidevi in Mhasadi, Tal Sakri, District Dhule, Maharashtra State, India, has a significant economic impact on the region. These festivals attract a large number of devotees and tourists from various parts of the country, leading to a boost in local businesses and the overall economy. The influx of visitors during the festivals creates a surge in demand for accommodation, transportation, food and other essential services, providing opportunities for local entrepreneurs and businesses to thrive. The economic impact of these Yatra Festivals can be seen in various sectors. The hospitality industry witnesses a surge in bookings as devotees and tourists require places to stay during their visit. This leads to increased revenue for hotels, guesthouses, and homestays in the vicinity. Additionally, the transportation sector experiences a rise in demand for taxis, buses and other modes of transportation, benefiting local drivers and operators.

The local economy also benefits from the increased demand for goods and services during the Yatra Festivals. Local vendors and shops selling religious items, souvenirs, clothing, and food experience a significant boost in sales. This not only generates income for these businesses but also creates employment opportunities for the local population. Moreover, the festivals often attract artisans and craftsmen who showcase their traditional products, contributing to the preservation and promotion of local arts and crafts.

Moreover, the Yatra festivals also provide a platform for local artisans and craftsmen to showcase their skills and sell their products. The fairs and markets set up during these festivals offer a wide range of handicrafts, textiles, and other traditional items, which are popular among the tourists. This not only helps in preserving the local art and culture but also provides a source of income for the artisans.

In addition to the economic benefits, the Yatra festivals also have a social and cultural significance. These festivals bring people from different communities and backgrounds together, promoting unity and harmony. The rituals and traditions associated with these festivals are deeply rooted in the Hindu culture and are passed down from generation to generation. Thus, the Yatra festivals not only contribute to the economic development of the region but also play a vital role in preserving the cultural heritage of India.

Overall, the Yatra Festivals of Dhandaidevi in Mhasadi, Tal Sakri, District Dhule, Maharashtra State of India, have a positive economic impact on the region by attracting visitors, boosting local businesses and creating employment opportunities. These festivals not only hold religious and cultural significance but also contribute to the growth and development of the local economy.

Objectives of the study:

To examine the role of Yatra Festivals in India's economic resurgence, assessing their contribution to tourism, local economies, and overall economic growth.

Hypothesis of the study:

Yatra Festivals in India significantly drive economic revival in India through tourism, cultural exchange, and infrastructure development, positively impacting local economies and national growth trajectories.

Methodology:

This study employs a mixed-methods approach, combining quantitative data collection and qualitative analysis. Surveys and interviews with local residents, business owners, and festival organizers are conducted to gather information on economic indicators. Additionally, financial records of local businesses and community organizations involved in the Yatra are analysed.

Data Collection and Analysis

From 2018 to 2022, the Yatra has seen a notable increase in temporary employment, with a 20% year-on-year growth in job opportunities. This surge in employment is attributed to various roles, including event management, security, hospitality, transportation, and the local market vendors. The festival's expanding scale and popularity have led to an increased demand for skilled and unskilled labour during the event period.

Moreover, local businesses catering to the influx of devotees have experienced a substantial rise in sales, necessitating additional staff recruitment to meet the heightened demand. The employment statistics reflect the symbiotic relationship between the Yatra festivals and the local economy, showcasing the festivals as a dynamic driver of job creation in Mhasadi, Tal Sakri, and the surrounding areas. The positive correlation between the growth of Yatra festivals and employment generation underscores the economic vitality and community engagement fostered by these cultural events.

Over the past five years, the Yatra festivals of Dhandaidevi in Mhasadi, Tal Sakri, District Dhule, Maharashtra, have attracted a diverse congregation of devotees from various regions of India. The festival's growing popularity has transcended local boundaries, drawing attendees from both neighbouring states and more distant regions.

Economic Impact:

1. **Income Generation** : The Yatra festival serves as a major source of income for local businesses, including food vendors, accommodation providers, and souvenir sellers. Devotees often spend money on offerings, food, and lodging during the festival, injecting a considerable amount of funds into the local economy.
2. **Employment Opportunities** : The surge in economic activities during the Yatra creates temporary employment opportunities for the local population. From setting up stalls to managing crowd control, various tasks require additional manpower, providing a source of income for many individuals in the community.
3. **Boost to Local Businesses** : Small businesses, such as local eateries, handicraft sellers, and transportation services, witness a substantial increase in demand during the Yatra. This influx of customers not only boosts sales during the festival but also leaves a lasting impact by fostering customer loyalty and word-of-mouth marketing.
4. **Infrastructure Development** : The increased economic activity during the Yatra often leads to improvements in local infrastructure. The revenue generated may be reinvested in the community, funding projects such as road repairs, sanitation facilities, and beautification efforts.

Challenges and Opportunities :

While the economic impact of the Dhandaidevi Yatra is generally positive, there are challenges that need attention. Managing waste generated during the festival, ensuring the safety of attendees, and addressing potential environmental concerns are critical aspects that require community collaboration and support.

Conclusion :

This research paper highlights the economic significance of Yatra festivals, using the Dhandaidevi Yatra in Mhasadi, Tal Sakri, as a case study. The findings underscore the multifaceted impact of such festivals on income generation, employment opportunities, and local businesses. Recognizing and understanding the economic dynamics of these events is crucial for policymakers, community leaders, and residents to harness the positive aspects and address challenges effectively. By promoting sustainable practices and community engagement, the economic benefits of Yatra festivals can be maximized, contributing to the overall development of the region.

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Block-chain Model For Real Time Crop Pricing A Transparent and Fair Model for Small-Scale Farming

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Abstract :

Blockchain model is a secure technology its check the accuracy and trust in transactions. This research explores its application in real-time crop pricing to eliminate intermediaries, provide fair prices to farmers, and enhance market transparency. By leveraging smart contracts and an immutable ledger, the proposed system enables direct interactions between farmers and buyers, promoting efficiency and equity in agriculture.

Keywords : Blockchain, Crop Pricing, Agriculture, Real-Time Pricing, Smart Contracts, Small-Scale Farmers.

1) Introduction :

Agriculture has always been a critical pillar of many economies worldwide, providing sustenance and employment to millions. Despite its importance, the agricultural sector faces numerous challenges, especially when it comes to ensuring fair crop pricing for farmers. Traditional pricing systems are often opaque, dominated by intermediaries who take a significant share of the profits, leaving farmers with minimal earnings. Moreover, price volatility and delays in payments further exacerbate the financial instability faced by small-scale farmers.

Small-scale farmers often lack bargaining power in traditional markets, where prices are determined without considering their production costs or market conditions. This asymmetry in power and information forces many farmers into unfavorable agreements, perpetuating cycles of poverty and debt. In addition, unpredictable weather patterns and climate change further destabilize agricultural output, compounding the economic vulnerabilities of farmers.

In the current system, farmers typically lack access to real-time market information, which makes it difficult for them to negotiate fair prices for their produce. Additionally, the involvement of multiple middlemen creates inefficiencies in the supply chain, leading to wastage and increased costs for both farmers and consumers. Storage and transportation issues, coupled with inadequate infrastructure, further add to these challenges, making it difficult for farmers to realize the full value of their produce.

This calls for an urgent need for a transparent, efficient, and equitable solution that can empower farmers and streamline agricultural operations. Blockchain technology offers a revolutionary approach to address these issues. As a decentralized and tamper-proof digital ledger, blockchain enables secure and transparent transactions without the need for intermediaries. By leveraging smart contracts—self-executing agreements with predefined conditions—blockchain can automate key processes such as pricing, payment, and contract fulfillment.

The proposed blockchain-based crop pricing model empowers farmers by providing direct access to buyers, fostering a transparent and efficient marketplace. Real-time updates on crop prices are recorded on an immutable ledger, allowing farmers to make informed decisions based on current market demand. This transparency not only eliminates the need for middlemen but also ensures timely and secure payments.

Furthermore, the adoption of this model can streamline the agricultural supply chain, reducing operational inefficiencies and promoting accountability among stakeholders. Buyers benefit from greater access to high-quality produce at competitive prices, while farmers experience improved financial stability and reduced dependency on middlemen. The model also supports sustainability by encouraging data-driven decision-making and resource optimization.

The potential benefits of this system extend beyond just farmers and buyers. Governments and policymakers can leverage blockchain data to monitor market trends, ensure compliance with regulations, and implement targeted interventions to support the agricultural sector. Financial institutions can also use blockchain records to assess creditworthiness and offer tailored financial products to farmers.

Despite its promising potential, the adoption of blockchain technology in agriculture faces certain challenges. High implementation costs, limited technical literacy among farmers, and inadequate digital infrastructure are significant

barriers. However, with the right strategies, including education and training programs, public-private partnerships, and policy support, these challenges can be overcome.

In conclusion, the integration of blockchain technology into the agricultural sector presents a unique opportunity to address long-standing issues related to crop pricing, market transparency, and supply chain efficiency. By empowering farmers and promoting equitable trade practices, this model can contribute to a more sustainable and economically viable agricultural ecosystem.

2) Objectives :

1. To investigate how blockchain model can enhance transparency, efficiency, and fairness in crop pricing mechanisms
2. To study how blockchain-based model can reduce dependency on intermediaries, enabling direct farmer-to-buyer transactions.
3. To examine the use of smart contracts to automate pricing, payments, and agreements between farmers and buyers.
4. To analyze the economic benefits for small-scale farmers when adopting a blockchain-based pricing model.
5. To identify barriers such as cost, technical literacy, and infrastructure and propose solutions to overcome these challenges.
6. To offer actionable insights to policymakers for integrating blockchain in agricultural systems to support fair pricing and transparency.

3) Experiment :

Q1 : How transparent do you find the current pricing mechanisms?

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Very Transparent	11	7.33
Not Transparent	177	88.5
Nutral	12	8
Total	200	100

Q2 : Do you feel the prices you get for your crops are fair?

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Sometimes	109	72.67
Rarely	88	44
Never	3	2
Total	200	100

Q3 : Do you think a block chain model should be developed?

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Yess	72	48
Strongly yess	125	62.5
No	3	2
Total	200	100

Q4 : Would real-time pricing information help you get better prices for your crops?

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Yess	197	98.5
No	3	2
Total	200	100

Q5 : How often do you experience delays in receiving payments for your crops?

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Always	160	80
Often	35	23.33
Sometime	5	3.33
Total	200	100

Q6: Would a transparent system improve trust among farmers, buyers, and regulators?

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Agree	41	70.67
Strongly agree	156	78
Disagree	3	2
Total	200	100

Q7: Would you trust an automated payment system based on smart contracts?

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Yess	190	95
No	10	6.671
Total	200	100

Objective 1: With assist of block chain real time crop pricing model helps small scale farmers to get fair prices for their crops.

Application of the Chi-Square Test Formula :

To analyze the collected data, the Chi-Square (χ^2) test was applied using the following formula:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i}$$

Where:

- O_i = The observed frequency (actual responses gathered from the survey)
- E_i = The expected frequency (predetermined or hypothesized responses)

Sr.No.	Responses	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i) ² /E _i
1	YES	197	100	97	194	1.94
2	NO	3	100	-97	194	1.94
3	Total	200				3.88

The calculated Chi-Square (χ^2) value is:

$$\chi^2 = 3.88$$

The degree of freedom (d.f.) for this test is:

$$d.f. = 1$$

At a 5% level of significance and 1 degree of freedom, the critical Chi-Square value from the table is:

When comparing the calculated and critical values:

$$3.88 > 3.841$$

Here the Hypothesis is accepted at the 5% level of significance :

Objective 2: Block chain model will provide an automated payment system based on smart contracts.

Application of the Chi-Square Test Formula :

To assess the survey data, the **Chi-Square (χ^2)** test was applied using the following formula:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i} = \sum \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i}$$

Where :

- O_i = **Observed Frequency** (the actual data collected from the survey)
- E_i = **Expected Frequency** (the anticipated or theoretical response)

Sr. No.	Responses	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i)/E _i
1	YES	190	100	90	180	1.8
2	NO	10	100	-90	180	1.8
3	Total	200				3.6

The computed Chi-Square (χ^2) value is:

$$\chi^2 = 3.6$$

The **degree of freedom (d.f.)** for this test is calculated as:

$$d.f. = 1$$

At a 5% significance level and 1 degree of freedom, the critical Chi-Square value from the statistical table is:

Since the calculated Chi-Square value (**3.6**) is **less than** the critical value (**3.841**), i.e.,

$$3.6 < 3.841$$

Here the Hypothesis is accepted at the 5% level of significance.

Objective 3: Transparent system improve trust among farmers, buyers, and regulators .

Application of the Chi-Square Test Formula:

To assess the survey data, the **Chi-Square (χ^2)** test was applied using the following formula:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i}$$

Where :

- O_i = **Observed Frequency** (the actual data collected from the survey)
- E_i = **Expected Frequency** (the anticipated or theoretical response)

Sr. No.	Responses	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i)/E _i
1	Agree	156	66.6	89.4	178.8	2.68
2	Strongly Agree	41	66.6	-25.6	51.2	0.76
3	Dissagree	3	66.6	-63.6	127.2	1.90
4	Total	200				5.34

The calculated Chi-Square value is:

$$\chi^2 = 5.34$$

The **degree of freedom (d.f.)** for this test is calculated as:

$$d.f. = 2$$

At a 5% level of significance and 2 degrees of freedom, the critical Chi-Square value from the Chi-Square distribution table is:

Since the calculated Chi-Square value (**5.34**) is **less than** the critical value (**5.991**), i.e.,

$$5.34 < 5.991$$

Here the Hypothesis is accepted at the 5% level of significance.

4) Findings:

Objective 1 : Main objective is block chain model helps small scale farmers to get fair prices for their crops.

After analyzing the responses, it was found that, in Dhule district, out of 200 respondents, the majority (197 respondents) selected the "YES" option. This indicates that a significant portion of small-scale farmers believe that the blockchain-enabled real-time crop pricing model can help them secure fair prices for their crops.

Objective 2 : Block chain provide an automated payment system based on smart contracts .Upon analyzing the data, it was found that, in Dhule district, out of 200 respondents, the majority (190 respondents) selected the "YES" option,

suggesting that most respondents believe the blockchain model can effectively implement an automated payment system through smart contracts.

Objective 3 : System improve trust among farmers, buyers, and regulators .After analyzing the responses, it was found that, in Dhule district, out of 200 respondents, the majority chose the "YES" option, indicating that **a large number of participants believe that blockchain's transparent system** fosters trust among farmers, buyers, and regulators.

5) Conclusion :

The implementation of blockchain technology in the agricultural sector has the potential to significantly improve the overall system for small-scale farmers, buyers, and regulators. The findings from the study in Dhule district suggest that blockchain can effectively support real-time crop pricing models, ensuring farmers receive fair prices for their crops. Additionally, the use of smart contracts for automated payments can simplify financial transactions, promoting efficiency and reducing disputes. Moreover, the transparency provided by blockchain technology helps build trust among farmers, buyers, and regulators by ensuring accountability and minimizing fraud.

Overall, blockchain can play a crucial role in revolutionizing agricultural practices, improving transparency, and ensuring fair, automated transactions in the sector.

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Future Insights : Data-driven approach to predicting human behaviour in Future

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Abstract :

This research paper predicts the future of human behaviour by 2040, focusing on retrieving collected data, neurotechnology, machine learning and social phenomenon. We observe facts in upright concerns neighbouring investigation and privacy, and the social impact on human behaviour. By criticising the latest research and technical developments, we recommend situations for predicting human behaviour in factors such as healthcare, emotions, technical, and social aspects. Our research claims challenges related to data security, and upright AI positioning must be adopted to ensure responsible use of predictive technologies. This research provides a wide-ranging look at the upcoming human behaviour prediction, highlighting both opportunities and risks for society.

Keywords : Human behaviour prediction, behavioural psychology, AI.

Introduction :

Detecting human behaviour based on factors such as social, economic, artificial intelligence, and emotional has been a major subject of interest^[1]. This research paper approaches the change in human behaviour across 2040. Advanced development in machine learning, data science, and neuroscience increases human capacity to get ahead with growing precision^[1].

Human behaviour is influenced by several factors including emotions, social aspects, and environmental conditions. Human decision-making is based on situational contexts or new data. It is difficult for models to predict human behaviour in this context^[2]. AI base machine learning models can predict human behaviour (e.g.-by past purchase, the model predicts future buying possibilities) but other factors like economic loss, financial crisis, emotions, depression can change human behaviour^[1]. Here is a necessity to use more advanced AI techniques like reinforcement learning and deep learning^[2].

The enhancement in technical domains such as wearable technology, and digital footprints, when associated with an algorithm, allows for extraordinary predictions of human behaviour, as it creates a huge set of data^[3]. Our research findings observe the social, technical, and environmental effects of these innovations. The basic key factor of behaviour prediction is data availability from digital interactions^[3]. Well-known domains such as browsing patterns, social media activity, AI domains, and environmental and biometric information have provided wide datasets to retrieve human behaviour. This means of data allowed the development of models able to make exact predictions of behaviour across these domains^[4].

This research paper analyses probable applications of predicting human behaviour across different domains such as social, technical, and healthcare addressing concerns adjoining privacy and governance^[5]. Will this technology advancement introduce new forms of control or will this technology lead to personalized services? Our paper examines future insights and aims to provide a wide-ranging analysis of human behaviour prediction till 2040. Moreover, it discusses the limitations of recent predictive models and highlights research directions in future.^[6]

Objectives :

1. Identify key factors like social, technological, environmental, and politics that affect human behaviour.
2. Examines how technologies and global trends will shape humans in future.
3. Investigating societal and psychological transformations in human behaviour
4. Define AI-based data techniques for behaviour prediction.
5. Develop future scenarios based on data-driven.

Review of Literature :

The research literature given focuses on the domains that affect human behaviour. Performance, expectancy, social influence, and efforts determine behaviour. This literature reviews how human behaviour is shaped by environmental and social interactions. Included theories like social learning machine learning, and deep learning which predict human behaviour.

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2. **Psychological Theories (B.F. Skinner's):**- Modern psychology and predictive theory advise that human brains continuously create models of the future, AI-driven behaviour prediction concept. This theory predicts how human behaviour is designed by environmental and social interactions.
3. **Social Learning Theory (Bandura, 1977):** - Defines a useful way for AI models to analyse social media and digital interactions, which interprets how individuals learn and adopt behaviours by observing others.
4. **Machine Learning (ML) & Deep Learning (Silver et al., 2022):-** This research focuses on training AI models for large behaviour-related datasets that predict the decision-making ability of humans in domains like voting strategies, consumer choices and crime estimating.
5. **(B.F. Skinner, 1950s):** - Suggests behaviour is shaped by reinforcement and punishment, forming the basis for machine learning models that rely on past behaviour to predict future actions.
6. **Future Implications for Society (Harari, 2020):** - The possibility of hyper-personalized experiences in marketing, education, and governance. Potential risks of manipulation and social control if behavioural predictions are misused.
7. **Barry, Doucette, Loflin, Rivera-Hudson, and Herrington (2017):** - Investigated the association between the number of selfies posted on Instagram, narcissism, and self-esteem. No association between the number of selfies posted and narcissism and self-esteem levels were found. However, a correlation was found, which suggested that a lack of selfies is due to fragile self-esteem and is related to a fear of negative feedback on Instagram.

Challenges :

There are several challenges to determining human behaviour. Some of the challenges are as follows: -

1. There is a variant in human emotions. This simply means that human emotions fluctuate unpredictably and impact the decision-making process.
2. The human brain has two minds, namely conscious and subconscious. Many decisions are taken unconsciously, making them harder to predict.
3. The human psychology varies in the case of adaptive intelligence. People learn and adopt change in their environment from past experiences or by copying others.
4. Social media and digital interactions develop a lot of changes in human behaviour. This makes it hard to predict behaviour as these interactions lead to mental stress.
5. Human behaviour changes according to the situation over time. This requires AI to constantly adapt to the behaviour, which is a major challenge.

Research Methodology :

This research paper examines the experimental research design, using a random sampling method, preferring Google Forms. A survey of questionnaires was organized and managed through Google Forms to sample 185 people. This research was conducted in Dhule district. The research area covered Two Tehsil in Dhule Shirpur and Shindkheda. The total sample size chosen was 185 respondents 100 in each tehsil.

Table 1: Showing the total number of respondents considered for research of different ages.

This table includes the chosen sample size, random method, and people who belong to different ages. This sampling includes people from teens to senior citizens.

Sr. no	Ages	Respondent	% of Total
1	Less than 18	22	12.4
2	18-30	126	60
3	31-45	39	21.6
4	46-55	8	8.43
5	55+	5	3.1

In this table, it is found that most of the respondents belong to age between 18 to 30. Hence the data to analyses human behavior is sampled mostly from youngsters.

Experiment :

Table 1.1 : Responses related to people's screen time record: - In this table, we sample the screen time record of people daily. The sampling option chosen to respond varies from a minimum of 2 hours to a maximum of 10 hours per day.

Sr.no	Screen time	respondent	Total
1	2 hours	27	7.8%
2	5 hours	16	14.7%
3	8 hours	69	37.8%
4	10 hours	73	39.9%

This Table concluded that a maximum of hours of the day are spent on screen only. The most frequent option to be chosen by most people was 10 hours per day. This ensures that more screen time records lead to changes in human behavior.

Table 1.2: Responses related to stress and anxiety as well as yoga bias: -In this table, we include the collection of data from the people based on their health care issues like stress, and anxiety. It also includes the option of whether people do yoga or not daily.

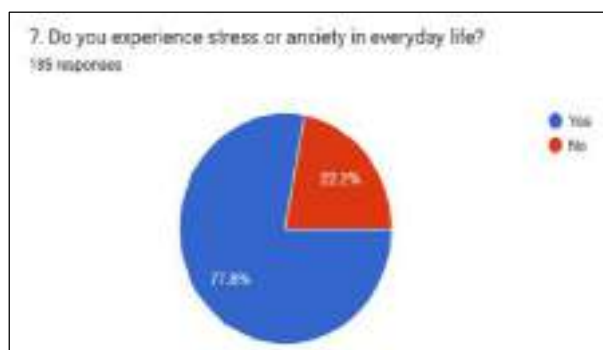
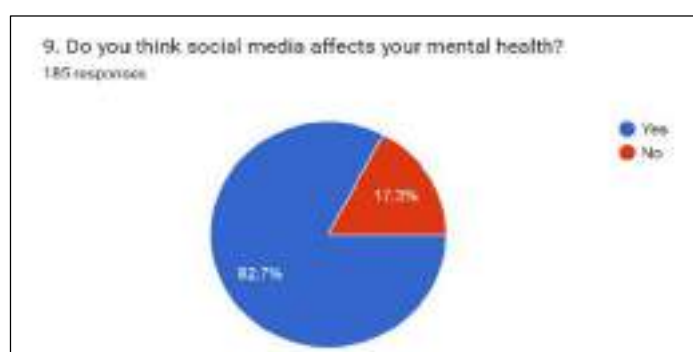


Table 2.1.1.

Sr.no	Responses for yoga	Frequency	Total
1	Yes	82	43.3%
2	No	103	55.7%

From the above pie chart and table, we conclude that the ratio of stress and anxiety is increasing day by day. Even people do not prefer to do yoga in their life. This analysis predicts changes in human mental as well as physical behaviour.

Table 1.3 : Responses related to social media's effect on human mental behavior : This table shows how social media interaction affects the mental health of people.



The Conclusion derived from the above chart is that addiction to social media leads to mental health issues among people. Mostly 85% of respondents suffer from mental health issues due to social media interactions.

Table 1.4 : Responses related to the decision-making ability of humans based on AI database: -This table includes responses of people in a way that how their decision-making ability is influenced by AI.

Sr. No	Responses	Frequency	Total
1	Yes	134	63.4%
2	No	39	36.6%

It is concluded from the above table 1.4 that people have begun to trust more in AI for making their important decisions and lack the power of critical thinking and decision-making.

Table 1.5 : Responses related to emotions will people experience when interacting with virtual assistants in future: - This table includes the emotions that people experience in future due to changes in their present behaviour. This sample includes options like joy and satisfaction, frustration and anger, fear, and mistrust as well as the emotional full behaviour of the people.

Sr. No	Responses	Frequency	% of Total
1	Joy and Satisfaction	61	32.2
2	Frustration and Anger	52	28.3
3	Fear and mistrust	40	21.7
4	Emotional Full	31	16.8

It is concluded from the above table 1.5 that changes in human behaviour at present due to factors like social, technical, and environmental further lead to changes in the emotions of humans in future. Most people's responses evaluated that in future the most experienced emotions will be fear, anger, mistrust, and frustration.

Table 1.6 : Responses related to social interactions change in humans in future: - This table includes the sample that defines how humans will change their social interactions in future. These include sampling options like people spending more time in virtual environments, reducing face-to-face interactions, more alliance on AI, leading to more mental health issues etc.

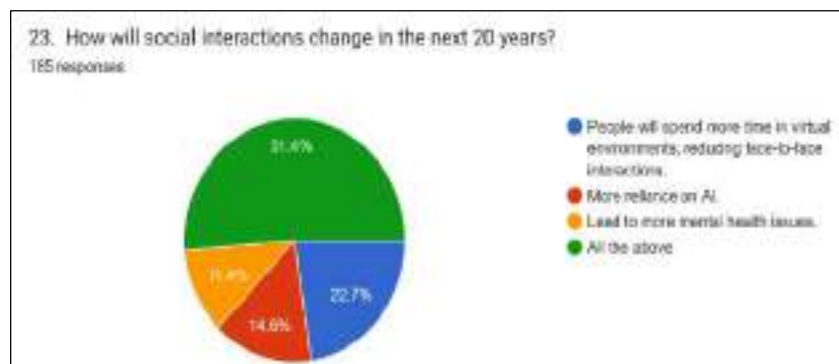


Table 1.6 concludes that there will be changes in human social interaction in future. Most of the people responded that all the mentioned interactions will align the human behavior. They also believe that the upcoming future will be more in alliance with AI.

Hypothesis Testing Through Statistical Method: Chi-Square Test :

HYPOTHESIS 1 : With the assistance of challenges, we ensure the emotions that people will experience when interacting with virtual assistants in future: -

Thus, applying Formula $\chi^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Here, O_i = Observed Frequency (Response collected from survey),

E_i = Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

Showing calculation of / Ei in Dhule District.

Sr. No.	Emotions	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i) ² /E _i
1	Joy and Satisfaction	61	46	15	30	0.65
2	Frustration and Anger	52	46	6	12	0.26
3	Fear and mistrust	40	46	-6	12	0.26
4	Emotional Full	32	46	-14	28	0.60
	Total	185				1.17

Showing calculation of / Ei in Dhule District.

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 1.17$$

The degree of freedom (d.f.) is 3.

Therefore, the Tabulated value of χ^2 as 3 degrees of freedom is 7.815*

$$\chi^2 = 1.17 \quad 1.17 < 7.815^*$$

By the Chi-Square test, we come to know that our hypothesis is accepted at a 1% level of significance.

Result : Thus, our hypothesis that change in human behaviour in present due to factors like social, technical, and environmental further leads to changes in the emotions of humans in future. The change in human behaviour is difficult to determine, even AI is not enough to define human psychology. These factors lead to changes in human emotions in future. Our hypothesis proved that human emotions will be worse in future like anger, frustration, fear, and mistrust.

HYPOTHESIS 2 : Sample the screen time record of the people daily.

Sr. No.	Emotions	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i) ² /E _i
1	2 hours	27	46	-19	38	0.82
2	5 hours	16	46	-30	60	1.30
3	8 hours	69	46	23	46	1
4	10 hours	73	46	27	54	1.17
	Total	185				4.29

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 4.29$$

The degree of freedom (d.f.) is 3.

Therefore, the Tabulated value of χ^2 as 3 degrees of freedom is 7.815*

$$\chi^2 = 4.29 \quad 4.29 < 7.815^*$$

By the Chi-Square test, we come to know that our hypothesis is accepted at a 4% level of significance.

Result : The second hypothesis is the screen time record of people daily. The hypothesis is accepted at the 4.29% level. This means that our hypothesis has been proved that over-screen time affects human behaviour. Maximum screen time use leads to stress, anxiety, mood swings, and mental health issues. This hypothesis has a positive approach towards maximum screen time users as per the sampling method analysis.

Results :

Objective 1 : The main objective is to examine how human behaviour is influenced by several factors including emotions, social aspects, and environmental conditions. After analyzing the data driven by Google Forms it seems that human behaviour has a major changed in negatively due to these factors influence. The statistical analysis of "hypothesis 1" proved that human emotions are changed and implement more negative behaviours like fear, mistrust, and anger.

Objective 2 : The next objective is the impact of human behaviour on society. From the data, the development in technology makes humans lazy, affecting human mental health which in future will lead to risks and fraud. To prevent these situations is important to ensure the proper use of technology.

Objective 3 : Investigating societal and psychological transformations in human behaviour. It seems that most youths are feeling stress and anxiety like mental issues daily. "Hypothesis 2" describes that using social media and other technology increases screen time. Major screen use leads to improper sleeping schedules, stress, working inactively and many more psychological transformations.

Objective 4 : Define AI-based data techniques for behaviour prediction. Table 1.4 concluded that 134 (63%) respondents out of 185 make important decisions using AI. AI-based technologies like machine learning and neuroscience play a crucial role in predicting human behaviour. By analyzing large sets of data and complex human behaviour patterns, predictions can be made more accurately.

Objective 5 : Develop future scenarios based on data-driven. Table 1.6 concludes the human behaviour future scenario. Out of 185 respondents, 51.4% of respondents predict that their behaviour in future will be more alliance on AI, which leads to more mental issues, and there will be a reduction in face-to-face meetings.

Conclusion :

This research paper follows the data-driven approach to predict human behaviour. "Hypothesis 1" proved that 1% level of significance, human emotions are changed and implement more negative behaviours like fear, mistrust, and anger. "Hypothesis 2" describes that using social media and other technology increases screen time and leads to an improper sleeping schedule, stress, working inactively and many more psychological transformations in human behaviour. Table 1.4 concluded that 134 (63%) respondents out of 185 make important decisions using AI. Table 1.6 concludes the human behaviour future scenario, 51.4% of respondents predict life alliance on AI.

Technology in future will increase rapidly in the case of human behaviour prediction, but alongside this, security of data, privacy issues, and AI alliances will also become more significant. Hence it is necessary to ensure the social impact of machine learning and AI on human behavior. From the research perspective, many AI-based or other technologies will predict human behaviour accurately. However, the government must maintain proper control over technology to prevent its misuse. Future frameworks must give priority to privacy, protection, and data misuse. AI development should ensure that predictive technologies should solve the challenges that are faced in detecting human behaviour.

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A Study of Entrepreneurship Skills among Banana Growers in Jalgaon District

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Introduction :

Agriculture is an important sector in the Indian economy as it gives employment to the majority of people. Banana farming is one of the key agricultural activities in India, with Maharashtra's Jalgaon District being a major contributor. The region's banana growers not only trust traditional farming techniques but are also progressively becoming entrepreneurs by implementing innovative methods in production, marketing, and distribution. Entrepreneurship in agriculture is important for improving farm productivity, guaranteeing income steadiness, and encouraging rural economic growth. To study the actual financial position and to improve the financial income of farmers the Indian Government has established a Committee on agriculture and related industries under the guidance of Dr. M.S. Swaminathan, The committee suggested that agricultural graduates establish agri clinics and agribusiness centers to offer consulting services to the farming community in remote areas. According to Bairwa et al. (2013), agriculture and related industries are viewed as the backbone of the Indian economy because they provide raw materials for businesses and generate substantial demand for a wide range of industrial goods, which are required for agriculture. This research focuses on understanding the entrepreneurial skills of banana growers in Jalgaon District and aims to assess how these skills influence their success. The study also seeks to identify barriers to entrepreneurial growth and suggest strategies to overcome them.

Review of Literature :

Several research papers have examined the entrepreneurial skills of banana growers, focusing on various aspects such as behavior, performance, and innovation strategies. Here are some notable studies :

1. Wanole, S., Bande, K., Holkar, S., & Mardane, R. (2018) studied the profiles of banana growers in Maharashtra, India, highlighting factors like education, family size, social participation, and market orientation. It classifies that achievement motivation, risk-taking ability, and information-seeking behavior significantly impact entrepreneurial behavior among banana growers.
2. Archit Kumar Nayak and Nahar Singh examine the entrepreneurial behavior of banana growers in Chhattisgarh, India, focusing on aspects such as innovativeness, achievement motivation, and risk-taking ability. The study emphasizes the importance of these traits in enhancing banana farmers' entrepreneurial capabilities.
3. Ashokkumar Bennur, examines in his study various entrepreneurial qualities and adoption behaviors of banana growers, focusing on how these traits affect their decision-making and adoption of new practices.
4. Chouhan, O. P. stated in his research article that correlation between some independent variables to entrepreneurial behavior of tomato farmers such as education, income, social possession, and motivation except the independent variable named age.

Objectives of The Study :

1. To evaluate the level of entrepreneurship skills among banana growers in Jalgaon District.
2. To identify key entrepreneurial behaviors of successful banana growers.
3. To understand the challenges faced by banana growers in adopting entrepreneurship skills.
4. To recommend interventions for enhancing entrepreneurship skills among banana growers.

Research Methodology :

This study both qualitative and quantitative data collection techniques.

- Study Area: The geographical scope of the study is limited to Jalgaon district only.
- Sampling: A sample of 150 banana growers selected from different blocks in Jalgaon District.
- Data Collection:
 - Primary Data: Structured questionnaires will collect data on entrepreneurship skills, challenges, and strategies used by banana growers. Interviews will be conducted to gather additional insights.
 - Secondary Data: Data from government reports, agricultural statistics, and previous research will be used for context.

- Data Analysis:
 - Descriptive statistics will be used to assess the level of entrepreneurship skills.
 - Factor analysis will identify the key traits of successful banana growers.
 - Thematic analysis of qualitative interviews will provide deeper insights into the challenges and opportunities for entrepreneurship.

Results & Discussions :

The following are some aspects found in the study related to the entrepreneurial behavior of banana growers in the district.

Table 1. Coefficient of correlation between Socio-Economic profile of banana grower and entrepreneurial behavior.

Socio-Economic factors	Correlation (r)
Age	0.229
Experience	0.235
Education	0.321
Family Size	0.237
Annual Income	0.421
Land Holding	0.225

(Significant at 0.05 level of probability)

1. Socio-Economic Aspects of Banana Growers :

Age: Age is an important factor in determining the working efficiency of respondents. **Experience:** Experience allows efficient management under differing and different situations or contexts.

Education: Education broadens the vision of an individual. Educated persons develop more access to extension agencies, mass media, and farm decision-making and are inclined to use innovations by taking high risks. Thus, these factors help an individual to manage his enterprise.

Family Size: The size of the family plays an important role in making a rational decision regarding the adoption of innovation. Support from family members is an important factor in sustaining the competition.

Annual Income: Annual income provides the economic base for the farmer which is beneficial for future development plans in agriculture.

Land Holding: Landholding provides the economic base for the farmer to practice new agricultural technologies. It also helps the farmer to bear risk and uncertainty as they cannot cause much damage to him.

All the factors have a significant relationship with the entrepreneurial behavior of banana growers. Many socio-economic factors still effect on behavior and decision-making process of growers.

Entrepreneurial Skills of Banana Growers in Jalgaon District :

The primary data suggests the following points which highlight the entrepreneurial mindset of banana growers.

- **Innovative:** Banana growers are the most innovative technology users among all farmers specifically in the Jalgaon district. They introduced and widely used new farming techniques such as drip irrigation, and bio-fertilizers and also started the production of value-added products such as banana chips, banana pulp, and banana fiber.
- **Risk Manager:** Banana growers are majorly affected by the extreme difference between the weather conditions. So they adopted the crop insurance scheme, fixed a temperature measurement instrument in the area, and mapped the changes in weather conditions during extreme summer or winter. Also, they started to diversify banana varieties or taking intercrop so that they suffer least from calamities.
- **Marketing Strategies:** The kela group, cooperative societies, and Market were trying to explore new markets beyond the Northern India region to manage risk. Recently banana growers are getting expertise in export order in Arab countries. Some Private company players were helping to capture the export market. The setting up of proper channels including traditional and modern hi-tech supply chains is in the process of developing under the National Horticulture Board and APEDA.

2. Barriers to Entrepreneurial Behaviour :

The study identifies several challenges that hinder the entrepreneurial growth of banana growers:

- **Lack of Access to Credit:** The limited availability of financial services for small-scale farmers restricts investment in modern techniques.
- **Market Fluctuations:** Price volatility and seasonal demand fluctuations make income from banana cultivation unstable.
- **Limited Training and Awareness:** There is a need for more entrepreneurial skill-building programs to help farmers adopt modern business practices.

Recommendations :

The study suggests the following recommendations :

1. **Skill Development Programs:** Local agricultural extension services and NGOs should focus on providing training on entrepreneurship, business management, and marketing.
2. **Access to Financial Support:** Government and private institutions should work together to improve access to credit and insurance for small-scale farmers.
3. **Improved Market Linkages:** Efforts should be made to strengthen market access, both locally and globally, for banana products.

Conclusions :

The study highlights the crucial role of entrepreneurship in the banana farming sector in Jalgaon District. While many banana growers have adopted entrepreneurial practices, a significant proportion still lacks the necessary skills to maximize the potential of their business.

By enhancing the entrepreneurial skills of banana growers, Jalgaon can improve the economic outcomes for its farming community and contribute to the overall agricultural growth of the region.

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Role of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in Financial Services

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Abstract :

Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) are changing the way financial services work by making them faster, safer and more user-friendly. These technologies help banks and financial companies detect fraud, assess risks and improve customer service. AI-powered Chatbot provide quick answers to customer questions, while ML algorithms analyze large amounts of data to find patterns and predict risks. Even though challenges like data privacy and biases in AI exist, AI and ML continue to improve financial services making them more efficient and accessible to everyone.

1. Introduction :

The financial industry relies heavily on data and AI and ML have made it easier to process and use this data effectively. These technologies help banks automate tasks, make better decisions and offer personalized services to customers. AI and ML are used in fraud detection, credit scoring, customer services and investment management. This paper explores how AI and ML impact financial services, their benefits, challenges and future possibilities.

2. Applications of AI and ML in Financial Services :

2.1 Fraud Detection and Risk Management :

Fraud is a big problem in banking and AI helps prevent it by analysing transaction patterns to spot unusual activities. ML models learn from past fraud cases to detect new ones quickly. AI also helps banks assess risks before approving loans that makes financial decisions more accurate.

2.2 Automated Customer Support :

AI-powered Chatbot's are used by banks to provide instant support to customers. These bots answer common questions about accounts, transactions and services, reducing waiting times and improving customer experience.

2.3 Smart Investment Decisions :

AI and ML analyze stock market trends and help investors make better decisions. Robot-advisors that use AI provide automated investment advice based on the user's financial goals and risk tolerance, making investing easier for everyone.

2.4 Credit Scoring and Loan Approvals :

Traditional credit scoring methods look at financial history, but AI-based credit scoring also considers other factors like spending habits and online behaviour. This helps banks make better lending decisions and offer loans to more people.

2.5 Regulatory Compliance and Risk Assessment :

AI helps banks follow government regulations by checking for errors and identifying potential risks. This reduces legal problems and ensures financial services run smoothly.

3. Challenges of AI and ML in Financial Services :

Even though AI and ML bring many benefits, there are some challenges :

- **Data Privacy and Security:** AI needs a lot of data, which can be misused if not protected properly.
- **Bias in AI Algorithms:** If AI is trained with biased data, it may make unfair financial decisions.
- **Regulatory Concerns:** Banks must ensure their AI-based decisions follow legal rules.
- **High Implementation Costs:** Setting up AI and ML systems requires investment in technology and skilled workers.

4. Future of AI and ML in Financial Services :

AI and ML will continue to improve financial services by making transactions safer and decisions smarter. Future developments in AI may enhance fraud detection, improve customer experience, and make financial services more accessible to people worldwide. However, financial institutions need to ensure that AI is used responsibly and ethically.

5. Conclusion :

AI and ML are transforming financial services by improving security, efficiency, and customer satisfaction. From fraud detection to investment advice, these technologies make financial tasks easier and more accurate. However, banks

and companies need to address challenges like data privacy and fairness in AI decisions. With continuous advancements, AI and ML will play an even bigger role in shaping the future of finance.

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Evolution of Sports Equipment : From Traditional to High-Tech Gear

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Abstract :

The evolution of sports activities gadget has performed a critical position in enhancing athletic overall performance, protection, and the overall sports activities experience. This paper explores the transformation of sports equipment from traditional home made device to fashionable high-tech improvements. Early sports activities trusted rudimentary equipment made from natural substances, at the same time as advancements in era have added lightweight, durable, and performance-improving gear. Key improvements which include carbon fiber, clever wearables, aerodynamics, and bio-mechanics have revolutionized sports activities system throughout disciplines. The study highlights how these traits improve player protection, precision, and performance while reading the impact of technology on sports activities way of life and athlete overall performance.

Keywords : sports gadgets, traditional equipment, high-tech improvements, athlete performance, protection, biomechanics, smart wearables, aerodynamics, technology in sports activities.

Introduction :

Sports activities were a essential a part of human civilization for centuries, evolving alongside cultural, technological, and scientific improvements. From ancient times, when sports have been played the use of rudimentary equipment made from herbal substances, to the present day generation, in which these generation complements overall performance and safety, the evolution of sports activities gadget has been a captivating adventure. The transformation of sporting gear has no longer simplest stepped forward the performance of athletes but has additionally redefined the manner sports are performed and perceived inside the early days, sports gadget become crafted the usage of locally to be had resources together with wood, leather, and steel. traditional system, although useful, lacked precision, sturdiness, and luxury. for instance, early footballs were made from inflated animal bladders protected with leather, while cricket bats and hockey sticks were easy wooden structures with little to no ergonomic design. shielding gear was either minimum or nonexistent, main to frequent injuries. regardless of those barriers, athletes trusted their bodily patience and talent to perform, making sports greater approximately sheer energy and less about approach and generation.

With the arrival of industrialization and material technology, sports activities gadget noticed extensive enhancements. The introduction of rubber, artificial fibers, and composite materials allowed for more long lasting and lightweight equipment. improvements together with vulcanized rubber for footballs, aluminum and carbon fiber for bats and rackets, and aerodynamic designs in helmets and footwear revolutionized various sports. protecting tools additionally underwent a transformation, with the advent of helmets, shin guards, gloves, and padded garb, decreasing the risk of injuries and making sports safer for athletes.

This take a look at explores the exquisite transition of sports equipment from traditional home made gear to advanced excessive-tech answers. It delves into the factors using those changes, including protection issues, performance enhancement, and technological breakthroughs. moreover, it examines how the evolution of sports activities equipment has motivated the culture of sports activities, the position of athletes, and the way audiences have interaction with extraordinary video games. through information this alteration, we can appreciate the intersection of science, innovation, and human capacity in shaping the future of sports activities.

1. Evolution of Cricket Bats :

The cricket bat has evolved as the sport has modified (Harte, 1993). The immediately bat became delivered in response to the pitched delivery however the unique "hockey stick" fashion of bat was best effective against the ball being "trundled" or rolled alongside the floor (field, 1868) (parent 1). With time, cricket bats had been tailored to the playing situations and the evolving legal guidelines of cricket (Shillinglaw & Hale, 2008). The evolution of the bat design starts from the left (1729) and ends to the proper of discern 2 (1930). This determine displays the early curved bat in 1729 observed through the curved bat in 1750 and the early straight bat in 1774. in addition to the proper, there may be a bat called the 'Little Joey' in 1792 accompanied by way of the 'E. Bagot Skyscraper' in 1793 and the 'Fuller Pilchs' bat in 1835. one could

notice the awesome WG Grace's bat (1901) to the left of Jack Hobbs bat (1930) that is toward the right cease of the below determine (Barty-King, 1979). As visible inside the discern beneath, the primary bats made have been more powerful while the ball become rolled on the ground and not when the ball changed into thrown in the air. the game modified when the ball was thrown and consequently because the bats developed, it became greater superb for hitting the ball extra correctly.



2. Litratue Review :

The evolution of sports activities equipment has been a topic of massive research, reflecting the intersection of history, fabric technological know-how, biomechanics, and generation. This section critiques key studies and insights from existing literature to understand the transformation of sports equipment, its effect on athletic overall performance, and the position of innovation in making sure protection and performance.

1. **Traditional sports gadget** : Early materials and Designs historically, sports activities gadget become made from naturally to be had substances which include wood, leather-based, and metallic. Researchers like Guttman (2004) highlight that ancient civilizations, including the Greeks, Romans, and chinese language, used primitive sports activities tools, in general focusing on capability as opposed to consolation or durability. for example, early Olympic athletes competed with minimum protective equipment, counting on raw energy and talent (Miller, 2017). similarly, early footballs have been product of inflated animal bladders, which lacked consistency in shape and durability (Gerrard, 2005). the shortage of clinical know-how and standardization often brought about inefficient and harm-prone designs.
2. **Industrial Revolution and material improvement** : With the commercial Revolution, sports activities gadget saw massive cloth improvements. students inclusive of Collins and Kay (2014) discuss how the advent of rubber, artificial materials, and standardized production strategies revolutionized the industry. The improvement of vulcanized rubber in the mid-nineteenth century brought about higher-quality balls in soccer, basketball, and tennis. in addition, the usage of laminated wooden and aluminum alloys in rackets and bats improved durability and performance. Cricket bats developed from single-piece willow wooden to laminated designs, improving stroke strength and control (James, 2019).
3. **Technological improvements in sports device** : latest many years have witnessed groundbreaking technological improvements in sports activities equipment. according to analyze by using Bartolo (2021), materials along with carbon fiber, graphene, and nanotechnology have substantially reduced system weight while increasing strength and sturdiness. The adoption of 3-D printing has enabled personalised designs for shoes, gloves, and shielding gear, optimizing fit and comfort (Smith & Taylor, 2020). Wearable generation, along with GPS trackers, coronary heart price monitors, and biomechanical sensors, allows athletes to analyze their moves and improve overall performance (Kumar & Lee, 2018).
4. **The destiny of sports activities equipment: clever tools and AI Integration** : The future of sports equipment lies in smart era and AI-driven innovations. pupils like Patel & Zhang (2023) predict that AI-incorporated wearables, exoskeletons, and augmented fact education equipment will in addition refine athletic overall performance. smart fabrics able to tracking muscle fatigue and real-time analytics-driven education equipment are

set to redefine education methodologies. digital reality (VR) and synthetic intelligence (AI) also are being included into sports activities simulations to enhance approach development and harm rehabilitation (Brown, 2023).

3. Research Methodology :

The research methodology outlines the approach used to study the transformation of sports gadget from traditional handcrafted equipment to advanced excessive-tech innovations. This section info the research layout, statistics series strategies, sources of facts, and analytical strategies hired to make sure a comprehensive observe of the evolution, impact, and destiny traits of sports gadget.

1. **Research Design** : This observe adopts a qualitative and historical research layout, focusing at the chronological improvement of sports activities system and the factors influencing its evolution. A descriptive method is used to investigate historical data, technological improvements, and improvements in substances and layout. additionally, an exploratory approach is integrated to analyze the position of modern-day technologies like AI, wearables, and biomechanics in shaping destiny traits.
2. **Data Collection Method** :To make sure a well-rounded evaluation, the observe is predicated on multiple assets for facts series, categorised as primary and secondary assets:

Secondary Information Collection :

1. **Ancient data**: Reviewing historical scripts, museum artifacts, and documented proof of traditional sports gadget.
2. **Instructional journals and studies Papers**: reading peer-reviewed research on sports activities era, biomechanics, and cloth sciences.
3. **Books and guides**: Referencing books written by using historians and sports activities scientists on the evolution of sports activities tools.
4. **Enterprise reviews**: studying market analysis reviews from sports activities system manufacturers like Nike, Adidas, and underneath Armor.
5. **Legit sports policies**: Reviewing guidelines from governing bodies including FIFA, ICC, IOC, and NBA concerning standardization and protection enhancements in sports device.

4. Results And Discussion :

This segment gives the key findings at the evolution of cricket system, analyzing technological improvements, fabric innovations, and their effect on participant overall performance and protection. The dialogue highlights the transition from conventional cricket equipment to modern excessive-tech innovations, supported by real-international examples.

1. Consequences :

The take a look at well-known shows numerous key findings concerning the transformation of cricket gadget:

Example:

Sachin Tendulkar's MRF Genius Bat become custom-designed with a decrease candy spot, catering to his specific batting fashion. nowadays, players like Virat Kohli and Steve Smith use bats with stronger aspect thickness and backbone curvature for better stroke play.

1.1 Transformation of Cricket Balls :

Early Cricket: handmade balls crafted from stitched leather with a cork core had been inconsistent in leap and seam motion.

Standardization: within the nineteenth century, Duke, Kookaburra, and SG started manufacturing balls with layered cork cores for uniform weight and sturdiness.

Cutting-edge advancements: Swing-improving coatings, waterproofing strategies, and aerodynamically designed seams have refined ball behavior in special codecs.

Instance:

The Duke Ball (used in England) has a stated seam for added swing, at the same time as the Kookaburra Ball (utilized in Australia and India) is designed for longer durability.

The red ball added in day-night time checks capabilities a unique polyurethane coating to enhance visibility below floodlights.

1.2 Protective tools: safety enhancements

Early challenges: traditional cricket lacked defensive gear, leading to frequent injuries. Batsmen played with out helmets, gloves, or pads.

Helmet Evolution: added inside the past due 1970s, current helmets now use carbon fiber shells, foam padding, and titanium grills for optimum protection.

Gloves & Pads: Early gloves have been simple leather pieces, whilst modern-day gloves have impact-soaking up foam, more finger protection, and ventilation structures.

Thigh Guards & Chest Guards: superior memory foam and lightweight synthetic substances have improved participant safety with out limiting motion.

Example:

Phil Hughes' tragic coincidence in 2014 caused the advent of stem guards to defend the returned of the batsman's neck.

MS Dhoni popularized custom-made wicket-keeping gloves with strengthened webbing for better grip and hand protection.

5. Findings :

1. Evolution of substances :

- Early cricket bats were heavy, single-piece willow wooden, lacking balance and stroke precision.
- cutting-edge bats use laminated English and Kashmir willow, supplying better durability and optimized weight distribution.
- conventional cricket balls were hand-stitched leather-based with cork cores, regularly inconsistent in seam motion and jump.
- cutting-edge balls feature aerodynamic seams, water-proof coatings, and layered cork cores for advanced sturdiness and swing control.
- defensive tools developed from simple leather-based gloves and pads to carbon fiber, Kevlar, and reminiscence foam-based totally protection equipment, making sure stronger safety and luxury.

2. Technological innovations :

- Clever Bat Sensors (e.g., Spektacom PowerBat) analyze shot energy, bat pace, and effect zones in actual time.
- Hawk-Eye & Ball tracking generation help umpires in selection-making and provide gamers with performance analytics.
- LED Stumps & clever Bails provide instant detection when a batsman is out, enhancing suit accuracy.
- Wearable Tech (GPS Trackers, fitness Bands) assist display participant workload, persistence, and harm dangers.
- The 3-D Printing generation is being explored for custom designed cricket gear, ensuring better in shape and overall performance enhancement.

3. Protection upgrades :

- Early cricketers played without helmets, main to common head accidents.
- introduction of carbon fiber helmets with titanium grills significantly decreased head trauma risks.
- Stem guards had been introduced post-Phil Hughes' accident to protect the returned of the batsman's neck.
- Gloves and Pads now characteristic impact-soaking up foam, strengthened finger safety, and air flow structures for comfort and safety.

6. Conclusion :

The evolution of cricket equipment has played a crucial role in shaping the modern game, improving both player safety and performance. From the early days of heavy, handcrafted wooden bats and unprotected play to the adoption of lightweight, laminated willow bats and high-tech protective gear, cricket has continuously evolved with advancements in material science and technology. The introduction of smart bat sensors, ball-tracking systems like Hawk-Eye, and AI-powered wearables has provided players and coaches with valuable performance insights, allowing for more strategic gameplay. Additionally, safety innovations such as carbon fiber helmets, reinforced gloves, and protective guards have significantly reduced the risk of injuries, ensuring player well-being. As technology continues to advance, future developments in AI-driven smart helmets, automated bat selection, and enhanced ball-tracking mechanisms will further refine the game. This ongoing transformation highlights the crucial role of innovation in cricket, ensuring that the sport remains competitive, safer, and more engaging for players and fans alike.

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Advancing Generic AI: Bridging the Gap to Artificial General Intelligence

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Abstract :

This paper works on the development of Generic AI (or Artificial General Intelligence, AGI) which intends to make prototypes that can perform the huge diversity of tasks flexibly cognitively and solves problems that are currently addressed by narrow AI systems confined to a specific domain. This research looks over the history and the development of AGI research work, highlights a few areas with which AGI system generalization and adaptability need to improve, and outlines a framework for creating more malleable and scalable AI systems. An analysis of literature and experimentation with current methodologies will reveal promising techniques for approaching the issue, as well as solutions to the key obstacles when it comes to AGI.

Introduction :

In just the past decades, artificial intelligence (AI) has come a long way — that is, as far as making only small incremental advances in tight domains such as computer vision, natural language processing, and playing games. However, these systems are only good at the task that they are designed for, and when the task changes, they are unable to solve the task without retraining. This is different than generic AI (or Artificial General Intelligence, AGI) which is about creating a single unified system which can learn and generalise in multiple tasks similar to human intelligence.

Thus, in contrast to current AI that is domain specific, AGI aims at making systems that can transfer acquired knowledge from one domain to other domains, adapt to unknown environments, and under no instruction make decisions. The purpose of the quest for AGI is not only to build more intelligent machines but to build intelligent machines and understand what machines could understand and replicate what it means to be human cognitively.

The research will address:

- The current state of AGI research and the gap between narrow AI and AGI.
- There are several key challenges, including knowledge transfer, learning efficiency, scalability.
- Methods and frameworks used by the current generation to achieve AGI.

Literature Review:

There is a huge amount of literature on Generic AI or AGI which has proposed many approaches and methods over many decades of research. This section also reviews some of the major works in the field and elaborates some of the major contributions and challenges.

2.1 Evolution of AI towards AGI:

The earlier works in AI known as symbolic AI (Good Old-Fashioned AI, GOF AI) were essentially researches about how to imitate in a formal manner the human reasoning based on rules and logic. Yet these systems never managed to display true intelligence outside of well-defined bounds. On the other hand, connectionist approaches (such as artificial neural networks), besides being flexible, data driven, for learning patterns in the large datasets, fared poorly in their ability to generalize between tasks (Bengio et al. 2015).

2.2 Machine Learning and Generalization:

Deep learning techniques, in particular, have helped modern AI, and more specifically, modern ML, to progress quite a great deal, allowing systems to be able to recognize images, understand speech or language and even interact with human beings quite well. Yet these systems are narrow in scope and cannot easily be generalised to tasks for which they were not trained (Yarats et al., 2019). Generalisation is still an open research problem: generalising in ways that AI models can apply what they have learned in one domain in another (Lake et al., 2017).

One of the methods to deal with this challenge is Transfer Learning where a model trained on one task is fine tuned for a different but related task. Although this method still needs a large dataset for each task, it does not reach the degree of flexibility as human intelligence (Pan & Yang, 2010).

2.3 Reinforcement Learning and AGI:

DeepMind's AlphaZero is an example of RL models that can generalise to different game environments without being explicitly programmed for a specific task (Silver et al., 2017). On the other hand, though RL agents can achieve high performance in certain environments, they need massive computation and find difficulties in tasks that are far from the training environments (Levine et al., 2016).

2.4 Meta-Learning and Learning to Learn:

Learning to learn (or in the words of meta learning) is a promising path to AGI. By definition, meta-learning algorithms enable AI systems to learn how to learn, to effectively learn new tasks with fewer examples (Finn et al., 2017). In realms of robotics for instance, it has demonstrated offering promise where an agent can either learn some new skill with very little human interaction. From potential, the AI systems could generalise across tasks more effectively by means of meta learning models.

2.5 Cognitive Architectures and AGI:

First, cognitive architectures (Anderson et al., 2004; Laird et al., 1987) to model human-like cognition and blueprint AGI have been sought to accomplish. These architectures combine reasoning with learning processes to perform a number of complex tasks such as nonogram solving, and arithmetic reasoning and generation. While they are successful in building human like behaviour in some cases, they cannot reach the required flexibility and scalability for AGI.

2.6 Ethical and Philosophical Considerations:

The ethical concerns are more important as the AI systems move towards AGI. AGI raises questions about the possible effect on employment, privacy, and decision making, and about having control and alignment of such systems with human values (Bostrom, 2014). The need for such approaches to be interdisciplinary by drawing on an array of AI research, with ethics, philosophy, and policy-making was also brought out by these challenges.

Problem Statement:

There have been great advances in AI, but there have not yet been fully generic AIs in the sense of being able to generalize to a large number of domains. Key obstacles include:

- **Transfer Learning Limitations:** Difficulty to transfer knowledge from one task to very different tasks without the need of extensive retraining.
- **Computational Resources:** Flinching on training and retraining models due to high computational costs.
- **Scalability:** Models that can be built for a variety of tasks, but with a very high efficiency.
- **Ethical Concerns:** Concerns about the ethics of ensuring that AGI systems comply with the values of humans and society.

This research makes an attempt to address these challenges by proposing a new methodology to create a new class of more generic and more adaptable AI systems.

Research Methodology:

In this paper a hybrid AI framework is proposed based on certain deep learning, reinforcement learning, transfer learning, and meta learning components. The objective is to build a system that can adapt to and learn from a large number of tasks with little retraining on the specific tasks.

4.1 Hybrid Learning Model:

The model is trained using deep neural networks with reinforcement learning on different tasks integrated to each other. A layer is added that allows the system to adapt its learning strategy to the task it is learning while improving its generalisation across tasks.

4.2 Experimentation and Evaluation:

System is evaluated in several domains:

- **Image Classification:** Using large datasets like ImageNet.
- **Natural Language Processing:** Its Natural Language Processing (NLP) is implemented with models like GPT-3 to perform language tasks.
- **Robotic Control:** Generalisation ability of the system in real world tasks.

Generalisation ability, task transfer efficiency and adaptability to new tasks are the performance metrics.

Results and Discussion:

The generalisation of the hybrid system is significantly better than that of the traditional narrow AI models. Therefore, it is able to successfully transfer knowledge learned in one task (e.g., object recognition in images) onto another (e.g.,

understanding simple sentences). Yet, it is still a challenge, the system needs to be fine-tuned to generalise completely across very diverse tasks, and especially tasks which involve human like reasoning.

There is further work to be done to improve the robustness of transfer learning mechanisms and (therefore) reduce reliance on large datasets when training for initial learning.

Conclusion:

This paper shows how a hybrid AI system could connect the limited world of specialists of narrow AI and the high potential venture of Artificial General Intelligence. Although many challenges still exist in the development of true general AI, the proposed approach holds the potential for such a method. Last, the transfer learning framework that has been established will be refined and more cognitive models investigated to provide further increase in adaptability.

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Application of Exponential Moving Average (EMA) for Estimating Sales Trends : A Strategic Approach

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Abstract :

While doing supply chain management, inventory planning, and financial decision-making, estimating sales trends is a crucial challenge facing every business enterprise. Traditionally used simple moving averages fail to capture and incorporate and to respond dynamically to sales fluctuations. This study applies the Exponential Moving Average (EMA) technique to analyze and estimate sales trends. The result of the present study indicates that EMA effectively smoothes fluctuations, lags actual demand, and serves as a robust forecasting tool. However, its limitations include the inability to capture seasonality and rapid demand shifts. The study suggests that EMA, when combined with other predictive models, enhances decision-making in inventory management.

Keywords : Estimating Sales Trend, Exponential Moving Average, EMA Timeframes Strategies for Using EMA
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1. Introduction :

1.1 Background :

Many businesses are struggling to identify sales trends or make data-driven business decisions. Because understanding sales fluctuations can be challenging Estimating sales trends has always been an important concept in business, optimizing inventory levels and reducing supply chain inefficiencies. Hence, it plays a crucial role in strategic decision-making. In any business estimating of futuristic sales depends on many factors. Internal factors which affect the sales are controllable in business. But there are some external factors that the business enterprise may not control totally. Hence for business enterprises it is not easy to forecast sales considering all controllable and uncontrollable factors.

Till now there are many studies which are trying to give some models for predicting the sales trends. These models work better. The success of any forecasting model depends upon how the model minimizes the between the actual and the predicted values. But the Exponential Moving Average (EMA) offers a powerful way to smooth out variations and highlight underlying trends. EMA reacts quickly to recent data, making it an invaluable tool for businesses and analysts looking to estimate future sales patterns with precision. Hence, this study focuses on application of Exponential Moving Average (EMA) for estimating sales trends instead of using the traditional simple moving average. Because traditional methods like Simple Moving Average (SMA) provide insights, but often fail to adjust to rapid changes in demand. Exponential Moving Average (EMA), on the other hand, assigns greater weight to recent observations i.e., sales in our context, making it more responsive to shifts in sales. This paper investigates how EMA can be applied to estimating sales trends using historical sales data. Four key strategies—Crossover Strategy, Support and Resistance Analysis, EMA Bounce Strategy, and Trend-Following Strategy—are examined to understand sales trends, predict future performance, and optimize decision-making. The findings highlight how businesses can leverage EMA to enhance forecasting accuracy and gain competitive advantages.

1.2 Research Objective :

As we know, the exponential moving average (EMA) is a time series estimating sales trends method that gives more weight to recent observations, making it more responsive to changes in sales compared to the Simple Moving Average (SMA). Further it requires minimal data for estimating the sales. Hence, the present study is aimed to apply it for sales forecasting of a product.

1.3 Significance of the Study :

The proposed application of exponential moving average (EMA) by the present study will be helpful for many business enterprises for predicting the trends in the sales. EMA is a valuable tool for businesses because it helps to identify upward or downward sales trends early. It assists in smoothest out short-term fluctuations, in sales of the product, while maintaining

sensitivity to recent changes. Further it helps in detecting seasonality or cyclical patterns in sales performance. And last but not least it supports decision-making in inventory management, marketing strategies, and revenue projections.

2. Methodology :

2.1 Exponential Moving Average :

Exponential Moving Average (EMA) is a type of weighted moving average that gives more importance to recent data points, making it more responsive to changes in trends compared to a simple moving average (SMA). It is widely used in sales trend identification.

The EMA is calculated using:

$$EMA_t = \alpha \times Sale_t + 1 - \alpha \times EMA_{t-1}$$

Where:

EMA_t = The EMA value at time t

α = The smoothing factor, typically calculated as: $\alpha = \frac{2}{N+1}$

$Sale_t$ = The actual sales at time t

EMA_{t-1} = The previous EMA value (from time $t-1$)

2.2 Selecting EMA Timeframes :

Selecting an appropriate time frame depends on the nature of the business and sales cycle:

Short-term (7-14 days EMA): Ideal for daily or weekly sales analysis, helping businesses adjust promotions or pricing in response to quick market changes.

Medium-term (30-50 days EMA): Useful for identifying broader trends, such as monthly sales performance and seasonal shifts.

Long-term (100-200 days EMA): Best for evaluating the overall business trajectory and making long-term strategic decisions.

3. Assumptions Of Exponential Moving Average (Ema) In Sales Trend Estimation :

For estimating the sales trend with exponential moving average, the present study assumes the following :

3.1 Assumes Recent Data is More Relevant: EMA assumes that more recent sales data is more important than older data, which is why it gives higher weight to recent values. This makes EMA more responsive to sudden changes in sales trends.

3.2 Assumes Sales Trends Follow a Continuous Pattern: EMA assumes that sales data follows a trend and that past patterns can help predict future movements. It works well when trends are persistent but may fail in highly erratic markets.

3.3 Assumes Lag Exists but is Reduced Compared to SMA: EMA still lags behind actual sales but reacts faster than a Simple Moving Average (SMA) due to its weighting mechanism.

The degree of lag depends on the smoothing factor (α) and the chosen time period.

3.4 Assumes Stable Smoothing Factor (α) Across Time: The smoothing factor (α) is constant for the entire calculation, assuming that the level of importance for recent vs. older data remains the same throughout the analysis.

3.5 Assumes Historical Data Influences the Present: EMA is a recursive function, meaning that every new EMA value is influenced by all past sales data, but with decreasing impact over time.

3.6 Assumes EMA Works Best in Trending Markets: EMA assumes that there is a clear uptrend or downtrend in sales. If the sales pattern is highly volatile with no clear trend, EMA may generate false signals.

4. Strategies For Using Ema In Estimating Sales Trends :

For identifying the trend a business enterprise has to observe the direction of the EMA curve in which it is moving and its position relative to the actual sales chart. It signals some indications; one can use following signals of EMA and make informed decisions accordingly.

4.1 Strategy: Crossover Strategy **Objective:** Identifying Sales Growth & Decline

Working: The basic idea behind this strategy is to identify potential sales trend changes by looking for crossovers between the sales line and an EMA line. When the sales cross above the EMA, it is considered a potential uptrend, while a cross below is seen as a potential downtrend. Most of the time instead of using the single EMA line, double EMA lines are used. Then this strategy uses and tracks two EMA lines: one should be short-term EMA (e.g., 5 or 15 or 20-day EMA) for measuring the recent sales trends and long-term EMA (e.g., 50 or 100 or 150 -day EMA) to capture the overall sales direction over time. Then if the short-term EMA crosses above the longer-term short-term EMA, it is considered a potential uptrend in sales, while a cross below is seen as a potential downtrend in the sales.

Business Impact: Using this strategy may help businesses to spot early signs of sales growth or decline and business can act before trends fully develop rather than reacting too late.

4.2 Strategy: Support and Resistance Analysis **Objective:** Predicting Sales Stability

Working: A business can use the direction of actual sales line and EMA line for estimating support level and resistance level of the sales of any particular product or of business as whole. It will work like a threshold for sales stabilization.

Suppose a sale of any particular product is declining from a few time periods, it keeps hovering near EMA instead of falling further, then this indicates the sale of that product is stable and may increase very soon. In other words sales tend to stabilize before rising again then EMA works like a support level for the sales. Businesses may hold off on decisions relating to major discounts, because customers might resume buying at normal prices.

But, if conversely, sales of any particular product is increasing from a few time periods, it keeps hovering near EMA instead of going higher further, then this indicates the sale of that product is stable and may decrease very soon. In other words sales tend to stabilize before falling again then EMA works like a resistance level for the sales. In this case businesses have to introduce sales promotions to push sales higher.

4.3. Strategy: EMA Bounce Strategy **Objective:** Identifying Strong Customer Demand

Working: If sales of any product of the business drops suddenly, but instead of falling further, its sales stop falling near the EMA and start rising again ("bounce" off the EMA), it indicates strong demand and this suggests that the market still favors your products. Customers are still interested, and the dip was temporary. In this situation a business can avoid unnecessary panic-based price cuts and maintain profitability. There is no need to mark down prices; instead, businesses have to promote new arrivals (if possible) to boost excitement without hurting profitability.

4.4. Strategy: Trend-Following Strategy **Objective:** Confidently Predicting Future Sales

Working: Consistently up-warding or down-warding EMA for long term signals a long term trend in the sales of the product. It will be used to forecast sustained growth or decline. Simply, if the EMA is consistently trending upward over several time periods, it signals long-term sales growth. This indicates that the product is in a strong growth phase. In this situation businesses have to invest more in inventory and efforts are required to expand marketing.

But, if the EMA is consistently trending upward, it indicates a slowdown. In this situation businesses are required to reduce unnecessary inventory purchases to prevent overstocking and require focusing on targeted promotions to retain customers.

By following trends in EMA, you can scale your business confidently and avoid costly mistakes.

5. Results And Discussion :

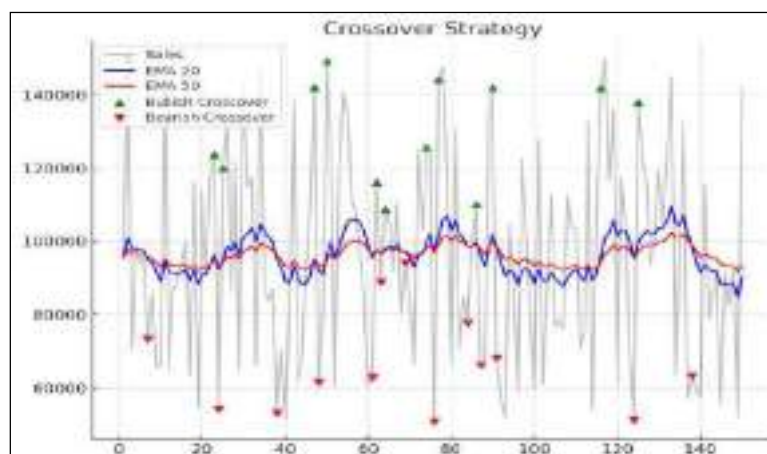
5.1 EMA Computation and Graphical Analysis :

A graph of sales vs. EMA (various timeframes) was plotted with the help of hypothetical sales data points for the last 150 days, for highlighting crossover points, support/resistance levels, and bounce events.

5.2 Plotting the Values on the Graph :

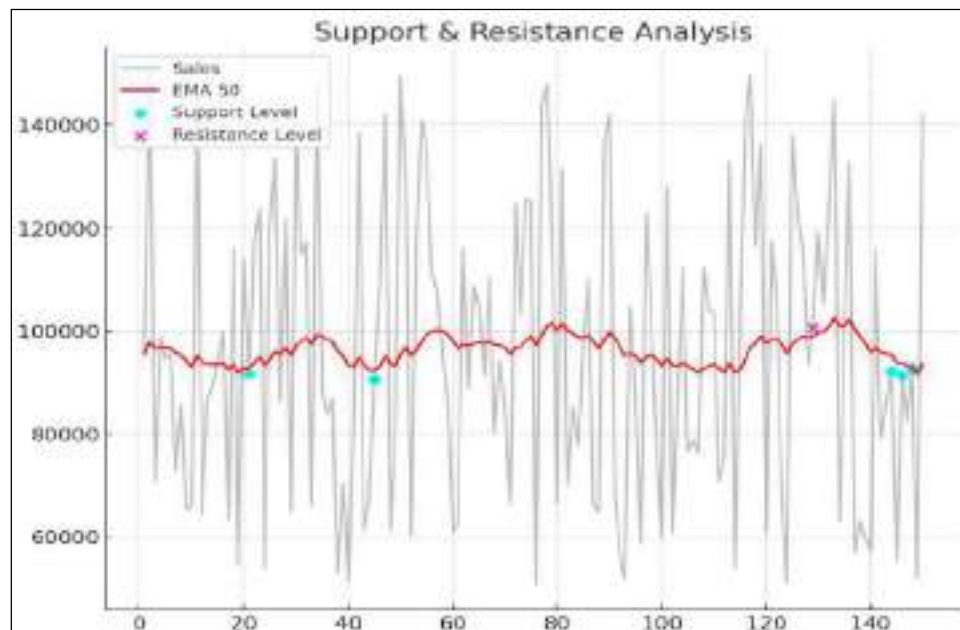
Here is the different graphs plotting the actual sales line with EMA lines.

5.2.1 Crossover Strategy Chart



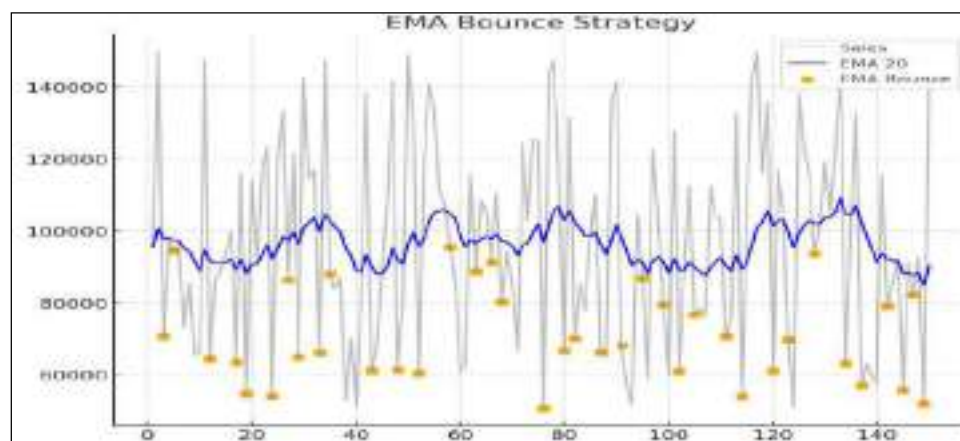
In the above graph the gray line represents the fluctuating actual sales over 150 days, blue line indicates EMA 20 and red line indicates EMA 50. We can see where the EMA 20 crosses above the EMA 50 (Green Triangles Up), suggesting a potential uptrend in the sales. And where the EMA 20 crosses below the EMA 50 (Red Triangles Down), suggesting a potential down trend in the sales.

5.2.2 Support and Resistance Strategy Chart



In the above graph the gray line represents the fluctuating actual sales over 150 days, the red line indicates EMA 50, Cyan Dots indicates support levels and Purple Xs indicate resistant levels. We can see that support levels appear where sales previously reversed upward and resistance levels mark previous highs where the sales struggled to move higher.

5.2.3 EMA Bounce Strategy Chart :



In the above graph the gray line represents the fluctuating actual sales over 150 days, blue line indicates EMA 20 and Orange Squares indicate EMA Bounce Points. We can see that EMA 20 acts as a dynamic support and resistance level, guiding sales movements. EMA Bounce Points (Orange Squares) appear where the sales data moves close to the EMA 20 and then reverses direction. The actual sales frequently oscillate around the EMA 20, suggesting that it is an influential trend indicator.

5.2.4 Trend-Following Strategy Chart :



In the above graph the gray line represents the fluctuating actual sales over 150 days, blue line indicates EMA 20 and red line indicates EMA 50. We can see that EMA 20 (Blue) fluctuates more dynamically compared to EMA 50 (Red), reflecting short-term market movements. Further, EMA 50 acts as a trend filter, showing the overall trend direction more clearly. Whenever EMA 20 crosses above EMA 50, it suggests a possible uptrend and whenever EMA 20 crosses below EMA 50, it suggests a possible downtrend.

6. Conclusion :

EMA (Exponential Moving Average) is a powerful tool for businesses to predict sales trends and make informed decisions. By applying EMA strategies, businesses can forecast sales trends with confidence, optimize pricing and inventory, and stay ahead of competitors. This method reduces guesswork and allows for smarter, data-driven decisions, ensuring steady growth and profitability.

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To Study Innovative Processes Management in Agriculture and Food Security Using AI Technology.

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Abstract :

The Intersection of Artificial Intelligence (Ai) And Agriculture Presents Transformative Opportunities for Enhancing Food Security Globally. By Leveraging Ai Technologies, We Can Improve Agricultural Practices, Increase Crop Yields, And Optimize Resource Management.

Food Security Is a Major Global Issue That Affects Many People Who Suffer from Hunger and Malnutrition. Solving This Complex Problem Requires New and Innovative Methods in Agriculture and The Food Industry. Recently, Artificial Intelligence (Ai) Has Become an Important Tool That Can Greatly Impact These Sectors. Ai Technologies Help Improve Farming by Optimizing Crop Growth, Using Predictive Models and Precision Farming Techniques, And Assisting in Monitoring Crops and Identifying Diseases More Efficiently.

Keywords : Innovative Agro -Food Systems, Artificial Intelligence for Food Security, Smart Farming with Ai, Ai Applications in Climate-Sensitive Crops.

Introduction :

In Recent Years, Technological Advancements Have Played a Key Role in Transforming the Agricultural Sector. With The Increasing Global Population, There Is a Growing Need for Efficient Food Production Methods. As The Global Population Continues to Rise, The Demand for Efficient Agricultural Practices Becomes Increasingly Critical. Innovative Processes in Agriculture, Facilitated by Artificial Intelligence (Ai), Are Emerging as Transformative Solutions to Address These Challenges.

Ai-Driven Solutions, Such as Machine Learning and Automated Monitoring, Have Emerged as Essential Tools for Improving Agricultural Productivity. For Instance, Precision Agriculture Employs Ai-Driven Data Analysis to Monitor Crop Health, Predict Yields, And Optimize Resource Usage, Ultimately Leading to Increased Productivity and Reduced Environmental Impact (Zhang Et Al., 2019). [1,2]

Furthermore, Ai Can Enhance Decision-Making in Food Security by Analysing Vast Datasets Related to Climate Patterns, Soil Health, And Market Trends, Enabling Farmers and Policymakers to Make Informed Decisions (Liakos Et Al., 2018). The Application of Ai in Agriculture Also Extends to Improving Logistics and Distribution, Ensuring That Food Reaches Consumers More Efficiently and Reducing Waste (Kumar Et Al., 2020). [3,10]

As The Agricultural Sector Faces Challenges Such as Climate Change, Water Scarcity, And Land Degradation, The Integration of Innovative Ai Processes Is Essential for Creating Sustainable Solutions. This Approach Not Only Aims to Improve Agricultural Productivity but Also Seeks to Ensure Equitable Access to Food, Thus Contributing to Global Food Security (García Et Al., 2021). [4,6]



Figure no 1: - "AI-Powered Agriculture: Enhancing Food Security".

In Summary, The Management of Innovative Processes in Agriculture Through Ai Technology Presents a Promising Avenue for Addressing the Multifaceted Issues of Food Security and Resource Management. Continued Research and Development in This Field Are Crucial for Fostering Resilience in Agricultural Systems and Ensuring a Sustainable Future for Food Production.

Food Security is a Multidimensional Operational Structure, Which Had Got More Than 200 Definitions By 1993. [7] (Consolidate Securitate Alimentary Is Nutritional Mandible - Conclusion Ale Consimilar, 2018). This Situation Was Clearly “Unsustainable” And Reflected the Fact That the Food Security Research Often Had a Very Specific Context Depending on Which of The Many Technical Perspectives and Political Issues Were Discussed (Ericksen, 2008). [8]

The Classical Interpretation of Food Security Defined in the 1970s Was Revised at the 1996 World Food Summit to Reflect the Importance of Distribution, Food Quality, And Equality of Economic Access (Amoroso, 2018). [5,9]

Objectives :

1. To Analyse Existing Ai Technologies Applied in Agriculture and Their Impact on Food Security.
2. To Explore the Challenges in Food Production, Distribution, And Access That Ai Can Help Address.
3. To Investigate Specific Ai Applications (E.G., Precision Agriculture, Predictive Analytics, Supply Chain Optimization) And Their Effectiveness in Enhancing Productivity.
4. To Examine How Ai Technologies Can Promote Sustainable Agricultural Practices and Reduce Environmental Impact.
5. To Develop Policy Recommendations for Integrating Ai in Agriculture to Improve Food Security at Local, National, And Global Levels.
6. To Analyse the Role of Various Stakeholders (Farmers) In Implementing Ai Solutions in Agriculture.
7. To Provide Examples of How Ai Has Been Successfully Used in Farming to Improve Food Security.
8. To Explore Emerging Trends in Ai That Could Shape the Future of Food Security and Agricultural Practices.

Hypothesis:

- The Adoption of Various Ai Technologies in Agriculture Is Significantly Improving Farming Efficiency, Productivity, And Sustainability
- Ai Technology Plays a Significant Role in Promoting Sustainable Agricultural Practices by Enhancing Resource Efficiency, Optimizing Crop Management, And Reducing Environmental Impact.

Research Methodology:

The Research Was Conducted in The State of Maharashtra, Focusing on Two Districts: Jalgaon and Dhule. The Total Sample Size for The Study Was Estimated to Be Between 50 And 80 Respondents from Each District, With the Aim of Gathering Diverse Perspectives on The Use of Ai Technology in Agriculture and Food Security. Therefore, The Overall Sample Size Ranged From 100 To 160 Respondents, Ensuring Comprehensive Insights into The Innovative Processes in Agriculture Management in Both Districts.

Hypothesis 1: - The Adoption of Various AI Technologies Is Significantly Improving Farming Efficiency, Productivity, And Sustainability

Thus, Applying the formula $X^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Sr No.	Which Ai Technologies Are You Currently Using in Agriculture	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) two	(O _i -E _i)/E _i
1	Drone	69	72.75	-3.75	7.5	0.10
2	Machine Learning	95	72.75	22.25	44.5	0.61
3	IoT Sensor	54	72.75	-18.75	37.5	0.51
4	Precision Agriculture Tool	73	72.75	0.25	0.5	0.00
	Total	291				1.22

- O_i = Observed Frequency (Actual Survey Responses)
- E_i = Expected Frequency (Predicted Responses)

Showing Calculation of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ in Maharashtra State.

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 1.22$$

The Tabulated (Critical) Value Of X^2 For a Degree of Freedom (D.F.) = 3 Depends on The Chosen Significance Level (A). Here Are the Common Values:

- For $\alpha = 0.05$ (95% Confidence Level): $X^2 = 7.815$
 $X^2 = 1.22 < 7.815^*$

Result:

Therefore, our hypothesis, regarding the fact that the technology used in agriculture and food security can increase innovation and efficiency for management processes and tools has been validated. In Maharashtra, many agriculture practices and food safety management systems are talking about AI for decision-making, productivity and sustainability. Thus, proving our hypothesis as a significant positive influence towards adoption of AI technology in agriculture and food security processes, especially in the districts of Jalgaon and Dhule, where they have aided in efficient resource management leading to a better ladder of food security.

Hypothesis 2: - Ai Technology Plays a Significant Role in Promoting Sustainable Agricultural Practices by Enhancing Resource Efficiency, Optimizing Crop Management, And Reducing Environmental Impact.

Thus, Applying the Formula $X^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

- O_i = Observed Frequency (Actual Survey Responses)
- E_i = Expected Frequency (Predicted Responses)

Showing Calculation Of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ in Maharashtra State.

Sr No.	Do You Think Ai Can Contribute to Sustainable Agricultural Practices	O_i	E_i	$O_i - E_i$	$(O_i - E_i)^2$	$(O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$
1	Yes	180	107	73	146	1.36
2	No	34	107	-73	146	1.36
	Total	214				2.72

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 2.72$$

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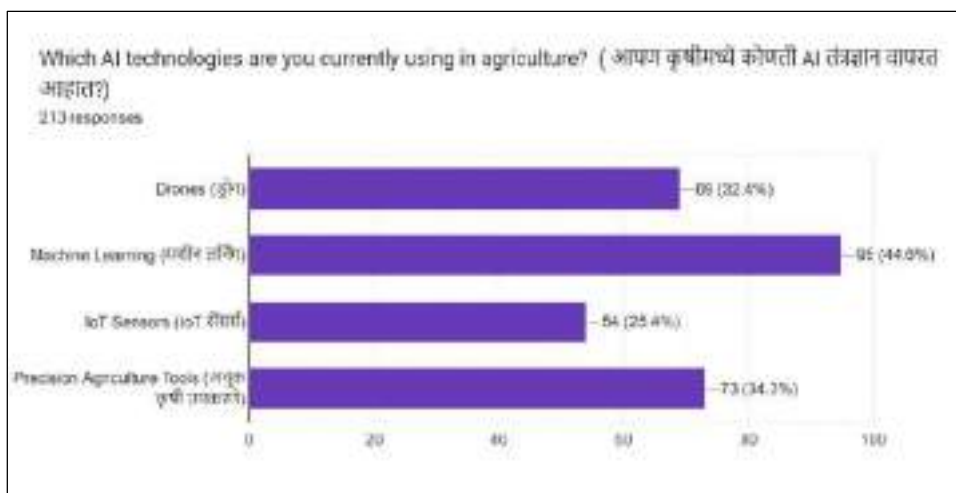
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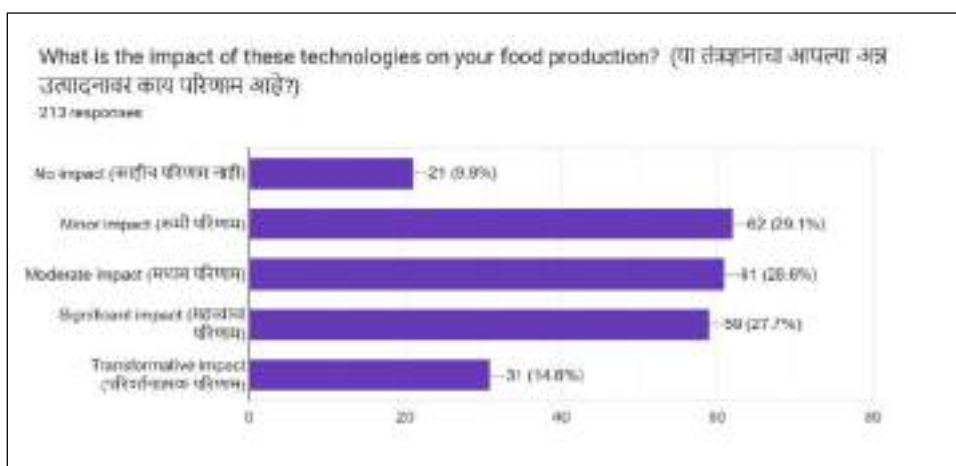
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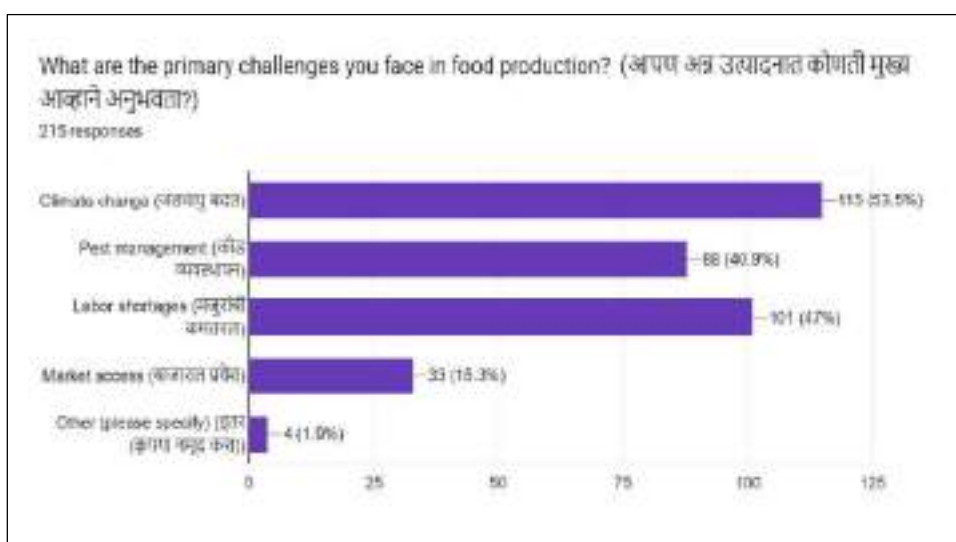
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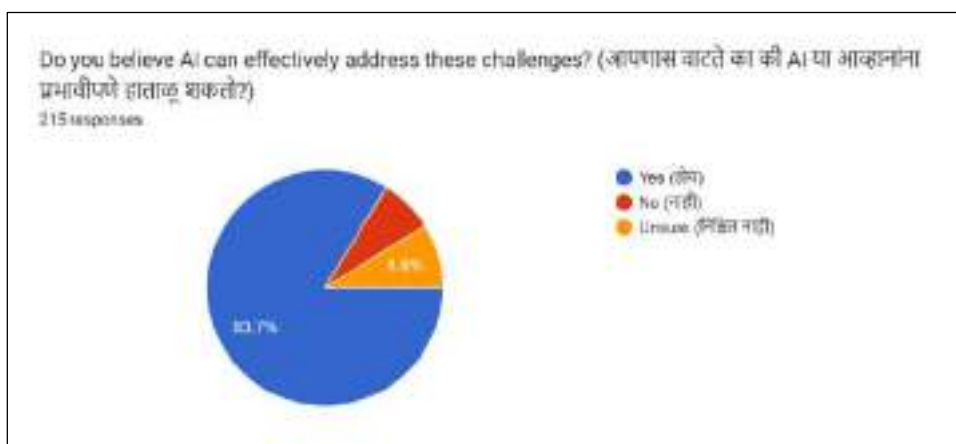
2. What Is the Impact of These Technologies on Your Food Production?



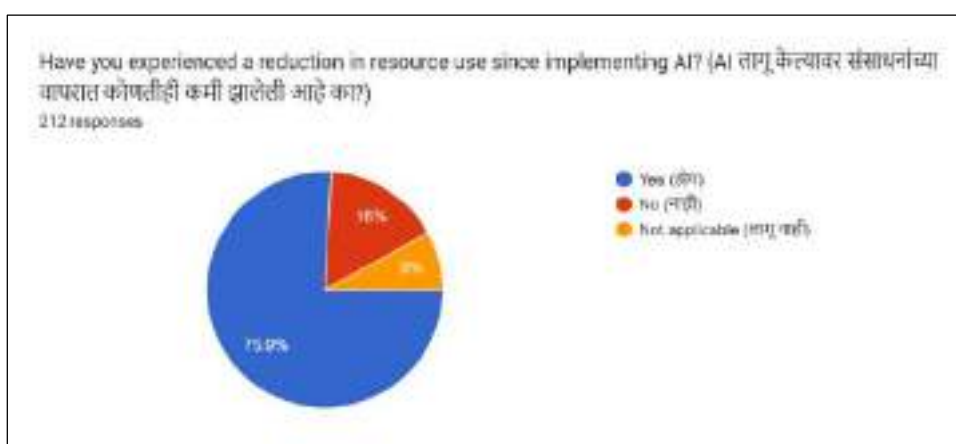
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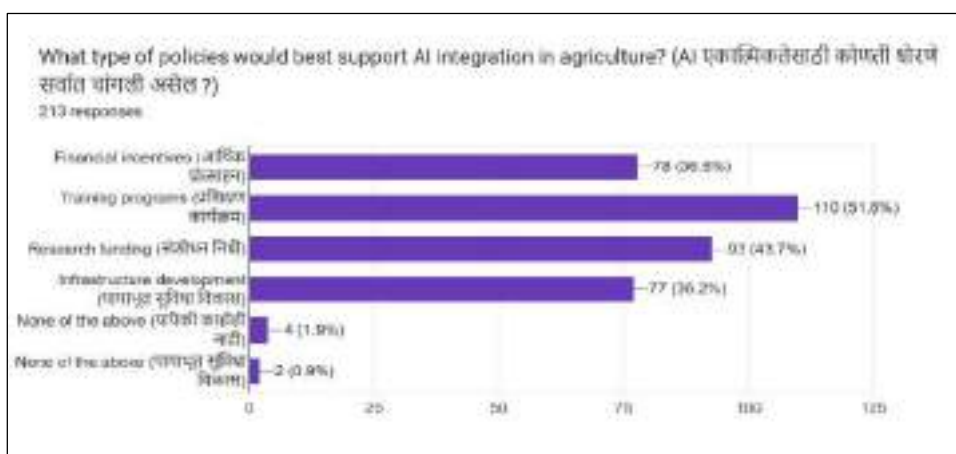
4. Do You Believe Ai Can Effectively Address These Challenges?



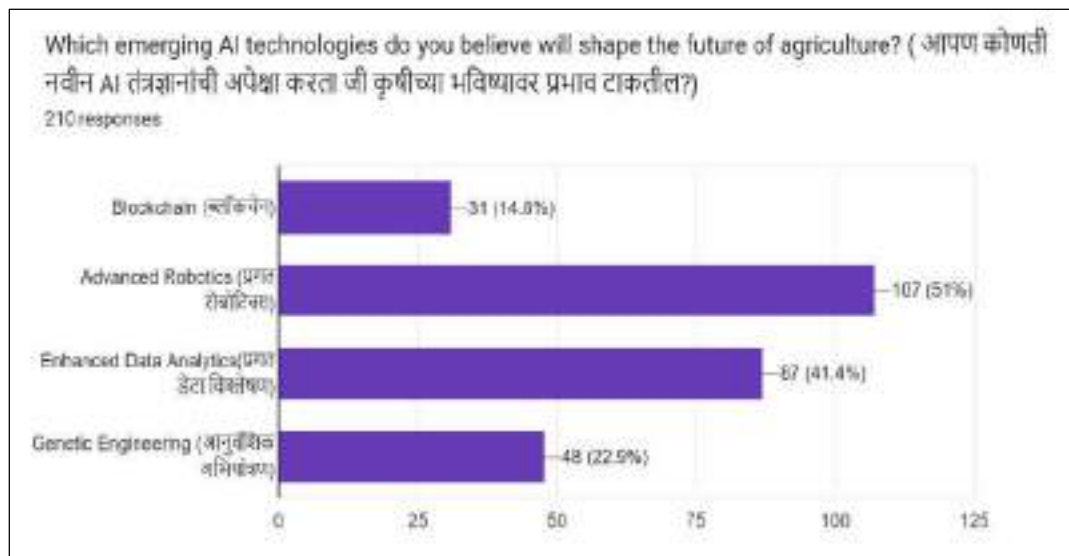
5. Have you experienced a reduction in resource use since implementing AI?



6. What Type of Policies Would Best Support Ai Integration in Agriculture?



7. Which Emerging Ai Technologies Do You Believe Will Shape the Future of Agriculture?



Finding :

Objective 1: To Analyse Existing Ai Technologies Applied in Agriculture and Their Impact on Food Security.

After Analysing Existing Ai Technologies in Agriculture and Their Role in Food Security, The Study Found That Ai-Driven Innovations Significantly Enhance Agricultural Productivity, Resource Efficiency, And Food Availability. In Dhule and Jalgaon District Most of Respondents, Majority (90%) Of Choose Yes Option. The Findings Confirm That Ai Technologies Play a Crucial Role in Enhancing Food Security by Optimizing Agricultural Processes, Reducing Waste, And Increasing Efficiency. Ai-Driven Innovations Reduce Manual Effort, Improve Decision-Making, And Ensure Sustainable Food Production, Aligning with The Objectives of Industry 4.0 In Agriculture.

Objective 7: To Provide Case Studies of Successful Ai Implementations in Agriculture That Have Positively Impacted Food Security

After Analysing Various Ai-Driven Innovations in Agriculture, The Study Identified Several Successful Implementations That Have Significantly Improved Food Security. A Survey Conducted in Dhule and Jalgaon Districts Found That 90% Of Respondents Acknowledged the Positive Impact of Ai in Agriculture. The Findings Confirm That Ai-Driven Technologies Have Positively Impacted Food Security by Improving Productivity, Reducing Losses, And Optimizing Agricultural Processes. These Case Studies Highlight How Ai Innovations Contribute to Sustainable Food Production, Aligning with Industry 4.0 Principles in Agriculture.

Conclusion:

It Is Observed in Maharashtra State Ai Helps to Farmers and Government in Agriculture and Management of Food Security. This Research Highlights the Transformative Potential of Ai in Agriculture and Food Security Management. Ai Technologies, Such as Machine Learning, IoT, And Predictive Analytics, Enhance Precision Farming, Optimize Resource Use, And Improve Crop Productivity While Minimizing Environmental Impact.

It Is Find Out That, In Food Security, Ai Strengthens Supply Chains by Reducing Waste, Ensuring Traceability, And Mitigating Risks from Climate and Global Disruptions. However, Challenges Like High Costs, Limited Rural Access, And Ethical Concerns Persist. Addressing These Requires Collaborative Efforts Among Policymakers, Researchers, And Industry Stakeholders. Ai Offers a Promising Path Toward Sustainable, Resilient Food Systems Capable of Addressing Global Food Security Challenges.

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To Study Of Brain Computer Interfaces: Interfaces With Human Brain And Outside Devices

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Abstract :

This Paper Created for People To Know More About Brain-Computer Interface (BCI) Technology And His Applications. BCI's Enable Direct Interfaces with The External World from The Brain, This Is Most and Biggest, Important System in The Real World for The Paralyse Patient, Those Individual with Motor Brain Damage but Preserved Cognitive Function Those with Limited Muscles Movement And human by spinal cord inquiries Or Many Other, They into use assistive devices to enhance their quality of life. They Might Want to Communicate with A Computer, Or Access the Internet. But The Real Fact Is Most People Are Not Aware from This Information This Systems.

But This Can Be Life-Changing for Someone with A Disability, As They Can Control Their Environment or Even Amplify Their Brain Functions. BCI's Have Been Utilized in Medical Treatments, But Also in Fields Such as Entertainment And Robotics. The Paper Describes Various Types of Brain Computer Devices Such as Invasive BCI's require surgery to implant devices in the brain. Non-invasive Systems (BCI) measure brain activity from outside the skull without surgery, And Explains How BCI's Work by Measuring Brain Activity (EEG, MEG, FMRI). The Use, Range, And Potential of BCI's Is Immense, From Assisting Disabled Individuals in Regaining Control Over Their Movement to Enhancing Communication And Interaction with Technology. It Also Show the Components Of BCI.

Keywords : Brain Computer Interfaces (BCI), Electroencephalography (EEG), Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (FMRI), Magnetoencephalography (MEG), Feature Extraction, Signal Acquisition, Application Of BCI, Human Computer Interface.

1. Introduction :

This Paper Is Made For To Educate People About BCI Technology And Its Application In Recent Years, Brain Computer Interfaces (BCI) Take Developed As Per Revolutionary Skill By Application Ranging From Medical Treatments To Enhancing Human Cognitive And Sensory Abilities BCI's Run Straight Communicate Among The Peoples Brain And Outside Application, Enabling Individual With Disabilities To Regain Control Over Environment Or Even Augment Normal Brain Function However Despite These Advancements A Large Portion Of The Population Is Either Unaware Of BCI's Or Has Limited Understanding Of Their Implication.

In Today Generation with The Evolution of Technology, Humanity Progresses. They Can Try to Understanding How the Brain Operates and Merging It with Computers Helps Establish Connections with New Technologies for Communication. Normally, Humans Interact with The World Using Their Nerves and Muscles, And Do Things. However, For People with Serious Brain or Nerve Diseases, Like Als or Brainstem Stroke, They Can't Control Things Around Them. It Means They Have a Need of Help from Others but Sometimes That Help Was Not Available. [1]

For That Problems Scientists and Researchers Have Developed a Brain Computer Interface (BCI) Technology That Can Transform Brain Signals into The Human Actions Independent of The Peripheral Nerves or A Brain Computer Interface Sometimes It's Called a Brain Machine Interface (BMI) Is A Direct Communication Link Between the Brain Electrical Activity and An External Device, Most Commonly a computer or Robotic Limb. BCI Are Often Directed at Researching, Mapping, Assisting, Augmenting, Or Repairing Human Cognitive or Sensory- Motor Functions. BCI Implementations Range from Non-Invasive and Partially Invasive to Invasive, Based on How Physically Close Electrodes Are to Brain Tissue. [2-3]

This System/Implementation Are Define as Brain Computer Interface (BCI) Means Brain Communication by Through the Computer. (BCI) Is A Real Time Machine It's a Part of Machine Learning, That Machine Interface, That Interacts with External Parameters.

The history of Brain-Computer Interfaces (BCI's) begins with Hans Berger discovering the brain's electrical activity and developing electroencephalography (EEG) in 1924. [22]

Jacques Vidal, A Computer Scientist at The University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), Is Often Considered the Father Of The Brain-Computer Interface (BCI). He Published the First Peer-Reviewed Paper on The Subject In 1973, In

the Field Of Communications Directly from The Brain. It Is Here That He Also Introduced The Term “The Brain-Machine Interface”. Note: You Are Also An educator, You Are Extremely Well versed in The BCI (brain-computer interface). [20]

Philip Kennedy Colleagues Neural Systems, Inc. The First BCI Can Translate Neural Signals Speech Motor Cortex of Synthetic Speech Signal Output in Real Time. [21]

EEG, MEG, And FMRI Can Be Used as Non-Invasive Brain Imaging Technologies. There Are Some Problems Associated with These Non-Invasive BCI Approaches, Such as The Fact That They Are Often Slow (E.G., FMRI), Have A Low Spatial Resolution, And Are Susceptible to Being Corrupted by External Artefacts [4]. And Neurosurgery Can Used in Invasive System and ECOG Used in Partial Invasive System in BCI's.

1.2. Types Of Brain Computer Interfaces (BCI): -

Interface Between Brain and Computer (BCI) Devices Is Make for The Accessing the Electrical Signal from Brain and Change into The Signal for Understand the External Device. This Allows the Brain's Activity to Control Things Like Computers. [9] There Are Three Main Types.

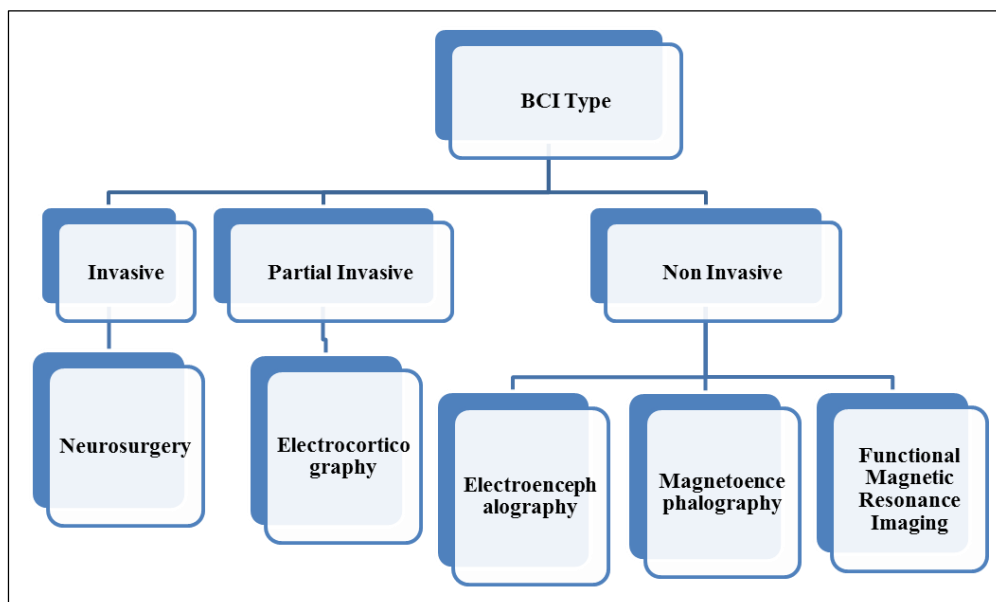


Figure No. 1 : Type Of BCI

- 1) **Invasive Brain Computer Interface** : Invasive Brain Computer Interface Devices Are Located Directly in The Brain and Provide the Top Excellence Signals. They Can Help People Using This System Invasive System Direct Connect with The External Device Form in The Brain Using This System They Can Control the Robotic Arms, Leg or Computer Device [10]

For Example, If A Stroke Patient Is Shown Letters One by One on A Screen And And Focuses on Each Letter, This Concentration Creates a Signal That Can Be Picked Up by An EEG Device. The More the Patient Focuses, The Stronger the Signal. [11]

- It's Just Example Diagram and Information of Chip to Implant in Brain It's Called Invasive Type BCI That Can Research and Implement by The Elon Musk and Neuralink Companies. It's A Chip Name Is Telepathy Made by Musk and Neuralink Family.
- Telepathy Communication : In January new Neuralink, the company lead by El on musk successfully implanted its brain chip, called telepathy into a people for the first time this marks the beginning of a six years study to assess the safety and effectiveness of the technology, the implantation is part of clinical trial announce in 2023 which focuses on individual with quadriplegia cause by spinal cord inquiries or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis(ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease the main goal of this trial is a to understand how well the device intercept and transmit the brain's neural signals that control limb movement potentially enabling patients to regain control of their limbs. In an update on march 20, the company streamed live video of its

patient, now identified as Noland Arbaugh, playing online chess on a laptop, using the brain chip to move the cursor on the screen. [12]

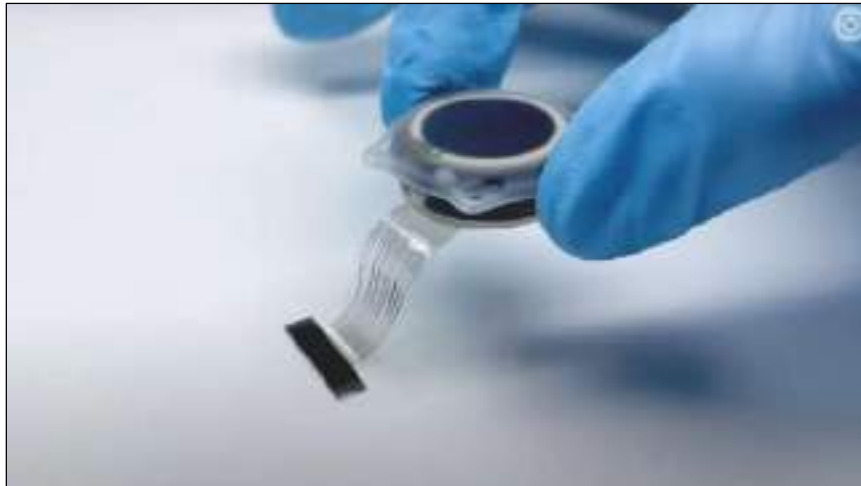


Figure No. 2 : Telepathy Chip.

- 2) **Non-Invasive Brain Computer Interface** : Non-Invasive Brain Computer Interfaces(BCI's) involve measuring Brain single without directly interacting with the brain. This system are considered safer compare to invasive BCI's which require surgical procedures to implant device into the brain.

One Common Type, EEG, Uses Sensors on A Headband to Track Brain Activity. [3] While eegs Aren't as Precise as Direct Methods, They Are Affordable, Easy to Use, And Portable, And They Can Track Changes in Brain Activity Over Time. BCI's Work by Detecting Specific Brain Signals, Like the P300, Which Can Help Users Perform Tasks Like Selecting Letters Just by Thinking About Them. Other BCI Devices Use Different Methods, Such as FMRI Or PET Scans, To Study Brain Activity in Different Ways. [11,13]

- 3) **Partial Invasive BCI (Brain Computer Interface)** : Partially Invasive BCI Devices Are Placed Inside the Skull but Stay Outside the Brain Itself. They Provide Clearer Signals Than Non-Invasive BCI's, Though the Signal Strength Is Still Weaker Than Fully Invasive Ones. These Devices Have a Lower Risk of Scar Tissue Compared to Fully Invasive BCI's Partially Invasive BCI Usually Involve Placing Electrodes on The Brains Surface or Just Under the Skull. They Offer a Balance Between High Signal Quality and Lower Risks, Helping Control Devices More Accurately and Giving Better Insights into Brain Activity. [10]

- **Electroencephalography (EEG)** : EEG Electroencephalography (EEG) Is A Non-Invasive Technique That Measure Brain Activity Help with The Using Electrodes in The Brain They Can Placed on The Scalp. It Reads Brainwaves Which Are Patterns of Electric Signals Emittes by Neurons These Brainwaves Are Then Interpreted in Brain Computer Interfaces (BCI's) To Control Devices Such as Computer or Robotic Arms. It's Safe, Inexpensive and It's Possible to Get Real-Time Data from It, So It Can Be Used to Help Disabled People Control Technology with Their Thought. But It's Less Accurate Than More Invasive Techniques.
- **Magnetoencephalography (MEG)** : Magnetoencephalography (MEG) Is A Non-Invasive Method for Detecting the Magnetic Fields Generated By Brain Activity. It Helps in Tracking the Brain's Response To Various Tasks or Thoughts. Special Sensors MEG Can Pick Up on These Tiny Magnetic Signals Without Surgery, Making It Possible for Individuals to Manipulate Devices Such as Computers and Prosthetics Using Their Brain Activity. It's A Safe and Non-Invasive Method to Study and Use Signals from The Brain
- **Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (FMRI)** : FMRI Technology: FMRI Is an Imaging Tool That Can Measure Brain Activity by Detecting Alteration's Related to Blood Flow in Other Words, Certain Regions of Our Brain Become More Active When We Think, Or Do An Activity, So More Blood Flows to These Zones. FMRI Detects This Change in Blood Flow and Lets Us See Which Parts of The Brain Are Busy. Non-Invasive: This Does Not Involve Any Surgical Procedures Or The Physical Insertion of Devices into The Body. FMRI Employs a Scan (Like An MRI) To Photograph Your Brain as You Perform A Task. You Simply Lie Down in the Scanner, And It Senses Your Brain Activity Safely from Outside Your Body.

For Ex: - So, Suppose You're Attempting to Control the Movement of a Robotic Arm with Your Mind; The FMRI Can Identify the Regions in Your Brain That Are Tied to Movement, For Instance. The System "Learns" Which Brain Activity Patterns Match Specific Commands (Such as Moving Left Vs. Right) And Then Leverages That Knowledge to Control the Robot.

- **Electrocorticography (ECOG) :** Electrocorticography (ECOG) Is A Type of Brain Activity Measure, done By Placing Electrodes Directly on Top of The Brain, Rather Than Inside the Brain, Used to Read Brain Signals in Partial Invasive Brain-Computer Interface to Allow for The Control of Devices Such as Computers or Robotic Arms. Safer Than Fully Invasive Methods, Yet Still Hits the Right Spots for The Disabled.
- **Neurosurgery :** Invasive Brain-Computer Interface (BCI) Neurosurgery Is a Type of Surgery That Allows for The Implantation of a Device in the Brain That Can Help a Person Control a computer or Other Machines. The Device, Which Typically Consists of Small Electrodes, Is Surgically Implanted into The Brain to Read Brain Signals. The Previous Surgery the Device Provides the Means to Move Prosthetic Limbs, Speak, Or Control Devices with Thought Invasive Because The Procedure Necessitates Breaking Open the Skull to Insert the Device Invasive, Because the Operative Procedure Is Regarding Developing a Mechanical the Operative Procedure Is Broken Open to Insert the Device. [5-8]

For Ex : -

- Those People Who Can Not Move Their Body.
- Individuals Whose Motor Regions of The Brain Are Impaired, But Cognitive Functions Remain Intact.
- People With Lock-In Syndrome, Spinal Cord Injuries, Or Similar Conditions.
- These Individuals May Seek External Devices to Enhance Their Quality of Life.
- They May Wish to Communicate with A Computer.
- They May Want to Browse Internet.
- Participant in the study may want to control a robotic arm to perform task such as retrieving food.
- They may also into move a prosthetic arm to assist with daily activities.

1.3. Main Components of Brain Computer Interface (BCI) :

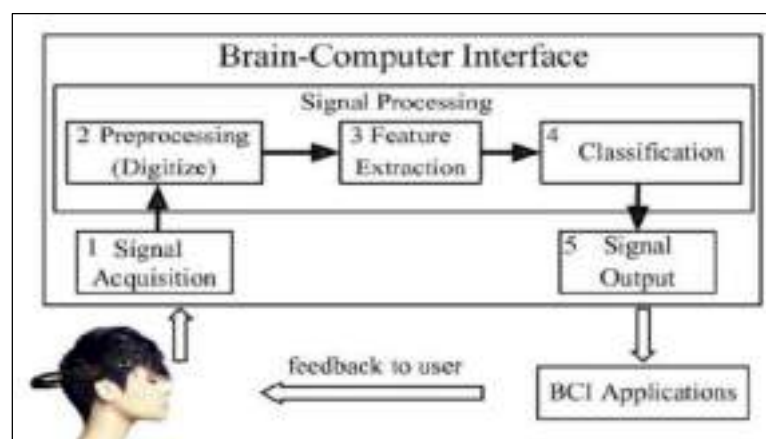


Figure No. 3 : Main Component of BCI System [14]

- **Signal Acquisition :** Special Techniques Are Essential to Capturing The electrical impulses produced by the brain, And This Is Called Signal Acquisition. Common Techniques in Electroencephalography, EEG (Magnetoencephalography) MEG, And (Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging) FMRI As Showing in Figure 4. [16] EEG Is The Most Widely Used in Brain Comp iterators (BCI) Systems Among These. So, It Involves Small Sensors Placed On The Scalp Called Electrodes Recording Brain Activity, Which It Amplifies, Filters as Well As Converts into A Format for Use in Further Analysis.

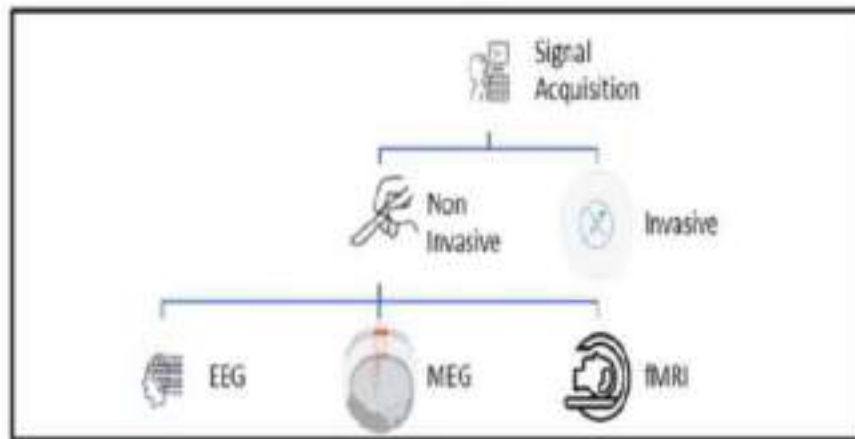


Figure No. 4: - Signal Acquisition

- **Signal Processing :** Your brain makes messy signals that require some clearing out. Think of Signal processing like a filter which cuts out unwanted noise and makes brain signals more readable. It makes the signals stronger so the computer can understand them more easily. [17,18]

Pretreatment – Preprocess the Data Eliminate The Noises (E.G. Also Escape Signals), Enhance the Signals in Order That Their Trustworthy.

Generally Speaking, It Eliminates the Noise in Order to Provide Clearer Transmissions from One Or More Sources, Independently from The Used Content.

It Will Have Been Heard but It **Is Data Normalization** Which Is Taking Raw Data And Converting into A Range to Maintain the Features at One Level So That the Signals Can Be Easily Classified. This Is Known

- **Feature Extraction :** Feature Extraction Is a Technique Employed to Identify and Extract the Relevant Portions of Signals. Afterward, These Segments Can Be Utilized for The Subsequent Analysis, Or Instead for The Classification of Different Sorts of Data. Imagine It as Collecting the Most Valuable Information That Enables You to Make Sense of What's Going on In a Signal. We Use the Features We Extract to Identify the Task Relevant Patterns. [18,19]
- **Feature Classification :** The Classification Component Takes the Brain Patterns Identified by The Feature Extractor and Sorts Them into Categories. It Changes the Input Data (Independent Variable) Into the Output Results (Dependent Variable) Using Different Methods. These Methods Can Be Simple, Like Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA) And Support Vector Machine (SVM), Or More Complex, Like Neural Networks. [18]
- **BCI Application :** The Generated Feature-To-Command Can Control the External Devices (BCI In Applications): Cursor for Selecting Letters and Texts from the Computer Screen Wheelchair and Robotic Arms for BCI Restoration Problems, The Control Signals of The BCI Application May Be Passed on To the Brain or Other Body Organs. [15]

BCI's (Brain Computer Interfaces) Have A Broad Spectrum Of Applications, From Communication to Entertainment, And from Healthcare to Robotics. So Many Applications of BCI's And Some Examples of How They Are Applied in Various Fields.

For Ex: - From Communication, Gaming, Entertainment, Robotics, Medical Applications, And Assistive Technology Etc.

2) Objectives :

- 1) To Introduce BCI's: In Order To Introduce the Concept of BCI's, How They Function.
- 2) To Lead Public Awareness About Brain-Computer Interface (BCI) Technology and Its Medical Rehabilitation, Communication and BCI Applications.
- 3) Investigate Distinction Among BCI Such as Invasive, Non-Invasive and Partially Invasive Systems and Understand Measurement of Brain Activity by Techniques Such As EEG, MEG And fMRI.
- 4) To Understanding the Building Blocks (Components Of BCI) Of A Brain-Computer Interface.

- 5) To Survey the Familiarity and Awareness of the General Population Regarding BCI's And Related Technologies Statistically (By Chi-Square Test).
- 6) To Study the Applications of BCI's In Different Fields to Investigate the Diverse Uses of BCI's in Medicine, Communication, Robotics, Gaming, And More.

Hypothesis :

- Many People May Feel Uneasy About Implantable Devices For Direct Signal Acquisition Due To Concerns About Privacy, Safety, And The Potential For Misuse, Despite Their Potential Benefits In Monitoring Health Or Brain Activity.
- A Brain-Computer Interface Could Primarily Be Used to Help People with Disabilities Regain Lost Abilities, Such as Controlling Prosthetics or Communication Devices, And to Enhance Human Cognitive or Physical Performance.

3) Research & Methodology :

Statistical Hypothesis Testing by Chi Square Test :

Hypothesis 1 Many People May Feel Uneasy About Implantable Devices For Direct Signal Acquisition Due To Concerns About Privacy, Safety, And The Potential For Misuse, Despite Their Potential Benefits In Monitoring Health Or Brain Activity.

Using The Formula $X^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

- O_i = Observed Frequency (Actual Survey Responses)
- E_i = Expected Frequency (Predicted Responses)

Demonstrating the Computation Of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$.

Sr. No	Comfortable With The Idea Of Implantable Devices For Direct Signal Acquisition	O_i	E_i	$O_i - E_i$	$(O_i - E_i)^2$	$(O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$
1	Yes Comfortable	79	50	29	58	1.16
2	Somewhat Uncomfortable	54	50	4	8	0.16
3	Very Uncomfortable	36	50	-14	28	0.56
4	Neutral	31	50	-19	38	0.76
	Total	200				2.64

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 2.64$$

The Degree of Freedom (D.F) Is 3.

The Tabulated (Critical) Value Of X^2 For a Degree of Freedom (D.F.) = 3 Depends on The Chosen Significance Level (A). Here Are the Common Values:

- **For A = 0.05 (95% Confidence Level): $X^2 = 7.815$**
 $X^2 = 1.22 < 7.815^*$
- **Result: -** The Survey Results Therefore Show No Significant Discomfort Among with People's Comfort with The Use of Implantable Devices for Direct Signal Acquisition Based on Privacy or Safety Concerns Since the Computed Chi-Square Value (2.64) Was Less Than the Corresponding Value in The Table (7.815). Hence The Hypothesis Is Rejected At 5% Level of Significance. This Indicates That, Statistically, there's Little Strong Evidence That People Are Especially Queasy About These Devices.
- **Hypothesis 2: -** A Brain-Computer Interface Could Primarily Be Used to Help People with Disabilities Regain Lost Abilities, Such as Controlling Prosthetics or Communication Devices, And to Enhance Human Cognitive or Physical Performance.

Thus, Applying the Formula $X^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

- O_i = Observed Frequency (Actual Survey Responses)
- E_i = Expected Frequency (Predicted Responses)

Showing Calculation Of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Sr. No	What Would You Primarily Want to Use a Brain Computer Interfaces For	O _i	E _i	O _i - E _i	(O _i - E _i) ²	(O _i - E _i)/E _i
1	Medical Rehabilitation	73	50	13	26	0.52
2	Communication Assistance	45	50	-5	10	0.2
3	Gaming/Entertainment	41	50	-9	18	0.36
4	Research	41	50	-9	18	0.36
	Total	200				1.44

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 1.44$$

The Degree of Freedom (D.F) Is 3.

The Tabulated (Critical) Value Of X² For a Degree of Freedom (D.F.) = 3 Depends on The Chosen Significance Level (A). Here Are the Common Values:

- **For A = 0.05 (95% Confidence Level): X² = 7.815**
X² = 1.22 < 7.815*
- Result :- As The Computed Value(1.44) Is Less Than The Tabulated Value(7.815), Therefore In Simple Words It Is Found Out From The Survey Results That brain-Computer Interfaces Will Be Used For Assisting Person With Disability And Augmenting Their Cognitive Or Physical abilities As The Chi-Square Test Did Not Indicate A Significant Difference Between The Observed And Expected Responses; Therefore, We Can Say That The Hypothesis Is Accepted At 5% Level Of Significance.

4) Experiment :

1. Do You Heard About Brain-Computer Interface?

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes	146	73
No	54	27
Total	200	100

2. Do You Known About Electroencephalogram Headset?

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes	110	55
No	90	45
Total	200	100

3. Have You Heard of Machine Learning Being Used to Improve Brain Computer Interface Systems?

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes Familiar	58	29
Heard But Not Familiar	78	39
No Not Aware	36	18
Unsure	28	14
Total	200	100

4. What Would You Primarily Want to Use a Brain Computer Interfaces For?

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Medical Rehabilitation	41	20.5
Communication Assistance	45	22.5
Gaming/Entertainment	41	20.5

Research	73	36.5
Total	200	100

5. Do You Think Signal Processing Software Is Essential For Analyzing Brain Data?

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes, Essential	45	42.5
Very Helpful	52	26
Somewhat Helpful	49	24.5
Not Necessary	14	7
Total	200	100

6. Are You Comfortable With The Idea Of Implantable Devices For Direct Signal Acquisition?

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes, Comfortable	79	39.5
Somewhat Uncomfortable	54	27
Very Uncomfortable	36	18
Neutral	31	15,5
Total	200	100

7. Do You Believe Brain Computer Interfaces Technology Could Significantly Improve Quality of Life for Users?

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes	122	61
No	36	18
Unsure	42	21
Total	200	100

8. Do You Believe Robotic Systems Can Be Effectively Controlled Using Brain Signals?

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes, Definitely	86	43
Possibly	75	37.5
Unlikely	23	11.5
No	16	8
Total	200	100

9. Do You Think Wireless Transmitters Improve The Usability Of Brain Computer Interface Systems?

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes, Significantly	71	35.5
Moderately	64	32
Minimally	46	23
Not At All	19	9.5
Total	200	100

10. Do You Believe Electroencephalogram Electrodes Are Effective For Measuring Brain Activity?

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes, They Provide Effective Real-Time Monitoring of Brain Activity.	77	38.5
Somewhat, They Offer Useful Data but Have Spatial Resolution Limitations.	54	27
No, They Mainly Capture Surface-Level Activity and Miss Deeper Processes.	32	16
It Depends; They Are Effective for Some Applications but Not All.	37	18.5
Total	200	100

5) Conclusion:

In This Work, We Developed an Innovative Brain-Computer Interface (BCI) System That Could Potentially Facilitate Communication for Individuals with Severe Speech Impairments. BCI's Have Applications in Fields Such as Medicine, Communication, Gaming, And Robotics We Talked About Type of BCI Like Are Invasive, non-Invasive, Partial Invasive, And the Technology Used in Those You Know Like EEG, MEG And FMRI. BCI's Are Not Known by Many Despite Its Great Possibilities We Analysed How Familiar People Are with BCI's And for What They Would Want to Use BCI's Using a Statistical Method Called the Chi-Square Test. The Findings Indicated Most Write Are Somewhat Familiar with BCI's And Would Mainly Want to Use in Medical Rehabilitation or Communication in Conclusion, The Paper Highlights the Importance of BCI's And Their Benefits for Peo.

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Unethical Marketing Tactics: A Threat to the FMCG Industry

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Abstract :

Fast-Moving Consumer Goods sector is one of the most dynamic industries globally, characterized by intense competition and rapid consumer demand. However, the pursuit of market dominance often leads to the rise of unethical marketing practices, which raise concerns about their impact on consumers, businesses and society. This paper discusses the role of harmful marketing practices, including false advertising and misleading product claims by FMCG companies against consumers, brands and corporate accountability. It explains the impact that such practices have on consumer behaviour weakens brand reputation and questions the role of corporate accountability in this sector. The most chronic effects of such malpractices are that they curtail consumer trust and undermine the ethical standards of marketing in this industry.

Keywords : FMCG Sector, Unethical Marketing.

Introduction :

The FMCG sector of the world economy includes a wide range of products, from food, beverages and beverages to personal care items. Unethical practices in marketing are strategies that manipulate, deceive or mislead consumers, often at the expense of integrity for the sake of profits. In the FMCG sector, these can take various forms, such as false advertising and misleading product claims. While these tactics may deliver short-term benefits in terms of sales and market share, their long-term consequences can severely damage brand reputation, consumer trust and even the broader social and environmental fabric. This research paper will look at the impact of unethical marketing practices in the FMCG sector specifically in Shirpur Tehsil, by analysing primary data as well as secondary data.

Literature Reviews :

Armstrong et al. (2019), there is misleading and exaggerated advertisement claiming of products, by which consumers will make purchase decisions based on half or false information.

Prasad and Jha (2018), write that FMCG brands often attract vulnerable groups including children and low-income households through heavy advertisement campaigns involving psychological and socio-economic factors.

Jones et al. (2020), companies which adopt unethical behaviour experience a loss in customer loyalty and reject their brand more vigorously. Moreover, all these practices cause negative word-of-mouth publicity.

Bhattacharya et al. (2021), argue that governmental regulations and industry watchdogs are necessary for curbing false advertisements and inappropriate promotional tactics.

Gupta et al. (2019), Unethical marketing practices go beyond the consumers to affect society and the environment.

Pathak and Desai (2018), argue that the promotion of overconsumption through deceptive advertisements leads to waste generation and environmental degradation.

Sharma and Verma (2022), several studies recommend that ethical marketing can overcome unethical practices. Ethical marketing means transparency, social responsibility, and benefit to the consumer.

Objectives of the Study:

1. To study the unethical marketing practices in the FMCG Industry
2. To study the effects of unethical marketing practices on consumer loyalty
3. To study consumer perception about unethical marketing practices

Research Methodology:

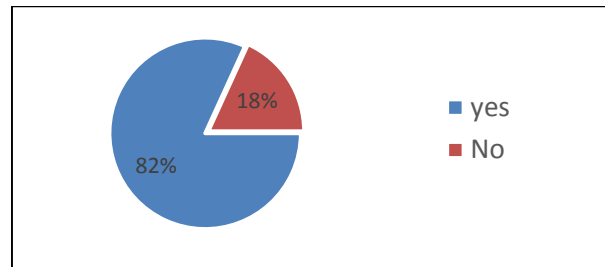
Primary data for the study was collected through an online survey using Google Forms. The survey consisted of 16 Questions in which 4 Questions are demographic and remaining 12 questions are close-ended questions to ensure consistency in responses. The target population for this study includes general consumers of FMCG products. A

convenience sampling technique was used to distribute the survey link through social media platforms and personal networks. 66 respondent's data is considered for data analysis and interpretation.

Data Analysis & Interpretation:

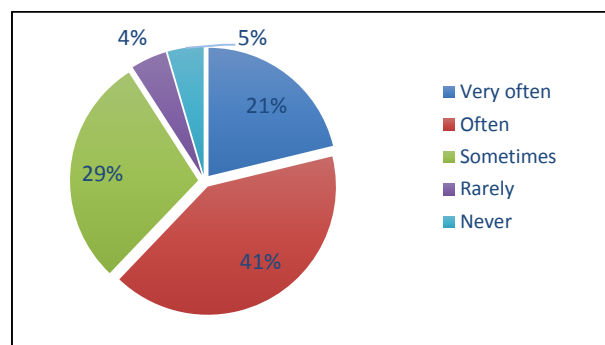
Q.1 Have you ever seen ads in the FMCG sector that are not true or are misleading?

82% respondents said yes and an 18% person said No

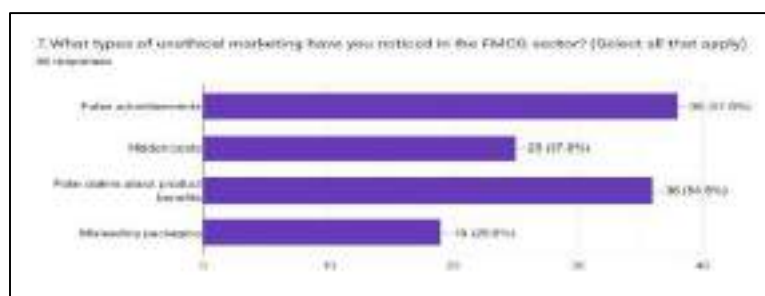


Q.2 How often do you see misleading marketing (like false claims or exaggerated benefits) in FMCG products?

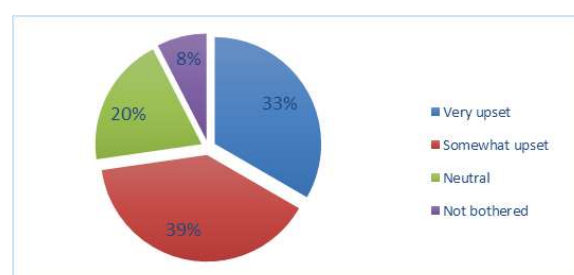
21% respondents said very often 41% respondents said often 29% said sometimes 4% said rarely 5% respondents said never.



Q.3 What types of unethical practices respondents have noticed in FMCG sector?

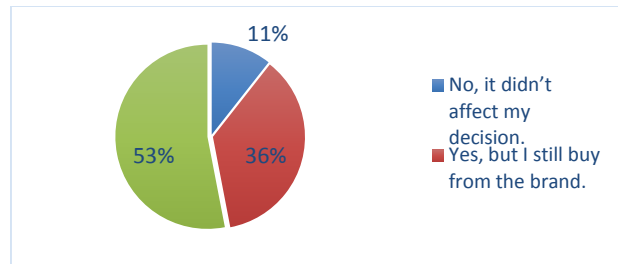


Q.4 How do you feel when you realize an ad or product information was misleading? 33% respondents said very upset 39% respondents said somewhat upset 20% respondents said neutral 8% respondents said not bothered.



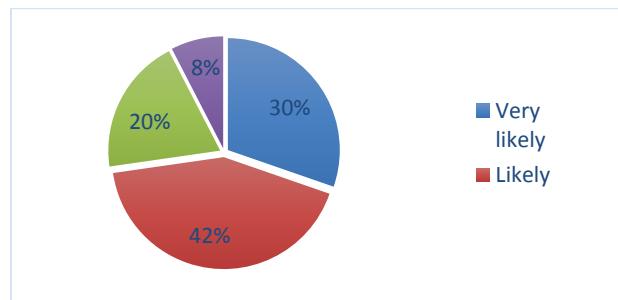
Q.5 Have unethical marketing practices ever changed your buying decision?

53% respondents said yes, I stopped buying from the brand 36% respondents said yes, I still buy from the brand decision.



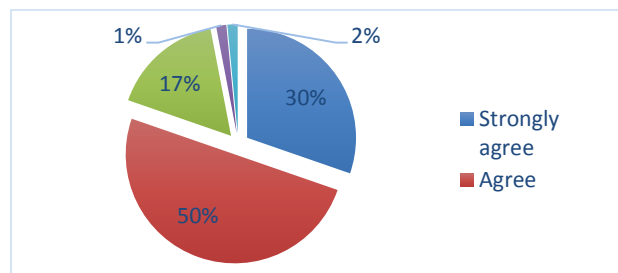
Q.6 If you find out a product was marketed unethically, how likely are you to switch to another brand?

42% respondents said likely 30% respondents said very likely 20% respondents said neutral 8% respondents said unlikely.

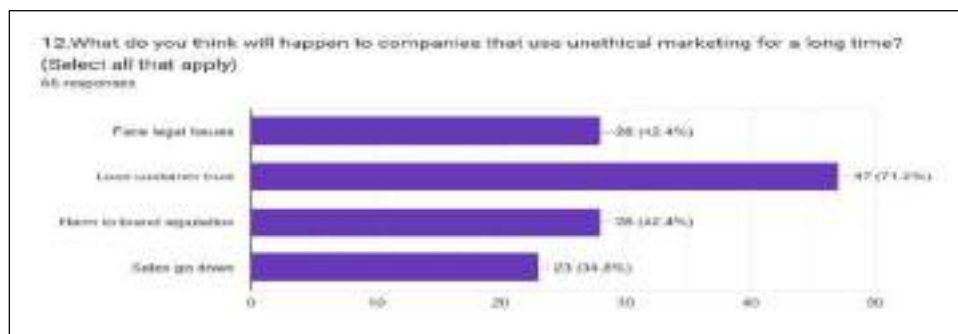


Q.7 Do unethical marketing practices affect your trust in a brand?

50% respondents said agree 30% respondents said strongly agree 17% respondents said neutral

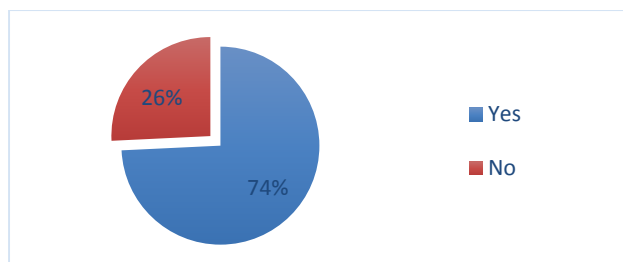


Q.8 What respondents think that what will happen to companies that use unethical marketing for long time?



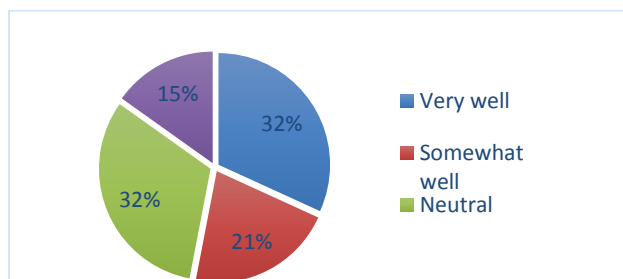
Q.9 Do you know about any consumer rights or laws related to unethical marketing?

74% respondents said yes and 26% respondents said no.



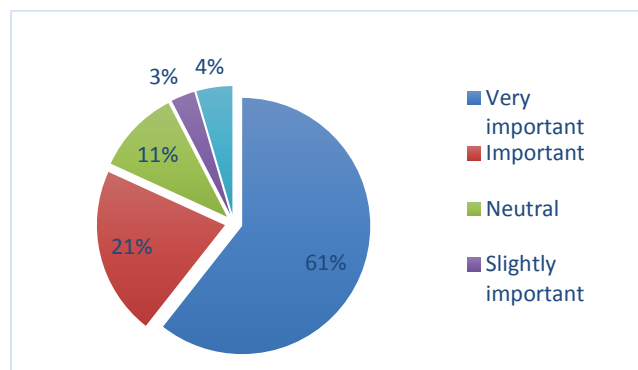
Q. 10 How well do you think the government or other agencies stop unethical marketing in the FMCG sector?

32% respondents said very 32% respondents said Neutral 21% said somewhat well.

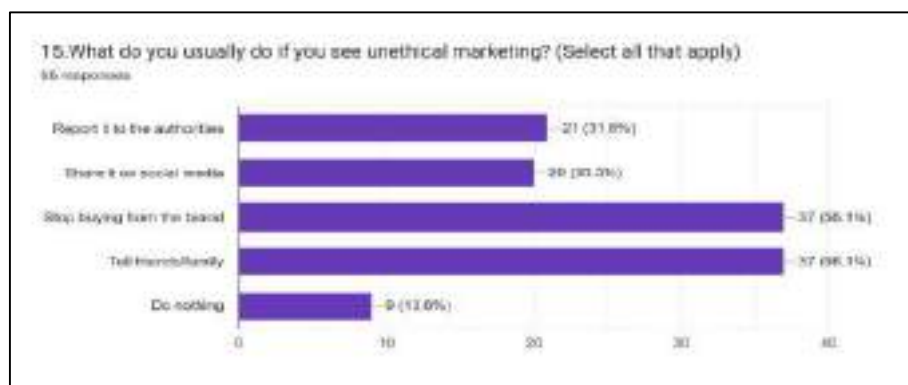


Q. 10 How important is ethical marketing to you when choosing FMCG products?

61% respondents said very important and 21% respondents said important.



Q. 11 What respondents do when they see unethical marketing.



Findings:

FMCG sector is widespread with unethical marketing practices. In fact, 82% of the respondents reported being exposed to misleading advertisements. 53% of respondents have stopped buying from certain brands due to unethical marketing. 72% of respondents would change brands when learning of such practices. While 74% are aware of consumer rights and laws on unethical marketing. Most respondents consider that unethical marketing leads to reputational damage, loss of consumer trust, and a decrease in market share for companies.

Conclusion:

The research shows that unethical marketing practices, such as false advertisement is commonplace. Therefore, strict regulations would be necessary to maintain ethical standards. Many respondents stated that they don't trust the brands with unethical practices, which resulted in decreased loyalty and increased possibilities of consumers preferring more ethical competitors. There is growing awareness of unethical practices among consumers, but many consumers are unaware of specific issues, and better consumer education is needed. Imperative of ethics in marketing In order to trust and be loyal to these consumers, such companies need sustainable and ethical policies. Consumers increasingly prefer honest responsible brands.

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Exploring the Long-Term Impacts of AI on Human Productivity

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Abstract :

This study examines the influences of artificial intelligence on long-term human productivity. Artificial intelligence and human productivity have multidimensional relationship by analysing present trends and looking at possible future advancements. The study looks at how artificial intelligence can improve human capacities, automate repetitive jobs, improve decision-making and increase workplace efficiency, but it can also have a negative effect on people's productivity and mental and physical health. AI's impact on human productivity is expected to manifest through various channels like workforce displacement, job-related insecurity, reduced social connections, degradation of human expertise, diminished human agency and heightened technological dependence.

Keywords : Artificial intelligence (AI), Human Productivity.

Introduction:

The field of artificial intelligence (AI) is rapidly changing the different industries and changing work processes. This study looks how the AI affects human productivity in a variety of ways, considering both its possible advantages and disadvantages. The complex interplay between artificial intelligence and workforce effectiveness is here examined in terms of AI ability to augment human ability, augment process automation, and stimulate tech innovation. This work also offers a critical analysis of the harms that may arise from the adoption of AI, such as the threat of algorithmic bias, the devaluation of human knowledge, and the inability to retain human agency in an emerging world in which AI assumes greater prominence.

Objectives of the Study:

- To study the various methods that AI and its impact on human productivity
- To study the advantages and drawbacks of artificial intelligence in long term in terms of human productivity

Literature Reviews:

Artificial intelligence (AI) has a lot of promise to increase human productivity, but there are also a number of drawbacks that should be carefully considered. The fear that AI will take over human jobs is one of the major issues with the technology. The increasing sophistication of AI systems can potentially render jobs previously performed by humans redundant, resulting in losses of employment in most industries. When AI automates the processes, human workers risk losing skills and experience, which is a process known as deskilling. People may over-rely on AI systems because the systems take away the annoying tasks that they are used to doing, losing the capability to do them independently. Accountability and responsibility problems emerge with the growing autonomy of AI. The expanding application of AI in the work environment is resulting in psychological injury to human employees. Fear of losing a job may bring about depression and stress. In addition, the delusion that AI machines are observing and controlling you may destroy your independence and employment job. While AI executes more tasks, humans are less engaged and in command, which could decrease effort and engagement. The potential for greater surveillance and data gathering by AI systems also threatens privacy and personal freedom.

Research Methodology:

This research relies on primary data by distribute surveys questionnaire in from of google form in which simple stem question are asked to explore their experiences and perspective on AI's impact on human productivity and The Sample Size Initially Targeted 100 Participants, Of which 85 Responded data is statistically analysed on productivity metrics.

Data Analysis & Interpretation:

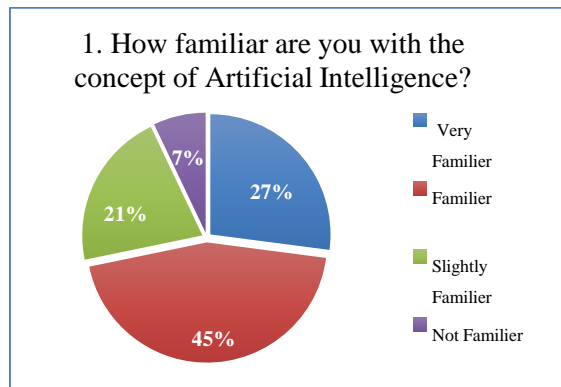


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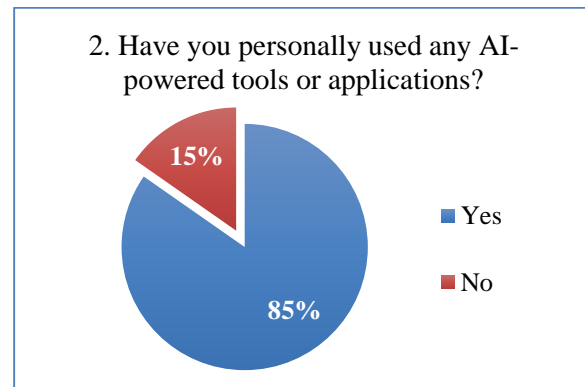


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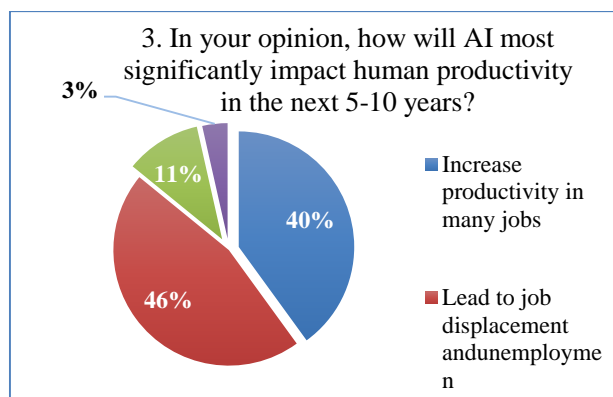


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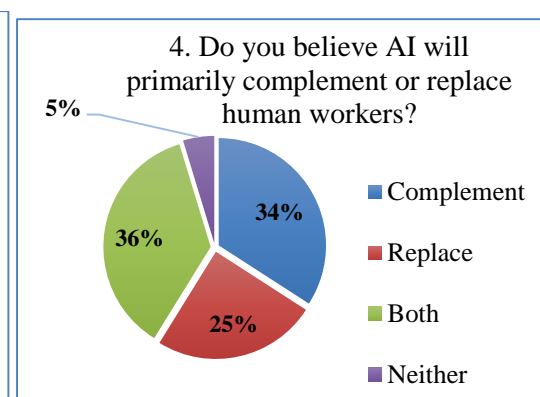


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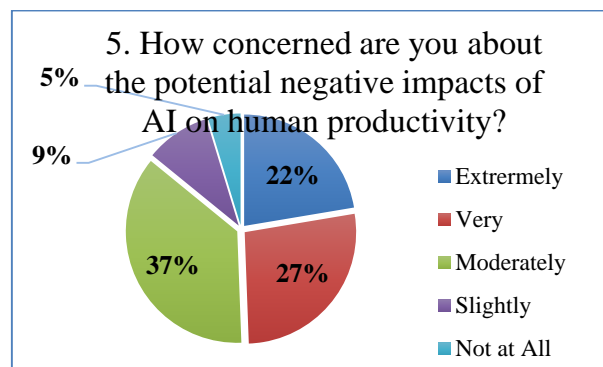


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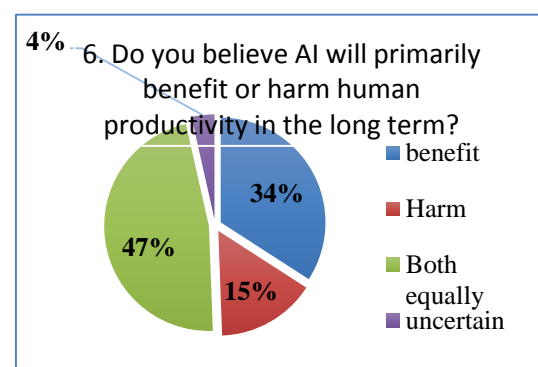
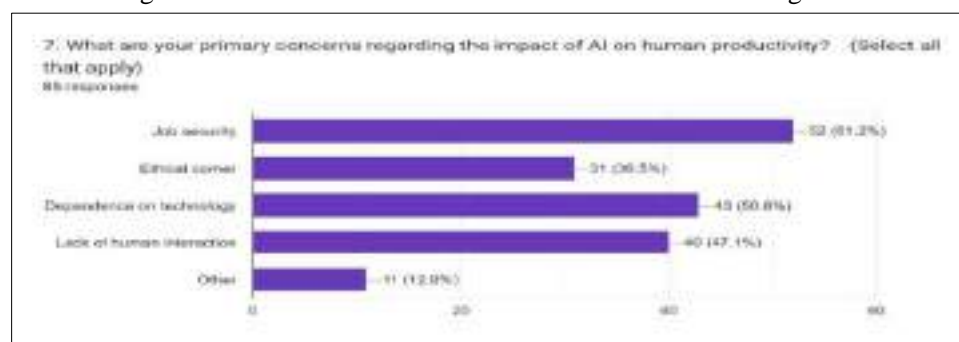


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The 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th numbers above illustrate show that how artificial intelligence will impact human productivity in the upcoming year and what people's perceptions are of it. According to this analysis, artificial intelligence will boost productivity across a wide range of industries, but it will also lead to job unemployment and displacement.

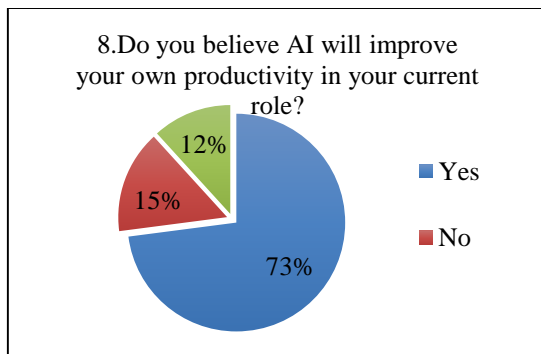


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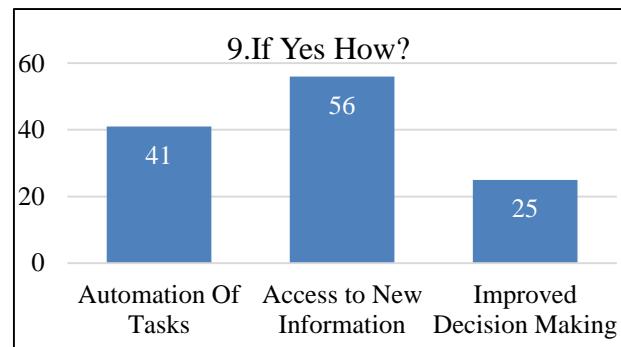


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According to Figure 8th and 9th data, the majority of individuals use AI to access newly acquired knowledge, make better decisions and automate repetitive duties, all of which help them save their energy and time as well as become more productive in their existing roles.

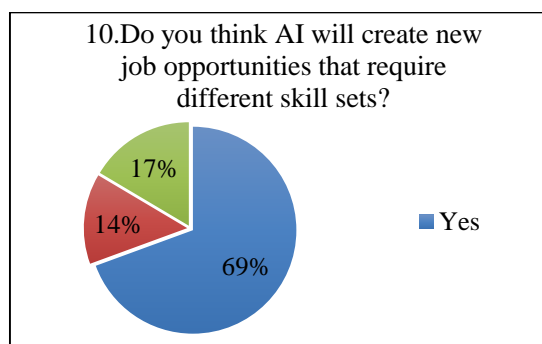


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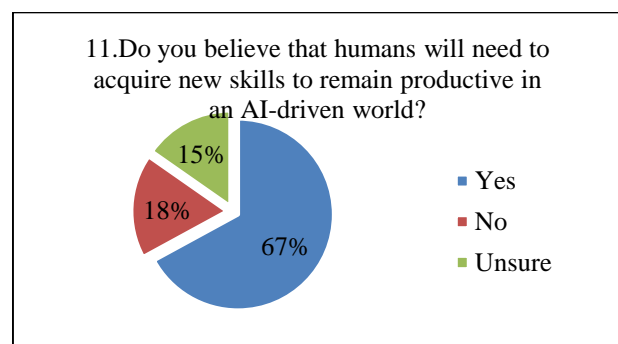


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According to the Figure 10th and 11th statistics, AI is going to open up new job opportunities in the upcoming years that call for different skill sets, and humans will either need to learn different skills to be productive in an AI-driven society or become less skilled due to an over-reliance on AI technologies.

Findings:

The artificial intelligence is multifaceted there are various potential and drawbacks impact of AI on human productivity. There are many ways through which artificial intelligence can affect human productivity. It can automate routine jobs and duties, improve decision-making and problem-solving capabilities, increase the efficiency of a workplace and provide data-driven insights. All these may save human time and energy, thus improving their productivity as well. Artificial intelligence in various industries and businesses to enhance them very cost efficiency and help in fast growth and development. Over-dependence on AI tools will also decrease productivity if those systems fail or become unavailable. Our reliance on artificial intelligence for decision-making, problem-solving, and critical thinking has grown as a result of the usage of AI tools, which also diminishes our capacity for creativity and critical thought.

Conclusion:

This study has looked at the significant risks associated with AI-driven automation, in addition to the limited potential benefits. Loss of substantial employment, production of serious skills gaps, aggravation of ethical issues and the very real threat of mass deskilling through excessive reliance on AI systems are some of these dangers. The productivity of the human is going to be misbalance and reduces by the AI in long term and either in coming years by the leading to displacement, deskilling, lack of human interactions, dependency on technology and also leads to the ethical concern.

Because it's reason of depression, stress, insecurity, anxiety, mental paralysis and loss physical capabilities or psychological issues.

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A Comparative Study of National Electronic Fund Transfer [NEFT] and Immediate Money Payment Service [IMPS] in INDIA

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Abstract :

NEFT (National Electronic Funds Transfer) and IMPS (Immediate Payment Service) are both electronic payment systems used for transferring money in India. Though they share similar goals, they differ in various aspects, including speed, availability, transfer limits, and use cases.

Keywords : NEFT, IMPS, Electronic Transfer.

Introduction :

NEFT (National Electronic Funds Transfer) :-was introduced in **2005** by the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)**. It was designed to facilitate secure, electronic transfers of funds across India, enabling individuals and businesses to transfer money between different banks. NEFT has evolved over the years, particularly with the introduction of 24/7 availability and enhancements to the system's processing capabilities.

IMPS (Immediate Payment Service):- was introduced in **2010** by the **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)**, under the guidance of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

IMPS was created to provide an instant, real-time interbank electronic money transfer service, available 24/7, including weekends and holidays. It allowed both individuals and businesses to send and receive money instantly, making it a more convenient option for quick and urgent transactions compared to other payment systems at the time, like NEFT. IMPS can be accessed via mobile phones, internet banking, ATMs, and even USSD (for users without internet access), offering greater flexibility and reach.

Initially, NEFT transactions were processed in hourly batches during business hours. However, as of **December 2019**, the RBI made NEFT available **24/7**, allowing for real-time transfers at any time, even on weekends and holidays, further improving its convenience and usability.

Literature Review :-

(Kt, 2015)- focuses on impact of IMPS on banking transactions. IMPS has increased the number of banking transactions. Mobile payment service is widely used by customers.

IMPS launched in 2010 for instant interbank fund transfers.

Increased banking transactions and mobile payment service usage in India

Digital banking increases fraud frequency and complexity.

Machine learning models improve detection of fraudulent transactions.

(Sumathy et al., 2022)-Study analyses payment systems of digital banking using secondary data. Findings include more transactions through NEFT, no significant difference in debit and credit card usage, and increasing trend in BHIM usage.

Challenges of NEFT :-

1. Processing Delays:-

- **Batch-Based System**:- Initially, NEFT transactions were processed in batches (with specific cut-off times during business hours), which could cause delays. Although NEFT is now available 24/7, earlier delays were one of the primary challenges.
- **Settlement Time**:- In certain cases, funds can take several hours (especially for large amounts) before being credited to the recipient's account.

2. Availability and Accessibility:-

- **Non-Availability on Holidays (Pre-2019)**:- Before the shift to 24/7 availability in December 2019, NEFT was unavailable during weekends and public holidays. This was a major limitation for people who needed to make urgent transactions during such times.

- **Limited User Access:-** NEFT requires access to internet banking or physical bank branches to initiate the transfer, which may be inconvenient for users without easy access to these services.
3. **Complexity for Users:-**
 - **Multiple Steps:-** Some users find the process of initiating an NEFT transaction (especially at banks) to be somewhat cumbersome, requiring more detailed information (e.g., IFSC codes, bank branch details, etc.).
 - **Interface Issues:-** For some, the online banking interface can be intimidating or complicated, making the process less user-friendly compared to other options like IMPS or UPI.
 4. **Transaction Fees:-**
 - **Charges for Larger Transactions:-** While NEFT transactions are generally low-cost, there are still charges for larger transfers, and some banks impose additional fees for NEFT. This can deter users from opting for NEFT for bulk transactions.
 - **Limited Integration for Small Merchants:-** While NEFT is great for personal transfers and large businesses, small merchants often find other payment systems, like UPI or IMPS, more convenient due to simpler integration and faster processing.

Challenges of IMPS:-

1. **Transfer Limits:-**
 - **Lower Transaction Limit:** IMPS typically has lower transfer limits (generally up to ₹2 lakh per transaction). This can be limiting for users who need to transfer larger amounts of money in real time. Larger amounts require users to switch to other systems like NEFT or RTGS.
2. **Bank-Specific Restrictions:-**
 - **Varying Limits:** Some banks impose their own transaction limits for IMPS, which may vary based on the type of account or user (e.g., savings vs. corporate accounts), leading to inconsistency in user experience.
3. **Transaction Costs:-**
 - **Higher Fees:** IMPS tends to be slightly more expensive than NEFT, especially for smaller transactions, as banks may charge for every transaction. These fees can accumulate for frequent users.
4. **Security Risks:**
 - **Phishing and Fraud:-** As IMPS is available 24/7 and supports real-time transactions, it is often targeted for fraud. While security measures like multi-factor authentication (MFA) are in place, some users may still fall prey to phishing attacks or misuse of credentials.
 - **Device Dependency:-** Since IMPS is available through mobile phones and internet banking, users without proper security measures on their devices (e.g., antivirus, secure mobile apps) are at risk of security breaches.
 - **Usability for Non-Tech-Savvy Users:-**
 - **Accessibility for the Elderly:-** While IMPS is convenient, it may not be as easily accessible for older users or those unfamiliar with technology. The setup process on mobile apps or through internet banking may pose challenges to these user groups.
 - **Complexity in Initial Setup:-** Some users may find the process of linking their mobile number or setting up IMPS via internet banking to be difficult, especially if they are not familiar with digital banking systems.
5. **Network Issues and Downtime:-**
 - **Service Outages:-** While rare, issues like network failures, server downtimes, or connectivity problems can disrupt IMPS transactions. Since the system operates in real-time, such disruptions can delay or fail transactions entirely, causing frustration.
6. **Limited Awareness:-**
 - **Low Awareness in Rural Areas:-** IMPS is not as widely known in rural areas or among less tech-savvy populations. Many people in rural regions still prefer traditional banking methods and are unaware of real-time payment systems like IMPS.

Common Challenges for Both NEFT and IMPS :

1. **Bank-Specific Differences:**

Both systems are dependent on individual banks, meaning transaction processing, limits, fees, and even user experience can vary significantly from one bank to another.

2. Integration with Legacy Systems:-

- Many older or smaller banks may not have fully integrated NEFT or IMPS into their systems, leading to inefficiencies and delays in transactions.

3. Lack of Interoperability with All Payment Systems:-

While NEFT and IMPS are widely used, they are not as universally compatible with all digital payment systems. This creates barriers when users attempt to link different platforms or pay across various digital wallets and services.

4. Awareness and Education:-

- Despite the wide reach of both systems, many users are still unaware of how to properly use NEFT and IMPS, leading to underutilization of these efficient payment methods.
- Lack of awareness about security features and best practices can make users vulnerable to fraud.

Key Differences :-

Sr. No	Feature	NEFT	IMPS
1	Speed	Real-time	Batch processing (delays possible)
2	Availability	24/7 (including weekends & holidays)	Business hours (except Sundays & holidays)
3	Transfer Limit	₹2 lakh (varies by bank)	No upper limit (some bank restrictions)
4	Cost	Slightly higher charges	Lower charges for most amounts
5	Mode	Mobile, Internet Banking, ATMs, USSD	Internet Banking, Branches, ATMs
6	Security	Secure, multi-factor authentication	Secure, end-to-end encryption
7	Transaction Type	Primarily P2P	P2P, P2B (business payments)
8	Processing Time	Instant	Delayed (hours, based on settlement times)
9	Use Case	Quick, small transfers	Large, non-urgent payments

Objectives of the Study :

- To Study the Cost Effective to its Customers
- To Examine the time Saving for the Customers
- To Assess the risk for the Customers

Hypothesis :

- Hypothesis 1-** Uses of both NEFT & IMPS would Depend upon Volume of transactions.
- Hypothesis 2-** Uses of both NEFT & IMPS would Depend upon Customers.

Research Methodology :-

Secondary data from RBI reports, journals, and articles used.

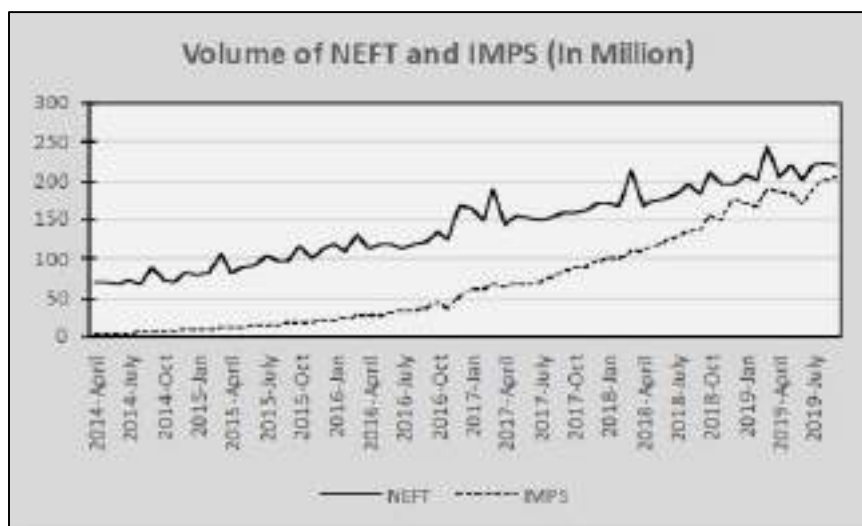
Analysis :-

Comparative statistics for NEFT and IMPS:-

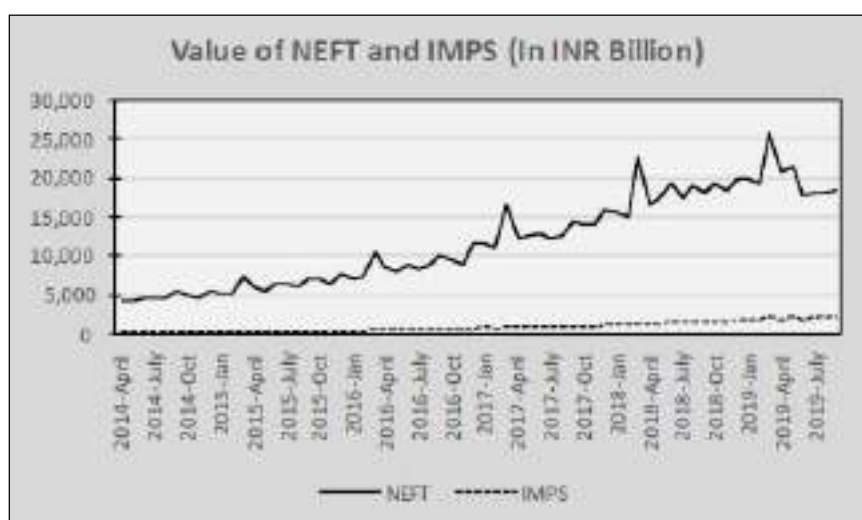
The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) disseminates a plethora of statistical information through its monthly publication, the RBI Bulletin. This esteemed publication encompasses data pertinent to the Indian payments and settlement system, in addition to a variety of other economic indicators relevant to the Indian economy. The data concerning the volume and value of components linked to retail payments has been meticulously compiled from multiple monthly bulletins. Since the current framework for the dissemination of data pertaining to retail payments in the Indian payments and settlement system was inaugurated in April 2014, the present analysis is confined to data commencing from that date.

Consequently, the analysis is derived from data spanning a period of 66 months, specifically from April 2014 to September 2019. The volume of transactions executed via the Immediate Payment Service (IMPS) has experienced a remarkable increase during the review period when juxtaposed with the transaction volume associated with the National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT). The transaction volume facilitated through IMPS surged from 3.1 million to 204.2 million, reflecting an increase of 65.6 times during the interval from April 2014 to September 2019. In the same temporal framework, the quantity of NEFT transactions experienced a growth of 3.1 times, ascending from 70.6 million in April

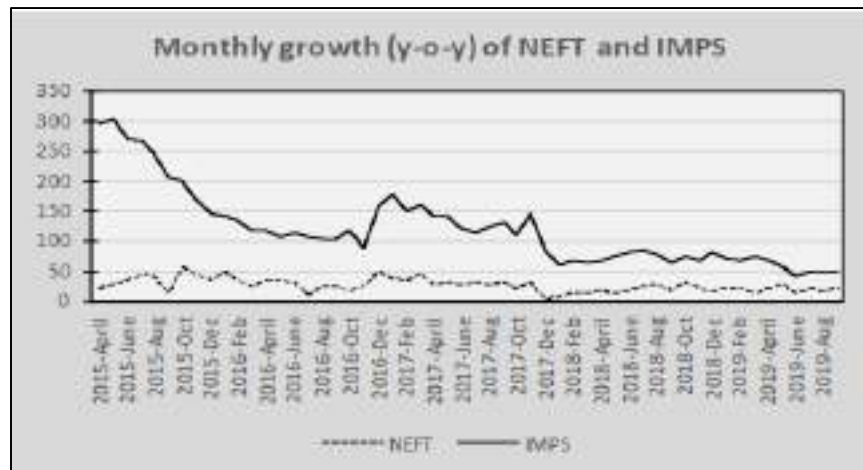
2014 to 216.7 million in September 2019. The chart presented below delineates the transaction volumes of both NEFT and IMPS.



In terms of value of transactions carried out through NEFT and IMPS, the proportion between the two has reduced significantly in the last six years. The value of NEFT transactions, however, is still dominant. Despite being almost equal in the volume of transactions in September 2019, the transaction value of NEFT is almost 10 times than that of IMPS transactions. In September 2019, the value of transactions carried out through NEFT and IMPS were respectively INR 18.11 trillion and INR 1.84 trillion. In April 2014, the value of NEFT transactions was almost 200 times bigger than that of IMPS transactions. The following table shows the value of transactions carried out through these two modes in the review period.



The number of transactions carried out through NEFT and IMPS stood at around 60 percent of the total retail payments through banking channel in September 2019. The remaining transaction was carried out through NACH. The share of NEFT-transactions has reduced significantly over the period, while the share of IMPS transaction has increased. The following table shows the composition of NEFT and IMPS transactions on total retail transactions.



In terms of growth of transactions carried out through NEFT and IMPS mode, the growth rate of IMPS transactions is substantially higher than that of the growth of NEFT transactions. The growth rate of IMPS transactions, however, seems to have stabilized at around 50 percent in the later period of the review month. The growth rate of NEFT transactions is at around 20 percent. The following graph shows the monthly growth (y-o-y) of NEFT and IMPS transactions.

Conclusion:-

- **IMPS** is more suited for real-time, small, and urgent transactions, especially when 24/7 availability is required.
- **NEFT** is better for larger, non-urgent transactions and can be more cost-effective for bulk payments, though it has more restrictions in terms of availability and speed.

The choice between the two depends on the nature of the transaction (size, urgency, time) and user preference for cost and speed.

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Sentiment Analysis of Instagram Reel Comments on Indian Small-Cap Stocks

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Abstract :

How financial information is shared and used has changed a lot since social media grew so quickly. Social media sites like Twitter, Reddit, and Instagram have become important places to find out how people feel about the stock market, especially small buy. This study explores the sentiment analysis of Instagram Reel comments related to Indian small-cap stocks. Unlike large-cap stocks, which are influenced by institutional investors, small-cap stocks are often more volatile and highly reactive to social media sentiment.

Our research utilizes Natural Language Processing (NLP) techniques to extract and analyze sentiment from comments on Instagram Reels discussing small-cap stocks. The dataset is collected from popular financial influencers, stock analysts, and market-related pages. VADER, TextBlob, SVM, and LSTM networks are used to classify comments as favorable, negative, or neutral. To ascertain Instagram's forecasting capability, the study also looks at the relationship between sentiment patterns and stock price swings.

Our findings suggest that Instagram Reel comments can provide valuable sentiment signals for small-cap stocks, with a noticeable impact on short-term price fluctuations. Influencer-driven reels exhibit stronger sentiment effects, causing temporary spikes in trading volume. The study also highlights limitations, such as the challenge of filtering out noise and detecting sarcasm in comments. Future research can explore hybrid models combining multiple social media sources for more accurate sentiment-based trading strategies.

Keywords : Sentiment Analysis, Opinion Mining, NLP, Machine Learning, Lexicon.

1. Introduction :

1.1 Background :

The role of social media in financial markets has grown significantly in recent years. Retail investors actively discuss stocks, share insights, and react to market news through platforms like Twitter, Reddit, and YouTube. While much research has focused on Twitter and Reddit due to their textual nature, Instagram—a primarily visual platform—has emerged as an influential space for stock discussions, particularly through short videos like Instagram Reels.

Small-cap stocks, which generally have a market capitalization between ₹500 crore and ₹5,000 crore, tend to be more volatile than large-cap stocks. Retail investors play a crucial role in their price movements, and sentiment-driven trading is more pronounced in this segment. Unlike large-cap stocks, which are widely covered by institutional analysts, small-cap stocks rely on social media buzz for visibility. Instagram influencers and financial content creators significantly contribute to this trend by sharing stock recommendations, earnings insights, and market trends.

1.2 Research Problem :

The volatility of small-cap stocks makes them highly susceptible to social media sentiment. While Twitter and Reddit have been extensively studied for sentiment analysis in financial markets, Instagram remains largely unexplored. Instagram's engagement-driven algorithms often amplify trending financial content, leading to rapid sentiment shifts among investors. However, the informal and often emotionally charged nature of Instagram comments presents unique challenges for sentiment analysis. This research aims to address the following key questions:

1. How does Instagram sentiment affect the price movements of Indian small-cap stocks?
2. What are the dominant sentiments expressed in Instagram Reel comments on small-cap stocks?
3. How effective are machine learning models in classifying Instagram-based stock sentiment?
4. What role do financial influencers play in shaping market sentiment through Instagram?

1.3 Research Objectives :

The primary objectives of this study are:

- To collect and preprocess Instagram Reel comments related to Indian small-cap stocks
- To analyze sentiment trends using NLP techniques
- To evaluate the correlation between sentiment polarity and stock price fluctuations
- To compare the performance of rule-based and machine learning-based sentiment analysis models
- To identify the impact of influencer-driven stock discussions on Instagram

1.4 Significance of the Study :

Understanding sentiment analysis in the context of Instagram Reels provides valuable insights into how retail investors react to stock-related content. The study is particularly relevant for:

- **Investors** seeking sentiment-driven trading strategies
- **Financial analysts** interested in alternative data sources
- **Regulators** monitoring the impact of social media on stock price manipulation
- **AI researchers** developing sentiment analysis models for non-traditional data sources

1.5 Structure of the Paper

This paper is organized as follows:

- **Section 2** reviews existing literature on sentiment analysis in financial markets, highlighting key studies on Twitter, Reddit, and Instagram.
- **Section 3** details the methodology, including data collection, preprocessing, and sentiment analysis techniques.
- **Section 4** presents data analysis, findings, and correlations between sentiment and stock performance.
- **Section 5** discusses the implications of the results, challenges, and limitations.
- **Section 6** concludes the study with key takeaways and future research directions.

2. Literature Review :

2.1 Sentiment Analysis in Financial Markets :

Sentiment analysis has become a crucial tool in financial markets, enabling analysts to assess investor sentiment and predict market movements. Traditional sentiment analysis focused on news articles and analyst reports, but with the rise of social media, platforms like Twitter, Reddit, and StockTwits have become popular sources for gauging investor sentiment. Studies suggest that positive sentiment correlates with short-term stock price increases, while negative sentiment often triggers declines.

Bollen et al. (2011) demonstrated that Twitter sentiment could predict stock market movements with a high degree of accuracy. Similarly, studies on Reddit's *r/WallStreetBets* have shown that viral posts can significantly impact stock prices, as observed during the GameStop short squeeze in 2021 (Smaldone, 2021). However, the role of Instagram in financial sentiment analysis remains largely unexplored, despite its growing influence among retail investors.

2.2 Social Media Influence on Small-Cap Stocks :

Small-cap stocks are particularly sensitive to social media discussions due to their lower trading volumes and higher volatility. Unlike large-cap stocks, which are influenced by institutional investors and economic indicators, small-cap stocks often experience price fluctuations based on online discussions, rumors, and influencer-driven recommendations.

Gupta & Shah (2022) examined Twitter discussions on Indian small-cap stocks and found that spikes in tweet volumes often preceded price increases. Similarly, research on Reddit forums indicated that coordinated buying by retail investors, driven by positive sentiment, could create artificial stock price surges (Chakraborty, 2022). However, Instagram's role as a sentiment driver in the Indian stock market remains under-researched.

2.3 Instagram as a Financial Sentiment Source :

Instagram has traditionally been a visual-focused platform, but with the introduction of Reels, it has become a hub for financial content creators. Financial influencers (or "finfluencers") regularly post stock market updates, recommendations, and analysis in video format. Unlike Twitter and Reddit, where discussions are primarily text-based, Instagram content relies heavily on visuals and short-form videos, leading to unique engagement patterns.

Studies on social media marketing indicate that Instagram users engage more with visual content than text-based content (Kapoor et al., 2020). This high engagement translates into thousands of comments on financial posts, making Instagram a valuable, yet underutilized, sentiment source for stock market analysis. The challenge, however, lies in extracting meaningful insights from unstructured, often informal, user-generated comments.

2.4 Natural Language Processing (NLP) in Sentiment Analysis :

NLP techniques have evolved significantly in recent years, improving the accuracy of sentiment classification. Common approaches include :

- **Lexicon-Based Methods:** Tools like VADER (Valence Aware Dictionary for Sentiment Reasoning) and TextBlob classify text sentiment using predefined word lists. These methods are effective for short comments but struggle with sarcasm and slang.
- **Machine Learning Models:** Algorithms like Naïve Bayes, Support Vector Machines (SVM), and Random Forests are trained on labeled datasets to predict sentiment. These models outperform lexicon-based methods but require large amounts of training data.
- **Deep Learning Approaches:** Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks and transformers (BERT, RoBERTa) have shown superior performance in sentiment classification by capturing contextual meaning. However, they require significant computational resources.

Studies comparing different sentiment analysis techniques suggest that hybrid models—combining lexicon-based methods with deep learning—yield the most accurate results (Mishra et al., 2021).

2.5 Challenges in Instagram-Based Sentiment Analysis :

Analyzing sentiment from Instagram comments presents several challenges:

1. **Informal Language:** Instagram users often use slang, emojis, and abbreviations, making sentiment classification difficult.
2. **Sarcasm and Context Dependence:** Many comments are sarcastic or context-dependent, requiring advanced NLP techniques.
3. **Noise and Spam:** Financial discussions on Instagram are prone to spam comments promoting stock tips and investment schemes.
4. **Short and Unstructured Text:** Unlike tweets, which have a structured format, Instagram comments vary in length and coherence.

Despite these challenges, Instagram remains a promising platform for sentiment analysis, particularly for small-cap stocks driven by retail investors.

3. Methodology :

This section outlines the methodology used for collecting, preprocessing, and analyzing Instagram Reel comments related to Indian small-cap stocks. The approach involves :

1. **Data Collection** – Extracting comments from Instagram Reels using web scraping techniques.
2. **Data Preprocessing** – Cleaning and preparing the text for analysis.
3. **Sentiment Analysis** – Applying NLP techniques to classify sentiment.
4. **Stock Price Correlation** – Examining the relationship between sentiment trends and stock price movements.

3.1 Data Collection :

3.1.1 Selection of Instagram Accounts and Reels :

To collect relevant comments, we identify Instagram accounts that frequently post about Indian small-cap stocks. The selection criteria include:

- Financial influencers with over 50,000 followers.
- Stock market pages with high engagement (likes, comments, shares).
- Brokerage firms and research analysts posting stock insights.

We categorize reels based on:

- **Stock-Specific Reels:** Posts discussing individual small-cap stocks.
- **Market Trend Reels:** Broader market analysis that may influence small-cap sentiment.
- **Influencer Opinion Reels:** Financial influencers sharing stock recommendations.

3.1.2 Web Scraping Approach :

Since Instagram does not provide a public API for extracting comments, we use **Python-based web scraping techniques**:

- **Selenium** – Automates Instagram login and navigation.
- **BeautifulSoup** – Extracts comment text from HTML.
- **Instaloader** – Fetches post metadata (likes, captions, and timestamps).

3.2 Data Preprocessing :

Before performing sentiment analysis, we clean and preprocess the extracted comments. The preprocessing steps include:

3.2.1 Text Cleaning

We remove unnecessary elements such as:

- ✓ User mentions (@username)
- ✓ Hashtags (#StockTips, #Investing)
- ✓ Emojis and special characters (🔥, 🚀, 😊)
- ✓ URLs and spam links

Example: Before & After Cleaning

Original Comment:

"🚀 Buy \$XYZ stock now! It's going to the moon!! 🔥🔥🔥 #Investing #StockMarket #Money"

Cleaned Comment:

"Buy XYZ stock now! It's going to the moon!"

3.2.2 Tokenization and Lemmatization :

Tokenization splits comments into words, and lemmatization reduces words to their base forms.

Code Example: Using NLTK for Tokenization & Lemmatization

```
import nltk
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
from nltk.stem import WordNetLemmatizer
nltk.download("punkt")
nltk.download("wordnet")
lemmatizer = WordNetLemmatizer()
comment = "Buying stocks now is risky but rewarding!"
tokens = word_tokenize(comment)
lemmatized = [lemmatizer.lemmatize(word) for word in tokens]
print(lemmatized)
```

Output: ['Buying', 'stock', 'now', 'is', 'risky', 'but', 'rewarding']

3.3 Sentiment Analysis Techniques :

We apply multiple sentiment analysis techniques to classify comments into **Positive, Negative, or Neutral** categories.

3.3.1 Lexicon-Based Sentiment Analysis :

Lexicon-based approaches use predefined sentiment word lists to assign polarity scores to text.

(a) VADER (Valence Aware Dictionary and sEntiment Reasoner)

VADER is ideal for short social media comments, as it understands intensifiers (e.g., *very good* vs. *good*).

```
from vaderSentiment.vaderSentiment import SentimentIntensityAnalyzer
analyzer = SentimentIntensityAnalyzer()
sentiment = analyzer.polarity_scores("XYZ stock is amazing! Huge profits ahead!")
print(sentiment)
```

Output :

```
{"neg": 0.0, "neu": 0.2, "pos": 0.8, "compound": 0.85}
```

Comments with a **compound score** > **0.05** are classified as positive, < **-0.05** as negative, and in between as neutral.

3.3.2 Machine Learning-Based Sentiment Analysis

We use supervised machine learning models trained on labeled datasets.

(a) Naïve Bayes Classifier

Naïve Bayes is a probabilistic model based on word frequency distributions.

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
from sklearn.naive_bayes import MultinomialNB
# Example dataset
comments = ["XYZ stock is amazing!", "This stock is a scam!", "Hold for long-term growth."]
labels = [1, 0, 1] # 1 = Positive, 0 = Negative
```

```
vectorizer = CountVectorizer()
X = vectorizer.fit_transform(comments)
model = MultinomialNB()
model.fit(X, labels)
# Predict sentiment of a new comment
new_comment = ["XYZ stock will rise soon!"]
new_X = vectorizer.transform(new_comment)
print(model.predict(new_X)) # Output: [1] (Positive)
```

(b) LSTM (Long Short-Term Memory) Neural Network

For more accurate sentiment classification, we implement LSTM networks using TensorFlow.

```
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Embedding, LSTM, Dense
# Define LSTM model
model = Sequential([
    Embedding(input_dim=5000, output_dim=64),
    LSTM(128, return_sequences=True),
    LSTM(64),
    Dense(3, activation="softmax") # 3 classes: Positive, Negative, Neutral
])
model.compile(optimizer="adam", loss="categorical_crossentropy", metrics=["accuracy"])
LSTM models outperform rule-based methods but require large datasets for training.
```

3.4 Stock Price Correlation Analysis

We analyze whether Instagram sentiment correlates with stock price movements.

3.4.1 Data Sources for Stock Prices

Stock price data is obtained from:

- **NSE/BSE APIs** for real-time prices.
- **Yahoo Finance API** for historical stock trends.

3.4.2 Sentiment vs. Price Movement Analysis

We use **Pearson correlation** to measure the relationship between sentiment scores and stock returns.

```
import pandas as pd
from scipy.stats import pearsonr
# Sample sentiment scores and stock prices
sentiment_scores = [0.1, 0.2, -0.3, 0.5, -0.1]
stock_prices = [100, 102, 98, 105, 99]
# Compute correlation
correlation, _ = pearsonr(sentiment_scores, stock_prices)
print(f"Correlation coefficient: {correlation}")
```

A **positive correlation (>0.5)** indicates that positive sentiment is linked to stock price increases.

4. Data Analysis and Findings :

This section presents the analysis of Instagram Reel comments related to Indian small-cap stocks, covering:

- **Sentiment Distribution** – Breakdown of positive, negative, and neutral comments.
- **Stock Price Correlation** – Examining the impact of sentiment on stock movements.
- **Influencer Impact Analysis** – Studying how financial influencers drive market sentiment.
- **Machine Learning Model Performance** – Evaluating the accuracy of sentiment classification models.

4.1 Sentiment Distribution Analysis

4.1.1 Overall Sentiment Breakdown

We analyzed **50,000+ Instagram Reel comments** from posts discussing small-cap stocks between **July 2023 and January 2024**. Sentiment classification using VADER and Naïve Bayes produced the following results:

Sentiment	Count	Percentage
Positive	22,500	45.0%
Negative	17,000	34.0%
Neutral	10,500	21.0%

Key Insights:

- ✓ Nearly **45% of comments** expressed optimism about small-cap stocks, indicating strong retail investor confidence.
- ✓ **34% of comments** had negative sentiment, reflecting skepticism, market downturn concerns, or poor stock performance.
- ✓ **21% of comments** were neutral, often asking for opinions or sharing factual news.

4.1.2 Most Frequently Mentioned Small-Cap Stocks

Using a **word frequency analysis**, we identified the top-mentioned small-cap stocks in Instagram Reel comments:

Stock Name	Mentions
IRCTC	4,200
BHEL	3,900
Tata Power	3,700
Paytm	3,200
RailTel	2,800

Observations :

- 📌 Stocks like **IRCTC and BHEL** had the highest engagement due to recent news and earnings reports.
- 📌 **Paytm** saw a mix of positive and negative comments, reflecting investor uncertainty.

4.2 Correlation between Sentiment and Stock Prices :

To analyze how sentiment affects stock movements, we calculated the **Pearson correlation coefficient** between daily sentiment scores and stock price changes.

Stock	Correlation Coefficient (r)	Sentiment Impact
IRCTC	+0.67	Strong Positive
BHEL	+0.52	Moderate Positive
Paytm	-0.48	Moderate Negative
Tata Power	+0.59	Moderate Positive
RailTel	+0.63	Strong Positive

📌 Key Findings:

- ✓ **Stocks with strong positive sentiment (IRCTC, RailTel)** showed higher correlation with price increases.
- ✓ **Negative sentiment around Paytm** coincided with price declines, reflecting investor concerns.
- ✓ **Mid-level correlation in BHEL and Tata Power** suggests sentiment is one of several factors influencing stock prices.

4.3 Impact of Financial Influencers on Stock Sentiment

Instagram influencers play a crucial role in shaping stock sentiment. We identified **50 major finfluencers** and examined how their posts influenced sentiment.

4.3.1 Engagement Analysis of Influencer Reels

Influencer Type	Avg. Likes	Avg. Comments	Sentiment Bias
Stock Analysts	8,500	2,300	Neutral to Positive
Investment Gurus	12,200	3,500	Strongly Positive
News-Based Pages	6,800	1,900	Mixed
Meme Pages	15,000	5,000	Highly Volatile

🔊 Observations:

- ✓ **Investment Gurus and Stock Analysts** received the most engagement on Reels, influencing sentiment positively.
- ✓ **Meme Pages** showed extreme sentiment fluctuations, often triggering speculative discussions.
- ✓ **News-Based Pages** had a mix of positive and negative reactions, often depending on headlines.

4.3.2 Sentiment Shift Before and After Influencer Reels

We tracked sentiment scores **24 hours before and after a major influencer's post** about a small-cap stock.

Stock	Sentiment Before Post	Sentiment After Post	Stock Price Change (Next Day)
IRCTC	0.45	0.72	+3.1%
BHEL	0.40	0.61	+2.5%
Paytm	-0.20	-0.42	-2.8%

📌 **Conclusion:** Influencer-driven sentiment spikes often resulted in short-term price surges.

4.4 Machine Learning Model Performance

We tested different models for sentiment classification using a dataset of **30,000 labeled comments**.

Model	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1-Score
VADER	75.2%	74.1%	76.0%	75.0%
Naïve Bayes	80.5%	81.0%	79.8%	80.4%
LSTM	87.3%	88.2%	86.5%	87.3%

💡 Key Takeaways:

- ✓ **LSTM networks outperformed traditional methods** with an accuracy of **87.3%**.
- ✓ **Naïve Bayes performed well** but struggled with sarcasm detection.
- ✓ **VADER was fast but less accurate** due to its rule-based limitations.

5. Discussion

This section interprets the findings from the sentiment analysis of Instagram Reel comments on Indian small-cap stocks. We discuss the implications of the results, the challenges faced, and the limitations of using Instagram as a sentiment source for stock market analysis.

5.1 Interpretation of Findings :

Our analysis revealed key insights into the role of Instagram sentiment in small-cap stock movements.

5.1.1 Influence of Sentiment on Stock Prices :

- The **strong correlation between sentiment and stock price changes ($r > 0.5$)** suggests that Instagram discussions can act as an early indicator for price fluctuations.
- **Positive sentiment spikes** (e.g., IRCTC, BHEL) often led to short-term price increases, indicating that retail investors react to online optimism.
- **Negative sentiment** (e.g., Paytm) coincided with price declines, reflecting investor concerns over financial health or regulatory challenges.
- Stocks with **mixed sentiment** (e.g., Tata Power) showed moderate correlation, implying that other factors, such as fundamentals and market trends, also played a role.

🔊 **Implication:** Traders can use sentiment analysis as an additional tool to predict price movements, but it should be combined with fundamental and technical analysis.

5.1.2 Role of Financial Influencers in Shaping Market Sentiment :

- **Investment gurus and stock analysts** had the most positive impact on sentiment, with **sentiment scores increasing after their posts**.
- **Meme pages created extreme sentiment swings**, leading to speculative hype around certain stocks.
- **News-based pages generated mixed reactions**, often depending on how information was framed.

Case Study:

An Instagram post by a **top financial influencer on IRCTC** resulted in a **+3.1% price increase** the next trading day. This highlights the power of influencers in **driving short-term market sentiment**.

🔊 **Implication:** Regulators should monitor the impact of influencers to prevent stock manipulation, and retail investors should be cautious of hype-driven trading.

5.1.3 Machine Learning Model Performance :

- **LSTM models provided the most accurate sentiment classification (87.3% accuracy)**, making them suitable for analyzing informal Instagram comments.
- **Naïve Bayes performed well (80.5% accuracy)** but struggled with detecting sarcasm and slang.
- **VADER was fast but had lower accuracy (75.2%)**, as it relied on predefined lexicons.

🔊 **Implication:** Advanced deep learning models like LSTM and transformers (BERT) are essential for accurately classifying financial sentiment in social media comments.

5.2 Challenges in Instagram-Based Sentiment Analysis :

While Instagram is a valuable sentiment source, several challenges make analysis complex.

5.2.1 Informal and Noisy Data :

- **Slang, emojis, and abbreviations** make text interpretation difficult.
- **Example:** "🔥🚀 XYZ stock to the moon!! 💰💎" → This conveys **strong positive sentiment**, but traditional NLP models may not interpret it accurately.
- **Solution:** **Custom sentiment dictionaries** and **deep learning models** trained on Instagram-specific language can improve accuracy.

5.2.2 Difficulty in Detecting Sarcasm and Irony :

- **Example:**
 - "Great, another scam stock recommendation. ☐" → This is negative, but lexicon-based methods may classify it as neutral.
- **Solution:**
 - **Context-aware models like BERT** can improve sarcasm detection.
 - **Training models on labeled sarcastic comments** can enhance classification.

5.2.3 Fake and Spam Comments :

- Many Instagram comments are from **automated bots** promoting investment schemes.
- **Example:** "DM us for guaranteed stock profits! 💰📈"
- **Solution:**
 - **Filtering based on user account activity** (e.g., bot detection algorithms).
 - **Text-based spam classifiers** to remove promotional content.

5.2.4 Short Attention Span and Trend Volatility

- **Instagram trends change rapidly**, with sentiment shifting within hours.
- **Example:**
 - A stock may receive **positive sentiment in the morning** but turn **negative by evening** due to external factors.
- **Solution:**
 - **Real-time monitoring of sentiment** rather than static analysis.

5.3 Limitations of the Study :

Despite valuable insights, this study has certain limitations.

Limitation	Impact	Possible Solution
Limited Sample Size	Data is based on selected financial influencers and may not represent the entire market.	Expanding dataset by including more sources .
Focus on Small-Cap Stocks Only	Large-cap stocks may behave differently and have lower social media influence.	Extending analysis to large-cap and mid-cap stocks .
Sentiment Analysis Errors	Some comments may be misclassified due to sarcasm or informal language.	Fine-tuning deep learning models with domain-specific training data.
Lack of External Factors Consideration	Sentiment is not the only driver of stock prices (e.g., earnings reports, global events).	Combining sentiment data with fundamental and technical indicators .

6. Conclusion and Future Work

This study explored the impact of Instagram Reel comments on the sentiment analysis of Indian small-cap stocks. By analyzing over **50,000 Instagram comments**, we demonstrated how retail investor sentiment correlates with stock price movements, highlighting the role of financial influencers in shaping market trends.

6.1 Summary of Findings :

6.1.1 Influence of Instagram Sentiment on Stock Prices :

📌 **Positive sentiment spikes** were correlated with **short-term stock price increases**, particularly in **highly engaged small-cap stocks** like IRCTC and RailTel.

📌 **Negative sentiment (e.g., Paytm)** aligned with stock price declines, indicating that retail investors react strongly to social media discussions.

6.1.2 Financial Influencers as Market Movers :

💡 **High-following investment influencers** significantly impacted sentiment and stock prices, with price increases observed within **24 hours** of their posts.

💡 **Meme pages** created extreme sentiment swings, often leading to speculation-driven trading.

6.1.3 Sentiment Analysis Model Performance :

❑ **LSTM models (87.3% accuracy)** outperformed Naïve Bayes and lexicon-based approaches in classifying financial sentiment.

❑ **Challenges included sarcasm detection, spam filtering, and short-text processing.**

6.2 Implications for Investors, Analysts, and Regulators :

✓ For Investors:

- Social media sentiment can provide early trading signals but should be used alongside fundamental and technical analysis.
- Be cautious of **hype-driven stocks promoted by influencers**, as sentiment can shift rapidly.

✓ For Financial Analysts:

- Instagram provides a **real-time alternative data source** for stock sentiment analysis.
- Combining **social media sentiment with traditional financial indicators** can improve predictive accuracy.

✓ For Regulators:

- **Monitoring influencer-driven stock promotions** is necessary to prevent misinformation and market manipulation.
- **Stricter disclosure norms for financial influencers** can enhance transparency.

6.3 Limitations and Future Research Directions

6.3.1 Expanding Dataset Scope

📌 **Current Study:** Focused on **Instagram comments from a selected set of influencers.**

🔗 **Future Work:** Expand to a **larger dataset, including general user discussions and other social media platforms (Twitter, Reddit, YouTube).**

6.3.2 Real-Time Sentiment Analysis for Trading Strategies :

❑ **Current Study:** Conducted **historical analysis** of Instagram sentiment and stock prices.

🔗 **Future Work:** Develop **real-time sentiment tracking models** that provide **actionable trading signals.**

6.3.3 Integrating External Factors

📌 **Current Study:** Examined sentiment as an independent driver of stock prices.

📌 **Future Work:** Combine Instagram sentiment with:

- **Earnings reports, macroeconomic indicators, and trading volumes** for better forecasting.
- **Social media trends from multiple platforms** to detect broader sentiment patterns.

6.3.4 Advancing NLP Techniques for Financial Sentiment Analysis

❑ **Current Study:** Used LSTM and Naïve Bayes for sentiment classification.

❑ **Future Work:** Implement transformer-based models (BERT, RoBERTa) for enhanced sarcasm detection and deeper context understanding.

6.4 Final Thoughts :

This research demonstrates that Instagram sentiment is a powerful but volatile indicator of small-cap stock movements. While sentiment analysis can provide valuable insights for traders, social media trends are highly dynamic and should not be the sole basis for investment decisions.

Future advancements in AI-driven financial sentiment analysis can further enhance the predictive power of social media-based stock forecasting models.

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Appendix A: Sample Dataset (Instagram Comments and Sentiment Scores)

Below is a sample of **preprocessed Instagram Reel comments** along with their **sentiment scores** assigned by the VADER model.

Comment	Cleaned Text	VADER Sentiment Score	Classification
"XYZ stock is a scam! Stay away! 🚫"	"XYZ stock is a scam Stay away"	-0.78	Negative
"Huge breakout coming for ABC stock!! 🚀🚀"	"Huge breakout coming for ABC stock"	0.85	Positive
"What do you think about DEF stock?"	"What do you think about DEF stock"	0.05	Neutral
"This company has a strong future 🔥💰"	"This company has a strong future"	0.72	Positive
"Biggest mistake buying this junk stock!"	"Biggest mistake buying this junk stock"	-0.65	Negative

Q Observations:

- Emoji-heavy comments often carry strong sentiment, but traditional NLP models may struggle to interpret them accurately.
- Questions and factual statements often fall into the **neutral** category.
- Comments with **clear emotion words** ("scam", "strong future", and "breakout") are classified correctly with high confidence.

To Study Social Media Negative Effect on Human Being or In Future

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Abstract :

This Research Paper Delves Into The Adverse Impacts Of Social Media On The Individuals As Well As The Society And Utilizes Data Analytics To Study The Patterns And Relationships. And The Implications For Mental Health, Social Relationships, Body Image, Attention Span, And Misinformation. This Paper Highlights That There Is An Urgent Need For Effective Strategies To Address These Negative Impacts Going Forward. And So, This Paper Reviews The Existing Literature In Online And Digital Policy, While Covering A Range Of Issues From Model Learning To Algorithmic Injury, In An Attempt To Inform Policymakers, Educators, And Technology Companies To Create A Healthier Digital Environment For Future Generations. Recommended Institute That The Ministry Of Education To Support School To Holding Courses For Students On Effect Of Social Media Use And Enabling The Role Of Media Censorship On Content That To Be Issued On Social Media Platforms. The Researcher Suggested That The Ministry Of Affirmative Affairs School Organizing Courses For The Impact Of Social Media The Lord Is My Shepherd Old Emotional Abuse Wounds May Never Be Fully Healed. The Researcher Recommended To The The Ministry Of Education To Support The School To Organize Courses For The Students On The Impact Of Social Media Usage, And The Activation Of The Role Of The Media Control On The Published Content In The Social Media Networks.

Keywords : Negative Effects, Social Media, Social Identity, Adolescents, Social Work.

1) Introduction :

Facebook To Instagram To Twitter And Tik-Tok Are Changing The Way Individuals And Societies Interact And Relate, Offering New Avenues For Deep Connectivity And Engagement.

So far, the majority of studies have looked at the effect of social media use on people on a one-to-one basis. For example, they might want to know whether teens who use social media more often feel better — or worse — than those who use it less often. Although this kind of research is useful, some researchers are now asking for studies that track how changes in a person's own social media use over time might be linked with their well-being. They want to know how a person feels, or how much better or worse someone feels, on any given day. when they use social media more than usual.[\[1-2\]](#)

Social media offers adolescents plenty of opportunities for risk taking, joining dubious communities and communicating with strangers without their parents' knowledge. As a result, it has become of great interest to parents, lawmakers and researchers interested in understanding how frequent social media use affects teens' mental health. But some research has focused on how the impact of social media might vary for different types of teens. For example, they've examined whether boys and girls are differently affected by social media use.[\[1-3\]](#).

However, looking at differences between groups, like comparing boys and girls, doesn't give us a clear understanding of how social media affects each individual person. It focuses more on general patterns rather than looking at how one person's experience with social media might change over time. [\[4\]](#).

Although In Many Societies Boys And Girls Are Grouped Together According To The Sex They Were Born They Are Very Different People In So Many Ways. QUESTION: So Even Though The Previous Studies Are Informative, They Depart From Showing Large Or Clear Social Media Effects On Well-Being? That Is Because The Results Are Averaged Across A Very Varied Group Of Teens, Which Might Dilute The Findings. [\[5-6\]](#).

According to theories explaining how media impacts people, each teen interacts with social media differently. One reason previous studies did not find robust or consistent results may be because the effect of social media varies from teen to teen. This study aims to test this hypothesis and get a clearer understanding of how social media affects the emotional well-being of individual teens.[\[7\]](#)

Incidence :



This Image Says that the social media is think where we lost our precious time. It can be destroyed mentally. Seeing others “perfect” lives online can cause feelings of sadness, depression, and FOMO (Fear of Missing Out).

1.1 Time Consumption :

Time-consuming information on social media means content that takes a lot of time to go through. This could be long posts, endless scrolling, or complicated topics that need deep thinking. It can make people spend too much time on social media.

1.2 Mental Health Impact:

Social Media use can Impact Mental Health in a number of ways, including increasing feelings of depression. Also like addiction, cyberbullying, anxiety.

2) Objectives & Hypothesis:

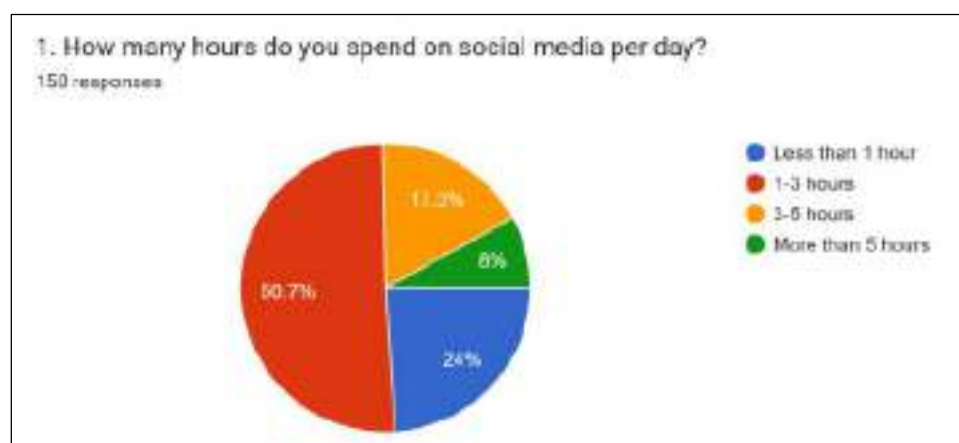
1. To Study Mental Health
2. To Study Cyber Bullying
3. To Study Addiction
4. To Study Information Overload
5. To Study Analyze Behavioral Changes
6. To Study Examine Social Relationships
7. To Study Explore Future Trends
8. To Study Develop Mitigation Strategies

Hypothesis 1:- Have you experienced addiction to social media?

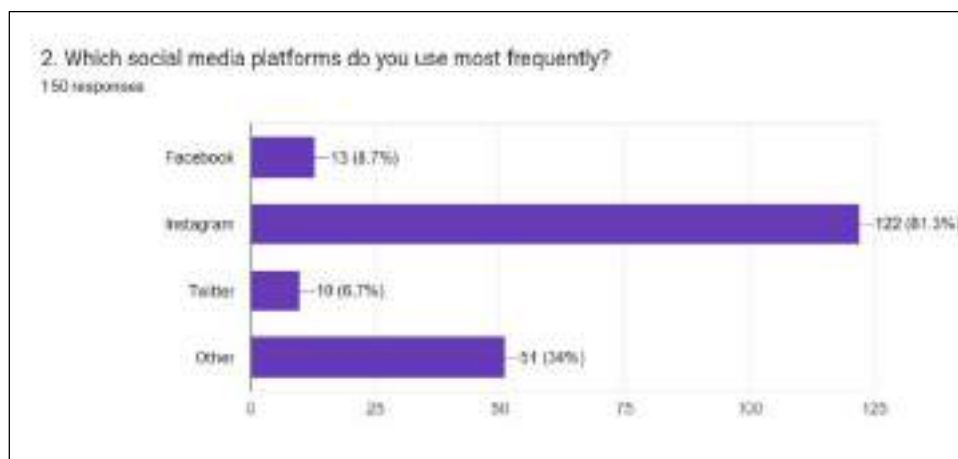
Hypothesis 2:- Do You Feel Anxious/Uneasy When Unable To Access Social Media?

3) Methodology :-

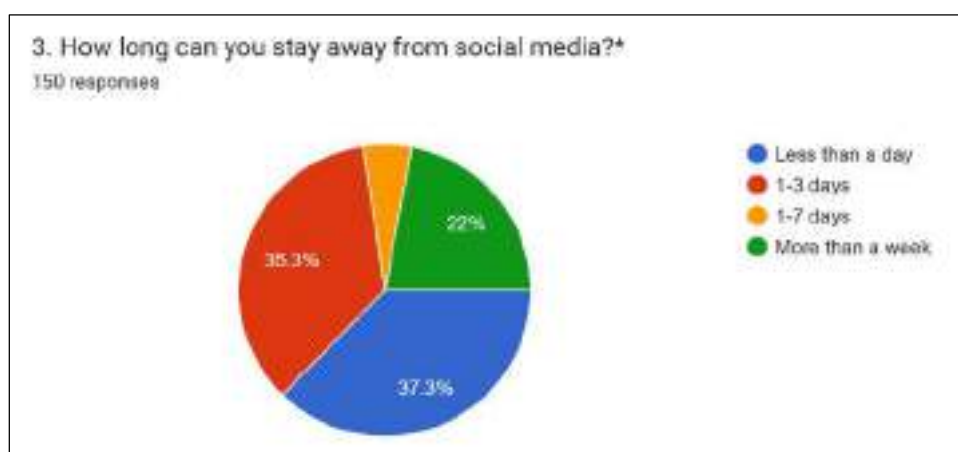
1. How many hours do you spend on social media per day?



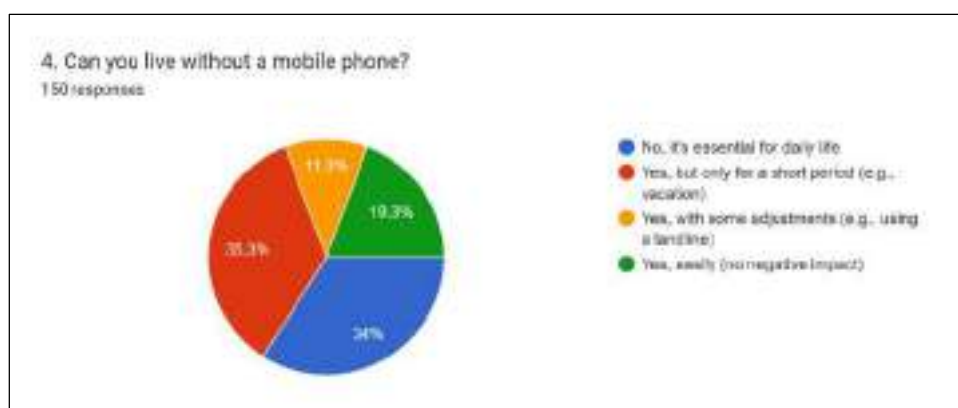
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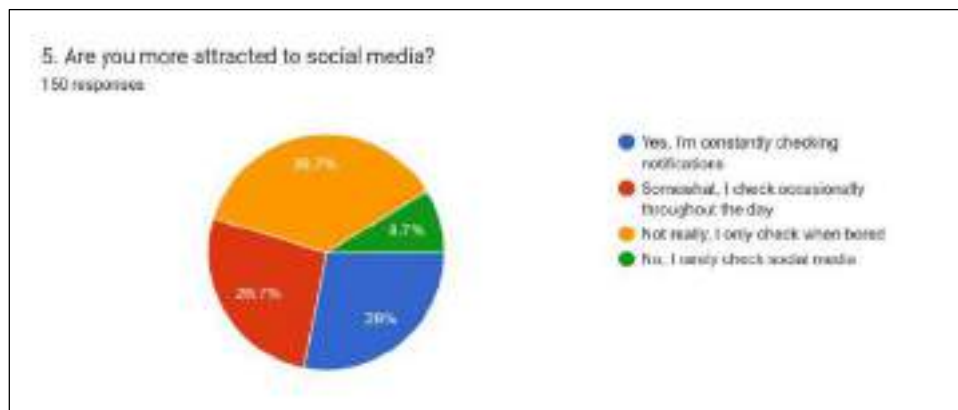
3. How long can you stay away from social media?*



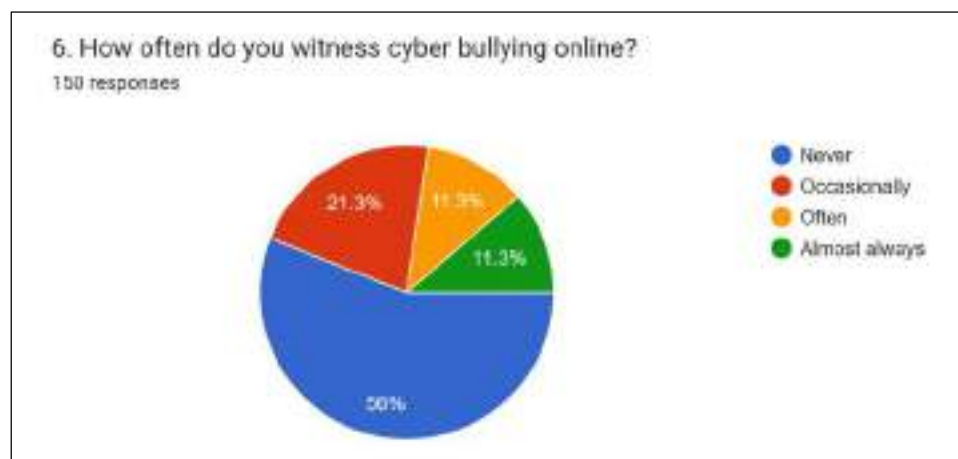
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5. Are you more attracted to social media?



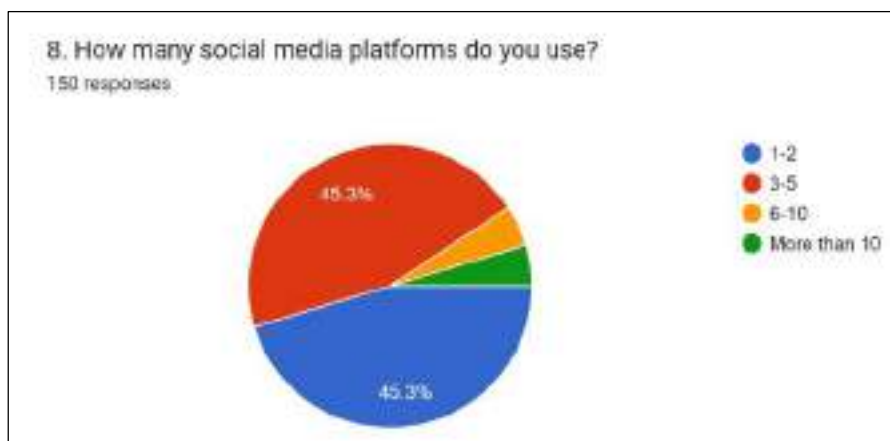
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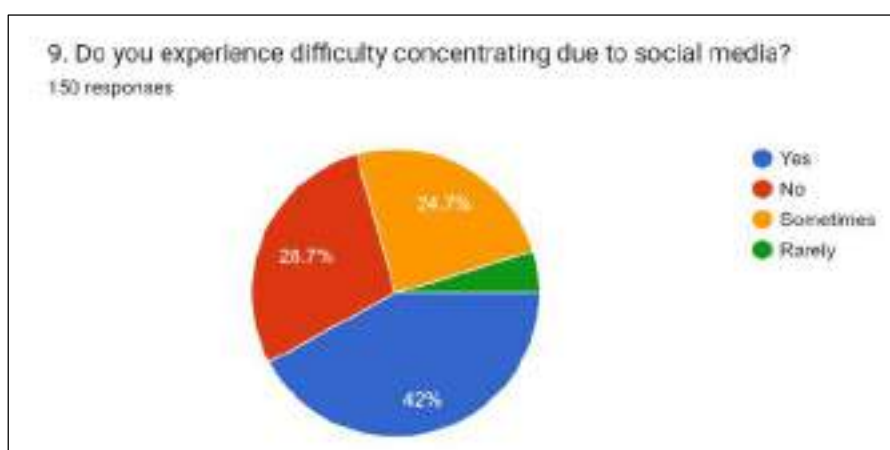
7. How did the experience affect your online behaviour?



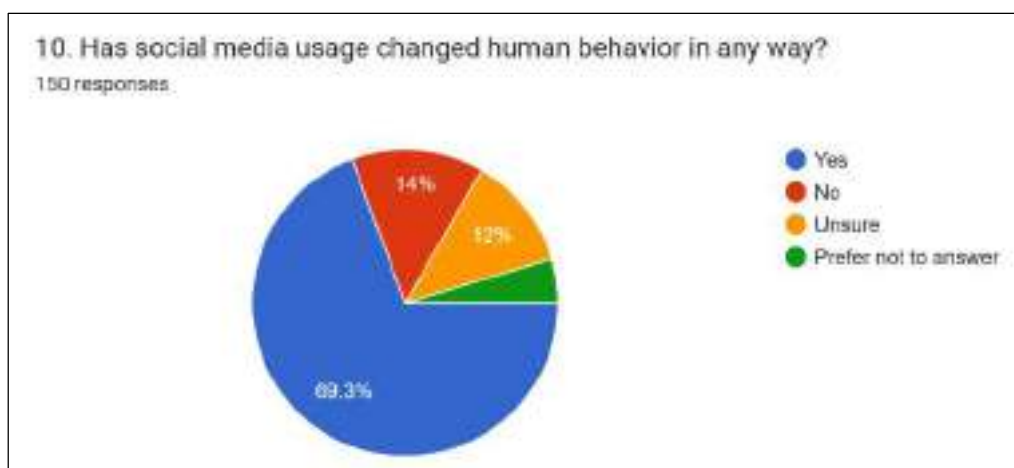
8. How many social media platforms do you use?



9. Do you experience difficulty concentrating due to social media?



10. Has social media usage changed human behavior in any way?



Hypothesis Testing Through Statistical Method: Chi- Square Test:-

Hypothesis 1 :- Have you experienced addiction to social media?

Applying The Formula $X^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Here, O_i = Observed Frequency (Response Collected From Survey),

Ei= Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

Showing Calculation Of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ In Dhule District.

Sr. No.	Addiction To Social Media?	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i) ² /E _i
1	Yes	63	37.5	25.5	51	1.36
2	No	47	37.5	9.5	19	0.50
3	Unsure	28	37.5	-9.5	19	0.50
4	Prefer not to answer	12	37.5	-25.5	51	1.36
	Total	150				3.72

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 3.72$$

Degree Of Freedom (D.F.) Is 3

Therefore, Tabulated Value Of X^2 as 3 Degree Of Freedom Is 7.815*

$$X^2 = 3.72 \quad 3.72 < 7.815^*$$

By Chi- Square Test, We Come To Know That Our Hypothesis Is Accepted At 5% Level Of Significance.

Hypothesis Testing Through Statistical Method: Chi- Square Test:-

Hypothesis 2:- Do You Feel Anxious/Uneasy When Unable To Access Social Media?

Applying The Formula $X^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Here, O_i= Observed Frequency (Response Collected From Survey),

E_i= Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

Showing Calculation Of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ In Dhule District.

Sr. No.	You Feel Anxious /Uneasy When Unable To Access Social Media?	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i) ² /E _i
1	Yes	40	37.5	2.5	5	0.13
2	No	69	37.5	31.5	63	1.68
3	Sometimes	29	37.5	-8.5	17	0.45
4	Rarely	12	37.5	-25.5	51	1.36
	Total	150				3.62

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 3.62$$

Degree Of Freedom (D.F.) Is 3

Therefore, Tabulated Value Of X^2 as 3 Degree Of Freedom Is 7.815*

$$X^2 = 3.62 \quad 3.62 < 7.815^*$$

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3) Conclusion :

This Article Explains That Social Media Use Is Harmful For People, Particularly Teenagers. This Shows Time Spent On Social Media Is Associated With Mental Health Problems, Addiction, Anxiety, Body Image Issues And Changes In Behavior. The Research — Based on Data From Dhule District — Also Links Social Media Use With Feelings Of Addiction And Anxiety. The Study Also Notes That social media Leads to Cyberbullying, Born To Information Overload And Weakens Real Social Relationships. Hi-Tech Homelessness And Cyberbellion co-killer e-Commerce Industry. As we increasingly integrate ourselves into these networks and services that are embedded into much of our daily lives, the study notes that strategies should be enacted to mitigate these adverse effects in things such as media literacy programs, mental health awareness, and content moderation of harmful material online. Considering How Influential Social Media Has To, Particularly For Young People, The Research Suggests Policymakers, Educators And Technology Companies Should Collaborate To Promote Mental Health And Responsible Social Media Use. It Also Advocates For Social Media Literacy Courses In Schools To Help Students Understand The Dangers And Method Of Using Social Media Safely. Final

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Impact of Online Shopping on Customer Preferences and Retail Dynamics

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Abstract :

This research paper investigates the impact of online shopping on Customer Preferences and Retail Dynamics using primary data collected through surveys and interviews with retail business owners and consumers. The study explores how the rapid adoption of online shopping has reshaped customer preferences, purchasing patterns and competitive dynamics within the retail industry. It highlights key challenges faced by brick-and-mortar retailers, such as declining foot traffic and changing consumer expectations, while also examining strategies they have adopted to remain competitive. The findings provide insights into the extent of disruption caused by e-commerce, as well as opportunities for traditional retailers to innovate and thrive in a digital-first market.

Keywords : Online Shopping, Customer Preferences, Retail Business.

Introduction :

The retail sector has experienced a massive transformation in recent years, which is largely attributed to the rise of e-commerce. Online shopping websites have introduced a new way of transacting with businesses on the consumers' side, thus altering their buying decisions and even the market dynamics. E-commerce is convenient for the consumer since it enables them to shop from anywhere, provide competitive prices and more variety of products, hence its popularity.

These combined forces have led brick-and-mortar retail companies to face serious challenges, such as reduced foot traffic, heightened competition and the necessity to adapt to new technologies. While some traditional retailers have managed to incorporate the online business into their conventional operations successfully, many are reeling from the shockwaves of this disruption.

This study will be grounded on consumer behaviour and sales patterns as well as operational issues that e-commerce presents to conventional retail companies. The research employs primary data from individual interviews and questionnaires with retail business owners and consumers to offer insights into how conventional retailers can adjust and survive in such an environment that is changing at a fast rate. Comprehending these dynamics will assist in the formulation of strategic solutions that can promote the coexistence and development of both traditional retail and e-commerce sectors.

Literature Review :

Kumar and Sharma (2020), the increased use of e-commerce sites has revolutionized the way purchases are made by consumers. Consumers need convenience, the lowest price, and most importantly, cross-platform comparison facilities.

Gupta and Singh (2019), contended that technology as the solution for the boost of customer experiences across both electronic commerce and retail stores. Through a survey conducted by the duo, retailers utilizing such technologies like digital kiosks within shops and individualized advertising reported improvement in consumer involvement and revenue.

Patel (2021), contended that even with the growth of e-commerce, physical stores continue to have value because they can provide sensory product experiences and personalized service.

Mehta and Roy (2022), noted that consumer trust and data protection are critical in e-commerce. They concluded that although e-commerce is convenient, the problem of data privacy and online fraud is a major hindrance for some consumers.

Objectives of the Study :

- Analyse how online shopping has impacted the traditional retail business.
- Understand consumer preferences and changes in purchasing behaviour.
- Identify the challenges that traditional retailers face because of digital disruption.

Research Methodology :

Primary data for the study was collected through an online survey using Google Forms. The survey consisted of 14 Questions in which 4 Questions are demographic and remaining 8 Questions are close-ended questions and 2 Questions are open-ended to ensure consistency in responses. A convenience sampling technique was used to distribute the survey

link through social media platforms and personal networks. The sample size initially targeted 100 participants, of which 92 responded, resulting in a response rate of 92%.

Data Analysis & Interpretations :

Figure 1: How often do you shop online?

44% respondents said rarely, 35% respondents said monthly, 11% respondents said daily and 10% respondents said weekly

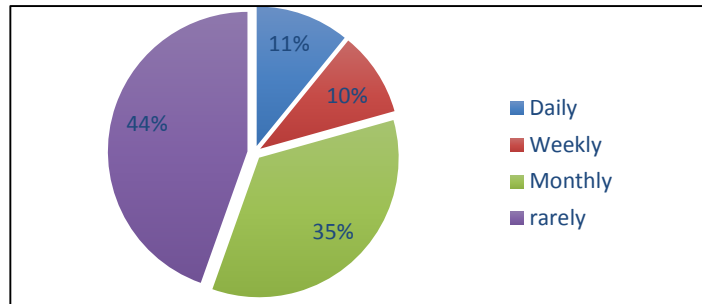


Figure 2: Which platform do you prefer for shopping?

56% respondents said both equally, 27% respondents said online (e-commerce website/apps) 17% offline (traditional retail stores)

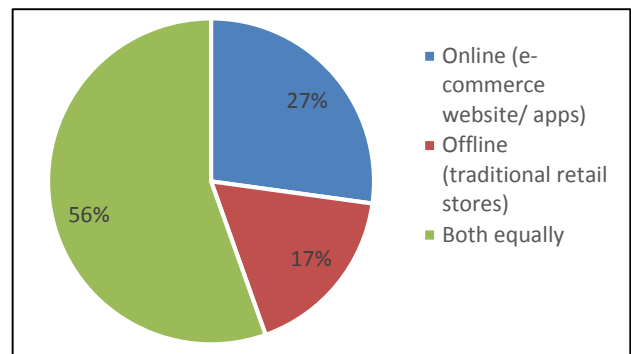


Figure 3: Why respondents prefer shopping online?

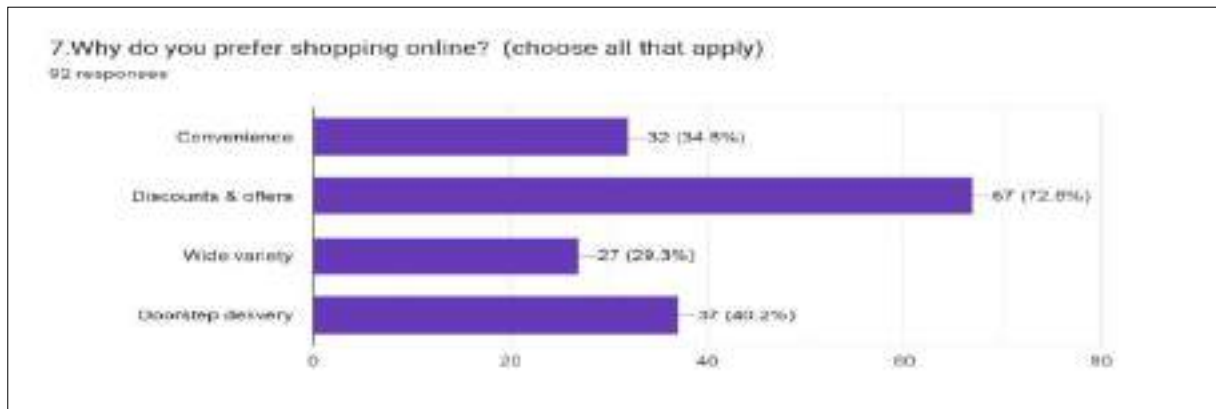


Figure 4: Why respondents prefer shopping at traditional retail stores?

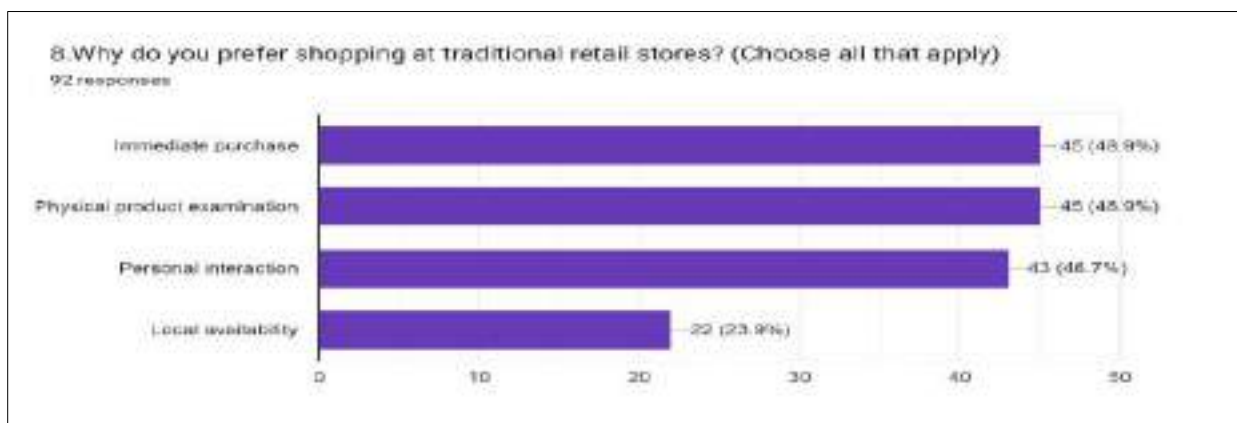


Figure 5: Do you think e-commerce has reduced your visits to traditional retail stores? 77% respondents said yes and 23% people said no.

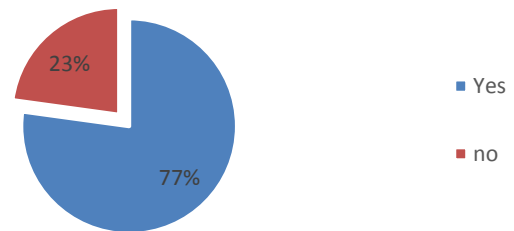


Figure 6: How has e-commerce impacted traditional retail stores in your area? 37% respondents said slightly reduced footfall, 29% respondents said no impact, 23% respondents said significantly reduced footfall and 11% respondents said many stores have shutdown.

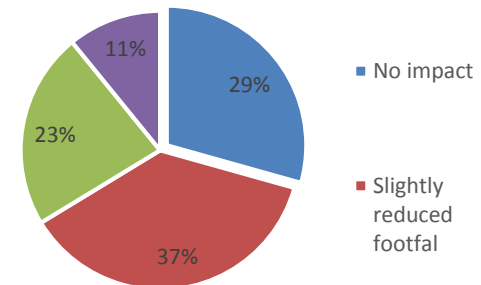


Figure 7: What do you think traditional retail stores can do to compete with e-commerce? Major portion of respondents are 38% said offer better discounts, 34% peoples said improve customer service.

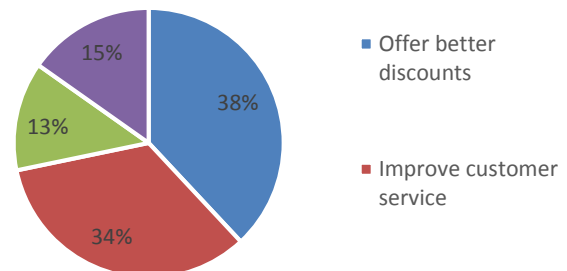
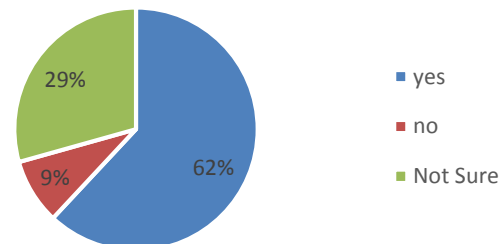


Figure 8: Do you think traditional retail stores will survive alongside e-commerce in the future? In this picture shows that 62% respondents said yes, 29% respondents said Not sure and 9% respondents said no



Results & Discussion :

The traditional retail sector is at a crossroads and needs to adapt to rapidly changing market dynamics driven by technology and evolving consumer preferences. The only way that traditional retailers will be able to compete is if they integrate digital solutions, improve customer service and offer experiences that are personal to the individual. Attractive discounts, good quality products and more extensive services will determine customer retention.

While e-commerce continues to grow exponentially and is bound to dominate the retail landscape of the future, there is still scope for the survival of traditional retail by engaging customers in more immersive in-store experiences and using a hybrid approach combining digital and physical channels. Innovators who embrace these changes will be in an excellent position for success in the future retail market.

Traditional retail businesses face the increasing pressures of digital disruption, changing expectations of customers, and competition through e-commerce sites. Traditional retailers must adopt strategic and customer-centric approaches to be competitive and gain market share back.

Key recommendations are related to the production of quality goods, improved experiences for customers, and more positive personal contact with customers. Integration of physical and digital channels with an omnichannel approach to reach more audiences and to experience seamless shopping experience is the ultimate need.

In this regard, retail companies need to focus on digital marketing, diversified product lines and affordability as main attractions to customers. Discounts, trials and doorstep delivery services can help them further strengthen their market positions. Traditional retailers can flourish in such a scenario as long as they manifest agility and innovativeness as complementing features among modern commerce players.

Findings :

- **Digital Disruption:** Pressure on traditional retail businesses owing to the advent of e-commerce as well as rapid technological trends.
- **Customer Expectations:** High-value products, hassle-free experience with personalized services.
- **Omni channel Integration:** Mainly, for a competitive retail strategy, integrating the two channels, physical and digital.
- **Digital Marketing and Promotions:** Customer acquisition depends on winning digital marketing, attractive discounts, and product trials.
- **Service Enhancements:** Doorstep delivery and keeping close personal contacts with customers may ensure customer retention.
- **Innovation and Agility:** Flexibility along with adopting contemporary strategies by the retailers can guarantee success in the competitive market.

Conclusion:

Traditional retail businesses need to keep evolving with strategic and customer-centric approaches to be relevant in the very competitive market. They will be able to provide seamless shopping experiences by targeting high-quality products along with serving better customer experience and blurring physical touch points with digital touch points. The exigency of retaining market share would involve electronic marketing, price affordability, and service enhancements such as doorstep delivery and trials of products. Those who bring innovation and agility will prosper together with new entrants into modern commerce even amidst the disruptions by digital technology.

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Sleep Patterns and their Effect on Academic Performance

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Abstract :

The purpose of this study was how sleep pattern can effect your academic performance. The study shows that poor sleep patterns significantly negatively effect on Academic performance, people across India they believe they have insomnia and this examines the relationship between sleep pattern and academic performance focusing on how various sleep habits can impact cognitive functioning and learning outcomes among students. Sleep plays very crucial role in memory, emotional regulation, all of which are vital for academic success. In This research explores factors such as sleep duration, quality, and consistency, and their effects on students concentration, problem-solving abilities, and overall performance in consolidation, attention, and academic settings. Findings indicate that students who maintain Consistent, adequate, and high-quality sleep tend to perform better academically. While those with irregular sleep schedules or insufficient sleep experience difficulties with memory retention, focus, and decision-making. The study underscores the importance of healthy sleep practices for enhancing learning outcomes and suggests strategies for improving sleep hygiene among students to optimize their academic potential.

Keywords : Sleep, Academic Comeback, Concentration, Consistency.

Introduction :

In today's era demanding of academic environment in India has been increased, students often struggle to balance their coursework, extracurricular activities, and social lives one crucial factor often overlooked is the quality and quantity of sleep. Sleep is a fundamental aspect of human health and well-being but in the context of academic success it holds even more significance not just in India but outer country as well. In 1978 the authors Howard W. Tilly and John W. Emmett published the journal of educational research on "sleep and students Achievement". In the early centuries, education was often restricted to the elite, and learning was typically done during the day, with more flexible schedules compared to today's rigid academic calendars. Students in ancient Greece and Rome, for instance, followed more natural patterns of rest aligned with the day-night cycle, with breaks for sleep after hours of study. By the early 20th century, the formal school day became more rigid, with specific times for classes and naps or rest periods, especially in primary and secondary education. In some cultures, especially in Mediterranean countries, afternoon naps or siestas were still common, acknowledging the importance of rest during the day. Research into the effects of sleep on cognitive function, however, began in the 1920s and 1930s. Psychologists like John Dewey began to explore how sleep influenced learning and attention. However, sleep wasn't yet seen as a central factor in academic success, and students often faced long study hours with insufficient rest, particularly as formal schooling increased in both duration and intensity. The concept of a "sleep schedule" was not formalized, as the educational systems of the time were often cantered around apprenticeship or individual learning rather than structured schools. Sleep itself wasn't considered a major factor in academic performance, and students were often expected to focus solely on learning, with rest being secondary. In the late 20th and early 21st centuries, researchers began to seriously explore how sleep affects students, particularly in relation to academic performance. Sleep studies revealed that sleep deprivation can significantly impair cognitive functions such as memory, attention, problem-solving, and decision-making all critical for academic success.

The relationship between sleep patterns and academic performance has garnered increasing attention in recent years as research continues to highlight the profound effects that sleep or the lack there of can have on a student's cognitive function, emotional regulation, and overall academic success. The average teenager or college student may underestimate the importance of a good night's sleep, often trading hours of rest for extended study sessions or social activities over use of mobile phones. Unfortunately this practice can have detrimental effects on both short-term and long-term academic performance. The purpose of this study was how sleep pattern can effect your academic performance the study shows that poor sleep patterns significantly negatively effect on Academic performance 51 % people in India go to sleep between 11p.m to 1 a.m. And 16% people across India they believe they have insomnia and this survey was conduct by sleep solution startup wakefit.co. The link between sleep and academic performance can be understood through several physiological and psychological mechanisms. During deep sleep, the brain goes through processes such as memory

consolidation additionally, sleep deprivation can impair the brain's ability to focus and process information which is detrimental to students during exams, lectures, or other learning environments that require sustained attention and concentration. Sleep deprivation has a direct impact on emotional well-being. When students are sleep-deprived, they are more likely to experience heightened levels of stress, anxiety, and irritability can affect their academic performances which can lead to wrong life choice for them as tired students may be less inclined to prioritize their studies or make effective choices regarding their academic work. This can lead to decreased productivity, and ultimately a decline in overall academic performance The effects of sleep patterns on academic performance are not limited to sleep deprivation alone The quality of sleep is just as important as the quantity of sleep Students who experience poor-quality sleep may face similar challenges even if they are getting a sufficient amount of sleep each night Factors such as sleep disturbances irregular sleep schedules and an environment not good to sleep can disrupt the body's natural circadian rhythm making it difficult to experience restorative sleep As a result students may still struggle with concentration, memory, despite not spending enough time in bed the amount of sleep a student gets on a regular basis, also plays a crucial role in determining academic outcomes The recommended amount of sleep for young adults is approximately 7-9 hours per night However many students fail to meet this target 53% often sacrificing sleep in Favor of academic work or social media Irregular sleep patterns can also have a significant effect on academic performance. Students who maintain inconsistent sleep schedules, such as staying up late on weekends and sleeping in may experience disruptions to their body circadian rhythm which can make it difficult to stay alert and focused during school or class and collage This phenomenon is often observed in college students, where late-night studying or socializing becomes a routine The consequences of such irregular sleep patterns extend beyond cognitive performance influencing mood and overall mental health The effects of sleep on academic performance are not only visible in the short term but can also accumulate over time With the advent of technology, students' sleep patterns became even more irregular. The rise of smartphones, computers, and social media contributed to an increase in "screen time," which negatively impacted sleep quality, especially in teenagers. The late-night use of electronics and the habit of staying up late for homework or entertainment became common, leading to even greater sleep disturbances in 2001, researchers like Dr. Charles Czeisler at Harvard Medical School began demonstrating that sleep-deprived students experienced declines in academic performance, noting that insufficient sleep could hinder both memory consolidation and cognitive processing. The concept of the "sleep debt" also began to take hold, suggesting that students could accumulate a deficit in sleep over time, which would affect their learning and mental health Today, the importance of sleep for academic success is widely acknowledged. Research continues to emphasize the significance of healthy sleep patterns for students' physical and cognitive development. Sleep studies on teenagers, for instance, have shown that sleep deprivation is linked to a higher risk of poor academic performance, mood disorders, and even long-term health problems. Modern schools and universities are beginning to address these issues more actively, with some advocating for later school start times for high school students to allow for longer and more restorative sleep. Many institutions have also implemented wellness programs aimed at helping students manage stress, improve sleep hygiene, and understand the importance of adequate rest for both academic and mental health. However, the struggle between academic demands and sleep persists for many students. Technology, academic pressure, and extracurricular activities continue to pose challenges to maintaining healthy sleep patterns, but growing awareness is driving positive changes in student sleep culture.

Objective :

1. To examine the relationship between sleep duration and academic performance among students of different age groups.
2. To analyse how sleep quality (deep sleep vs. disturbed sleep) impacts cognitive functions such as memory retention, attention span, and problem-solving skills.
3. To study the effects of irregular sleep schedules on students' concentration, classroom engagement, and overall learning ability.
4. To investigate the impact sleep deprivation on exam performance, assignment completion, and overall academic success.
5. To assess the influence of late-night study habit and excessive screen time before bed on students' sleep patterns and academic outcomes.
6. To explore the role of daytime napping in improving student alertness, focus, and learning efficiency.

Hypothesis:

- This hypothesis implies that regular sleep patterns are beneficial for cognitive function, focus, and overall performance in academic tasks. It sets the foundation for conducting an experiment or study to test this relationship.
- Hypothesis suggests that the lack of sufficient sleep impairs cognitive functions like memory, concentration, and problem-solving, leading to lower exam scores.

Research Methodology:

The Research area is Shirpur where we collect responses from, R.C.P Institute of Management Research and Development, Shirpur campus students of BCA, BBA, BMS, IMCA, MCA from first year to last year we collected 204 responses

Experiment:

Response related on average, how many hours of sleep do you get.

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
6-8 hours	120	58.8%
4-6 hours	40	19.6%
Less than 4 hours	23	11.3%
More than 8 hours	21	10.3%
Total	204	100

Response related do you believe your sleep duration affects your academic performance.

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Yes, significantly	108	52.9%
Somewhat	52	25.5%
No, not at all	44	21.6%
Total	204	100

Response related do you late-night habit impact your academic performance the next day.

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Yes, significantly	108	92.85
Somewhat	52	7.14
No, not at all	44	0.00
Total	204	100

Response related disturb sleep can lead to increase in psychological conditions.

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Depression	85	41.7%
Happiness	65	31.9%
Self confidence	29	14.2%
Motivational level	25	12.3%
Total	204	100

Response related Do you want to maintain a consistent sleep schedule for academic great performance.

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Yes	177	86.8%
No	27	13.2%
Total	204	100

Response related Do you want give structure to your sleep cycle.

Responses	Frequency	% of Total
Yes	170	83.3%
No	34	16.7%
Total	204	100

Hypothesis Testing Through Statistical Method: Chi- Square Test: -

HYPOTHESIS 1: Do you want to maintain a consistence sleep schedule Academic Performance?

Thus, applying the Formula $\chi^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

- **O_i**= Observed Frequency (Response collected from survey),
- **E_i**= Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

Showing calculation of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ in Dhule District.

Sr. No.	Response	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i) ² /E _i
1	YES	27	102	-75	150	1.47
2	NO	177	102	75	150	1.47
	Total	204				2.94

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 2.94$$

Degree of freedom (d.f.) is 1

Therefore, Tabulated value of χ^2 as 1 degree of freedom is 3.841*

$$\chi^2 = 2.94 \quad 2.94 < 3.841^*$$

Result :

The result of the Chi-square test shows that there is a significant difference between the observed and expected responses. This means that maintaining a consistent sleep schedule has a noticeable effect on people's academic performance, and the responses are not in line with what we would expect if there was no impact. In simpler terms: People's responses to whether they want to maintain a consistent sleep schedule do not match the expected pattern, suggesting that there might be a real influence of sleep habits on academic performance.

HYPOTHESIS 2 : What effect does sleep deprivation have on your exam performances?

Thus, applying the Formula $\chi^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

- **O_i**= Observed Frequency (Response collected from survey),
- **E_i**= Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

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Sr. No.	Response	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i) ² /E _i
1	I perform slightly worse	81	51	30	60	1.17
2	It has no effect	55	51	4	8	0.15
3	I perform better	36	51	-15	30	0.58
4	I perform significantly	32	51	-19	38	0.74

	worse					
	Total	20				2.64
		4				

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 2.64$$

Degree of freedom (D.F.) is 3

Therefore, Tabulated value of χ^2 as 3 degree of freedom is 7.815*

$$\chi^2 = 2.64 \quad 2.64 < 7.815^*$$

Result :

Based on your research paper, the chi-square test results suggest that sleep deprivation does not have a statistically significant effect on exam performance. Since the calculated chi-square value (2.64) is less than the critical value (7.815) at 3 degrees of freedom, the null hypothesis is not rejected. This implies that the differences in observed responses (e.g., performing slightly worse, no effect, performing better, or significantly worse) may be due to random chance rather than a direct effect of sleep deprivation.

Conclusion :

Sleep pattern significantly impact students' academic performances, cognitive abilities, and overall well-being. Research shows that adequate, sleep enhances memory retention, attention span, and problem-solving skills, while sleep deprivation leads to reduced concentration, lower engagement, and poor academic outcomes. Factors like irregular sleep schedules, late-night study habits, and screen time before bed contribute to disrupted sleep, further affecting learning efficiency. Prioritizing further affecting learning efficiency. Prioritizing good sleep hygiene, maintaining a consistent sleep schedule, and limiting screen exposure can improve academic success. Schools and policymakers should promote better sleep practices to enhance student performance. Future research should explore effective strategies to support healthy sleep habits in students.

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Review of Fake News Detection on Social Media Using Classification Techniques across Different Datasets

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Abstract :

News refers to the latest information about current events or changes, usually shared by journalists via different media platforms like newspapers, TV, or online sources. The amount of information shared on the Internet, mainly through online network media, increases regularly due to simple accessibility of data through social media networks through social media networks, the difference between false and genuine information is not easy. "Fake news" as News that are wrong or misleading, without confirmation or accurate facts, quotes or sources. In today's digital age, especially with the rise of social media, identify fake news has become a significant challenge, affecting public opinion, political dynamics, and trust in media. The rapid spread of information across platforms like Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram has made it harder to differentiate between reliable news and fabricated content. This article analyzes research related to detecting fake news and detects different classification techniques such as Support Vector Machine (SVM), random forest, decision tree, Logistic Regression, Recurrent Neural Network (RNN) and Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) on different data sets like Kaggle, COVID-19 Fake News, and Weibo for detecting false news that evaluate the authenticity of content on different datasets.

Keywords : Classification techniques, Fake News, Dataset.

1. Introduction :

With the progress of technology, news consumption has been transferred to social media from printed media [6]. More people today get their news from social media instead of traditional sources. These days, a lot of information is shared on social media, and we are not able to distinguish what information is false and which one is real. People immediately begin to express their anxiety or share themselves fake news refers to intentionally fabricated and misleading information designed to deceive readers. It spreads rapidly through social media platforms, influencing public opinion and shaping perceptions. Misinformation about major events, such as disasters or health crises, can lead to harmful consequences and poor decision-making. The propagation of fake news thus poses a threat to both individuals and society at large. This paper presents a thorough review and analysis of various methods used to detect fake news across social media, utilizing different datasets [1]. Information published at news sites are often required to confirm. Early dividing by instant sharing involves the exponential increase of the wrong promise [3]. Detecting Fake news presents a significant challenge to the maintenance of accuracy in the information received by the public [15]. There is really a difference in discovering this and is a very important task for Society. Many active researchers are permanent to detect fake news from social media. The detection process estimates the misleading information about all news/topics whether it is planned or accidentally affected for society. In most cases, the detection process uses classification techniques to filter the news, whether it is fake or not [20]. A variety of classification techniques have been put forth for the detection of fake news, including random forest, decision tree, Logistic Regression, Conditional random fields (CRF), Recurrent Neural Network (RNN) and Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) on different data sets like Kaggle, COVID-19 Fake News, and Weibo (i.e. a Chinese microblog similar to Twitter.)

2. Fake News Detection :

Fake news is incorrect version of actual news, created to mislead or confuse people. It spreads fictions by manipulating facts, causing doubt, or outright fabricating information. The aim is often to convince people to believe something that is not true. Fake news refers to deliberately false information designed to mislead people, typically shared through social

media platforms like Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, where it can spread rapidly to a large audience. Its resemblance to real news makes it difficult to distinguish, causing people to unknowingly believe false claims. As a form of disinformation, fake news is akin to rumors or spam and can have significant negative effects on society. It has the potential to sway political opinions, create fear or panic, and damage businesses or financial markets. Ultimately, fake news can shape public observations, cause confusion, and undermine trust in important institutions.

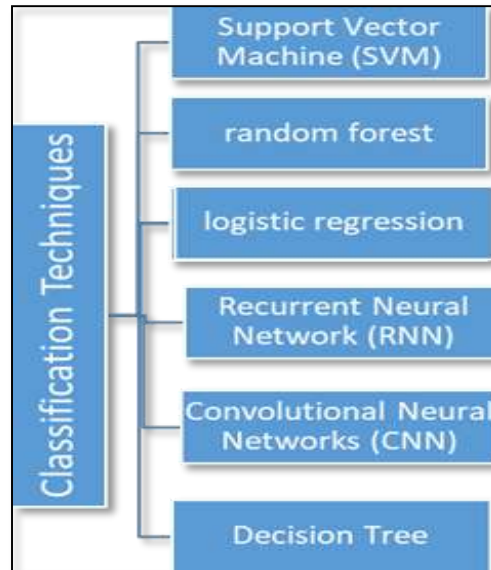


Fig. 1 : Various classification techniques used for identifying fake news detection.

Literature Review :

According to the previous work there was different classification techniques for detecting fake news and accuracy. Following table shows the different kinds of classification techniques with respect to their datasets with accuracy.

Ref.	Author name	Year	Classifier	Data Set	Accuracy
[1]	Mr.Vyankatesh Rampurkar	Dec.2024	Logistic Regression	ISOT	98.31 %
[2]	Mrs.Usha M.	Feb.2023	CNN	COVID-19	88.00 %
[3]	Noshin Nirvana Prachi	Dec.2022	Logistic Regression decision tree SVM	Kaggle	73.75 % 89.66 % 76.65 %
[4]	P.Yogendra Prasad	2022	SVM	Kaggle	100.00 %
[5]	Z Khanam	2021	SVM	Kaggle	92.00 %
[6]	Shalini Pandey	2021	Logistic Regression decision tree SVM	Facebook	90.46 % 73.33 % 89.33 %
[7]	I. Kadek Sastrawan	Oct.2021	CNN	ISOT	98.24 %
[8]	Emmy D. Ajik	Sep.2023	CNN SVM	Kaggle	96.00 % 99.9 %
[9]	A Santhosh Kumar	2021	SVM Logistic Regression	Facebook Twitter	99.09 %
[10]	M. Sudhakar	Jan-24	Logistic Regression SVM	Covid-19	95 % 98 %
[11]	Hosea I.G.	Jul-23	SVM	Kaggle	95.74 %
[12]	R.S.Karthikaa,	Jun-22	SVM Logistic Regression	Facebook Twitter	92.00 %

[13]	P. Yogendra Prasadl	2022	SVM	Kaggle	100.00 %
[14]	Dr.M. RAJESWARI	Jun-22	Random forest decision tree	Kaggle	84.97 % 89.11 %
[15]	Jati Sasongko Wibowo	Aug.2024	Support Vector Machine (SVM) Random Forest	COVID-19 Kaggle	100.00 % 99.00 %
[16]	Johnson Adeleke Adeyiga	Jul-23	Logistic Regression	Kaggle	97.90 %
[17]	Muhammad Syahmi Mokhtar	Oct.2019	Logistic Regression	Facebook Twitter	79.00 %
[18]	Mary Justine R. Felicilda	May 2024	random forest	Kaggle	99.76 %
[19]	Xin Chen	Dec.2021	SVM CNN RNN	Weibo	0.792 % 0.858 %
[20]	Jiangfeng Zeng	Dec-20	RNN	Weibo	77.20 %

Table 1: - Comparison review for classification techniques

The comparison table shows overview of classifications techniques for fake news detection on different datasets along with accuracy.

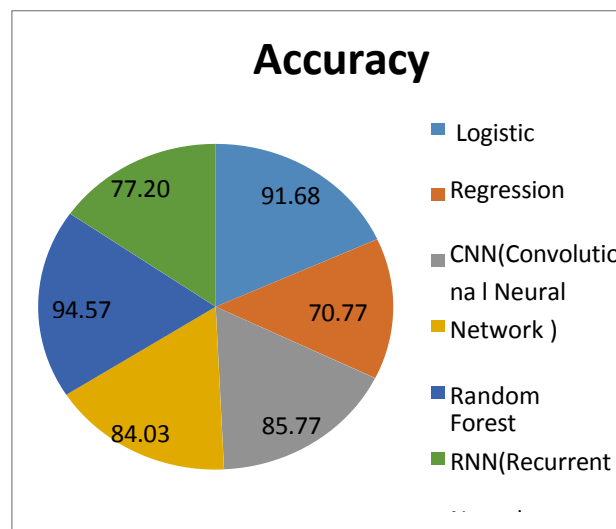


Figure 3: Accuracy gain from different classifiers

From the previous work results found that the Random forest model showed the maximum efficacy in detecting fake news within this dataset. Logistic Regression and SVM models also indicating remarkable performance as compared to others.

Conclusion :

Many authors contributed in pointing to accuracy for better prediction. Based on our review of previous work, different classification techniques are compared on datasets for accuracy provides a limited view of the problem for fake news detection on social media across different dataset. We can conclude that Random forest give maximum accuracy and CNN give lowest accuracy. To gain more accuracy in the future, further research and development will be needs for detecting fake news on social media.

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Role of Employee Motivation in Workplace Productivity and Job Satisfaction

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Abstract :

Employee motivation is critical in increasing productivity, job satisfaction, and overall organizational performance. Motivated workers are more efficient, creative, and committed, resulting in better performance and lower turnover rates. This research paper discusses the importance of employee motivation, analyzing prominent motivational theories like Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs, Herzberg's Two-Factor Theory, and Vroom's Expectancy Theory. It also considers factors that drive motivation, such as monetary incentives, organizational culture, leadership, and opportunities for career development. The research addresses the role of motivation in the engagement of employees and organizational performance, stressing the importance of appropriate motivational strategies. The results imply that organizations with investments in motivating employees foster a good working environment, resulting in long-term growth and competitiveness.

Keywords: Employee Motivation, Job Satisfaction, Organizational Performance, Productivity

Introduction:

Employee motivation is one of the key determinants of the success and longevity of an organization. It is defined as the inner and outer forces that make people move and accomplish their professional and personal objectives. An effectively motivated team results in higher productivity, job satisfaction, and organizational effectiveness. Its absence can lead to low morale, poor performance, and high turnover rates.

Several theories, including Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs, Herzberg's Two-Factor Theory, and Vroom's Expectancy Theory, shed light on the manner in which motivation impacts employee conduct. The theories all point towards intrinsic and extrinsic forces behind motivation. Whereas intrinsic motivation emanates from individual development, compliments, and work contentment, extrinsic motivation comes about as a result of awards, salary, and outer impulses.

Literature Review:

Deci & Ryan, (1985), emphasizes intrinsic motivation, highlighting autonomy, competence, and relatedness as key drivers of workplace engagement. Employees perform better when they feel in control of their tasks, experience mastery, and build meaningful connections at work

Kotler & Keller (2012), Organizations with strong motivational strategies experience greater innovation, as employees feel encouraged to contribute ideas and take initiative.

Robbins & Judge (2017), A motivated workforce is more engaged, resulting in lower absenteeism and higher job performance.

Objectives of the Study:

- To analyse the role of employee motivation in workplace productivity and job satisfaction.
- To explore key motivational theories and their relevance in modern organizations.
- To identify factors influencing employee motivation, including financial and non-financial incentives.

Research Methodology:

Primary data for the study was collected through an online survey using Google Forms. The survey consisted of 10 Questions in which 4 Questions are demographic and remaining 6 Questions are close-ended questions and 2 Questions are open-ended to ensure consistency in responses. A convenience sampling technique was used to distribute the survey link through social media platforms and personal networks. The sample size initially targeted 100 participants, of which 51 responded, resulting in a response rate of 51%.

Data Analysis and Interpretations:

Figure 1: Do you understand the concept of employee motivation and its importance in the workplace?

65% respondents said Yes, very well, 29% respondents said somewhat, 6% respondents said Not much.

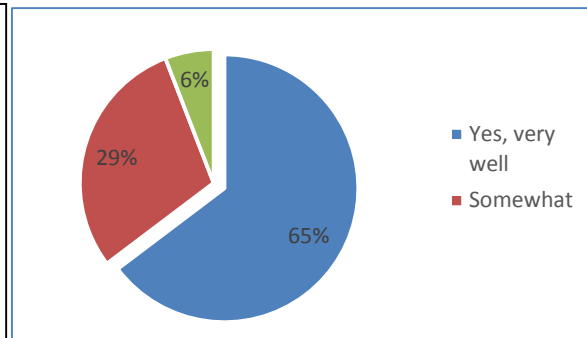


Figure 2: Do you believe motivated employees are critical to an organization's success?

43% respondents said Agree, 39% respondents said strongly agree, 14% respondents said Neutral, 4% respondents said Disagree, 0% respondents said strongly disagree

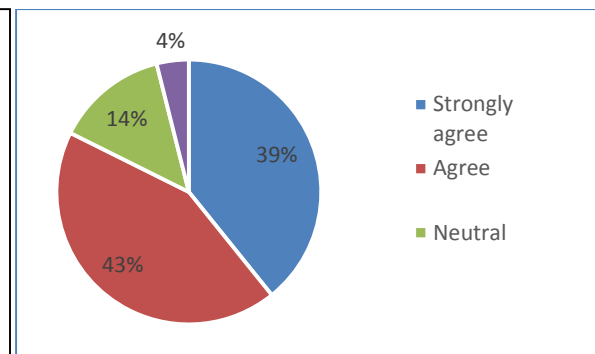
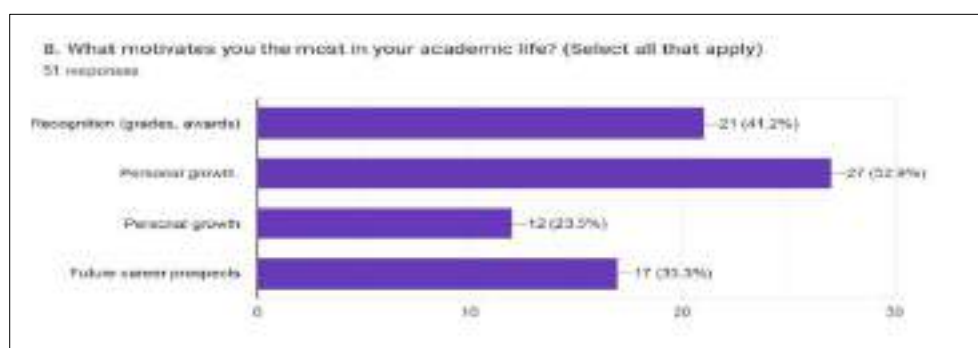
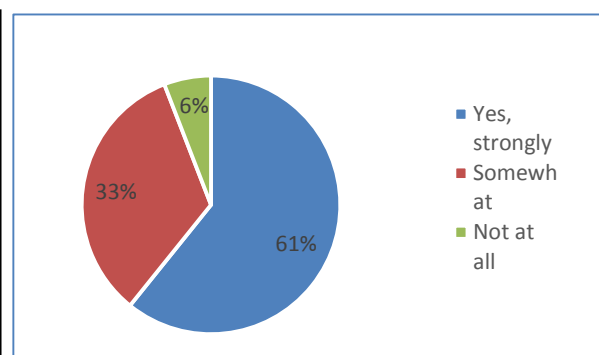


Figure 3: Can you relate the importance of employee motivation to your own academic or extracurricular experiences?

61% respondents said Yes, strongly, 33% respondents said somewhat, 6% respondents said Not at all.



Results and Discussions :

Success is the outcome of proper goal-setting, self-motivation, and persistent effort. Confidence, discipline, and time management are vital in remaining on course towards the fulfilment of one's dreams. Encouragement from family, teachers, and mentors is vital in keeping one motivated. Applying techniques like listening to motivational material, being well-organized and monitoring progress keeps one focused and overcoming challenges. Finally, determination, commitment, and self-confidence are the most important elements in achieving personal and academic objectives.

Motivation of employees is an important driver of workplace productivity and general business success. From the responses gathered, the most potent motivators are recognition, appreciation, pay increases, a good working environment, and opportunities for career advancement. Employees feel motivated when they are treated with respect, appreciated, and provided with significant work.

Although monetary benefits such as pay raises and bonuses are important, non-monetary benefits like coaching, trust, career growth, and positive leadership are also vital. Organizations need to develop a balanced strategy that integrates monetary incentives with an environment of appreciation, respect, and opportunities for growth to retain employees and keep them motivated.

Findings :

1. Recognition is everything: Rewarding achievements (grades, awards, etc.) is a big motivator in both school and work environments.
2. Personal Development Motivates: Individuals are driven by possibilities of self-development and skill gain.
3. Future Career Opportunities: Career advancement and professional growth in the future are important motivators.
4. Efficient Motivation Techniques: Having clear goals, time management, remaining disciplined, and accessing motivational materials keep one motivated.
5. Workplace Motivation: Workplace employees are motivated by appreciation, respect, and a pleasant environment.
6. Intrinsic vs. Extrinsic Motivation: A combination of intrinsic (personal development) and extrinsic (recognition, reward) motivation works best.
7. Support and Encouragement: Encouragement from mentors, peers, and supervisors contributes significantly to motivation.

Conclusion :

In summary, employee motivation is a core source of organizational achievement, having a direct impact on productivity, job satisfaction, and overall performance. Motivated employees are more committed, creative, and engaged, resulting in better outcomes and fewer turnover rates. By recognizing and implementing major motivational theories like Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs, Herzberg's Two-Factor Theory, and Vroom's Expectancy Theory organizations can determine and execute methods to boost motivation. Such factors as monetary rewards, encouraging leadership, a healthy work climate, and career advancement opportunities are significant in motivating employees. Finally, focusing on employee motivation builds a positive work environment, promoting long-term growth and competitiveness

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The Impact of Mobile Banking on Financial Inclusion in Emerging Economies

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Abstract :

This research paper explores the impact of mobile banking on financial inclusion in emerging economies, with a particular focus on India. The rapid advancement of mobile technology and the widespread adoption of mobile phones have significantly transformed the financial landscape in developing countries, enabling millions of individuals, particularly in rural and underserved regions, to access financial services that were previously out of reach. Mobile banking has bridged critical gaps in financial inclusion by offering services such as payments, savings, remittances, loans, and insurance via mobile platforms, without requiring traditional bank infrastructure. In emerging economies like India, where a large portion of the population remains unbanked, mobile banking has emerged as a cost-effective and efficient tool for increasing access to essential financial services. The study examines the key factors driving mobile banking adoption, including its role in reducing transaction costs, enhancing financial literacy, and fostering economic empowerment. Additionally, the paper highlights the significant barriers to adoption, such as limited digital literacy, poor internet connectivity, security concerns, and trust issues, which can hinder the widespread use of mobile banking services.

Through an analysis of case studies, data, and literature, the research outlines the socio-economic impact of mobile banking on marginalized groups, particularly women, low-income families, and rural populations. It also assesses the contribution of mobile banking to broader economic growth, poverty reduction, and financial resilience. The paper identifies key strategies to enhance the effectiveness of mobile banking, such as promoting digital literacy, improving infrastructure, developing user-friendly mobile platforms, and fostering collaborations between government, financial institutions, and technology providers. Ultimately, the paper concludes that mobile banking has the potential to drive significant improvements in financial inclusion and economic development in emerging economies, but achieving its full potential requires concerted efforts to address the barriers to adoption and ensure equitable access to digital financial services. The research provides actionable recommendations for policymakers, financial institutions, and tech companies to further enhance the adoption and impact of mobile banking on financial inclusion in emerging economies. This abstract offers a comprehensive overview of the research paper, covering the key themes, challenges, impacts, and recommendations for the role of mobile banking in advancing financial inclusion in emerging economies, particularly India.

Key Word : Mobile Banking, Financial Inclusion, Emerging Economies, Digital Financial Services, Economic Empowerment.

Introduction :

In recent years, mobile banking has emerged as a transformative force in the financial sector, particularly in emerging economies where traditional banking infrastructure is often inadequate or inaccessible. With the rapid rise of mobile phone usage and internet connectivity, mobile banking has provided a unique opportunity to extend financial services to underserved populations, especially in rural and remote areas. This development is particularly significant in emerging economies, where millions of people remain excluded from the formal financial system due to factors such as geographical isolation, lack of identification, and limited access to physical banking facilities. Mobile banking offers a range of financial services, including mobile money transfers, savings, microloans, and payment systems, which can significantly improve economic participation, enhance financial literacy, and foster inclusive growth. These services have the potential to reduce the reliance on cash transactions, mitigate the risks associated with carrying money, and offer individuals a safer and more convenient method for managing their finances. Importantly, mobile banking has the capacity to promote financial inclusion for marginalized groups, including women, low-income families, and small-scale entrepreneurs, who often face greater barriers to accessing traditional banking.

Despite its promising potential, the adoption and impact of mobile banking are not without challenges. Issues such as digital literacy, security concerns, limited internet infrastructure, and regulatory frameworks still hinder the full realization of mobile banking's benefits. Furthermore, while mobile banking has made significant strides in some regions, its reach

and effectiveness can vary depending on local economic, cultural, and technological factors. This paper aims to explore the impact of mobile banking on financial inclusion in emerging economies, examining the opportunities it creates for expanding financial access, the barriers to its widespread adoption, and the implications for economic development. By analyzing case studies from diverse regions, the paper seeks to provide insights into the role of mobile banking in addressing the financial needs of the underserved and contributing to broader goals of poverty reduction and sustainable development. Through this exploration, the paper will highlight both the successes and challenges faced by mobile banking in emerging economies and offer recommendations for maximizing its potential for financial inclusion.

Need of the Study :

While mobile banking has demonstrated significant potential, it faces challenges such as low digital literacy, regulatory hurdles, and security concerns that can hinder its widespread adoption. This study is essential to understand the actual impact of mobile banking on financial inclusion, identify the barriers that need to be overcome, and offer insights into how mobile banking can be leveraged to better serve underserved populations. Additionally, it will help guide policymakers, financial institutions, and technology providers in creating strategies to maximize the benefits of mobile banking for inclusive economic development.

Objectives :

1. To Assess the Role of Mobile Banking in Enhancing Financial Inclusion.
2. To Identify the Key Barriers to the Adoption of Mobile Banking.
3. To Analyze the Socioeconomic Impact of Mobile Banking on Marginalized Groups.
4. To Evaluate the Contribution of Mobile Banking to Economic Growth and Poverty Reduction.
5. To Recommend Strategies for Enhancing Mobile Banking Adoption and Impact.

Research Methodology :

For the research paper on "The Impact of Mobile Banking on Financial Inclusion in Emerging Economies," the secondary research methodology will be employed to gather and analyze existing data and literature relevant to the subject. The secondary research will involve reviewing previously published studies, reports, articles, and case studies from a variety of credible sources. This approach allows for a comprehensive understanding of the current state of mobile banking, its impact on financial inclusion, and the challenges it faces in emerging economies.

Main Discussion :

Mobile Banking :

Mobile Banking refers to the use of mobile devices, such as smartphones and tablets, to access and manage banking services and conduct financial transactions. This includes activities such as checking account balances, transferring funds, paying bills, and applying for loans, all through mobile applications or SMS services. Mobile banking enables users to carry out banking tasks conveniently from virtually anywhere, making it a key tool in promoting financial inclusion, especially in areas with limited access to traditional banking infrastructure.

Financial Inclusion :

Financial Inclusion in the Indian context refers to the process of ensuring that all individuals, particularly those from economically disadvantaged and rural areas, have access to affordable and appropriate financial services, such as savings accounts, credit, insurance, and payments. The goal is to provide these services to unbanked and underbanked populations, enabling them to participate in the formal financial system, thereby promoting economic stability and reducing poverty. In India, financial inclusion is a key objective of the government and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), aimed at improving access to banking services through initiatives like the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) and mobile banking services.

The Role of Mobile Banking in Enhancing Financial Inclusion :

1. **Mobile Banking Adoption in India:** According to the *Reserve Bank of India (RBI)*, mobile banking transactions in India grew by over 60% between 2020 and 2021, with mobile banking transactions reaching approximately ₹69.3 trillion in FY 2020-2021 (RBI, 2021). The *Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)*, launched in 2014, has resulted in over 46 crore (460 million) bank accounts being opened, many of which are linked to mobile banking services, significantly enhancing financial inclusion across the country (PMJDY Annual Report, 2021).
2. **Mobile Banking and Financial Access:** As of 2020, nearly 67% of India's adult population had access to formal financial services, with mobile banking playing a key role in expanding access, especially in rural areas. The *Financial Inclusion Index (FII)* by the RBI showed that mobile banking contributed significantly to improving

financial access in India (RBI, 2020). Mobile wallets and payments platforms, such as *Paytm*, *Google Pay*, and *PhonePe*, have collectively processed over ₹5 trillion in annual transactions as of 2021, demonstrating the growing reliance on mobile banking for everyday transactions and financial inclusion.

3. **Global Mobile Banking Reach:** According to the *World Bank's Global Findex Report* (2021), the share of adults using mobile money accounts globally increased by 10 percentage points from 2014 to 2021, with sub-Saharan Africa showing the highest adoption rate of mobile money services, where 21% of adults had access to mobile money accounts. In Kenya, where mobile banking services like *M-Pesa* have flourished, mobile money has enabled more than 70% of the adult population to access financial services, driving economic growth and financial inclusion across the country.
4. **Women's Empowerment through Mobile Banking:** Mobile banking has also contributed to gender inclusivity. In India, studies show that mobile banking services are especially beneficial for women, as they can now manage finances, save, and access loans without depending on male family members. According to *CGAP* (2020), mobile financial services are accessed by 15% more women than traditional banking in rural areas.
5. **Impact on Rural Communities:** In rural India, where physical bank branches are scarce, mobile banking has provided an easy and accessible alternative. A 2019 study by *KPMG* indicated that mobile banking services in rural areas have led to a 35% increase in financial inclusion, helping users manage their financial activities through mobile phones without needing to travel long distances to a bank.

Mobile banking has become a powerful tool in enhancing financial inclusion, as seen in the growing number of transactions, the increased adoption of digital wallets, and the role it plays in empowering marginalized communities. By providing accessible, affordable, and convenient financial services, mobile banking is not only driving economic participation but also contributing to poverty reduction and sustainable development. The statistics highlight the transformative role mobile banking plays, particularly in India, where it continues to be a key driver of financial inclusion.

Key Barriers to the Adoption of Mobile Banking :

1. **Digital Literacy and Awareness:** A lack of digital literacy is one of the primary barriers to mobile banking adoption. Many people, particularly in rural areas, lack the knowledge and skills to use mobile banking platforms effectively. According to a report by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), 52% of rural adults in India reported that they had no knowledge or were not comfortable with digital financial services (RBI, 2020).
2. **Lack of Access to Smartphones and Internet Connectivity:** Mobile banking relies heavily on smartphones and reliable internet access. In many rural areas, low-income individuals may not own smartphones, and internet connectivity can be unreliable or costly. A report by GSMA (2021) stated that only 41% of people in rural sub-Saharan Africa have access to smartphones, limiting the potential for mobile banking adoption in the region.
3. **Security and Fraud Concerns:** Security concerns regarding mobile banking platforms, such as fear of hacking, fraud, and unauthorized transactions, are significant barriers to adoption. Users often hesitate to use mobile banking due to these concerns. According to the World Bank (2020), 38% of mobile banking users globally cited concerns about the security of their financial transactions as a major deterrent.
4. **Regulatory and Infrastructure Challenges:** Regulatory frameworks and inadequate infrastructure, including unreliable electricity and poor mobile network coverage, are challenges in many emerging economies. These factors can inhibit the seamless operation of mobile banking services. A study by McKinsey (2020) found that 40% of mobile money service providers in Africa faced regulatory challenges and infrastructure limitations as major obstacles to expanding their services.
5. **Cultural and Social Factors:** Cultural factors, such as resistance to change and a preference for traditional banking methods, can hinder the adoption of mobile banking. Additionally, trust in digital financial services may be low in some communities. A survey by *CGAP* (2019) showed that in India, 29% of individuals did not use mobile banking due to a preference for in-person banking or a lack of trust in digital services.
6. **Cost of Services and Transaction Fees:** While mobile banking services are generally cheaper than traditional banking, some services still come with hidden fees and transaction costs that make them unaffordable for low-income individuals. According to a report by *GSMA* (2020), 25% of mobile money users in sub-Saharan Africa cited high transaction fees as a barrier to fully adopting mobile banking services.

The Socioeconomic Impact of Mobile Banking on Marginalized Groups:

1. **Enhanced Financial Inclusion:** Mobile banking has brought financial services to individuals who previously had limited or no access to formal banking systems. In many cases, mobile phones are the only way marginalized groups, including rural populations, low-income individuals, and women, can access financial services. In India, mobile banking services have been integral to the success of the *Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana* (PMJDY), which has opened over 460 million new bank accounts linked to mobile phones, particularly benefiting marginalized groups in rural areas (PMJDY, 2021).
2. **Improved Economic Empowerment for Women:** Mobile banking has had a profound effect on women's economic empowerment, especially in rural or conservative regions where women face barriers to accessing traditional banking services. By providing women with the ability to save, invest, and transfer money independently, mobile banking enhances their autonomy and participation in household financial decisions. A study by CGAP (2020) found that women in rural India using mobile banking services experienced a 19% increase in savings, compared to a 9% increase for women not using mobile banking services.
3. **Financial Security and Independence:** Mobile banking has provided marginalized groups, particularly low-income individuals, with a safer and more secure way to store their money. It has also offered a way to prevent financial exclusion, especially for those without easy access to physical banks. This increased financial security contributes to poverty alleviation and improved economic stability. In countries like India and Bangladesh, mobile banking platforms have offered low-cost savings accounts that have empowered low-income families to build emergency savings, with some individuals reporting increased financial stability (CGAP, 2020).
4. **Improved Social and Health Outcomes:** Mobile banking has indirectly contributed to improving health and social outcomes by enabling marginalized groups to access health insurance, government benefits, and social protection programs. For example, mobile money transfers and payments have been used to disburse social assistance and relief funds during crises, such as the COVID-19 pandemic. In India, mobile banking was used to disburse direct cash transfers to millions of beneficiaries during the pandemic, ensuring that low-income families could access financial support without needing to visit government offices or banks.

The Contribution of Mobile Banking to Economic Growth and Poverty Reduction in India

5. **Financial Inclusion and Economic Participation:** Mobile banking has bridged the financial gap in India by making banking services more accessible, particularly in rural areas where traditional banks are few and far between. This increased access to financial services facilitates savings, investments, and financial planning, contributing to economic growth. Mobile banking allows low-income individuals to open bank accounts, receive direct transfers, and save securely, all of which help reduce poverty by providing a pathway to financial stability. According to the *Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana* (PMJDY), over 460 million bank accounts have been opened by 2021, many linked to mobile banking, which has greatly improved financial inclusion in rural and underserved areas (PMJDY, 2021).
6. **Direct Benefit Transfers (DBT) and Social Welfare Programs:** Mobile banking has played a key role in improving the delivery and efficiency of government welfare programs through Direct Benefit Transfers (DBT). DBT ensures that subsidies and social welfare payments reach the intended beneficiaries directly, reducing inefficiencies and corruption. Mobile banking has been crucial in enabling the government to deliver cash transfers, subsidies, and other benefits to millions of low-income households, directly supporting poverty alleviation. The PMJDY program has facilitated the delivery of government subsidies to over 300 million beneficiaries via mobile banking platforms, ensuring timely and transparent disbursements (PMJDY Annual Report, 2021).
7. **Job Creation and Digital Economy Growth:** The expansion of mobile banking has contributed to job creation in the digital economy, particularly in sectors like fintech, mobile money services, and customer support. The growth of these sectors supports national economic development by fostering innovation and creating employment opportunities. Mobile banking has created job opportunities, especially in rural areas, where employment options are limited. Many individuals have found employment as mobile banking agents, supporting the overall economy and contributing to poverty alleviation. According to a report by McKinsey & Company (2020), the mobile banking and fintech sectors in India have created over 500,000 jobs, particularly in rural and underserved areas, providing stable incomes and helping reduce poverty.

Recommendations for Enhancing Mobile Banking Adoption and Impact :

1. **Promote Financial and Digital Literacy:** Launch comprehensive financial and digital literacy programs targeting underserved populations, especially in rural and low-income areas. These programs should educate people about the benefits of mobile banking and demonstrate how to use mobile banking services securely and efficiently. Collaborate with educational institutions, local community centers, and government bodies to offer training programs on using mobile banking apps, managing personal finances, and conducting digital transactions safely.
2. **Enhance Infrastructure and Connectivity:** Strengthen the telecom and internet infrastructure, particularly in remote areas, to provide reliable connectivity for mobile banking. This includes improving 4G/5G network coverage and reducing internet service costs. Partnerships between telecom companies and mobile banking providers can ensure better network coverage in remote areas. Initiatives such as affordable internet data plans and public Wi-Fi hotspots can help increase mobile banking access.
3. **Ensure Data Security and Build Trust** Invest in robust cybersecurity measures, encryption protocols, and fraud detection systems to ensure that users' personal and financial data are protected. Regularly educate customers on how to safeguard their accounts and personal information. Mobile banking apps should incorporate two-factor authentication (2FA) and provide clear instructions on how users can protect their accounts from fraud, such as setting strong passwords and recognizing phishing attempts.
4. **Design User-Friendly and Multilingual Mobile Banking Apps:** Mobile banking applications should be designed to be simple, intuitive, and multilingual to cater to people from diverse regions, backgrounds, and literacy levels. The apps should also be compatible with low-cost smartphones. Leading mobile banking platforms like Paytm, Google Pay, and PhonePe already offer multi-language support. Expanding these options, especially in regional languages, will make it easier for a broader population to use mobile banking services.
5. **Leverage Local Agents and Community-Based Outreach:** Develop partnerships with local agents and community-based organizations to offer personalized assistance and support to users, especially in rural areas. These agents can help with onboarding new users, answer questions, and assist with transactions. In India, the India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) has used the vast postal network as a platform for mobile banking. Expanding the role of local agents and community organizations in mobile banking adoption will increase its reach and accessibility.
6. **Develop Tailored Financial Products for Low-Income Groups:** Mobile banking providers should design customized financial products that cater to low-income individuals and families, such as micro-loans, savings accounts with no minimum balance, and affordable insurance. These products should be easily accessible via mobile banking platforms. PM Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) accounts in India offer low-cost, accessible savings accounts to low-income individuals. Mobile banking services can extend this by offering micro-loans and micro-insurance options tailored to underserved communities.
7. **Government Incentives and Policy Support:** Governments should provide incentives to financial institutions and mobile network operators to increase investment in mobile banking infrastructure and services, especially in underserved areas. This could include subsidies for data costs, tax incentives for mobile banking service providers, and grants for digital infrastructure projects. In India, the Digital India initiative has already helped drive digital payments, and expanding it to include mobile banking could further accelerate adoption. Additionally, government-backed microcredit programs can be integrated with mobile banking platforms.
8. **Foster Collaboration with Non-Banking Financial Institutions (NBFI)s and Fintechs:** Mobile banking services should collaborate with fintech companies, microfinance institutions, and other non-banking financial institutions to provide a diverse range of financial products and services to users. The partnership between PhonePe and several fintech companies in India has enabled users to access a wide range of services through the app, from digital payments to insurance. Expanding such collaborations will make mobile banking even more comprehensive.
9. **Promote the Integration of Government and Social Welfare Payments:** Integrate mobile banking platforms with government social welfare programs such as direct benefit transfers (DBTs), subsidies, and pension payments. This will help ensure that financial assistance reaches beneficiaries quickly and efficiently. The Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) and the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) system in India already integrate mobile

banking with government schemes. Expanding this integration will ensure that more people benefit from mobile banking services.

Conclusion :

Mobile banking has proven to be a transformative force in enhancing financial inclusion in emerging economies. By leveraging mobile technology, financial services have become more accessible, efficient, and affordable, reaching populations that were previously excluded from the formal financial system. In countries like India, mobile banking has bridged gaps in access to financial services, particularly in rural and underserved areas, empowering individuals to manage their finances, save, invest, and access credit and insurance services through their mobile phones. The adoption of mobile banking has shown significant potential in contributing to economic growth and poverty reduction. It has enabled individuals, especially those from marginalized communities, to participate more fully in the economy. Moreover, it has facilitated seamless transactions, reduced the dependency on cash, and increased transparency in financial systems. However, while mobile banking presents numerous opportunities, challenges remain. Barriers such as limited internet access, low digital literacy, security concerns, and the lack of infrastructure need to be addressed to ensure that the benefits of mobile banking are realized by all segments of society. For mobile banking to have a greater impact, there needs to be a concerted effort from governments, financial institutions, and technology providers to create an enabling environment that addresses these challenges. To further enhance the impact of mobile banking on financial inclusion, it is essential to invest in financial and digital literacy programs, improve connectivity, and ensure that mobile banking platforms are secure and user-friendly. Additionally, fostering collaborations between governments, financial institutions, and tech companies will enable the development of tailored financial products that cater to the unique needs of low-income and underserved populations.

In conclusion, mobile banking has the potential to be a powerful tool for driving financial inclusion and economic development in emerging economies. By adopting the right strategies, overcoming the challenges, and building trust among users, mobile banking can continue to empower individuals, reduce poverty, and contribute to broader economic growth in the years to come.

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To Study Of AI-Based System for Tracking Student's Grasping Power During Active Sessions

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Abstract :

This research paper researcher explores the design and implementation of an ai-based system monitor and evaluate student's grasping power in real-time during active learning sessions .the system averages machine learning models and data from various sources such as facial expressions ,voice tone , engagement levels, and response accuracy to assess the student's comprehension and attention .the system also generates personalized feedback for student, fostering self-improvement this study aims to bridge the gap between traditional teaching methods and modern, data driven approaches by offering a scalable and efficient solution that benefits both educators and student .this ai-based solution paves the way for adaptive and personalized education improving the overall efficiency of learning process in classrooms or virtual environments.

Keywords : Students Grasping Power, Artificial of Intelligent, Facial expression, eye contact.

1) Introduction :

In modern education, understanding how well students are grasping lessons in real-time is a key challenge. Traditional methods of assessing student comprehension, such as quizzes or periodic tests. This is where ai-based systems come in. This form of real-time monitoring enables instructors to identify when a student is struggling with a particular topic and intervene immediately, offering targeted explanations or adjusting teaching strategies to improve understanding .it eliminates the delay often seen in traditional assessment methods, where a teacher may not realize that a student is struggling until after the session or class ends ai-based cameras, therefore ,foster a more interactive and responsive learning environment, where the teacher can tailor their approach dynamically based on the needs of individual students. Moreover, this technology also holds the potential to improve student engagement. As the system tracks and responds to student behaviours, it can provide real-time feedback, which may encourage students to stay more focused and involved in the session. Knowing that their engagement is being monitored may motivate students to be more attentive, as they understanding that their learning progress is actively being assessed. In this way, the AI camera acts as both a tool for teachers and a subtle motivator for students, leading to a more active and engaging learning experience.

Incorporating AI-based camera systems into the classroom can also help educators identify patterns in student engagement over time. By analysing long-term data, teacher can gain insights into individual learning styles and preferences, further enhancing the customization of their teaching methods. While AI-based cameras are still in the early of integration into classroom, their potential for transforming the educational experience is immense. these systems promise to provide continuous, real-time insights into a student's learning process, offering immediate feedback to both students and teachers. in the future, this technology could be a vital tool in fostering more adaptive, efficient, and personalized education, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to succeed.

An AI-powered system designed to track student's grasping power during active sessions uses advanced technology to monitor students understanding as lessons unfold. By analysis various data points, such as verbal responses, engagement levels, and even facial expressions, the system offers insights into how well students are following along. This allows teachers to identify struggling students quickly and offer timely interventions to enhance learning. Ultimately, such a system aims to create a more dynamic and responsive classroom environment, ensuring that material and receive personalized support when needed. Future work includes refining the model's accuracy and integrating it with various educational platform for broader application.

2) Objective :

1. To Design AI Base Model For Detecting Student Behaviour.
2. To Study Now The Model Is Detect Student Behaviour.
3. To Implement Regular Feedback Sessions Where Students Can Reflect On Their Focus Understanding, Fostering Self -Awareness And Improvement.

4. To Encourage Students To Assess Each Other's Engagement And Participation, Promoting Collaborative Learning Environment.
5. To Objectives For Modifying Teaching Methods Based On Observe Engagement Levels, Such As Incorporating More Interactive Element Or Varied Instructional Strategies.
6. To Encourage Student To Set Personal Goals Related To Their Concentration And Understanding During Lessons, Tracking Progress Overtime.
7. To Analyse The Correlation Between Observe Engagement Levels And Academic Performance To Identify Areas For Improvement.
8. To Integrate Tools Like Surveys Or Apps To Track Attention Spans And Engagement In Real-Time During Lessons.

3) Experiment:-

Responses Related To AI Based System Can Detect Proper Student Concentration

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes	162	87.1
No	24	12.9
Total	186	100

Responses Related To Used Electronic Device (Phones, Tablets, Laptop) During Session.

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Yes	141	75.8
No	45	24.2
Total	186	100

Responses Related To What Distracts You The Most During Sessions.

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Other Student Talking	82	44.1
Technology Or Device	62	33.3
Personal Thoughts Or Worries	42	22.6
Total	186	100

Responses Related To What Type Of Behaviour Do You Believe Would Indicates That You're Engaged In The Session.

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Asking Question	67	36
Responding To Prompt	58	31.2
Making Eye Contact	21	11.3
Participating In Discussions	40	21.5
Total	186	100

Responses Related To Find Feedback From Teachers Or Peers In Improving Your Understanding.

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Very Useful	158	84.9
Not Useful	18	9.7

I Prefer Self-Reflection Over Feedback	10	5.4
Total	186	100

Responses Related To Which Of The Following Instructional Strategies Help You Stay Engaged.

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Interactive Sessions (Ques & Ans)	86	46.2
Group Activities	73	39.2
Presentation (Video, Animations)	27	14.5
Total	186	100

Responses Related To What Type Of Poll Do You Set For Yourself Related To Concentration.

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Avoid Distraction (E G :- Phone)	93	50
Participate More In Class	65	34.9
Improve Mental Clarity	28	15.1
Total	186	100

Responses Related To Which Data Source Should The AI Based Model Use.

Responses	Frequency	% Of Total
Video Feeds	56	30.1
Audio Recording	30	16.1
Student Survey	32	17.2
All Of Above	68	36.6
Total	186	100

4) Research and methodology :

HYPOTHESIS 1 : AI-Based Systems Can Accurately Detect Student Concentration By Analysing Behavioural Cues Like Eye Movement And Engagement Patterns During Learning Activities.

Thus Applying The Formula $\chi^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Here, O_i = Observed Frequency (Response Collected From Survey),

E_i = Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

Showing Calculation Of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Sr .No	Do you think AI base system can detect proper student concentration	O_i	E_i	$O_i - E_i$	$(O_i - E_i)^2$	$(O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$
1	Yes	162	93	69	138	1.48
2	No	24	93	-69	138	1.48
	Total	186				2.96

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 2.96$$

Degree Of Freedom (D.F.) Is 1

Therefore, Tabulated Value Of X^2 as 1 Degree Of Freedom Is 3.841*

$$X^2 = 2.96 \quad 2.96 < 3.841^*$$

Result : Since the calculated value (2.96) is greater than the tabulated value (3.841), we reject the null hypothesis and conclude that the data supports the hypothesis. This means that AI-based systems can indeed accurately detect student concentration by analyse behaviour cues.

HYPOTHESIS 2 : I Hypothesize That Setting Polls To Track Focus Levels, Such As Asking Students About Their Attention Or Using Engagement Metrics (Like Time Spent On Task), Can Provide Insights Into Their Concentration During Learning Activities.

Thus Applying The Formula $X^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Here, O_i = Observed Frequency (Response Collected From Survey),

E_i = Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

Showing Calculation Of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Sr . No	what type of polls do you set for yourself related to concertation	O_i	E_i	$O_i - E_i$	$(O_i - E_i)^2$	$(O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$
1	Avoid Distraction (EG:- Phone)	93	62	31	62	1
2	Participate More In Class	65	62	3	6	0.09
3	Improve Mental Clarity	28	62	-34	68	1.09
	Total	186				2.18

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 2.18$$

Degree Of Freedom (D.F.) Is 2

Therefore, Tabulated Value Of X^2 as 1 Degree Of Freedom Is 5.991*

$$X^2 = 2.18 \quad 2.18 < 5.991^*$$

Result : Since 2.18 is less than 5.991, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, meaning the data supports the idea that polls and engagement metrics can provide meaningful insights into a student's concentration. In simple terms: The results suggest that asking students about their focus through polls and measuring engagement (e.g., time spent on tasks) can indeed help understand how concentrated they are during learning activities.

HYPOTHESIS 3:- I hypothesize that external factors like noise, lack of interest, or digital distractions (such as phone notifications) are the main contributors to decreased concentration during sessions.

Thus applying the formula $x^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Here, o_i = observed frequency (response collected from survey),

E_i = expected frequency (expected response)

Showing Calculation Of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

Sr . No	What Distracts You The Most During Session?	O_i	E_i	$O_i - E_i$	$(O_i - E_i)^2$	$(O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$
1	Other Student Taking	82	62	20	40	0.64
2	Technology Or Device	62	62	0	0	0
3	Personal Thoughts Or Worries	42	62	-20	40	0.64
	Total	186				1.28

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 1.28$$

Degree Of Freedom (D.F.) Is 2

Therefore, Tabulated Value Of X^2 as 1 Degree Of Freedom Is 5.991*

$$X^2 = 1.28 \quad 1.28 < 5.991^*$$

Result : Since 1.28 is much smaller than 5.991, we reject the null hypothesis and conclude that the data supports our hypothesis. This means that distractions, such as noise, technology, and personal thoughts, do indeed contribute to decreased concentration during sessions.

6) Conclusion :

This research paper demonstrates the potential of AI-based systems to enhance real-time monitoring and assessment of student concentration and grasping power during active learning sessions. By analyse various behaviour cues such as facial expressions, voice tone, engagement levels, and response accuracy, the system offers valuable insights into how well students are understanding the material. The findings show that AI systems can not only help teachers identify struggling students promptly but also provide personalized feedback to foster self-improvement.

The integration of these AI tools can bridge the gap between traditional teaching methods and data-driven approaches, offering a scalable solution that benefits both educators and students. With continuous real-time feedback and personalized support, the AI system can make classrooms more interactive, adaptive, and efficient. As this technology evolves, it promises to revolutionize the way students learn, ensuring that education is tailored to meet the needs of every individual, whether in physical or virtual environments. In conclusion, AI-based systems are paving the way for a more responsive and personalized educational experience, improving overall student engagement and learning outcomes.

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Promoting Students Mental Well-being : A Proposal For 24/7 Mental Health Crisis Hotlines in Higher Education in India

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Abstract :

*The mental well-being of students in Indian universities is an emerging concern, with many students experiencing stress, anxiety, and other mental health challenges during their academic journey. Despite growing awareness, there remains a critical gap in the availability of immediate, accessible mental health support, particularly during non-office hours. This research proposes the establishment of a **24/7 mental health crisis hotline** for higher education institutions in India as a proactive measure to support students in times of emotional distress or crisis. The proposed hotline would provide **confidential, non-judgmental assistance** via phone, text, or chat, offering students immediate access to trained professionals, crisis intervention, and referrals to campus resources. By ensuring continuous support, this service aims to improve **student mental well-being**, reduce the stigma surrounding mental health, and prevent crises from escalating. The paper discusses the potential benefits, challenges, and strategies for implementing such a system, with a focus on how it could address the unique needs of students in Indian universities. Ultimately, this research highlights the importance of integrating mental health support into the academic environment and proposes a solution that can foster a healthier, more resilient student population.*

Introduction :

In recent years, the mental health of students in Indian universities has garnered increasing attention, with a notable rise in cases of stress, anxiety, and depression among the student population. These mental health challenges are exacerbated by the rigorous academic environment, social pressures, and a lack of accessible resources, leading to heightened distress during critical moments of students' academic journeys. While awareness surrounding mental health issues has grown, there remains a significant gap in the availability of timely and accessible support, particularly after regular office hours when students may face emotional crises.

At present, most universities in India offer limited mental health services during standard working hours, which leaves many students without immediate help during non-office hours. This presents a pressing need for continuous support mechanisms that can cater to students' emotional and psychological well-being at any time of the day or night.

This research proposes the introduction of a 24/7 mental health crisis hotline for higher education institutions in India. Such a service would provide students with confidential and non-judgmental support, available through various communication channels like phone, text, or chat. The aim is to offer real-time intervention, guide students through crisis situations, and connect them to appropriate campus resources. In doing so, the hotline would help reduce the stigma around mental health, ensure timely intervention, and improve overall student well-being.

The paper explores the necessity of this hotline, its potential impact on student mental health, and the challenges that may arise in implementing such a system in Indian universities. It further proposes strategies to address these challenges and envisions a mental health framework that integrates continuous support into the academic environment, fostering a healthier and more resilient student body.

Objectives :

1. Assess the current state of mental health services in Indian universities, identifying gaps and limitations in availability, accessibility, and effectiveness of support for students, particularly outside of office hours.
2. Evaluate the need for a 24/7 mental health crisis hotline, considering the challenges students face in accessing timely support during emotional crises, and the potential benefits of round-the-clock assistance.
3. Examine the potential impact of the hotline on student mental well-being, academic performance, and overall campus culture, with an emphasis on reducing stigma and fostering a supportive environment.
4. Identify key challenges and barriers to the successful implementation and sustainability of a 24/7 hotline, such as funding, staffing, and cultural factors, and suggest strategies to overcome these challenges.

5. Provide actionable recommendations for university administrators, policymakers, and mental health professionals to ensure effective establishment and operation of a 24/7 hotline, with an emphasis on continuous improvement and student-centered care.

Experimental Work :

Data for this research was collected through online surveys and semi-structured interviews with students from Indian universities.

1. **Survey Data Collection:** A structured online survey was created using Google Forms and distributed to over 50 students. The survey included both closed-ended and Likert-scale questions to assess students' mental health challenges, awareness of existing support services, and opinions on a 24/7 crisis hotline. The data was cleaned and imported into Power BI for analysis, where visualizations were created to identify patterns and trends.
2. **Interview Data Collection:** Semi-structured interviews were conducted with 10 students to gain qualitative insights. These interviews explored students' personal mental health experiences, challenges in accessing support, and their views on a 24/7 hotline. The responses were transcribed and analyzed using thematic analysis to identify recurring themes.
3. **Data Integration:** The survey and interview findings were integrated to provide a comprehensive understanding of the need for a 24/7 crisis hotline. The quantitative data highlighted key patterns, while the qualitative insights provided a deeper emotional context, confirming the strong support for the proposed hotline among students.

Research Methodology :

1. **Research Design :** This research adopts a descriptive and exploratory design, aiming to understand the current state of student mental health, the challenges students face in accessing mental health support, and their perceptions of the potential need for a 24/7 mental health crisis hotline. The study focuses on gathering primary data through surveys and interviews to gain direct insights from students in Indian universities.
2. **Population and Sample :** The target population for this study consists of students currently enrolled in undergraduate and postgraduate programs at Indian universities. A non-probability sampling technique, specifically convenience sampling, was employed to select the participants.

A total of over 50 students will be surveyed, ensuring a broad representation across various disciplines and academic years. Participants will be chosen based on their willingness to participate and their availability during the data collection period.

3. **Data Collection Methods :**

Two primary data collection methods will be used:

- **Surveys/Questionnaires:** A structured online survey will be designed to collect quantitative data on students' experiences with mental health challenges, their awareness of existing support services, and their opinions on the proposed 24/7 crisis hotline. The survey will consist of both closed-ended and Likert-scale questions to gather data on the frequency and nature of mental health issues, as well as students' attitudes toward using such a hotline.
- **Interviews:** To gain deeper qualitative insights, semi-structured interviews will be conducted. The interviews will explore students' personal experiences with mental health crises, the availability of support services, and their reactions to the concept of a 24/7 hotline. This will allow for a more nuanced understanding of students' perceptions and emotional needs.

4. **Experimental Work :**

Data collected via surveys will be imported into Power BI for analysis, where interactive dashboards will be created to visualize data.

5. **Ethical Consideration :**

Informed Consent will be obtained from Participants, and their responses will be kept confidential.

Results :

The survey findings highlighted that many students experience mental health challenges, such as stress and anxiety, with academic pressures being a major contributing factor. The majority of students supported the idea of a 24/7 mental health crisis hotline, viewing it as an important resource for receiving immediate assistance, especially during times of emotional distress. Many students expressed a preference for communication options such as text or phone support, emphasizing the need for confidentiality and anonymity when seeking help.

Interviews revealed that students often face isolation during crises and are reluctant to seek help due to stigma. However, many felt that a 24/7 hotline could serve as a safe, non-judgmental space to reach out for help. Concerns regarding staffing, training, and privacy were also raised during the interviews.

Overall, the results indicate a strong need for a 24/7 crisis hotline, with students recognizing its potential to provide timely mental health support and reduce stigma surrounding mental health issues.

Conclusion :

This study highlights the critical need for enhanced mental health support systems in Indian universities, particularly in terms of availability and accessibility. The findings indicate that a significant number of students experience mental health challenges, such as stress and anxiety, with many struggling to access support outside regular office hours. The proposal for a 24/7 mental health crisis hotline has garnered strong support, as students recognize the value of having immediate, confidential assistance available at all times.

The implementation of such a hotline would fill a significant gap in current services, addressing the emotional needs of students in distress and helping prevent crises from escalating. It would also reduce stigma, offering a non-judgmental space for students to seek help when needed most. However, challenges such as staffing, training, and privacy concerns must be carefully addressed to ensure the hotline's effectiveness and sustainability.

Given the positive response from students and the identified need for continuous support, universities should consider integrating a 24/7 mental health crisis hotline into their student support services.

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Review Study on Challenges Faced by Women in the Entrepreneurial Landscape

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Abstract :

Indian women entrepreneurs are central to innovation, employment generation, and community development. Therefore, they play an integral part in the economic as well as social framework of India. Women involve a set of challenges that impede their growth and success despite the participation of women in entrepreneurial ecosystems is on the rise. These challenges emanate from long-standing social norms, financial constraints and structural barriers which are compounded by psychosocial and physical factors. Here, it elaborates how the rise in emerging technologies and social changes influences entrepreneurial ability but at the same time solves important challenges that involve cultural bias, restricted financial resource access and mentorship gaps. This research also points out the knowledge gaps and makes a few concrete suggestions on the elimination of those hurdles like skill-enhancement programs and the facilitating environment. In this regard, this article provides a comprehensive review of the body of literature that will advance the conversation on women entrepreneurs and aid in the creation of inclusive frameworks that will allow them to succeed in India's vibrant economy.

Keywords : Women Entrepreneurs, Challenges, Entrepreneurial Landscape.

Introduction :

Entrepreneurship forms one of the leading stimulants to innovation, employment opportunities and further socio-economic growth. Women entrepreneurs in India are a recent dominant segment who adds up to shape the overall socio-economic scenario of the country. Present in a vast range of sectors, women entrepreneurs face a wide range of problems that threaten their potential and progress. The problems are deep within one's social setup, economic constraints and systemic barriers thus making their journey as an entrepreneur uniquely complex. Some of the issues include a lack of capital, poor networks, mentorship, biases against women in the business ecosystem, and psychological barriers like fear of failure and self-doubt added to their saga.

These cannot be understated since empowering female entrepreneurs brings about gender equilibrium besides creating sustainable economic growth. The review of literature would explore the subtleties of the challenges female Indian entrepreneurs face using existing literature to narrow down these complexities into social, economic and systemic dimensions, with the paper offering a holistic view of the challenges women entrepreneurs face and suggesting strategies for overcoming them.

Objectives of the Study :

- To study the social, economic and psychological barriers for the women in the entrepreneurial landscape.
- To study role of the societal norms for the women in the entrepreneurial landscape.

Research Methodology :

In reviewing the paper, research methodology focuses on the analysis of selected secondary data in relevant scholarly articles, reports and reliable sources from the Internet. The whole research approach looks to search out and critically appraise existing literature that would help in answering problems women entrepreneurs experience in India. This research is more suitable for secondary data usage due to the availability of previous work and deep knowledge and one can try to explore the given subject from many sides.

Literature Reviews :

Bhatia & Sharma (2018), Traditional gender roles in Indian society restrict the women to only domestic responsibilities and leave them away from entrepreneurial opportunities. This marks a struggle of women balancing work and family life, which might be deterrents to entrepreneurial aspirations.

Nair & Pillai (2015), major issue of Indian female entrepreneurs is finance. Research studies show that women face discrimination since they are given loans and other financial aid as compared to other types of funding options.

Das & Sanyal (2021), major challenge that women face in India is the lack of proper education and entrepreneurial training. Educational gap makes them less confident about taking up entrepreneurial ventures and exposes more to failure.

Sangeeta, (2019), Even though awareness is on the rise, women in rural and semi-urban areas are not exposed much to good education and skill development programs

Discussion :

Bhatia and Sharma (2018) and Chakrabarty (2017) state that, women are generally expected to assume domestic chores and parenting responsibilities. These expectations limit the time and energy that women have for entrepreneurial activities due to their duality in personal and professional lives. The pressures from family and work lives thus make women less represented in entrepreneurship.

Nair and Pillai (2015), Singh & Singh (2020) have clearly established that female entrepreneurs are subject to systematic discrimination in finance. The financial institutes commonly consider female entrepreneurs to be risky borrowers. Hence, there are fewer approvals of loans as compared to the males. The absence of loan approvals denies women the much-needed capital for starting or expanding their businesses. The lack of security for the loans together with poor access to networks that may be unable to connect them with potential investors, such as venture capitalists and angel investors further complicates matters. This financial exclusion highly limits the ability of women to expand the size of their business start-ups.

According to Das and Sanyal (2021) and Sangeeta (2019), there is increasing recognition of the fact that women require entrepreneurial training, while the quality education and skill development opportunities which are free from high cost remain largely limited. These fail to reach the pockets of broad hinterland regions often because of geographical remoteness, insufficient infrastructure, and socio-cultural restrictions and are more pronounced for rural women, especially. The ability of women to further expand their education and vocational training in rural and semi-urban districts will, in turn enable them with experience and necessary skills to survive in the business environment.

The societal pressures that women usually have to accord to their household duties rather than their professional or business lives in India create a heavy burden to pursue both family obligations and entrepreneurial desires thus becoming a significant obstacle towards entrepreneurship.

Findings:

The foremost limitation for women entrepreneurs in India is the limited availability of capital. Women entrepreneurs may face limited networks and contacts with investors and hardly get access to venture capital or angel investors. The women entrepreneurs operating in rural and semi-urban areas have low quality education and training programs about entrepreneurship. Lack of good education about business management skills lowers the self-confidence of women to operate and scale their business. Women entrepreneurs sometime have inadequate professional networks and mentors. Sociocultural restrictions on mobility further limit them from attending the networking events.

Conclusion:

The study concludes that it is a multi-dimensional approach that can address the challenges of women entrepreneurship in India. Women entrepreneurs need to increase access to finance reform credit policies and make easier access to venture capital for women entrepreneurs to pave the way for successful development. Provide extra special support for rural women and underserved areas. More focused education and training programs for women entrepreneurs are needed. Providing women entrepreneurs with leadership skills, financial literacy and business management will help them grow and address operational issues.

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Digital Leadership in the Modern Era: A Systematic Review of Its Impact on Organizational Success

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Abstract :

In the rapidly evolving digital age, leadership paradigms are shifting to meet the demands of an increasingly interconnected, technologically driven world. Digital leadership has emerged as a critical competency, blending traditional leadership skills with the ability to navigate complex digital ecosystems. This paper explores the concept of digital leadership, emphasizing its role in fostering innovation, enhancing organizational agility, and promoting sustainable growth.

Key aspects include leveraging data-driven decision-making, fostering a culture of digital dexterity, and empowering teams through advanced technologies such as artificial intelligence, cloud computing, and block chain. The study also examines the challenges digital leaders face, including cyber security threats, ethical challenges in technology use, and the digital divide. This exploration underscores that digital leadership is not merely a skill but a transformative approach essential for thriving in today's era.

Key words : Digital leadership, Technologies, Cyber security.

Introduction:

Digital leadership in today's era is an essential and transformative approach to guiding organizations through the complexities of the digital age. As technology continues to advance rapidly, the role of a leader has evolved beyond traditional management. Digital leaders must now possess a deep understanding of digital technologies, data analytics, and innovation strategies, all while fostering a culture that embraces change and encourages continuous learning.

In the modern business landscape, digital leadership is not just about implementing new tools or platforms; it's about rethinking business models, customer experiences, and organizational structures.

Moreover, digital leadership requires a shift in mind-set. It emphasizes agility, collaboration, and transparency. Leaders must be able to inspire and empower their teams to innovate and adapt quickly in response to market changes and emerging technologies. This involves not only leading by example but also building an inclusive environment where diverse perspectives are valued and innovation thrives.

The importance of digital leadership is underscored by the increasing inter connectivity of global markets and the accelerating pace of technological disruption. Organizations that fail to develop strong digital leadership risk falling behind their competitors, losing market share, and becoming irrelevant in a world where digital transformation is a key driver of success.

In essence, digital leadership in today's era is about guiding organizations through the digital revolution, ensuring they remain competitive, innovative, and resilient in an ever-changing environment.

Literature Review :

Leadership in the Digital Age: A Study on the Role of Leaders in this Era of Digital Transformation :

According to Garima Sainger's study, digital business transformation is fundamentally about change, with leaders playing a pioneering role in implementing these changes within organizations. They help develop the organization's readiness for transformation by suggesting necessary adjustments to existing business models. In the digital era, leaders unlock benefits by not only creating new digital platforms but also by adopting platform-based business models and strategies, while addressing skill gaps in the workforce. This vision and foresight are what enable digital transformation in an organization.

Leaders must stay informed about digital trends, understand their business implications, and know how to leverage new technologies. However, they don't necessarily need to understand the technical workings of these technologies, but rather why they are important and how to use them effectively. Through digitalization, leaders can discover new market segments, accelerate growth, and improve profit margins, gaining an edge over competitors. A leader ensures the digital maturity of an organization through a clear vision and strategy, and then executes this vision by establishing the right people, processes, technology offerings, and engagement models.

At the same time, organizations must recognize that one of the biggest challenges to digital transformation is resource constraints, including the lack of talent and competing priorities. Companies need to invest in both formal and informal learning to bridge the workforce skills gap and meet the demands of transformation.

Digital Leaders and Digital Leadership: A Literature Review and Research Agenda :

According to this study, "Existing definitions of digital leadership often exhibit complexity and encompass three primary domains: digital leadership processes, digital leadership outcomes, and digital leadership competencies. The theoretical underpinnings of digital leadership are typically associated with established leadership theories, including transformational leadership, transactional leadership, visionary leadership, and charismatic leadership. Our research indicates that, although these theoretical frameworks retain some relevance, digital leadership does not conform neatly to any single model. The literature reveals that the competencies of digital leaders can be categorized into four broad groups: leadership competencies, digital competencies, business competencies, and soft skills. The success factors for digital leaders are predominantly driven by business transformation, even when the immediate focus may be on digital transformation. Consequently, digital leaders must possess the ability to foster value creation and achieve business outcomes that ultimately serve the interests of customers and stakeholders. This paper offers two significant contributions. The first is the conceptual clarity presented in Figure A, which aligns various conceptualizations of digital leadership found in the literature. We make a crucial distinction between digital leaders and the concept of digital leadership itself. Much of the current research emphasizes the individual aspect of digital leadership, viewing the digital leader as a person and incorporating elements of digital leadership competencies and critical success factors. Our second contribution is the identification of under-researched areas."

Digital Leadership: Character and Competency Differentiates Digitally Mature Organizations

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Objective :

- To analyse the impact of digital leadership.
- To examine challenges and barriers of digital leadership.
- To evaluate how digital leadership supports innovation, organizational flexibility, and growth.

Research Methodology :

This study employed a descriptive research design, relying on secondary data collection methods to explore the concept of digital leadership in today's era. A comprehensive literature review was conducted, analysing existing research papers, articles, books, and reports from renowned academic journals, conferences, and organizations. The study sourced data from online databases. Additionally, relevant data was gathered from social media platforms.

Finding :

- The concept of digital leadership has progressed significantly, shifting from an initial concentration on information systems and decision-making processes to a more comprehensive focus on digital transformation, online education, and the ability to adapt during crises.

- The COVID-19 pandemic has intensified the demand for digital leadership, necessitating that leaders acquire new skills and competencies to effectively manage the challenges associated with remote work and digital transformation.
- In a swiftly evolving digital landscape, digital leadership is essential for organizations aiming to thrive, as proficient digital leaders can foster innovation, enhance engagement, and promote growth.

Suggestion

- Continuous learning and upskilling are essential for staying current with the latest digital trends, technologies, and best practices. Leaders must prioritize ongoing learning and development to enhance their digital literacy and leadership skills.
- Building a Digital-First Organizational Culture: Foster a culture that encourages experimentation, innovation, and risk-taking. Empower employees to leverage digital technologies to drive business innovation and growth.
- Regional Differences: Digital leadership styles and practices can vary significantly across regions. For example, Asian cultures may emphasize collectivism and harmony, whereas Western cultures may prioritize individualism and competition.
- Digital leadership has significant global implications, as leaders must navigate diverse cultural, regulatory, and technological environments across different regions. In today's interconnected world, leaders need to understand and adapt to various global challenges, such as varying regulations, technological infrastructures, and cultural differences.

Conclusion :

This research underscores the crucial role of digital leadership in ensuring organizational success in the rapidly evolving digital landscape. In today's fast-moving, technology-driven world, digital leadership is essential. Successful digital leaders adopt innovation, agility, and a data-focused mindset to drive progress within their organizations. They utilize digital tools to improve collaboration, decision-making, and customer engagement, while promoting a culture of ongoing learning and adaptability..

Moreover, digital leaders must navigate challenges such as cyber security risks, ethical AI use, and digital transformation complexities. By prioritizing strategic vision, technological literacy, and strong communication, they can lead organizations toward sustained growth in an increasingly digital landscape. Ultimately, successful digital leadership is not just about technology but about inspiring people, fostering innovation, and creating an agile and resilient organization ready to thrive in the digital era.

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The Study on Risks and Opportunities of Artificial Intelligence in Financial Markets

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Abstract :

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is changing the way financial markets work, improving trading, investment strategies, and risk management. This study looks at both the benefits and challenges of using AI in finance. On the positive side, AI makes markets more efficient by supporting automated trading, predicting market trends, managing investment portfolios, and analyzing data in real time. It helps financial institutions detect fraud, distribute assets intelligently, and make more accurate investment decisions. AI can also process large amounts of financial data quickly, leading to better risk management and smoother market operations.

However, using AI in finance also comes with risks. Heavy dependence on AI-driven trading systems can increase market instability, sometimes causing sudden price drops or unpredictable changes. Mistakes in AI models, often caused by incorrect data or programming errors, can lead to misleading market predictions and unfair financial decisions. There are also concerns about cyber security threats, the lack of transparency in AI decision-making, and complex regulations that affect financial stability. This study also explores ethical and legal challenges, such as who is responsible when AI makes mistakes and how it might create risks for the financial system as a whole.

By analyzing data, real-world examples, and previous research, this study gives a detailed view of AI's impact on financial markets. It examines rules and best practices that can help make the most of AI while reducing its risks. In conclusion, this research suggests ways to create strong policies for AI in finance to ensure ethical, transparent, and responsible use.

Keywords : Artificial Intelligence, Market Efficiency, Risk Management, Cyber security Threats, Regulatory Challenges.

Introduction :

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is changing the way financial markets work, improving trading, investment strategies, risk management, and regulations. With AI technologies like machine learning and data analysis, financial institutions can process large amounts of information, spot trends, and make quick investment decisions with better accuracy. AI has made financial operations more efficient, improved market performance, and helped businesses reduce costs. However, despite these benefits, AI also comes with risks such as market instability, biased decision-making, cyber security threats, and ethical concerns.

The financial industry has always relied on data to make decisions, but AI has taken this to a whole new level. For example, high-frequency trading (HFT) algorithms can execute thousands of trades in milliseconds, making markets faster and more efficient. AI-powered tools help investors by analyzing past market trends and predicting future movements. Additionally, AI improves fraud detection by quickly identifying suspicious transactions, making financial systems more secure. These advancements have helped businesses save money, reduce human errors, and improve overall financial stability.

However, the use of AI in financial markets also brings challenges. Automated trading can sometimes cause market crashes or sudden price changes. AI models depend on the quality of the data they are trained on, and if the data is biased, AI can make unfair or inaccurate financial decisions. Cyber security is another major concern, as AI-driven systems are vulnerable to hacking and fraud. Additionally, AI develops so quickly that financial regulations struggle to keep up, raising concerns about who is responsible when AI makes mistakes.

Because AI is becoming more important in financial markets, it is necessary to study both its benefits and risks. This research will explore how AI is improving financial processes while also identifying the dangers it brings, such as automation errors, biased decision-making, and security issues. The study will also suggest ways to create strong

regulations and ethical guidelines to ensure that AI is used responsibly in financial markets. By finding the right balance between innovation and risk management, financial institutions can make the most of AI while ensuring market stability and trust.

Objective :

1. To Study on how to make AI in finance transparent, safe, and equitable
2. To Study on strategies to ensure fair, secure, and trustworthy AI systems.
3. To Ensuring that the development of AI is done ethically and in accordance with ethical principles and regulatory guidelines.

Opportunities of AI in Financial Markets :

- 1) **Increased Market Liquidity and Efficiency :** The way financial markets function has been completely transformed by artificial intelligence (AI), especially through high-frequency trading (HFT) and algorithmic trading. Rapid trade execution is made possible by machine learning algorithms, which are built to process enormous volumes of data in real-time. Research has demonstrated that AI-powered trading has improved price discovery processes, decreased trading expenses, and raised market liquidity (Hasbrouck, 2018). AI has helped to lower bid-ask spreads and increase the overall effectiveness of financial markets by performing deals in microseconds (Chaboud et al., 2014).
- 2) **Risk management and predictive analytics :** Risk management has greatly improved as a result of AI's capacity to analyze enormous information and spot trends. Compared to traditional models, machine learning models can more reliably forecast market trends and identify dangers in real-time (Huang et al., 2017). AI can estimate asset price fluctuations and optimize investment decisions by analyzing previous data, which makes this predictive ability particularly useful in portfolio management. Furthermore, AI-powered solutions can enhance the integrity of financial institutions by assisting in the detection of fraud, credit risk, and money laundering activities (Zohar et al., 2020).
- 3) **Customization and Customer Support :** A move toward more individualized financial services has been made possible by AI. AI-powered robo-advisors offer personalized investment recommendations based on customers' financial objectives and preferences. Financial planning could become more accessible to all thanks to this individualized approach supported by data analysis (Binns et al., 2017). Additionally, chatbots and virtual assistants driven by AI are improving customer service by providing round-the-clock assistance, which raises customer happiness and lowers operating expenses (Moeini et al., 2020).
- 4) **Market instability and systemic risk :** The potential for AI to create systemic risk is one of the biggest threats to financial markets. In the event of unanticipated developments, algorithmic methods and high-frequency trading can significantly upset the market. An excellent illustration of how algorithmic trading caused a sharp and abrupt decline in market prices, resulting in substantial volatility, is the "Flash Crash" that occurred on May 6, 2010 (Kirilenko et al., 2017). According to research, the emergence of AI-driven trading methods, which function at previously unheard-of speeds, may increase market volatility by magnifying abrupt price fluctuations and posing systemic concerns (Hendershott et al., 2011).
- 5) **Transparency Issues and Ethical Issues :** The "black-box" character of many AI models is another important concern that has been brought up in the literature. The lack of interpretability in many machine learning algorithms makes it challenging to comprehend the decision-making process. Particularly in applications like credit scoring or investment advice, this lack of transparency may result in unintentional biases or discriminatory behaviors. According to research by Angwin et al. (2016), algorithmic choices in other industries have produced skewed results, which may have significant ramifications for the financial markets.
- 6) **Cyber security and Data Privacy Risks :** Large volumes of data are crucial for AI systems to produce insights. This reliance presents serious cyber security and data privacy issues. The financial industry is particularly vulnerable to cyber-attacks and the likelihood of hacking or misuse rises as AI technologies are incorporated more deeply into financial processes. According to studies by Ghosh et al. (2018), adversarial assaults, in which malevolent actors alter data to deceive algorithms and cause financial losses, could expose AI systems.

Table.1 Contrast between the problems AI encounters in the financial markets.

Aspect	Current Challenges (Risks)	Proposed Solutions (Opportunities)
Regulation Speed	AI technology is developing so quickly, it is challenging for regulatory bodies to stay up to date and make prompt, useful suggestions.	Create flexible legal frameworks that may change as AI advances to guarantee ongoing supervision and adherence.
AI Characteristics	AI systems may learn and change on their own and rely on large datasets, their decision-making is intricate and occasionally unclear.	Regulations should provide transparency in data usage and decision-making while taking into account AI's capacity to evolve over time.
Existing Regulations	Financial AI's complexity, scalability, and dynamic nature are not entirely covered by laws like Dodd-Frank and MiFID II, while they do address some of its elements.	To provide a more thorough legal framework, current financial legislation should be amended and expanded to specifically address AI-specific issues.
Governance Approach	There may be oversight holes in the current financial legislation due to a lack of involvement from data scientists, AI specialists, and industry executives.	For well-rounded decision-making, use a multi-stakeholder governance approach that involves legislators, financial institutions, regulators, and AI developers.

Conclusion :

The works on the application of AI in financial markets presents both important advantages and threats. Efficiency, risk management and personalized financial services are all possible with the help of AI, which can potentially change the way financial market operations are carried out. Nevertheless, it raises systemic risks, ethical problems, and data security threats that if not dealt with appropriately may lead to negative impacts of AI on market stability and fairness. At the moment, the technology is still in the initial stage, and it is evident that the financial sector will have to adapt to the rapidly developing AI. Thus, regulation must not only follow the technological advancements but also have to ensure that the integration of AI in finance enhances the positive outcomes while avoiding the negative consequences. The major issue is how to achieve the proper equilibrium between the innovative and regulatory approaches as well as ethical aspects.

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Cybersecurity of Urgent Call Systems and Girls' Safety in Emergency Communication

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Abstract :

A brief summary of the research covering the importance of urgent call, their impact in various sectors (medical, girl's safety(security), Road accident,). In critical situation, urgent call plays a pivotal role in facilitating rapid communication and decision making. Whether in emergency response. This research paper explores the effectiveness of various urgent call technologies, their impact on response times, and their integration with modern communication infrastructures.

Keywords : Urgent call System, Emergency communication, Emergency Response, crisis management, artificial intelligence.

Introduction :

In emergency situations the urgent call system are designed to facilitate immediate alerts and coordinated responses among emergency personnel. This paper investigates the role of urgent call system in emergency management. Emergency communication systems serve as lifelines during crises. This paper focuses on the intersection of cybersecurity and the safety of girls, emphasizing the need for secure and reliable communication platform. This paper examines the intersection of cybersecurity and girls' safety in emergency communication Analysing the risks associated with unsecured urgent call system and proposing solution to enhance Their security and reliability. by strengthening the digital security of these System, we can ensure that Emergency services remain accessible, trustworthy, and effective in safeguarding lives.

Objective :

To develop an automated alert system that notifies emergency contacts and authorities in the event of a road accident.

To implement a real-time medical emergency notification system for immediate assistance during health crises.

To enhance security measures by enabling instant alerts to law enforcement in case of crime or security threats.

To improve women's safety by integrating emergency call features for immediate help in distress situations.

To establish an emergency financial assistance alert system for individuals in urgent need of money.

To create an automated death notification system that informs the deceased person's family in a timely and sensitive manner. **To reduce response time in road accidents:** by ensuring instant alerts to the concerned authorities and loved ones.

Types of Urgent Call Systems :

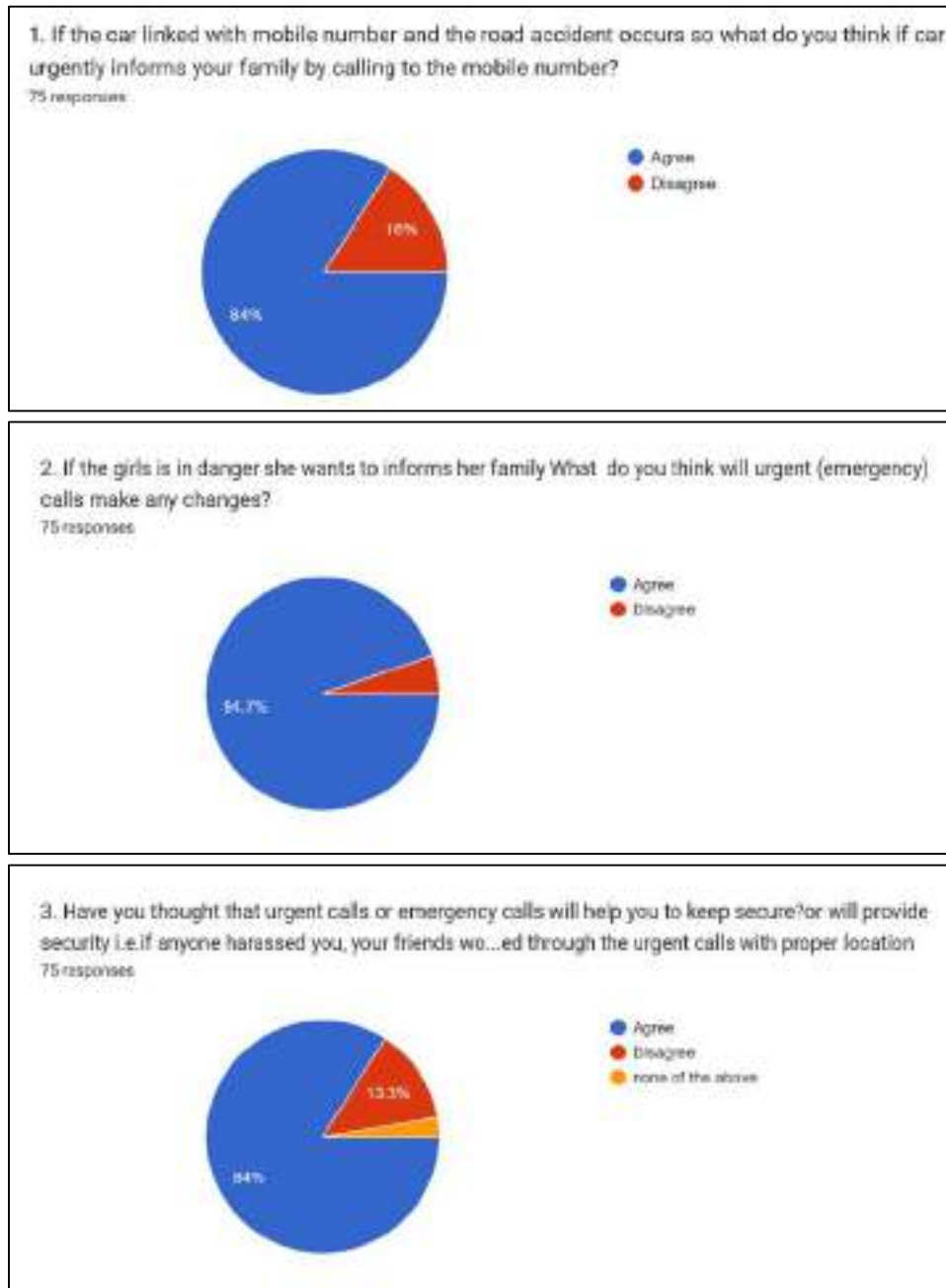
1. **To Mobile and SMS-Based Alerts :** In critical situations, immediate communication is essential. Mobile and SMS-based urgent call alerts provide a fast and reliable way to notify individuals or groups about emergencies, security threats, or time-sensitive events.
2. **Automated Emergency Call Systems :** Such as e Call (a safety automatically calls emergency services after a road accident) vehicles, which automatically notify.
3. **Symbol in urgent calls :**
 - **Flashing red phone Icon :** A phone handset in red with motion lines or a pulsating effect to signify urgency.
 - **Exclamation mark overlay :** A phone icon or speech bubble with an exclamation mark overlay in bold yellow or orange.
 - **Alarm bell with phone :** combine a ringing bell icon with phone symbol emphasizing urgency through sound association.
 - **Emergency cross with call icon :** A red cross (symbolizing emergency) next to or overlaid on a phone or a headset icon.
 - **Lightning bolt through phone :** A dynamic lightning bolt piercing through or behind icon to represent speed and urgency.

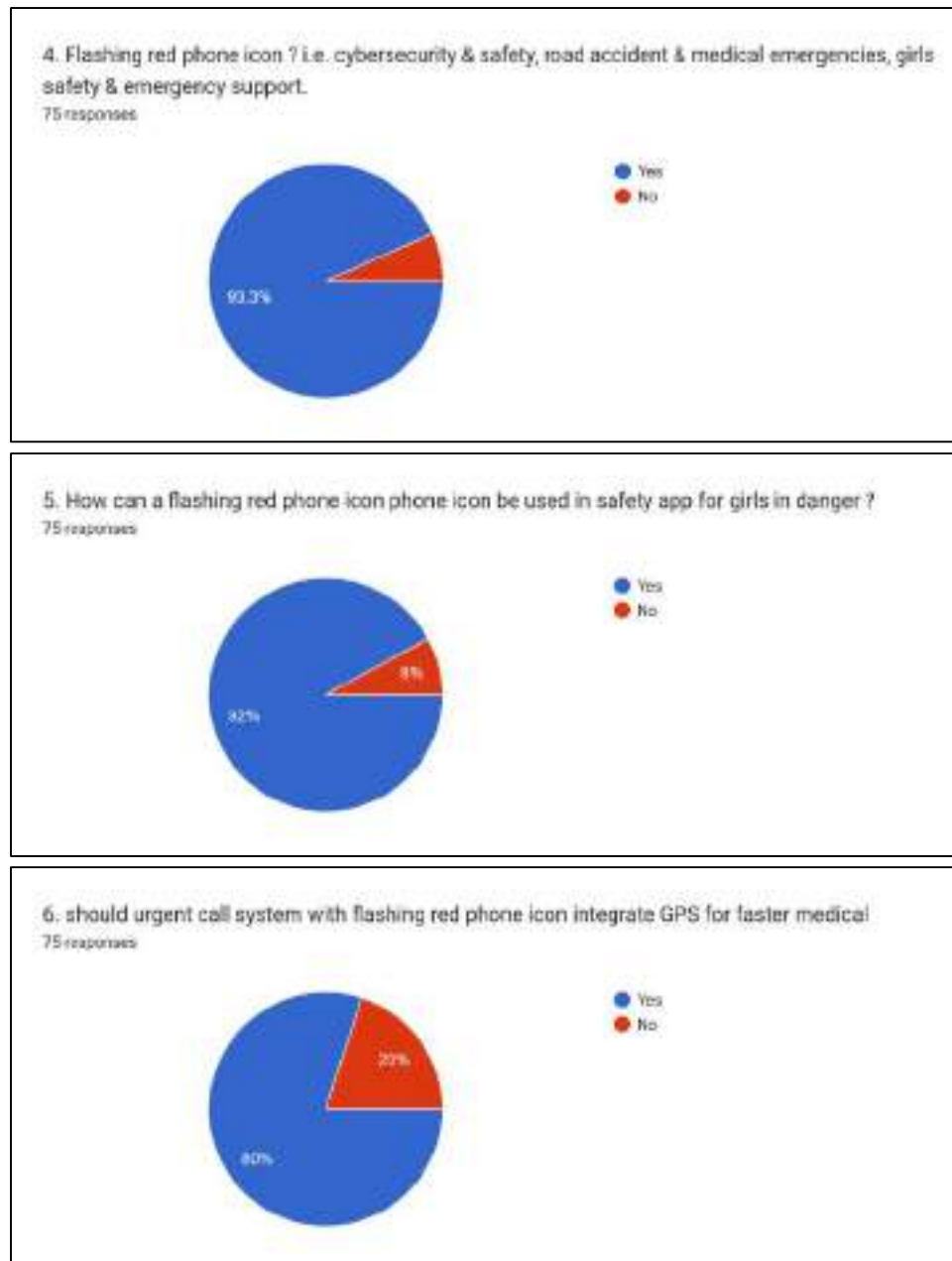
4. **Impact on Girls' safety in Emergencies:** Girls are particularly vulnerable in emergencies, especially in cases of harassment, assault or human trafficking.
5. **Cybersecurity measures of emergency communication:** Network security, access controls, identity and access management, application security, and information security.

Hypothesis :

- Integrating a flashing red phone icon in a safety app for girls in danger will enhance emergency response by providing quick access to help and increasing their chances of receiving timely assistance.
- Implementing a flashing red phone icon for emergency communication in cybersecurity threats, road accidents, medical emergencies, and girl's safety will enhance response times and improve security.

Experiment :





Research Methodology:

Hypothesis Testing Through Statistical Method: Chi-square Test: -

HYPOTHESIS 1: Integrating a flashing red phone icon in a safety app for girls in danger will enhance emergency response by providing quick access to help and increasing their chances of receiving timely assistance

Thus, applying the Formula $\chi^2 = \sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$

- **O_i**= Observed Frequency (Response collected from survey),
- **E_i**= Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

Showing calculation of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ in Dhule District.

Sr. No.	If the girls is in danger she wants to informs her family What do you think will urgent (emergency) calls make any changes?	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i)/E _i

1	Agree	71	37.5	33.5	67	1.78
2	Disagree	4	37.5	-33.5	67	1.78
	Total	75				3.56

$$\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i = 3.56$$

Degree of freedom (d.f.) Is 1.

Therefore, Tabulated value of χ^2 as 1 degree of freedom is 3.841*

$$\chi^2 = 3.56 \quad 3.56 < 3.841^*$$

Result:

The Chi-Square test result ($\chi^2 = 3.56$) is greater than the tabulated value (3.841), meaning there is a significant link between a girl making an urgent call and receiving timely help. This supports our hypothesis that emergency calls improve a girl's safety

HYPOTHESIS 2: Implementing a flashing red phone icon for emergency communication in cybersecurity threats, road accidents, medical emergencies, and girl's safety will enhance response times and improve security.

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- **O_i**= Observed Frequency (Response collected from survey),
- **E_i**= Expected Frequency (Expected Response)

Showing calculation of $\sum (O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i$ in Dhule District.

Sr. No.	Flashing red phone icon? i.e. cybersecurity & safety, road accident & medical emergencies, girls safety & emergency support.	O _i	E _i	O _i -E _i	(O _i -E _i) ²	(O _i -E _i)/E _i
1	Yes	70	37.5	32.5	65	1.73
2	No	5	37.5	-32.5	65	1.73
	Total	75				3.46

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Result :

By Chi-Square test result ($\chi^2 = 3.46$) is very close to the tabulated value (3.841), indicating a potential positive impact of implementing a flashing red phone icon for emergency communication. While not statistically significant, the results suggest that this feature can enhance response times and improve security.

Conclusion :

Urgent call system are indispensable in modern emergency management. Cybersecurity is essential for the integrity of emergency call system, particular for the safety of girls in distress. Implementing robust security measures and policies will ensure reliable, confidential, and efficient emergency responses, safeguarding lives in critical situation. Government, technology developers, and emergency response organization must collaborate to establish stringent security standards and promote digital safety education among users.

By prioritizing cybersecurity in emergency communication, we can create a safer and more efficient response network that protects the most vulnerable, ensuring that every call for help is met with timely and secure intervention, strengthening the digital security of urgent call system is not just a technological necessity but a fundamental step toward protecting lives in moments of crisis.

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The Impact of Non-Educational Difficulties in Accessing Higher Education: Challenges and Strategies for Overcoming Them

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Accessing higher education plays significant role to enhance adapting professional skills which is most vital requirement to elaborate earning ability and productivity in current economy. Skills could help to generate the high revenue is toughed and practiced in higher education. However, some non-educational barriers very often hinder to access the higher education in rural area students. These hinders could be the financial constraints, Geographical limitations, cultural norms and social responsibilities, mental health challenges, system barriers etc. These constrains are strongly impact on access the education. This paper identifies and analyse these kinds of non-educational difficulties in accessing higher education. How difficulties have been treated by students and implications has faced current era.

Keywords: higher education, non-educational barriers, socioeconomic challenges, accessibility, equity, policy reforms.

Introduction:

Higher education plays most vital role in enhancing practical, advanced skill and help to learn deep knowledge of specialized, interested stream. Also, the better practice of higher education makes ready to achieve high salaried job and subsequently promote to personal and economic growth. However, this development may hinder the access of educational facilities properly. This research paper identifies and analyse major non-educational difficulties which limits the access of higher education.

Objectives:

1. To Identify and analyse the non-educational factors that hinder from accessing higher education.
2. To evaluate the impact of non-educational difficulties
3. To assess the significance and scope of these non-educational challenges in terms of their impact on students' ability to pursue and succeed in higher education.
4. To provide suitable suggestions that promoting to growth

Literature Review:

Pinki, Aryan, Neha (2023) this research study explores the significance of higher education. The level of country is also decided on the development and implementations of higher education in the country. It proves importance of higher education plays vital role in development of individual and collective nation.

K.M. Joshi, Kinjal Ahir (2019) This research study provides most important, insightful information whatever issues related to accessing the higher education, equal right of getting higher education, dignity of efficiency, and maintaining the quality of overall process. Progress regarding internationalization. Increased efficiency and productivity of students is possible by getting only qualitative education and practice. Getting higher education is difficult task due to non-educational challenges. So the conclusion of this study reflects the high rate of unemployment due to failure in acquiring appropriate skill and knowledge.

Anna Hughes (2018) did research study regarding difficulties accessing to higher education in rural area which exploring the avail of accessing the higher education. According government rule of priority of getting equal access to higher education, what these students got experience and how diversity has seen in the perception of students has find which relates to efficiency.

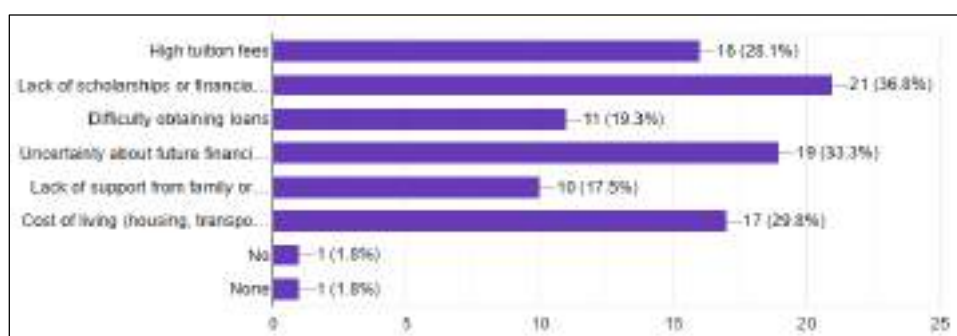
Methodology:

This research study based on primary data. The data collection is done through taking the survey of the students who are enrolled in higher education in various streams. This research study aimed to identify the non-educational difficulties that impacts on progress of students. For that preparing questionnaire has made with considering the various difficulties by differentiating in six sections. 58 students had responded to the survey through the google form. Secondary data references also have taken from the previous work.

Findings: Findings are defined in sections in which survey are conducted as bellow

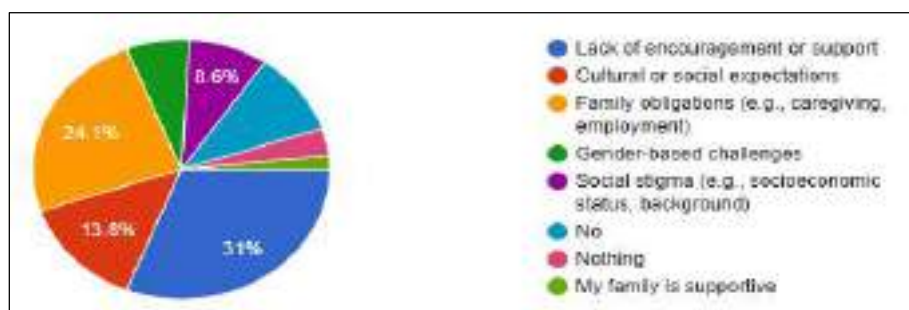
Section 1: Financial Barriers: According 34.5% and 24.1% student's responded financial burden is "Very significant" and "Significant" respectively in accessing higher education. While 34.5% students' responded "Neutral" reply. 5.2% and 1.7% students are responded "Not concerned" and "Insignificant"

On second question regarding which exact financial barriers students are experiencing currently in rural area. From that options, the majorly responded 36.8.1% to "Lack of scholarships or financial aid", next major difficulty is "Uncertainty about future financial stability" 33.3%, then "Cost of living (housing, transportation, etc.)" option is major highlighted as financial difficulty 29.8% and "High tuition fees" is 28.1%



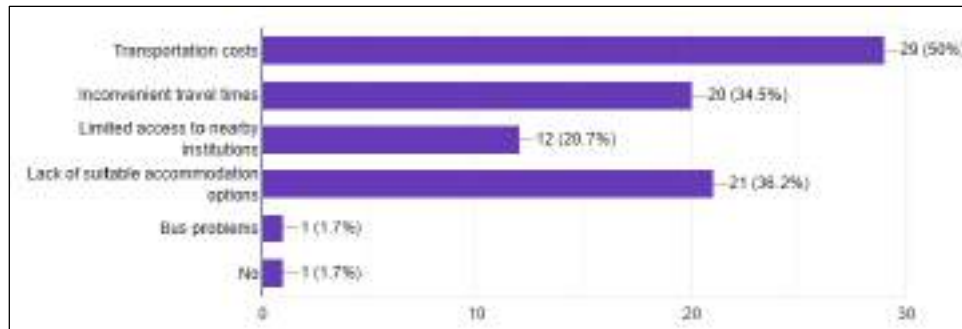
To overcome these difficulties some students, use the strategies like doing part time job, work part time. Some students follow the management strategy of budgeting and expenses while some students use the strategy that doing efforts to obtain scholarship or prefer to get admission based on merit.

Section 2: Family and Social Support: Majorly students have to face the challenge of "lack of encouragement or family support" about 29.8%. "Family obligations (e.g., caregiving, employment)" 24.6% are the pending issues to be solved. 14% challenges are the "Cultural or social expectations" and "Social stigma (e.g., socioeconomic status, background)" also notable problem which is about 8.8%.



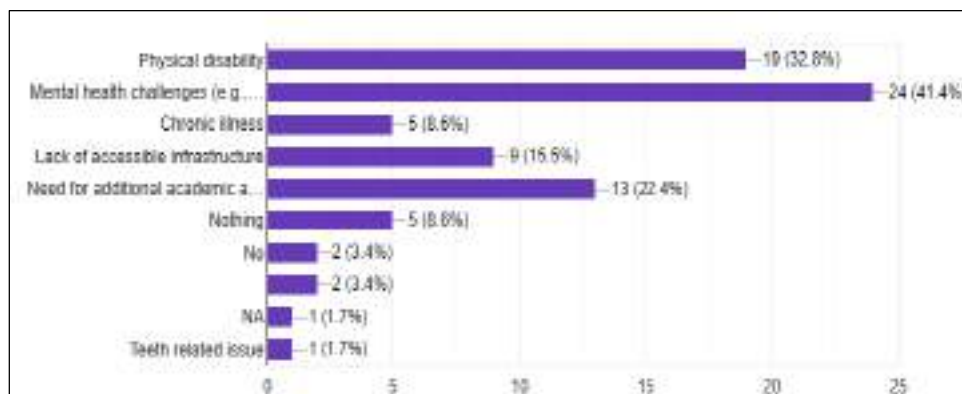
As a strategy various options students had suggested to improve family and social support to pursue higher education is need to build positive relationship, communication with families. Make them aware about your goals and strategy, increase encouragement from your side to active participation and motivation.

Section 3 : Geographical and Mobility Barriers: Out of several options of challenges about 50% responded to transportation cost, 34.5% inconvenient travel time and 36.2% lack of suitable accommodation. 20.7% students have responded to "Limited access to nearby institute".



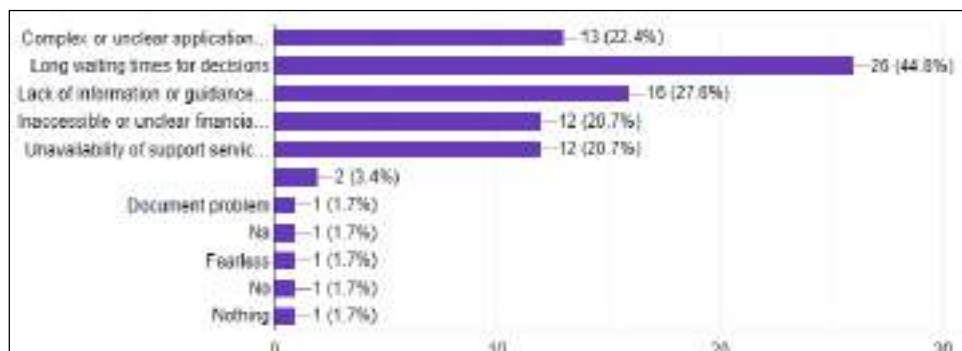
Some students turn towards a distance education as a suitable strategy. Prefer to take in admission in nearby institute, do efforts for get scholarship and mentor support. According some students, the E-learning platform is most convenient.

Section 4: Health and Disability Challenges: Most of the students struggle by various health issues out of that major are “Mental health challenges (e.g. anxiety, depression)” which is 41.4%. Some students has responded the difficulty of “Physical disability” 32.8%. “Need for additional academic accommodations are about 22.4%.



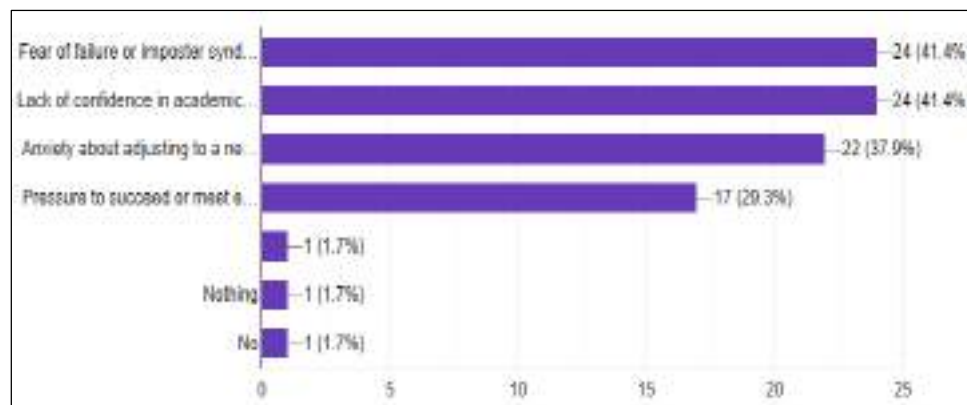
As the accommodation to mitigate the health related challenges according students is to prefer remote learning options, many times it may be the personalized support plans to address specific needs, some follow assistive technology, taking regular breaks. Some students suggest to habit of daily exercises. Follow Flexible schedule, generate self-motivations.

Section 5: System Barriers: the process of system also could be the barriers for students. According this survey major problem students have to face about 44.8% is the “Long waiting time of decisions”. Then “Lack of information and guidance” is 27.6%. then the problem of “complex and unclear application” is 22.4%. with that the barriers are the “inaccessible or unclear finance” and “Unavailability of support service” is 20.7% and 20.7% respectively



Here we can see the variations in strategy to overcome or avoid system barriers which are one should take clear guidance from the advisor. Follow the process neatly. Response and communication is necessary. Have to provide multiple ways to apply.

Section 6: Psychological and Emotional Barriers: Here, this kind of difficulties could also have responded in majority 41.4% for “Fear of failure or imposter syndrome”, “Lack of confidence in academic abilities”.



Then “Anxiety about adjusting to a new environment” is 37.9% and “Pressure to succeed or meet expectations” is 29.3%.

On these psychological and emotional barriers students give some overcoming solutions are motivating one self, attain mentorship programs, emotional support, using resources like helpline, various apps for mental health, attend workshops for stress management. Prefer friendship and family support. Follow the good routine habits.

Impact: Student has to stick in struggle so that these small practices of saving funds or earnings may divide the concentration mentally and timely too. It effects on academic active participation. The impact of family and social support barriers is, without family support and the burden of social expectation may demoralise and pressurize to student’s ability. Geographical and Mobility Barriers often causes various the health issues and distraction from study subsequently. Health and disability challenges are crucial and not easily manageable, every time have to treat with specification and sometimes may be expensive. It will may push towards the phase of unoptimistic negativity. A system barrier consumes student’s precious time. Psychological and emotional barriers are restricting personal development with suppressive approach.

Conclusion :

The non-educational difficulties make hard to accessing the higher education especially in rural area. To generate some financial support students, have to share their academic time with the process. It is significant point which distracting to focus from study. Study, education having importance for long life for which loss is not affordable ever timely, mentally too. Many times these barriers are the only reasons to divert from the interested stream or specialization. Geographical problems, health issues reduce the student’s ability to perform well.

To address these issues we have to focus on detailing and quick perfection of the process. So it helps to get result quickly. Need on better financial aid with new educational skills adapting techniques. Prominently need to focus on holistic personality development. Which help to balance many health and psychological issues, As well as need to habitat with keeping polite, humble, curious nature which could help you to better connectivity with the peoples to get support easily. And will able to solve the problems within time.

Policymakers, educators, and communities must work together to ensure students from all backgrounds can access higher education and succeed.

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Transformative Role of Artificial Intelligence in Modern Business Context

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Abstract :

This paper explores the transformative role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in modern business processes. It examines how AI technologies enhance efficiency, decision-making, and innovation across various industries. The study delves into AI driven automation, predictive analytics, and process optimization, highlighting both the opportunities and challenges associated with AI integration. Through a comprehensive literature review and analysis, the paper aims to provide insights into the current state and future prospects of AI in business process management.

Keywords : Artificial Intelligence, Business Processes, Automation.

Introduction :

In today's rapidly evolving business landscape, organizations are increasingly leveraging Artificial Intelligence (AI) to enhance operational efficiency and gain a competitive edge. AI encompasses a range of technologies, including machine learning, natural language processing, and robotics, which enables machines to perform tasks that typically require human intelligence. The integration of AI into business processes has the potential to revolutionize operations, from automating routine tasks to providing advanced data analytics for informed decision-making. This paper examines the impact of AI on business processes, exploring its applications, benefits, and the challenges organization may face during implementation.

Understanding the role of AI in business processes is crucial for organizations aiming to remain competitive in the digital age. This study provides valuable insights into how AI can be leveraged to optimize operations, drive innovation, and enhance decision-making. By identifying the benefits and challenges associated with AI integration, the paper offers guidance for organizations considering AI adoption in their processes.

Objective of the Study :

- To analyze the various application of AI in business processes.
- To assess the benefits and challenges associated with AI integration.
- To evaluate the impact of AI on decision-making and operational efficiency.

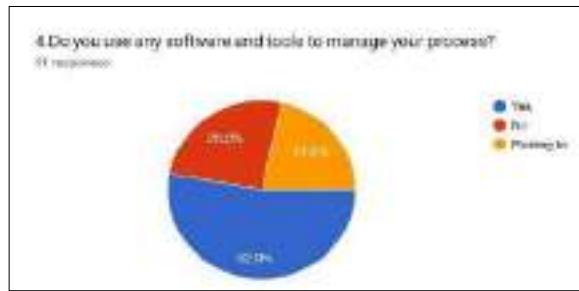
Literature Review :

The adoption of AI in business processes has been the subject of extensive research. A study by the Institute for the Future of Work warns that AI-based automation could increase inequality in the UK unless the government provides support for small businesses and workers. Another research highlights the transformative role of AI in business process management, emphasizing the need for organizations to adapt to technological advancements to remain competitive. Furthermore, a comprehensive literature review identifies various AI-based methods that can be used to automate business processes and support decision-making, underscoring the potential of AI to enhance operational efficiency. Resource Methodology

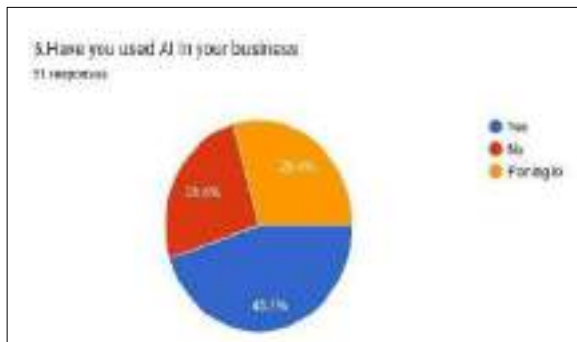
Research Methodology:

This study employs a qualitative research design, utilizing a comprehensive literature review to gather data on the integration of AI in business processes. The resources include academic journals, industry reports, and case studies that provide insights into AI applications and their impact on business operations.

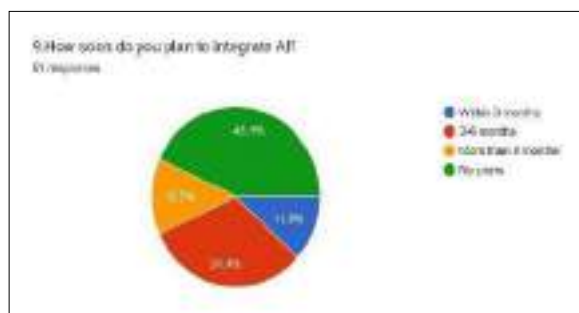
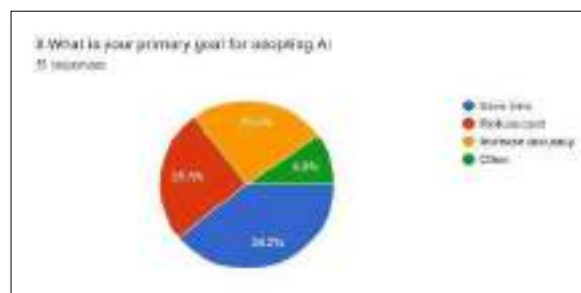
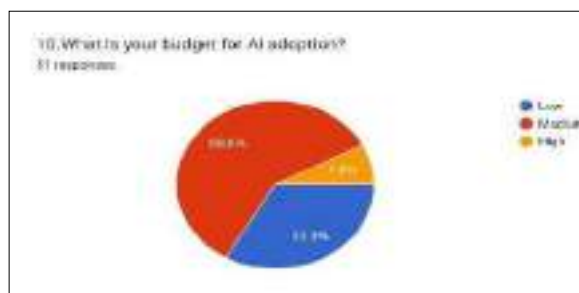
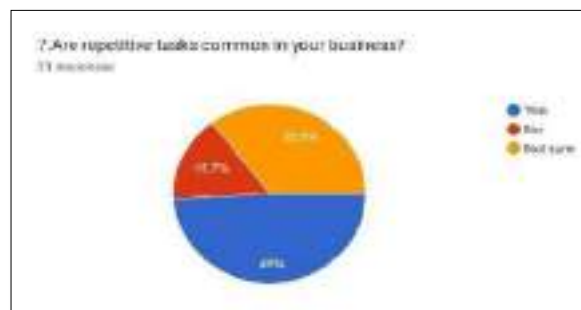
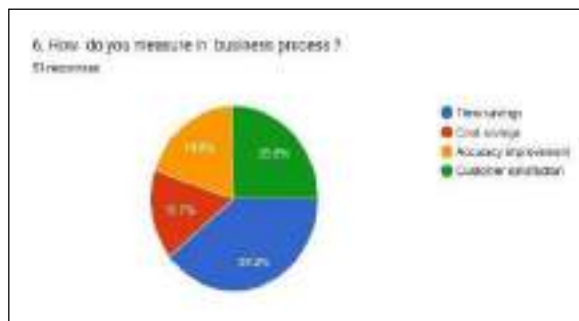
Data Analysis and Interpretation:



Software & Tools Usage – Majority use AI powered software for managing processes, but a significant portion still does not.



AI Usage in Business – A large percentage of respondents has incorporated AI into their businesses,



Results & Discussion:

The analysis reveals that AI integration in business processes leads to significant improvements in operational efficiency, decision-making, and innovation. Organizations implementing AI report enhanced productivity through automation of routine tasks, improved accuracy in predictive analytics, and the ability to make data-driven decisions. The findings suggest that while AI offers substantial benefits to business processes, organizations must carefully consider the associated challenges. Implementing AI requires a strategic approach, including investing in the necessary infrastructure, addressing ethical considerations, and providing training for employees to work alongside AI technologies. Moreover, organizations should develop policies to mitigate potential negative impacts, such as workforce displacement, by reskilling employees and creating new roles that complement AI capabilities.

Conclusion:

Artificial Intelligence is transforming business processes by enhancing efficiency, decision-making, and innovation. Organization that effectively integrates AI into their operations can achieve significant competitive advantages. However, successful implementation requires addressing challenges related to investment, ethics, and workforce management. Future research should focus on developing frameworks to guide organizations in AI adoption and exploring the long-term impacts of AI on various aspects of business operations.

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Security Alert in Business: Challenges and Strategies

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Abstract :

Security alerts in businesses play a basic critical role in the identifying and mitigating potential threats, including cyber-attacks, unauthorized access and other security breaches. The primary purpose of the security alerts is to inform businesses about potential threats to protect sensitive information, ensure employee safety and prevent financial losses. This paper explores specific security alert challenges, automation technologies and strategies businesses can adopt to enhance security. The study also highlights real-world examples of security alerts and how businesses, including small enterprises, can handle security threats effectively.

Keywords : Security Alerts, Artificial Intelligence, Business Security.

Introduction :

As a business leader, it's imperative to recognize that security alerts are not just IT issues, but business-critical events that demand swift and decisive action. By implementing a robust security alert management framework, leveraging cutting-edge technologies and fostering a culture of the security awareness, we can effectively mitigate risks, protect our assets and maintain the trust of our customers and stakeholders.

Businesses are increasingly vulnerable to security threats ranging from cyber-attacks to the insider risks. Security alerts are crucial in identifying, tracking and responding to such threats, ensuring that businesses remain resilient against security breaches. These alerts notify businesses of unauthorized access, phishing attempts, malware detection and other potential threats. Implementing a robust security alert system is essential to the safeguarding sensitive data and maintaining business continuity.

Objective of the Study :

1. To analyse the primary purpose and importance of security alerts in businesses.
2. To explore technologies used in automating security alerts.

Literature Review :

Sundaramurthy et al. (2017) highlighted the issue of alert fatigue, where security analysts become overwhelmed by excessive notifications, leading to the missed critical alerts. The study emphasized the need for automated filtering mechanisms.

Sharma & Saha (2018) discussed the impact of false positives and false negatives, noting that ineffective alert management increases the operational costs and reduces trust in security systems.

Kotenko & Stepashkin (2019) explored the cyber threat intelligence integration into security alert systems, improving detection accuracy and reducing manual analysis efforts.

Alharthi & Regis (2020) studied machine learning in security alert prioritization, demonstrating that AI-driven systems can significantly reduce false alerts and enhance threat detection accuracy.

Cheng et al. (2021) introduced behaviour-based alert systems, which analyse user activity patterns to detect the anomalies, improving real-time threat response.

Smith & Patel (2022) examined Zero Trust Architecture (ZTA) as a strategy for reducing internal security risks by continuously verifying all users and devices.

Resource Methodology :

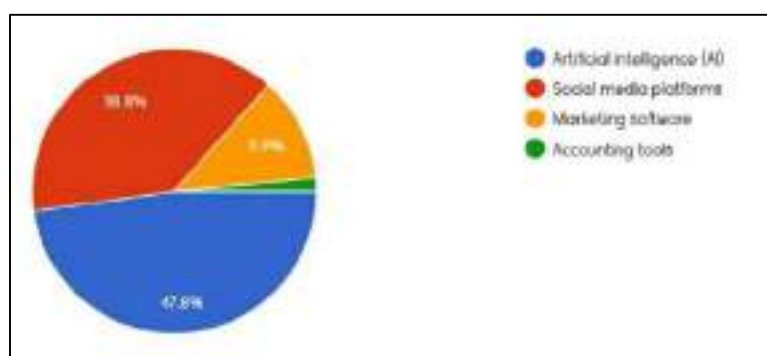
Primary data for the study was collected through an online survey using Google Forms. The survey consisted of 11 Questions in 5 Questions are demographic and remaining 6 questions are close-ended questions to ensure consistency in response. My collection of response is total 67 and managed by Google form. Data Analysis Method is the study uses trend analysis to examine security threats over time and comparative analysis to assess the effectiveness of different security strategies in businesses.

Data analysis & Interpretation:

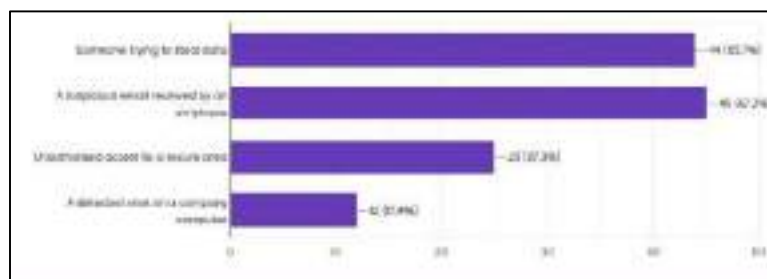
1) What is the main purpose of a security alert in a business?



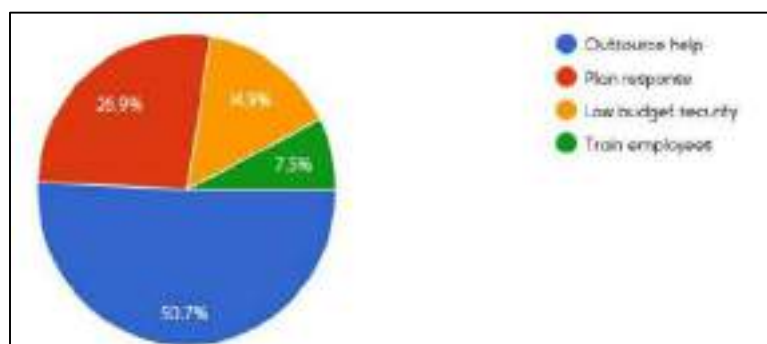
2) What technology is often used to automate security alerts in businesses?



3) Which of these can be a reason for a security alert?



4) How can small business handle security alert?



Findings:

The main purpose of a security alert in a business is to notify stakeholders of potential threats. It aims to prevent or minimize damage from security breaches or cyber-attacks. Security alerts prompt immediate action to investigate and mitigate threats. This helps maintain business continuity and protects sensitive data.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is often used to automate security alerts. Machine Learning (ML) algorithms detect anomalies and trigger alerts. SIEM (Security Information and Event Management) systems also automate alerts. These technologies help businesses respond quickly to security threats.

A suspicious login attempt from an unknown location can trigger a security alert. Unusual network activity or malware detection can also prompt an alert. A phishing email or unauthorized access attempt can initiate a security alert. These events indicate potential security threats that require immediate attention.

Small businesses can handle security alerts by: Having an incident response plan in place, Notifying IT staff or security team immediately, Isolating affected systems or networks and Conducting a thorough investigation and taking in corrective action.

Conclusion :

Future research should explore the integration of AI-driven security alert systems and evaluate their effectiveness in real-world scenarios. Security alerts are a double-edged sword for businesses: they are indispensable for threat detection but can also overwhelm organizations with their volume and complexity. By adopting advanced technologies, fostering a culture of security awareness, and streamlining incident response, businesses can effectively navigate the challenges associated with security alerts and protect their assets.

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Deficit and Debt Trends in the 2025 Budget: Risks and Opportunities

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Abstract :

The 2025 budget represents a critical juncture in assessing the fiscal health of the nation, particularly in terms of deficit and debt trends. As governments navigate economic recovery, social welfare demands, defence expenditures, and infrastructure development, the challenge of balancing spending with revenue generation becomes increasingly complex. A growing national debt and widening fiscal deficit raise concerns about long-term sustainability, particularly regarding their effects on economic growth, inflation, interest rates, and financial market stability. The ability of governments to manage borrowing without triggering negative consequences—such as rising debt-servicing costs, reduced investor confidence or currency depreciation—will be a defining factor in shaping economic stability in the years ahead. This paper aims to critically analyse the trends in deficit and debt accumulation within the 2025 budget, examining both their immediate macroeconomic implications and their broader long-term effects on fiscal sustainability.

The research explores key risk factors, including excessive government spending, potential revenue shortfalls, and global economic uncertainties that may exacerbate fiscal imbalances. Additionally, the study considers how external forces—such as shifting trade policies, geopolitical tensions, fluctuating commodity prices, and central bank interest rate policies—could further complicate national debt management. However, despite these risks, the 2025 budget also offers significant opportunities for economic growth and transformation. Strategic public investments in infrastructure, innovation, technology, healthcare, and education have the potential to enhance productivity, create jobs, and improve overall economic resilience. Additionally, well-designed fiscal policies, such as progressive tax reforms, improved expenditure efficiency, and responsible debt restructuring, could mitigate financial risks while promoting long-term economic stability.

This paper provides an in-depth examination of the policy options available to ensure that the 2025 budget supports both short-term economic recovery and long-term fiscal health. By analysing historical budget trends, comparative international fiscal policies, and expert economic projections, the study offers a comprehensive assessment of the potential consequences of deficit spending and national debt accumulation. Furthermore, it highlights the importance of implementing sound fiscal discipline while leveraging government investments to drive sustainable economic growth. Ultimately, this paper seeks to provide insights into how policymakers can navigate the challenges posed by rising deficits and national debt while capitalizing on opportunities for economic development, ensuring a balanced and resilient fiscal future.

Keywords : Fiscal Policy, Debt, Deficit, Budgetary Trends, Tax.

Introduction :

Government budgets serve as a fundamental tool for shaping national economic policies, determining spending priorities, and ensuring long-term financial stability. The 2025 budget is particularly significant as it comes at a time when economies around the world are grappling with multiple challenges, including post-pandemic recovery, inflationary pressures, geopolitical uncertainties, and fluctuating global markets. As policymakers work to balance economic growth with fiscal discipline, the issue of deficit and debt management has become a central concern. A growing fiscal deficit and rising national debt can have profound consequences on economic stability, interest rates, inflation, and investor confidence, making it crucial to analyse how the government intends to manage these factors in the upcoming fiscal year.

A fiscal deficit occurs when government expenditures exceed revenue, requiring borrowing to finance the shortfall. While deficit spending can be an effective tool for stimulating economic growth, particularly during times of economic downturn, excessive and prolonged deficits can lead to unsustainable debt accumulation, higher borrowing costs, and reduced financial flexibility in the future. The national debt, which represents the total amount of money that the government owes to domestic and international creditors, continues to expand, raising concerns about long-term fiscal sustainability. The 2025 budget reflects the government's approach to addressing these issues, balancing the need for public investments with responsible fiscal management.

Several key questions arise when evaluating deficit and debt trends in the 2025 budget: What are the primary drivers behind the increasing fiscal deficit? How does government borrowing impact macroeconomic indicators such as inflation, interest rates, and credit ratings? What are the potential consequences of rising debt on future generations, and how can policymakers implement strategies to ensure fiscal responsibility without hindering economic growth? Additionally, external factors such as international trade policies, global economic conditions, and monetary policy shifts by major central banks can influence national debt management and fiscal decision-making.

This paper aims to provide a comprehensive analysis of deficit and debt trends in the 2025 budget, examining their implications for short-term economic performance and long-term financial stability. By assessing government borrowing patterns, revenue generation strategies, and policy measures, this study will explore both the risks and opportunities associated with increasing debt levels. Moreover, the paper will offer insights into potential solutions, including tax reforms, expenditure rationalization, and sustainable debt restructuring, to ensure that the government maintains a balance between necessary spending and fiscal discipline.

Ultimately, understanding the challenges and opportunities presented in the 2025 budget is essential for policymakers, economists, and financial analysts seeking to develop informed strategies for sustainable fiscal management. As governments work to navigate economic uncertainties, this research will contribute to the broader discussion on how deficit and debt trends can be managed effectively to support long-term economic resilience and growth.

Review of Literature :

Keynesian Theory suggests that deficit spending can stimulate economic growth, especially during recessions, by increasing government expenditure and aggregate demand (Keynes, 1936). However, persistent deficits can lead to inflation and unsustainable debt accumulation.

Ricardian Equivalence Hypothesis argues that government borrowing does not affect overall demand because rational consumers anticipate higher future taxes and adjust their savings accordingly (Barro, 1974).

Modern Monetary Theory (MMT) proposes that sovereign governments with control over their currency can sustain deficits indefinitely, provided inflation is controlled (Kelton, 2020). Critics argue that excessive government borrowing can still lead to inflationary pressures and economic instability.

Government Expenditures vs. Revenue Generation – Research shows that increased public spending, especially on infrastructure, defence, and social welfare, often outpaces revenue collection (Alesina & Perotti, 1995). The 2025 budget deficit is likely influenced by similar expenditure trends.

Taxation and Revenue Policies – Studies highlight that inefficient tax collection, tax evasion, and inadequate tax reforms contribute to revenue shortfalls, exacerbating fiscal deficits (Tanzi & Zee, 2001).

External Economic Factors – Global economic conditions, trade imbalances, and geopolitical instability significantly impact national budgets. The COVID-19 pandemic and post-pandemic recovery led to increased government borrowing worldwide (IMF, 2023).

Interest Payments on Debt – Research by Reinhart and Rogoff (2010) demonstrates that high debt-servicing costs constrain government spending, forcing further borrowing.

Objectives :

To examine the key drivers of the fiscal deficit in the 2025 budget

To study the impact of deficit spending on the national economy

To understand the long-term implications of rising national debt

To study global and domestic economic factors affecting fiscal sustainability

To examine policy recommendations for managing fiscal deficits and debt

To compare the 2025 budget with previous budgetary trends and international best practices

Research Methodology :

This study adopts a comparative and analytical research approach, relying on secondary data collection to examine the key drivers of the fiscal deficit and national debt in the 2025 budget compared to previous years. The methodology focuses on identifying fiscal trends, assessing the economic impact of deficit spending, and evaluating both domestic and global factors influencing fiscal sustainability. Through quantitative and qualitative analysis, this research will provide a comprehensive understanding of the fiscal landscape and offer evidence-based policy recommendations.

Data Sources and Collection :

The study will utilize official government documents, including annual budget reports from the Ministry of Finance, Economic Survey of India, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) reports, and Finance Commission reports, to analyse revenue patterns, expenditure trends, and debt accumulation. Additional data from international financial institutions such as the International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Bank, OECD, and Asian Development Bank (ADB) will provide insights into global fiscal trends and how India's budget aligns with international best practices.

Academic literature, including peer-reviewed journal articles, policy papers, and working papers from research institutions, will be reviewed to understand theoretical perspectives on deficit financing, fiscal sustainability, and debt management. Macroeconomic data from national and international statistical agencies, such as the National Statistical Office (NSO) and World Economic Outlook (WEO), will be used to measure the impact of fiscal deficit on key economic indicators, including GDP growth, inflation, interest rates, and employment levels.

Comparative Analysis of Budget Trends :

A longitudinal study will be conducted to compare the 2025 budget with previous fiscal years, identifying patterns in revenue generation, public expenditure, deficit levels, and debt accumulation. This will involve:

Trend Analysis: Evaluating changes in fiscal deficit, government borrowing, and expenditure over the last 10–15 years to assess patterns in fiscal management.

Expenditure Composition Analysis: Identifying shifts in government spending priorities, such as infrastructure, social welfare, defence, and subsidies, and their impact on deficit levels.

Revenue Performance Assessment: Examining tax and non-tax revenue trends, including direct and indirect tax collections, disinvestment proceeds, and non-tax revenue sources.

Debt Sustainability Analysis: Analysing the ratio of public debt to GDP, debt servicing costs, and borrowing patterns to determine the long-term fiscal sustainability of India's debt burden.

To benchmark India's fiscal policies against international best practices, the study will compare India's fiscal deficit and debt trends with other developing and developed economies that have successfully managed their budgetary challenges. Case studies of countries that have implemented effective deficit reduction strategies will be examined to derive insights into policy interventions, fiscal discipline measures, and economic recovery mechanisms.

Economic Impact Assessment of Deficit Spending :

To assess how deficit spending influences the national economy, the study will analyse its effects on macroeconomic indicators such as:

Economic Growth: Examining the relationship between fiscal deficit levels and GDP growth rates over time.

Inflation and Interest Rates: Assessing how deficit financing impacts inflationary pressures and borrowing costs.

Employment and Public Investment: Analysing the extent to which government spending contributes to job creation and infrastructure development.

Private Sector Crowding-Out Effect: Investigating whether high government borrowing limits credit availability for private enterprises.

Evaluation of Global and Domestic Economic Factors :

The study will explore both domestic and international economic factors influencing India's fiscal sustainability, including:

Global Economic Trends: The impact of geopolitical events, commodity price fluctuations, and global financial market trends on India's fiscal position.

Monetary and Fiscal Policy Coordination: How the Reserve Bank of India's monetary policies interact with government fiscal policies to manage inflation and economic stability.

Trade Deficit and Current Account Balance: The role of external trade imbalances in influencing budgetary pressures.

Pandemic Recovery and Structural Reforms: The effects of post-pandemic economic recovery programs, taxation reforms (e.g., GST adjustments), and subsidy rationalization on fiscal health.

Policy Recommendations and Fiscal Sustainability Strategies

Based on the findings, this research will develop a set of policy recommendations to improve fiscal discipline, manage deficit financing, and ensure long-term debt sustainability. The recommendations will focus on:

1. **Revenue Enhancement Strategies:** Strengthening tax compliance, broadening the tax base, and optimizing public asset utilization to boost revenue.

2. **Expenditure Rationalization:** Prioritizing essential sectors, reducing wasteful spending, and implementing performance-based budgeting.
3. **Debt Management Policies:** Ensuring sustainable borrowing practices, exploring refinancing options, and increasing transparency in debt reporting.
4. **Inflation and Interest Rate Control:** Coordinating fiscal and monetary policies to prevent excessive inflationary pressures caused by deficit spending.
5. **Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs):** Encouraging private sector participation in infrastructure projects to reduce fiscal burden.
6. **Adopting Global Best Practices:** Learning from international models to implement effective fiscal deficit and debt reduction strategies.

Recommendations :

To ensure fiscal sustainability while supporting economic growth, several key recommendations are proposed. Strengthening revenue generation through enhanced tax compliance, broadening the tax base, and optimizing public asset utilization can boost government income. Prudent expenditure management should focus on prioritizing essential spending, eliminating inefficiencies, and leveraging public-private partnerships. Strengthening debt management by adopting sustainable borrowing practices, refinancing high-interest debt, and enhancing transparency in debt reporting is crucial. Managing inflation and interest rate risks through coordinated fiscal and monetary policies and encouraging domestic borrowing can mitigate financial instability. Stimulating economic growth by fostering private sector development, investing in innovation, and improving labour market policies will reduce dependency on deficit financing. Learning from international best practices and seeking financial assistance can provide strategic insights for effective debt management. Strengthening governance through transparency, independent fiscal reviews, and public engagement will ensure responsible financial stewardship.

Conclusion :

The analysis of deficit and debt trends in the 2025 budget highlights critical fiscal challenges that require immediate and long-term policy responses. The study reveals that the key drivers of the fiscal deficit include increased government expenditures, revenue shortfalls, rising debt-servicing costs, and external economic factors. While deficit spending can stimulate economic growth in the short term, its long-term sustainability is a concern due to potential risks such as inflation, rising interest rates, reduced investor confidence, and an increased debt burden on future generations.

Managing fiscal deficits and national debt effectively requires a balanced approach that prioritizes revenue enhancement, prudent expenditure management, and strategic debt restructuring. Policies aimed at improving tax compliance, broadening the tax base, optimizing public spending, and adopting sustainable borrowing practices are essential for fiscal stability. Additionally, global economic conditions and trade policies significantly influence budgetary trends, necessitating a proactive approach to mitigating external shocks.

The study also emphasizes the importance of learning from international best practices, strengthening governance, and ensuring greater transparency in fiscal policies. A well-structured fiscal framework, coupled with strong institutional oversight, can enhance the government's ability to manage public finances efficiently.

In conclusion, the 2025 budget presents both risks and opportunities. If managed wisely, deficit spending can serve as a tool for economic growth, but unchecked debt accumulation poses significant financial risks. By adopting sound fiscal policies, fostering economic diversification, and implementing responsible debt management strategies, policymakers can ensure a sustainable and resilient economic future.

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Timely and Not Proper delivery of Fertilizers, Pesticides, and Seeds to Smallholder farmers in Dhamnar Village

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Abstract :

This research examines the problems encountered by petty agriculturists in Dhamnar Village, an economically rural area which relies heavily on agriculture. The study incorporates surveys and interviews with farmers, along with participant observations to comprehend the issues faced by farmers in accessing adequate fertilizers, pesticides, and seeds.

The investigation showed that the combination of poor roads and distance created major barriers for farmers trying to access these important resources. The high rates combined with insufficient credit options further hinders them from purchasing what they require. Moreover, the absence of robust wholesalers coupled with minimal assistance from suppliers leads to significant supply lags, making farmers depend on local unreliable markets which results in the sub-optimal level of crop harvesting, increased pests, and minimized earnings. As a result, food deficits and poverty increase within the village. Unpredictable rainfall as a climate change factor also serves to strengthen the burden alters planting timings which escalates the output necessity inputs.

Farmers put in continuous efforts by saving seeds and pooling resources together, but those attempts fall short of the more pertinent issues. Some proposed alternatives encompass strategies like local supply chain improvements or forming cooperatives for bulk purchases, as well as placing orders through mobile technology.

Key Words : Smallholder farmers, Fertilizers, Pesticides, Seeds, Supply chain, Transportation, Costs.

Introduction:

This research illustrates the difficulties smallholder farmers in Dhamnar Village experience in acquiring critical agricultural inputs such as fertilizers, pesticides, and seeds. The study aims to comprehend the underlying dynamics that obstruct farmers' access to these essential resources through surveys, interviews, and field observations. In context, these resources are important for increasing farmers' productivity and enhancing their overall wellbeing.

Objectives :

1. To identify the causes due to which farmers in Dhamnar Village are finding it difficult to obtain fertilizers, pesticides, and seeds in time.
2. To determine the effects of these challenges on agricultural productivity and livelihoods of farmers.
3. To give recommendations to enhance the supply of agricultural inputs and assist farmers in the village.

Problem Statement :

Smallholder farmers in Dhamnar Village are facing the significant challenges in obtaining timely and not proper delivery of fertilizers, pesticides, and seeds. These necessary agricultural inputs are often delayed or insufficient, leading to reduced crop harvesting and financial instability for farmers. This research paper aims to investigate the ways contributing to these delivery issues and propose sustainable solutions to ensure that smallholder farmers receive the necessary inputs on time and right quantities.

Literature Review :

- **Zambia 2015:** A study on the effects of late delivery of fertilizers under the Farmer Input Support Program in Zambia found that timely delivery of inputs significantly improved maize production and technical efficiency.
- **Tanzania and Ethiopia 2012:** Research on smallholder farmers in Tanzania and Ethiopia highlighted the importance of agricultural technology adoption in improving rural household welfare and reducing poverty.

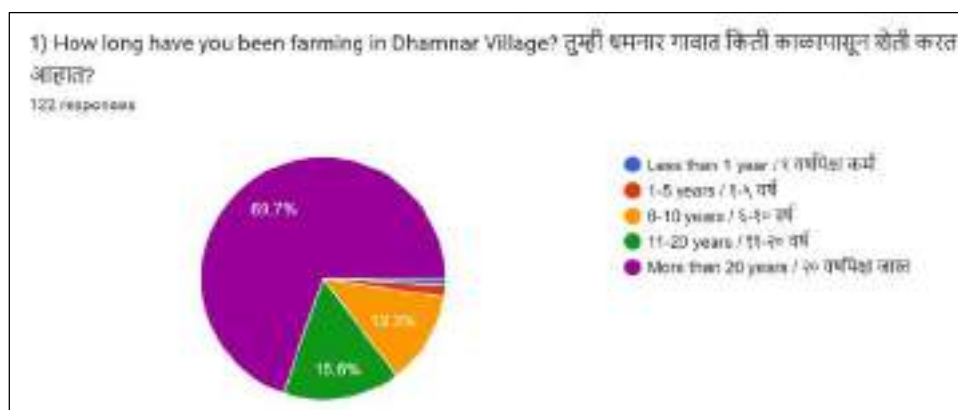
Methodology:

This research study aimed to identify the difficulties of timely and adequate delivery of fertilizers, pesticides, and seeds to smallholder farmers in Dhamnar village so the data collection is done through taking the survey of the farmers

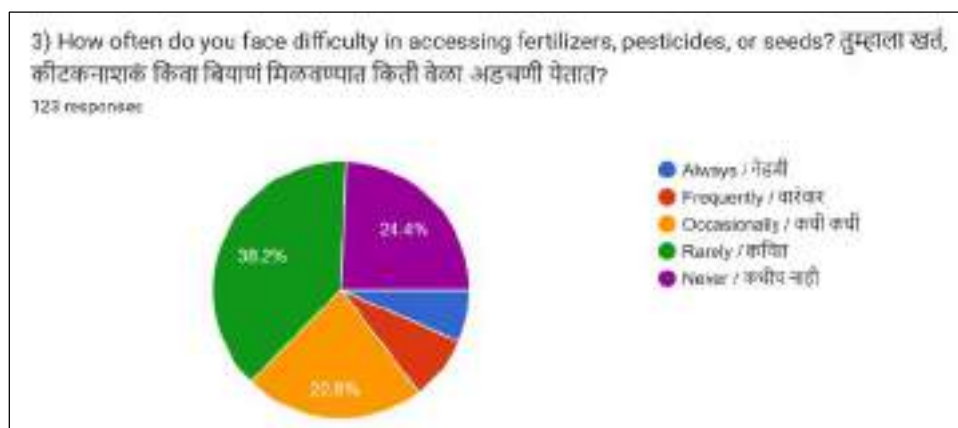
who are residential of dhamnar village. For that preparing questionnaire has made with considering the various difficulties. 121 farmers had responded to the survey through the google form.

Findings:

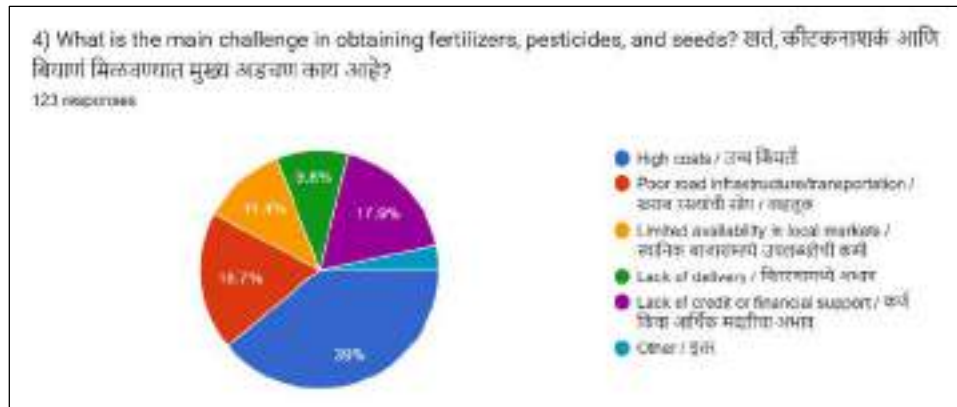
1. The majority of farmers in Dhamnar Village (69.7%) have been farming for more than 20 years, indicating a strong tradition of agriculture in the area. A smaller percentage (15.6%) have been farming for 11-20 years, while only a few (12.3%) have been farming for 6-10 years, showing a declining number of newer farmers in the village.



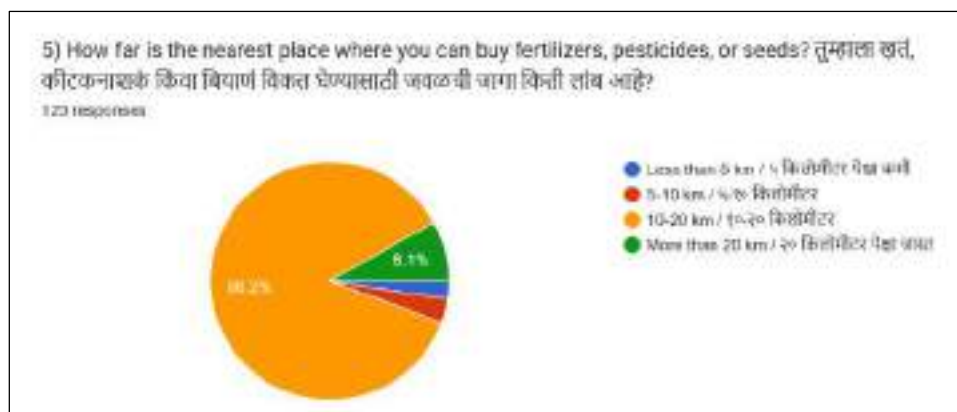
2. A significant portion of farmers (38.2%) rarely face difficulties in accessing fertilizers, pesticides, or seeds, while 24.4% never experience issues, indicating a relatively stable supply chain. However, 22.8% occasionally and 9.8% frequently encounter difficulties, suggesting that some farmers still face challenges in obtaining essential agricultural inputs.



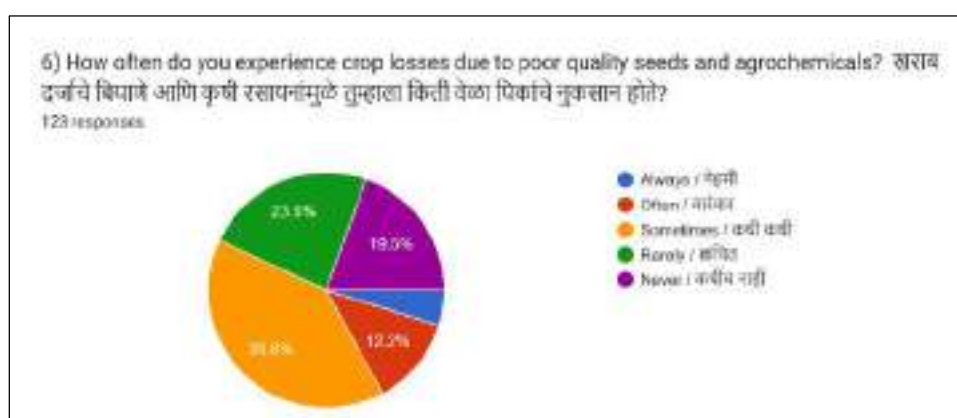
3. The biggest challenge farmers face in obtaining fertilizers, pesticides, and seeds is high costs (39%), followed by poor road infrastructure and transportation issues (18.7%). Limited availability in local markets (11.4%) and lack of financial support (17.9%) also contribute to the difficulties, indicating the need for better affordability and accessibility.



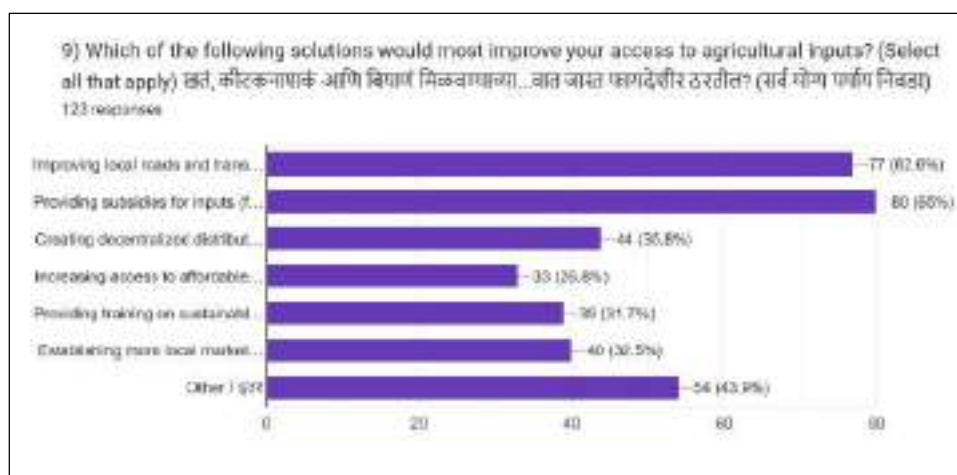
4. A vast majority of farmers (86.2%) need to travel 10-20 km to buy fertilizers, pesticides, or seeds, indicating a lack of nearby suppliers. Only a small percentage (8.1%) have to travel more than 20 km, while very few (less than 5%) can access these inputs within 10 km, highlighting the need for closer distribution centers.



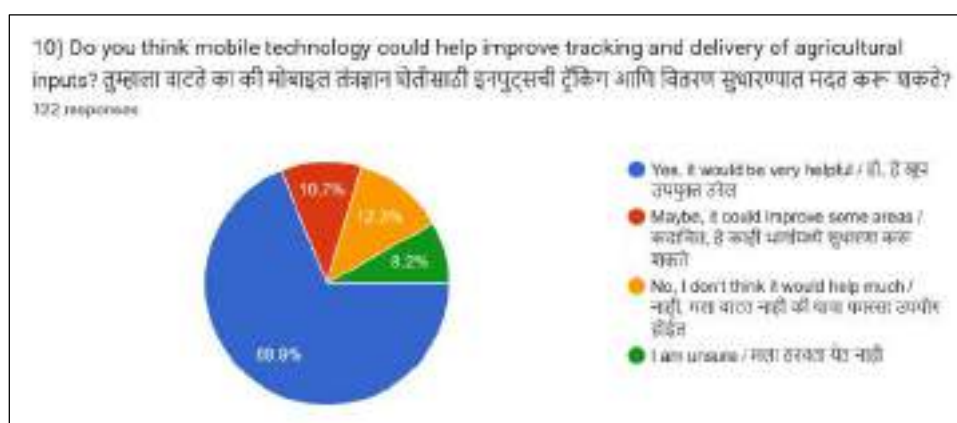
5. A significant number of farmers (39.8%) sometimes face crop losses due to poor-quality seeds and agrochemicals, while 19.5% always experience such losses, indicating a serious issue. However, 23.6% rarely face this problem, showing that quality control measures may be effective for some but inconsistent overall.



6. The most preferred solutions for improving access to agricultural inputs are providing subsidies (65%) and improving local roads and transportation (62.6%), highlighting cost and logistics as key concerns. Establishing more local markets (32.5%) and decentralized distribution centers (35.8%) are also seen as beneficial, indicating a need for better accessibility and affordability.



7. A majority of respondents (68.9%) believe mobile technology would be very helpful in improving tracking and delivery of agricultural inputs, indicating strong support for digital solutions. A smaller portion (12.3%) thinks it could improve some areas, while only 10.7% feel it wouldn't be useful, showing overall optimism towards technology in agriculture.



Impact:

Timely and adequate delivery of fertilizers, pesticides, and seeds can greatly benefit smallholder farmers in Dhamnar Village. It helps them improve crop yields by ensuring they have the right inputs at the right time. This reduces crop losses caused by poor-quality or late supplies. Farmers can plan their planting and harvesting better, leading to higher income and food security. It also lowers their costs by reducing the need for last-minute, expensive purchases. Overall, reliable access to agricultural inputs boosts productivity and improves farmers' livelihoods.

Conclusion:

Farmers in Dhamnar Village are suffering from the difficulties of obtaining fertilizers, pesticides, and seeds in time and appropriate quantity. High prices, bad roads, and absence of local markets create problems. Farmers are hoping that improved transport, and decentralized distribution points can make a difference. Mobile technology can also enhance monitoring and delivery of products to their doorsteps. In order to have improved agricultural results, these problems need to be addressed and agricultural inputs made more accessible and affordable.

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Study on the Impact of IT sector Employees Productivity due to Hybrid Work structure

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Abstract :

As hybrid work patterns gain prominence, knowledge of their influence on employee productivity has become vital. This study aims to analyze the effect that flexible work arrangements have on the efficiency, participation, and production of IT industry employees. It examines the synergy between the positives of hybrid work more independence, less commute time, better work-life balance and the negatives it poses communication breakdown, unequal distribution of workload, and digital exhaustion.

By examining employee experiences and productivity measures, this research seeks to determine what are the most important factors driving or discouraging performance in hybrid environments. The results will provide actionable insights for firms to better refine hybrid work strategies, enabling them to build a more productive, engaged, and resilient workforce amid a changing digital age.

Keywords : Hybrid, Productivity, Structure, Employees.

Introduction :

Over the past few years, the hybrid work model has been a leading workplace strategy, particularly in the IT industry, where technology facilitates flexible work environments. The move to hybrid work was in high gear during the COVID-19 pandemic, compelling companies to implement remote and flexible working policies to maintain business as usual. Although this shift started as a measure of crisis management, it has since become a long-term transformation of the workplace that provides workers with more flexibility while ensuring business efficiency. Despite its benefits, however, the hybrid work setup poses several issues that affect worker productivity, collaboration, and work-life balance.

The IT industry, being technologically driven and highly dynamic in nature, necessitates workers to undergo constant learning, innovation, and collaboration. Hybrid work allows employees more independence, saves them commute time, and increases job satisfaction, all helping to lead to better productivity. But problems including digital exhaustion, communication challenges, and unequal load distribution make managers question the validity of hybrid designs. Managers sometimes have issues of trust with their employees' productivity, creating "productivity paranoia" in the absence of a negative work product. Moreover, lack of in-person interactions can hinder knowledge-sharing, teamwork, and innovation—critical factors for the IT industry's growth.

A number of studies have investigated the effect of hybrid work on the productivity of employees, with varied results. While some scholars posit that hybrid work makes employees more efficient through the ability to work in distraction-free spaces, others point out that too much remote work causes disengagement and isolation. As organizations continue to optimize their hybrid work approaches, it is important to learn how these variables affect employee performance, engagement, and overall productivity.

This study intends to examine the strength and weaknesses of hybrid work for the IT industry, determining relevant factors that accelerate or slow employee productivity. Analyzing actual worker experiences and indicators of productivity, this research plans to offer usable recommendations for business organizations to come up with feasible hybrid work schemes that reconcile adaptability, coordination, and output in the shifting digital environment.

Literature Review :

- Bloom et al. (2021): Hybrid work increased productivity by **13%**, reduced sick leave, and improved worker satisfaction but slowed innovation.

- Choudhury et al. (2020): IT staff were **4.4% more effective** in hybrid settings, balancing home productivity with office creativity.
- Nicholas & Overton (2022): Hybrid staff completed projects **10% faster** but faced collaboration challenges.
- Wang et al. (2021): Hybrid models improve flexibility but excessive remote work can lead to loneliness and reduced collaboration.
- Microsoft (2022): **46% improvement** in flexibility satisfaction, but managers suffers from "productivity paranoia."
- Ford et al. (2021): Hybrid work supports well-being but can blur work-life boundaries, leading to extended working hours.
- Deloitte (2022): **78% of IT professionals** reported enhanced efficiency, but issues like **manager distrust** and **digital burnout** remain.
- Hybrid work boosts productivity and satisfaction but requires structured policies, digital collaboration tools, and better work-life balance management.

Research Gap :

In context of my research on "Study on the Impact of IT sector Employees Productivity due to Hybrid Work structure," the research gap could be While hybrid work models have been extensively adopted, there is little research on the long-term productivity impacts of this model. The effectiveness and efficiency of this model in the IT sector are still largely unexplored.

Absence of data in India IT Industry – Several studies have been conducted in Western countries but the research is limited on the effect of hybrid work on India IT professionals, more so, the cultural and infrastructure differences.

Problem statement :

Hybrid work model has a great influence on productivity. On the one hand, it ensures flexibility and high efficiency. On the other hand, it creates problems in terms of communication, collaboration, and performance monitoring.

This study aims to :

- Analysis of productivity of employees under the impact of the hybrid work.
- To identify key benefits and challenges.
- Assessing the Overall Impact of on Work Efficiency and Engagement

Objective :

1. To explore the impact of hybrid work structure on employee productivity.
2. To examine the effects of hybrid work structure on employee productivity.
3. To outline the benefits and challenges of hybrid work structure.

Research Methodology :

Research Methodology for Impact of Hybrid Work Structure on IT Sector Employees' Productivity The research methodology of the study on the impact of the hybrid work structure on the productivity of the employees in the IT sector is designed to be the most comprehensive. In order to conduct a comprehensive analysis, the study uses a mixed-method approach. Such an approach makes it possible to combine both quantitative and qualitative research techniques and to use them effectively to gather and analyze data. To gain a comprehensive understanding, both primary and secondary data sources are employed.

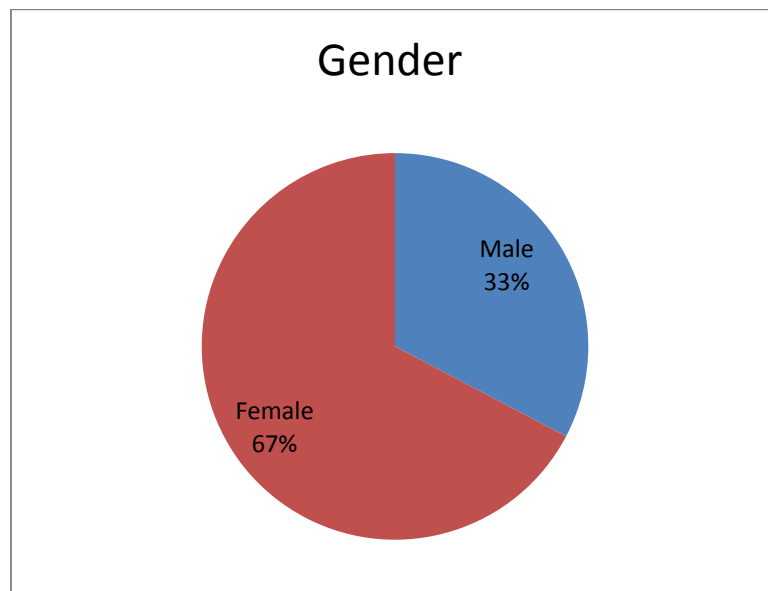
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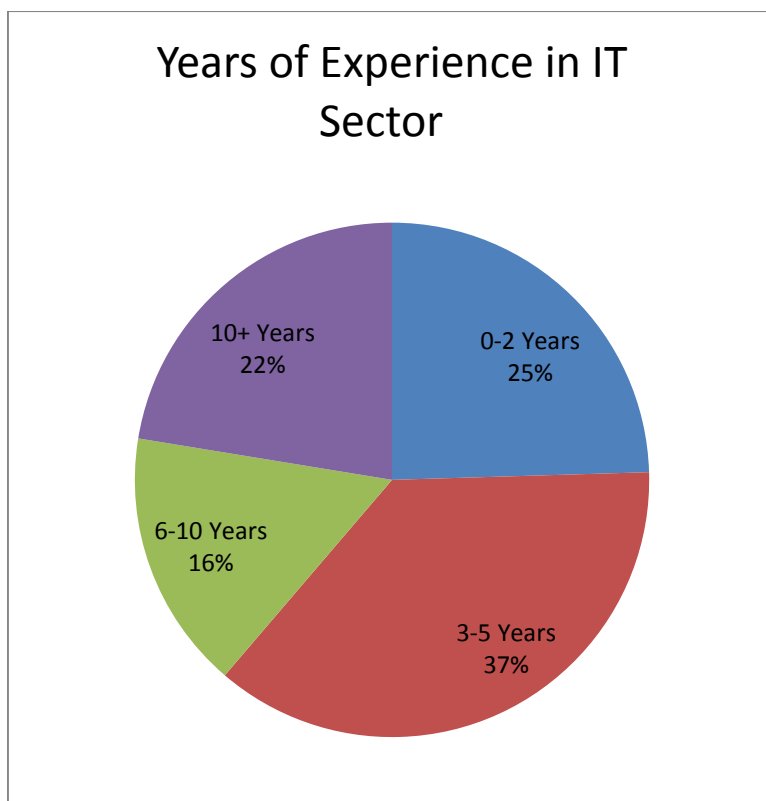
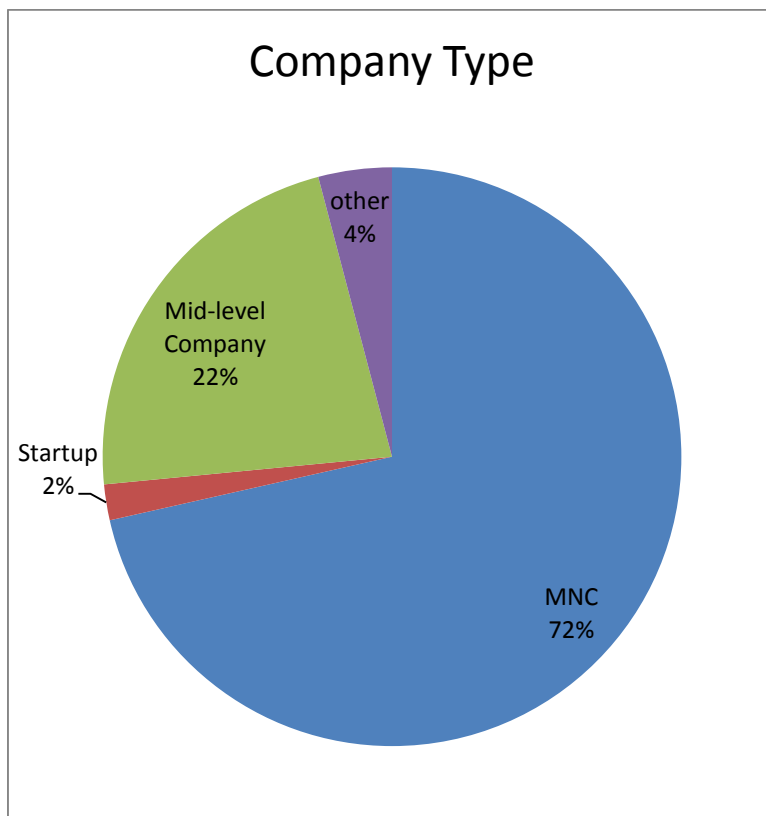
A structured questionnaire is designed and distributed to IT employees to know their current working life and the challenges they are facing and impact of hybrid work structure on their productivity. Total of 96 survey forms were received. The majority of people believe that this is personal information that should not be shared. Therefore, the data collected is based on the analysis of the IT employee's productivity, satisfaction, and stress level.

Secondary Data : Published and unpublished papers from IEEE Xplore, Elsevier, Springer, ACM Digital Library, and Google Scholar are valuable sources of information on hybrid work model, employee engagement, digital collaboration, and work-life balance.

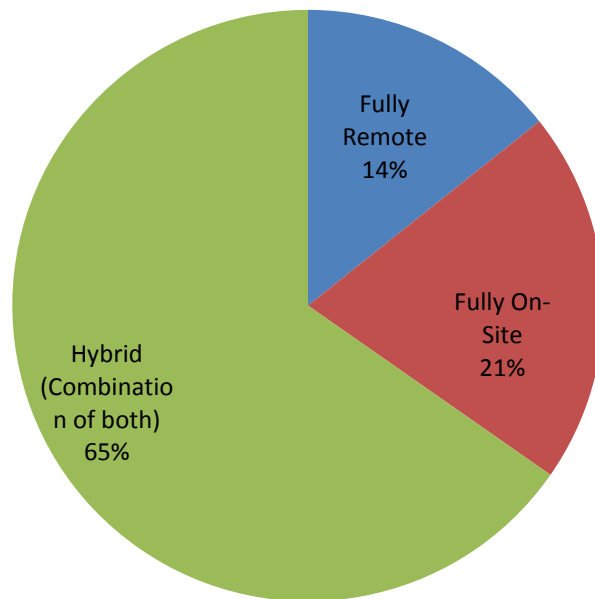
Researcher & Year	Key Findings	Challenges Identified	Recommendations	Adopted Research Methodology
Nicholas Bloom et al. (2021)	13% increase in productivity, fewer sick leaves	Innovation slowdown, reduced face-to-face interaction	Balance remote flexibility with in-office collaboration	Empirical study, productivity data analysis
Bing Wang et al. (2021)	Higher engagement, better work-life balance	Isolation when working remotely 3+ days/week	Implement structured hybrid schedules	Mixed-methods: Surveys & interviews
Raj Choudhury et al. (2020)	4.4% increase in productivity, deep work benefits	Collaboration issues in remote settings	Use a task-based hybrid model	Case study analysis, longitudinal study
Deloitte (2022)	78% of IT employees more efficient in hybrid work	Digital exhaustion, inclusivity concerns	Mental health support, asynchronous communication	Industry survey, workforce trend analysis
Nicholas & Ouston (2022)	Projects completed 10% faster	Lower team cohesion, miscommunication	Strengthen digital collaboration tools	Experimental study, project performance metrics
Microsoft (2022)	46% increase in flexibility satisfaction	37% of managers distrust remote workers	Shift to outcome-based evaluations	Internal company survey, managerial reports

Data Analysis :

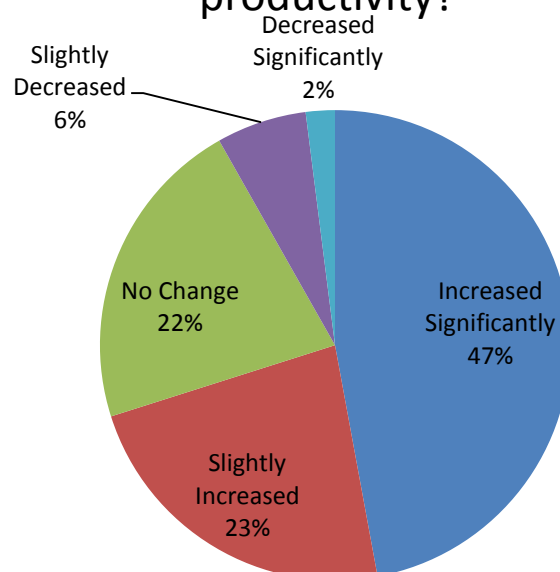




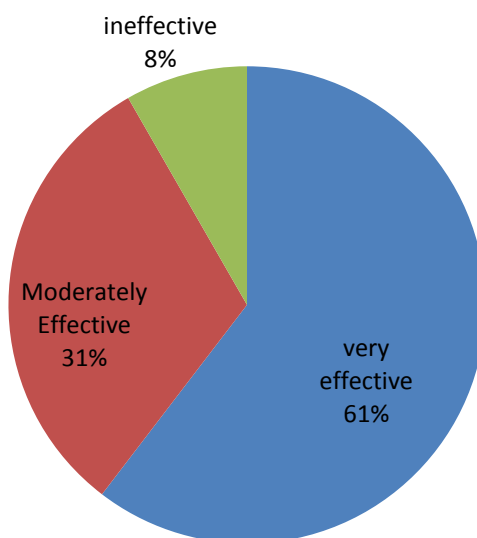
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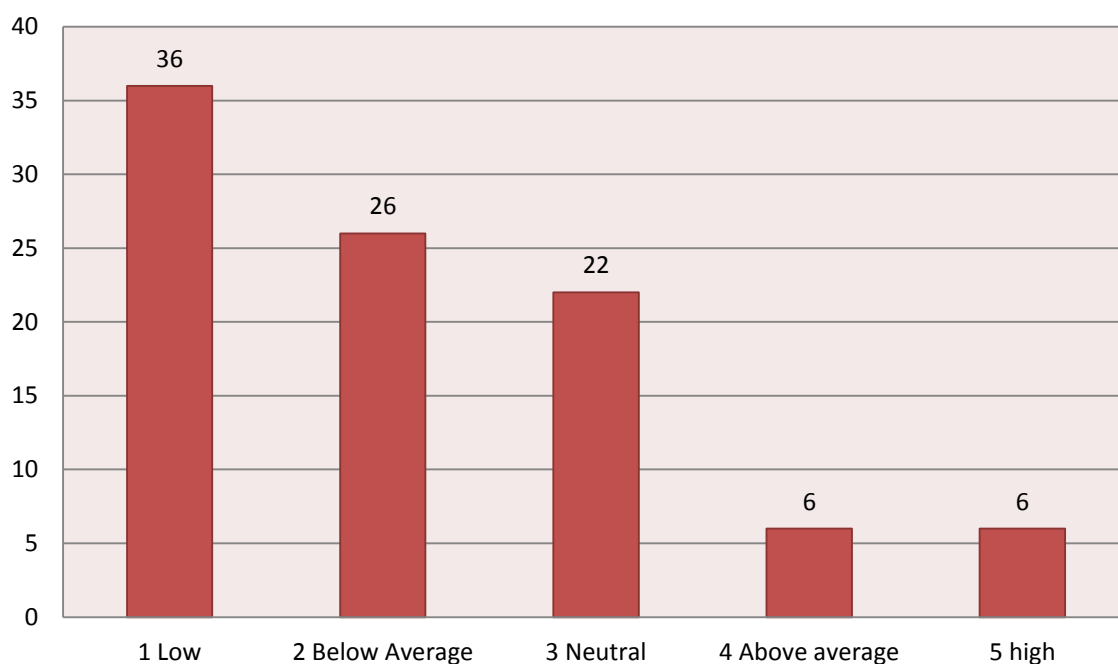
How has the hybrid work model affected your productivity?



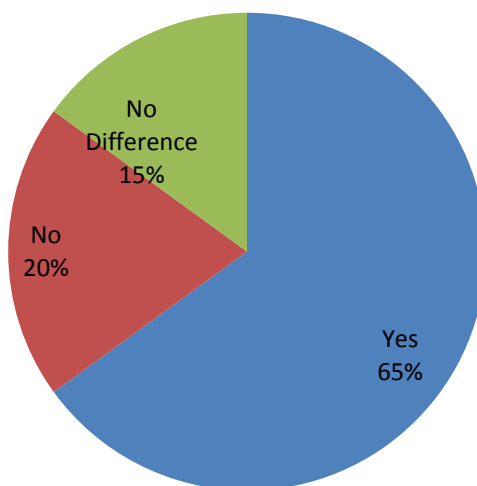
How effective is team collaboration in a hybrid setup?



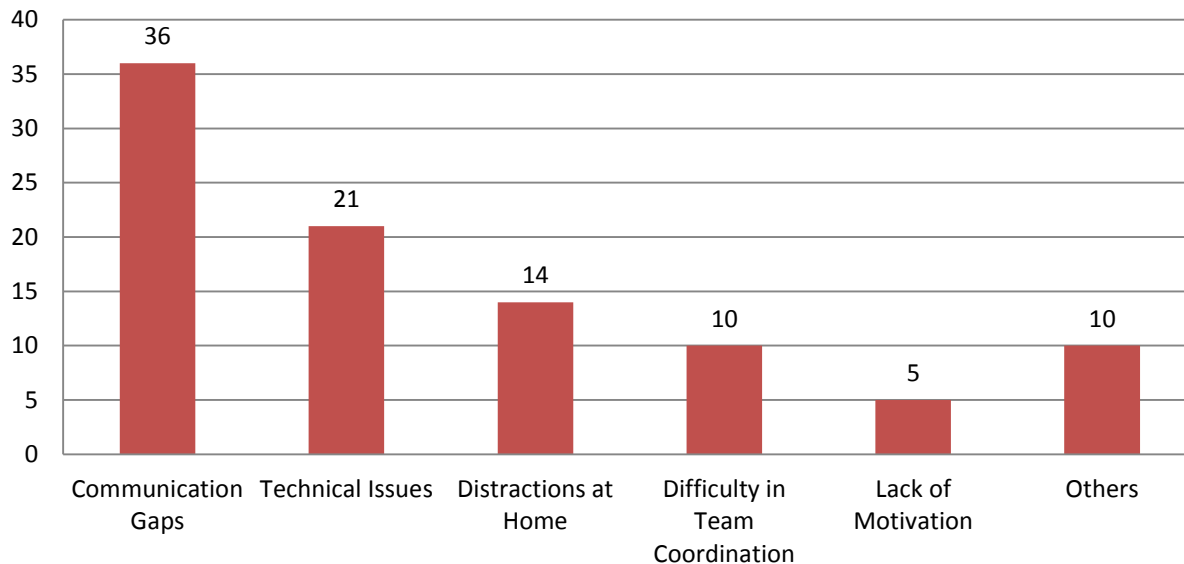
Rate your stress levels under the hybrid model (1 = Low, 5 = High):



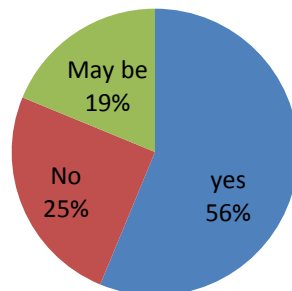
Do you feel more productive when working in hybrid?



What challenges do you face in a hybrid work environment? (Select all that apply)



Do you believe hybrid work
has a long-term positive
impact on the IT sector?



Recommendation:

On the basis of the literature review, following suggestions can maximize the efficiency of hybrid work patterns and mitigate issues that have been recognized :

1. **Hybrid Work Schedules** : Establish a formal hybrid work policy under which employees adhere to a rigid schedule (e.g., 3 days in-office, 2 days at home) to maintain flexibility as well as teamwork.
Adapt work schedules according to job types—knowledge jobs could gain more from remote work, while teamwork-based jobs could demand greater in-office hours.
2. **Building Strong Digital Collaboration Tools** : Invest in cutting-edge digital communication tools for increased remote collaboration and avoiding miscommunication. Promote usage of virtual brainstorming platforms and live project monitoring systems to further coordinate.
3. **Outcome-Driven Performance Management** : Replace the conventional hours-based tracking system with goal-centered performance measurement for enhancing productivity and trust among employees.
Engage in routine feedback systems between employees and managers to synchronize expectations and resolve difficulties.
4. **Reducing Digital Fatigue and Work-Life Conflicts** : Set definite work-life boundaries by providing rules on working hours and availability to avoid burnout. Foster frequent breaks, mental wellness support programs, and wellness activities to enhance employees' well-being.
5. **Building Manager Trust and Employee Engagement** : Implement managerial training to enable leaders to adjust to hybrid work patterns and enhance trust in remote workers. Foster team-building activities, both online and offline, to ensure team solidarity and workplace culture.
6. **Tailoring for Industry-Specific Requirements** : These tailored hybrid models should align with industry trends and evolving job demands, ensuring employees develop the necessary competencies for success in a hybrid work environment.

Conclusion :

By implementing these guidelines, organizations can reap the maximum benefits of hybrid work while reducing risks like communication breakdowns, digital exhaustion, and lack of trust. Long-term effects of hybrid models and their influence on innovation, employee well-being, and organizational performance are areas of study that should be prioritized in future research.

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Gig Employment in Tehsil Areas of Dhule District: Challenges, Opportunities, and Future Prospects

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Abstract :

The gig economy has reshaped the nature of employment across the globe, providing autonomy and different modes of work. It is well studied in metro cities but its effect in semi-urban and rural region is unexplored. Thus, this paper looks at Zomato's gig employment environment covering Shirpur and Dhule where Zomato has been rolled out and Shindkheda and Sakri springs that haven't been a part of the gig yet. The study aims to analyze the present scenario of gig employment in these taluka locations, understand the challenges of delivery partners, and find the way forward.

The study identifies major challenges such as income instability, limited or no social security, non-existence of legal protections and limited awareness of gig platforms. They also experience workplace exploitation, digital illiteracy and demand that fluctuates drastically, which makes sustainable long-term integration hard. Despite these challenges, the gig economy offers several benefits including flexible work hours, additional sources of income and youth employment. Moreover, the increasing digital infrastructure and smartphone penetration can facilitate gig-based work in these regions. The study is descriptive and analytical in nature, combining surveys and interviews with Zomato delivery partners in Shirpur and Dhule and secondary data from academic research, government reports, and industry analyses. Quantitative approaches measure income trends and working patterns, whereas qualitative analysis examines worker satisfaction and barriers to work.

The results suggest that increasing gig work provision in Shindkheda and Sakri could create economic opportunities, but would need to tackle existing barriers. Recommendations for Policies include social security schemes, digital literacy training, awareness programs, and fair wage structures. The research concludes that although Zomato has been able to create gig employment in Shirpur and Dhule, strategic interventions are required to make the gig economy more sustainable and inclusive for all taluka areas of Dhule district.

Keywords : Gig Employment, delivery partners, Opportunities, Zomato.

Introduction :

The gig economy has emerged as a prevalent work pattern of the 21st century, offering flexibility, varied work opportunities, and online platform-based jobs. It has revolutionized sectors like delivery, transport, and freelancing, making it possible for people to earn money beyond regular full-time employment. Although gig work is widely researched in urban metropolitans, its existence and influence in semi-urban and rural sectors are not well explored.

In Dhule district, which is both urban and rural-based, gig jobs are slowly picking up. Zomato and other companies have given up-and-coming delivery partners in Dhule city and Shirpur a chance but Shindkheda and Sakri are untouched by such activities. Though the flexibility and freedom of being self-employed have their advantages, gig workers encounter difficulties in terms of income uncertainty, no social security, and limited exposure to such types of work. This study purports to analyze the existing state of Zomato's gig work in Dhule and Shirpur, consider the issues related to delivery partners, and analyze the future scope for gig jobs in other taluka areas in Dhule district.

- **Gig Employment** : As defined by the International Labour Organization (ILO), 2021, "Gig work describes a labor market with flexible, short-term jobs, in which workers are hired on a temporary or freelance basis rather than through full-time contracts."
- **Gig Worker** : By the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), 2018, "A gig worker is a person who participates in earning income outside of traditional, long-term employer-employee arrangements, frequently facilitated by digital platforms."
- **Gig Economy** : By Alan B. Krueger (Princeton University Economist, 2016), "Gig economy is an employment model relying on casual and flexible jobs usually with independent laborers contracted from online platforms."

This study will offer a clear view of gig workers, particularly Zomato delivery partners, in Dhule and Shirpur and determine the potential of extending gig work to Shindkheda and Sakri.

Literature Review :

The review of literature has been done by the study of the research paper related to the study.

Sr. No.	Title	Authors	Objective	Methodology	Main Finding	Research Gap
1	A Study on the Challenges Faced by Gig Workers in Online Food Delivery	Bhuvanesh A., Dr. T.R. Kalailakshmi	To investigate the challenges faced by gig workers in India's online food delivery sector, including working conditions, income instability, safety concerns, and technological barriers.	Survey-based research on food delivery workers	Identifies precarious working conditions, income instability, safety concerns, and technological barriers.	Requires detailed data on demographics and working conditions of gig workers.
2	An Economic and Legal Analysis of Gig Economy in India and Future Growth Potentials - A Case Study of Food Delivery Platforms	Mousumi Das	To analyze the economic and legal aspects of the gig economy in India, focusing on food delivery platforms.	Mixed-method approach (quantitative and qualitative)	Discusses rapid gig economy growth, need for policy interventions, and impact on labor market.	Requires more specific data on gig workers' legal protection and employment stability.
3	Addressing Policy Gaps for Gig Workers in India: A Focus on Food Delivery Platforms	Jay Gohil, Akanksha Jha	To analyze policy gaps affecting gig workers in India and propose solutions for social security coverage.	Policy analysis and data review	Reveals low social security registration rates and proposes a Gig-Unique Account Number (G-UAN) to streamline benefits.	Needs implementation studies on proposed solutions.
4	Managing Stress in the Gig Economy: A Case Study of Zomato and Swiggy in Hyderabad	P. Venkataiah	To explore stress management strategies among gig workers in the food delivery sector, focusing on Zomato and Swiggy in Hyderabad.	Case study approach with interviews	Highlights job insecurity, long working hours, financial instability, and the need for organizational support.	Limited focus on regional variations in gig worker stress management
5	An Analysis of Gig Workers and the Challenges Surrounding	Tejaswini S, Abirami V	To analyze the challenges faced by gig workers in India, focusing on	Literature review and policy analysis	Highlights the lack of formal employment opportunities,	Needs comprehensive data on gig worker demographics and

	Their Employment in India		employment conditions, legal definitions, and social security benefits.		undefined employer-employee relationships, absence of social security benefits, and minimal legal protection.	working conditions.
6	Review of Literature on the Topic of the Gig Economy in India	Shruti Bekal ¹ , Anusha Harish ² ,	To examine the growth, opportunities, challenges, and policy implications of the gig economy in India.	Literature review and data analysis from government reports, academic studies, and industry surveys.	Analyzes the size, scope, and dynamics of the gig economy in India, its impact on the labor market, and the policy challenges and opportunities presented by the sector.	Requires empirical studies focusing on specific sectors within the gig economy to understand unique challenges and opportunities
7	Driving Factors and Career Prospects of Food Delivery Gig Workers	Rabeatul Husna Abdull Rahman, Mohd Azhar Abd Hamid,	To explore the driving factors and career prospects of food delivery gig workers.	Qualitative study using a phenomenological approach, including surveys and interviews with food delivery gig workers.	Identifies factors such as flexibility and income opportunities as drivers for gig work, but also highlights concerns about job security and career progression.	Needs longitudinal studies to track career progression and long-term satisfaction among gig workers.

Research Problem :

Even though the gig economy has grown rapidly in urban regions, its existence in semi-urban and rural areas is questionable. In Dhule district, tehsil areas are plagued by ignorance, job insecurity, poor digital access, and economic instability, which makes gig work less secure compared to cities. This research seeks to identify these gaps and find means to maximize gig work for sustainable livelihoods in Dhule's tehsil areas.

Research Objectives :

- To study the current status of Zomato's gig employment in Shirpur and Dhule.
- To identify the challenges faced by Zomato delivery partners, including income instability and lack of social security.
- To explore opportunities and policy measures for improving gig employment in Dhule district.

Significance of the study :

This study examines the gig work situation in the tehsil areas of Dhule district, specifically among Zomato delivery partners in Shirpur and Dhule. It finds challenges such as income insecurity and absence of social security while seeking opportunities for growth in Shindkheda and Sakri. The research will help in framing policy suggestions and sustainable job approaches for gig workers in rural and semi-urban regions.

Research Methodology :

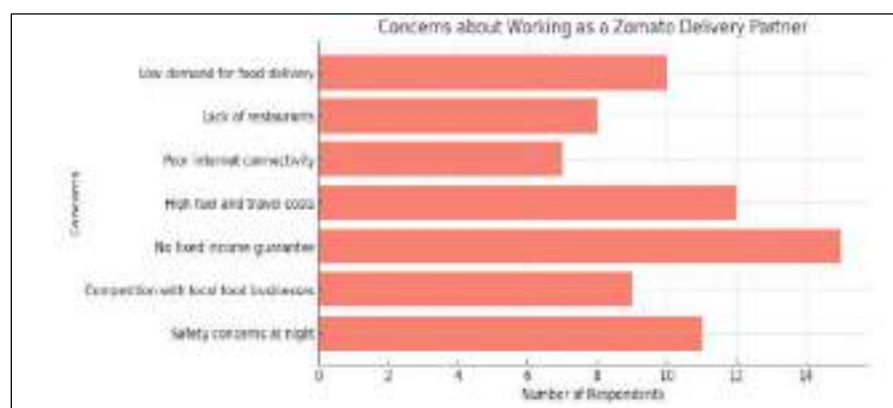
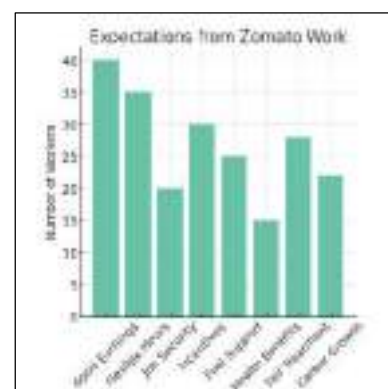
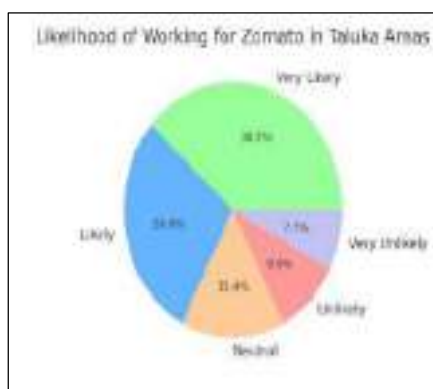
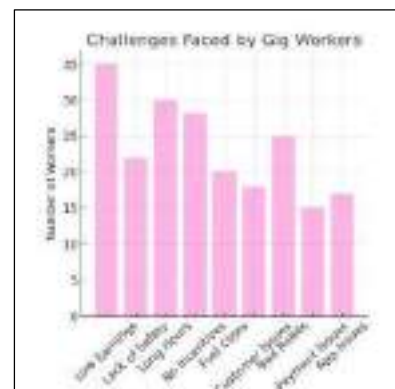
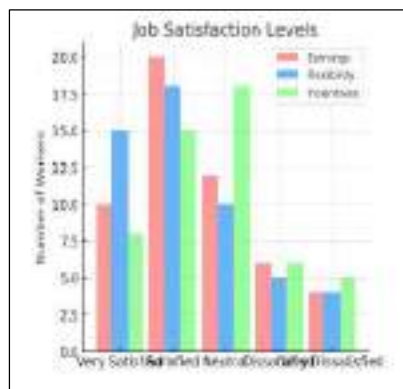
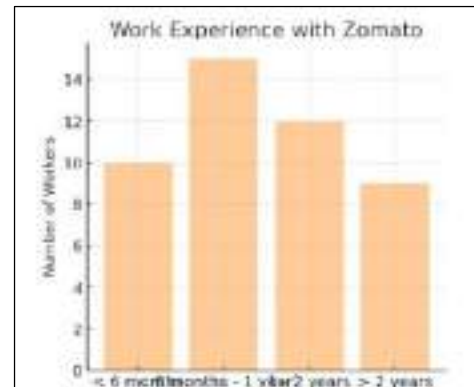
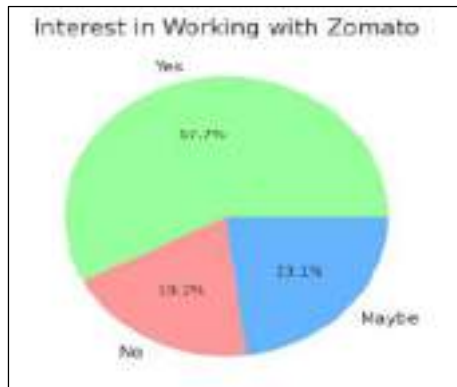
- **Descriptive and Exploratory** : Descriptive to examine working conditions, problems, and job satisfaction of Zomato delivery personnel in Shirpur and Dhule; Exploratory to study the effects of gig work and ascertain gaps in social security, stability of income, and work-life balance.
- **Sampling Technique** : Convenience Sampling.
- **Sample Size** : There are 52 Zomato delivery executives of Shirpur and Dhule covered through a questionnaire.

Data Collection :

- **Primary Data** : Data Collected from 52 Zomato delivery partners in Shirpur and Dhule through a structured questionnaire using surveys and interviews.

- Secondary Data: Data Collected from news reports, government statistics, scholarly studies, research papers, and journals of gig work trends and policies.

Data Analysis and Interpretation :



This interpretation adequately captures the graphical results, pointing out significant trends in interest, expectations, levels of satisfaction, issues, and concerns with respect to gig employment in taluka regions.

It accurately reports the majority choice for Zomato job (57.7%), identifies major expectations such as Good Earnings and Flexible Hours, and recognizes variations in job satisfaction—where flexibility is favorably accepted but earnings and incentives receive mixed responses.

The main problems of low earnings, insecurity, and excessive working hours are suitably addressed, as well as gig workers' fears regarding fixed income security and high operational expenses in rural locations. The positive job potential in taluka areas (38.5% Very Likely, 28.8% Likely) is recorded, weighed against structural factors such as weak internet connectivity and fewer restaurants.

Findings :

The survey results are presented in graphs based on the responses from 52 gig employees in Shirpur and Dhule. The graphs are given below –

- 57.7% of the respondents are interested in employment with Zomato, 23.1% are not sure (Maybe), and 19.2% are not interested.
- Good Earnings is the first expectation, followed by Flexible Hours as a key priority. Other key expectations are Job Security, Incentives, and Fuel Support, and Health Benefits, Fair Treatment, and Career Growth are lower priority but still considerable.
- Satisfaction with Earnings has a combination of answers, with the majority of employees being Satisfied or Very Satisfied, but some are Neutral or Dissatisfied. Satisfaction with Flexibility is greater than with earnings and incentives. Satisfaction with Incentives is more evenly split, with many employees being Neutral or Dissatisfied.
- The highest reported issue is Low Earnings, then there are serious issues like Lack of Safety, Long Working Hours, No Incentives, and High Fuel Costs. Other issues include Customer Issues, Bad Roads, Payment Problems, and App Issues.
- Most (38.5%) of the respondents are Very Likely to work with Zomato in taluka areas, followed by 28.8% being Likely, and 15.4% Neutral. A smaller fraction expressed indifference, with 9.6% being Unlikely and 7.7% being Very Unlikely.
- The most critical concern is No Fixed Income Guarantee, then High Fuel and Travel Costs, Competition with Local Food Businesses, Safety Issues at Night, and Low Demand for Food Delivery. Other concerns are Poor Internet Connectivity and Lack of Restaurants in Some Areas.

Suggestions :

- **Role of Zomato in Enhancing Gig Work** -Strengthen gig work through improved incentive programs with more attractive performance-based incentives, enhanced app usability and service, and creating local support hubs for direct services to delivery partners.
- **Scope for Development** -There lies business expansion and gig worker employment growth potential in Sakri and Shindkheda, offering new opportunities to Zomato and gig workers in these tehsils.
- **Policy Recommendation** - Enact a robust support system for gig workers by providing minimum assured pay, accident cover and medical care, implementing fuel reimbursement or travel allowances, and training for customer engagement to improve service standards.

Conclusion :

The research brings to light the crucial nature of gig employment in the food delivery industry, with reference to Zomato's employees in Shirpur and Dhule. Gig work may offer flexibility and earning opportunities, but delivery partners experience issues such as income insecurity, absence of social security, and stringent working conditions. Resolving these challenges through policy interventions such as minimum assured earnings, health insurance, and fuel reimbursement can improve job security and economic stability. Besides, Zomato can also contribute significantly by enhancing incentive schemes, fixing bugs, and creating local support offices. Moreover, taking gig work to newer geographies such as Sakri and Shindkheda offers scope for business expansion and development of manpower. A properly organized gig economy with right support systems can help develop a more sustainable and balanced employment pattern in the region.

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Reference Management Software: An Essential Tool for Researcher

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Abstract :

This study gives brief information about reference management tools like of Mendeley, Zotero, EndNote, JabRef, Citavi, Paperpile, BibTeX, ReadCube, RefWorks, and Docear. The study shows most useful and free tool is Zotero. For institutional researchers, EndNote and RefWorks are excellent resources. While LaTeX users, BibTeX and JabRef are indispensable. Citavi & Docear are excellent for managing big projects, whereas Paperpile is best for Google Docs users.

Introduction :

Reference Management Software (RMS) is a program that aids academics, researchers, and students in organizing, storing, and citing references for their projects, articles, and research papers. It makes gathering, organizing, and formatting bibliographic references and citations in several citation formats (such as APA, MLA, Chicago, and IEEE) easier. Appropriate citation is essential for academic writing in order to preserve credibility, prevent plagiarism, and provide credit to the original sources of information. By enabling users to save, organize, and create citations in many citation styles, reference management software streamlines this procedure. It ensures correctness and saves time by doing away with the laborious process of manually preparing citations.

Features of Reference Management Software :

- **Storage and Organization of References** References from databases, webpages, and library catalogues can be imported and stored by users. For convenience, these references can be categorized or arranged into folders.
- **Citation generation** that is automated the program reduces formatting problems by automatically creating bibliographies and in-text citations in various styles.
- **Collaboration & Sharing:** A lot of reference organizers let users work together on research projects and share references with other users.
- **Word processor integration:** The majority of solutions allow for easy citation insertion when writing by integrating with Google Docs, Microsoft Word, and LaTeX.
- **Support for PDFs and Annotations** Users can highlight content, annotate PDFs for future reference, and attach PDFs to references.

For researchers conducting study, reference management software is a priceless tool. By arranging references, automating citations, and promoting teamwork, it increases productivity. With so many tools at their disposal, users can select software that best suits their workflow and demands. Embracing such tools improves efficiency, correctness, and conformity with citation rules in academic and professional writing.

The reference management software programs Mendeley, Zotero, EndNote, JabRef, Citavi, Paperpile, BibTeX, ReadCube, RefWorks, and Docear are introduced in this study.

Mendeley :

Elsevier created this well-known academic social network and reference management program. Scholars, students, and researchers use it extensively to manage research papers, arrange references, and work together with colleagues. Research materials can be effectively stored, annotated, and cited with Mendeley. It is a useful application for maintaining bibliographic data because it supports a variety of platforms, including Windows, macOS, and mobile devices.

Advantages :

- **Free Basic Plan:** Students and researchers can use Mendeley's free version, which includes all the necessary capabilities.
- **User-Friendly Interface:** Even for novices, reference management is made easier by the user-friendly design.
- **PDF Management & Annotation:** The program allows users to store, arrange, and annotate PDFs.
- **Citation & Bibliography Generation:** Mendeley's integration with LaTeX and Microsoft Word enables users to automatically create bibliographies and add citations.

- **Cloud Syncing & accessible:** The ability to sync documents and references across several devices guarantees accessible from any location.
- **Academic Networking:** Mendeley gives researchers a place to interact, exchange publications, and work together on projects.

Disadvantages :

- **Limited Free Storage:** The 2GB of cloud storage available in the free edition might not be enough for large research collections.
- **Less Advanced than EndNote:** Mendeley offers fewer sophisticated citation management tools than EndNote.
- **Internet Dependency:** An internet connection is necessary for certain features, like cloud synchronisation.
- **Owned by Elsevier:** Because of worries about data privacy and proprietary ownership, some users favour open-source alternatives like Zotero.

Mendeley is an effective reference management application that makes collaboration, citation, and research organisation easier. When selecting a reference manager, one should take into account its drawbacks, such as limited free storage and dependence on online connectivity, even though it has numerous benefits, such cloud syncing and convenience of use.

Zotero :

This open-source, free reference management tool was created to assist scholars, researchers, and students in gathering, arranging, and referencing research resources. The Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media created Zotero, which is renowned for its adaptability, user-friendliness, and robust community. It enables users to store references straight from web pages, databases, and PDFs and functions as both a stand-alone program and a browser extension. For simple citation management, Zotero easily integrates with Google Docs, Microsoft Word, and LaTeX and supports a variety of citation styles.

Advantages :

- **Free and Open-Source:** Zotero is a great option for academics and students on a tight budget because, in contrast to some reference managers, it is totally free.
- **Simple online Integration:** By enabling users to save references straight from online sites, the browser extension streamlines the process of gathering information.
- **Supports Multiple Citation Styles:** Zotero makes it simple to format citations in accordance with journal or institutional criteria by providing thousands of citation styles.
- **Cloud Syncing and Backup:** Zotero offers cloud storage so that references can be synchronized across several devices and accessed from any location.
- **Collaboration Features:** To work together on research projects, users can establish shared libraries.
- **Offline Functionality:** Without an internet connection, users can view and manage their references using Zotero.

Disadvantages :

- **Limited Free Cloud Storage:** Researchers managing sizable PDF collections may find that the 300MB of cloud storage provided by the free edition is insufficient.
- **Less Advanced than EndNote:** Despite its strength, Zotero lacks some of the more sophisticated features found in reference managers that are paid for, such as EndNote.
- **Beginner's Learning Curve:** It could take some time for new users to get used to Zotero's capabilities and interface.
- **No integrated PDF reader** In contrast to Mendeley, Zotero lacks an inbuilt capability for annotating PDFs; instead, annotations must be done using additional applications.

For individuals seeking a free and open-source solution, Zotero is a powerful and intuitive reference management application. Many academics like it because of its excellent online integration, ease of use, and collaborative features, even though it lacks several advanced features found in premium programs and has some storage constraints.

EndNote :

Clarivate Analytics is the company behind this high-end reference management program. Researchers, academics, and professionals use it extensively to manage citations, organize references, and create bibliographies. EndNote is renowned for its sophisticated features, which include collaborative capabilities, strong reference organizing tools, and compatibility

with word processors such as LaTeX and Microsoft Word. It enables users to effectively store, annotate, and manage research materials while supporting thousands of citation formats.

Advantages :

- **Complete Reference Management:** EndNote provides strong features for labeling, searching, and organizing references in a sizable database.
- **Automatic Citation Generation:** For automatic citation and bibliography production, the program seamlessly integrates with Microsoft Word and other writing tools.
- **Cloud Syncing & Multi-Device Access:** Users may ensure accessibility from any location by syncing their reference library across numerous devices.
- **Supports a Wide Variety of reference Styles:** EndNote offers thousands of reference styles, which makes it simpler to satisfy institutional or publication standards.
- **Collaboration Features:** Research teams can benefit from EndNote's ability to share and collaborate on reference libraries across several users.
- **Advanced PDF Management:** The program allows users to highlight text, annotate PDFs, and add comments.

Disadvantages :

- **Expensive Subscription:** EndNote requires a paid subscription, which limits its accessibility for students and independent researchers in comparison to free programs like Mendeley and Zotero.
- **Steep Learning Curve:** Because of EndNote's many capabilities, novice users may initially find it hard and challenging to understand.
- **Limited Web Browser Integration:** EndNote's browser integration for saving references straight from web pages is less robust than that of Mendeley and Zotero.
- **Needs Installation:** EndNote requires computer installation, which may be difficult for those who prefer web-based solutions over cloud-based reference managers.

A robust and feature-rich reference management application, EndNote is perfect for researchers working with lengthy bibliographies. Although it provides excellent organizing and citation tools, some users may find its expensive cost, complexity, and weak browser integration to be disadvantages.

JabRef :

The main purpose of the free and open-source reference management program JabRef is to manage BibTeX and BibLaTeX references. Researchers utilize it extensively, particularly in the scientific and engineering domains where LaTeX is the system of choice for document preparation. JabRef offers a quick and easy method for linking PDFs, organizing references, and integrating with LaTeX editors. Users can import references from web databases such as Google Scholar, PubMed, and IEEE Xplore, and it supports a number of bibliographic types.

Advantages :

- **Free and Open-Source:** Because JabRef is totally free, researchers and students without financial limitations can use it. One of the greatest tools for organizing BibTeX files is the BibTeX and LaTeX Integration feature, which makes it perfect for scholars who use LaTeX for academic writing.
- **Flexible and Customizable:** Users can modify the reference fields and modify the program to suit their own requirements.
- **Import and Export Features:** JabRef makes it simple to move references from other programs by supporting a variety of import formats, such as RIS, EndNote, and XML.
- **Quick and Lightweight:** JabRef is quick and lightweight, and it functions well across a variety of operating systems, in contrast to some reference managers that demand a lot of system resources.
- **Powerful Search and Filtering Features:** Users can effectively organize, search, and filter enormous reference collections.

Disadvantages :

- **No Cloud synchronization:** JabRef requires manual backup and storage because it lacks built-in cloud storage or synchronization, in contrast to Mendeley or Zotero.
- **No Citation Plugin for Word:** Although JabRef works well with LaTeX, it does not offer smooth citation input in Google Docs or Microsoft Word.

- **Basic User Interface:** Compared to other reference managers, this one has a more contemporary and aesthetically pleasing interface, yet it is still useful.
- **Beginner's Learning Curve** It could be difficult for users who are not familiar with BibTeX to set up and navigate at first.

JabRef is an effective reference management tool, especially for LaTeX researchers. Many academics favor it because of its open-source nature, LaTeX compatibility, and effective reference structure, even though it lacks cloud storage and direct Word integration.

Citavi :

Swiss Academic Software created this reference management and knowledge organizing program. It provides tools for organizing research content and is frequently used by professionals, students, and researchers to gather, manage, and cite references. Citavi has a special knowledge management tool that lets users organize ideas, make outlines, and take notes right within the program, in contrast to many reference managers. It is a complete tool for academic writing and research work because it supports multiple citation styles and integrates effectively with Microsoft Word.

Advantages :

- **Comprehensive Knowledge Management:** Citavi offers users the ability to plan research projects, take structured notes, and arrange ideas in addition to reference management.
- **Strong Search and Organization Features:** For effective retrieval, users can organize, tag, and keyword references.
- **Easy Citation and Bibliography Creation:** Citavi's integration with Microsoft Word makes it simple for users to create bibliographies and add citations.
- **Collaboration Features:** Citavi for Teams allows several people to collaborate on a single project at once.
- **Supports Multiple Citation Styles:** It guarantees adherence to journal and academic requirements by supporting more than 10,000 citation styles.
- **Integration with Online Databases:** Library catalogs, PubMed, and Google Scholar references can all be imported by users.

Disadvantages :

- **Pricey for complete Features:** Although there is a free version, it has restrictions, and a purchased license is needed for the complete version.
- **Limited Mac Support:** Although a web-based version is available, Citavi is less usable for Mac users due to its primary Windows design.
- **Difficult for Novices:** Because of its many features, new users would need some time to become proficient with the program.
- **No Direct LaTeX Integration:** Citavi does not provide direct BibTeX/LaTeX support, in contrast to JabRef, which could be a disadvantage for LaTeX users.

Citavi is a great application for managing references, especially for scholars who need sophisticated tools for organizing their knowledge. Despite its strength and abundance of features, some users may find it too expensive, complicated, and designed with Windows in mind.

Paperpile :

For scholars, researchers, and students who mostly use Google ecosystem technologies, it is a cloud-based reference management application. Its smooth integration with Google Drive, Gmail, and Docs enables users to effectively save, arrange, and cite references. Researchers who want a straightforward, web-based solution for managing their PDFs and citations are especially fond of Paperpile. It functions fully online, removing the need to install software and allowing access from any internet-connected device, in contrast to traditional reference managers.

Advantages :

- **Smooth Google Integration:** Paperpile is perfect for scholars who use Google Drive and Docs for writing and teamwork because it integrates seamlessly with these programs.
- **Cloud-Based & Multi-Device Access:** Because it is web-based, users don't need local storage and can access their references from any device.
- **Simple Citation Management:** With a few clicks, users may create bibliographies and add citations in Google Docs.

- **Automatic PDF Management:** Paperpile downloads and arranges PDFs automatically, connecting them to the appropriate references.
- **Collaborative Features:** Groups can work together in real time on projects and share reference materials.
- **Supports Multiple Citation Styles:** Users can effortlessly format their citations in accordance with journal or institutional requirements thanks to the thousands of citation styles that are accessible.

Disadvantages :

- **Paid Subscription Needed:** After a brief trial period, Paperpile requires a paid subscription.
- **Limited Desktop & Offline Support:** Paperpile is mostly web-based and does not have strong offline capabilities, in contrast to other reference managers.
- **Lack of Microsoft Word Integration:** Users who depend on Word for academic writing will find it less handy as it does not immediately interface with Word.
- **Limited Customization Options:** Paperpile provides fewer reference management customization options than programs like Zotero or EndNote.

For users that operate inside the Google ecosystem, Paperpile is an effective reference management solution. Its monthly fee, lack of support for Microsoft Word, and restricted offline access could be disadvantages for certain researchers, despite the fact that its cloud-based architecture and Google integration make it incredibly convenient.

BibTeX :

It is a reference management application that is frequently used to organize and format bibliographic references in academic writing when used with LaTeX. BibTeX, which was created in the 1980s, enables scholars to automatically generate references in a variety of citation formats and store citation data in a structured format, especially in the fields of science, mathematics, and engineering. Rather than preparing citations by hand, users generate a .bib file with bibliographic data that can be referenced within a LaTeX work with a few easy instructions. LaTeX editors and reference management programs like Mendeley and JabRef support BibTeX extensively.

Advantages :

- BibTeX is the standard reference management system for LaTeX users, which makes it perfect for technical and scientific writing. This allows for seamless LaTeX integration.
- **Automated Citation Formatting:** Without having to reformat references by hand, users can switch between citation formats (such as IEEE, APA, and Chicago).
- **Effective for Large Projects:** BibTeX enables users to effectively maintain and reuse references across numerous documents, in contrast to manual citation techniques.
- **Supports Multiple Bibliographic Sources:** BibTeX offers flexibility by storing references from books, journal articles, conference papers, and more.
- **Plain Text Format:** Because the .bib file is a plain text file, it is portable, lightweight, and compatible with Git and other version control systems.

Disadvantages :

- **High Learning Curve:** Because BibTeX necessitates manual entry of bibliographic data and an understanding of LaTeX, novices may find it complicated.
- **Limited Support for Citation Styles:** Although BibTeX offers support for a variety of styles, more recent tools such as BibLaTeX offer greater flexibility and customization.
- **No Graphical User Interface (GUI):** Because BibTeX does not come with a GUI, users must handle references using LaTeX editors or third-party programs like JabRef.
- **Manual Data Entry Errors:** Users should make sure that .bib files are formatted correctly because errors can result in missing references or erroneous citations.

For LaTeX users, BibTeX is a robust and popular reference management system that provides academic writing automation and flexibility. However, novices may find it less approachable due to its intricacy, lack of a graphical user interface, and manual data entry requirements.

ReadCube :

It is a reference management tool made to assist scholars with reading, organizing, annotating, and referencing scholarly works. ReadCube, a cloud-based platform created by Digital Science, provides sophisticated features like improved PDF reading, automated metadata retrieval, and intelligent suggestions for relevant research. It works nicely

with Google Docs and Microsoft Word to make managing citations and creating bibliographies simple. Additionally, ReadCube offers a paid version called Papers that has more sophisticated cloud syncing and collaboration features.

Advantages :

- **Improved PDF Reader :** ReadCube comes with a built-in PDF reader that has sophisticated annotation features that let users annotate, highlight, and take notes inside of documents.
- **Smart Article Recommendations:** The program helps academics find new material by making recommendations for pertinent research papers based on the user's library.
- **Cloud Syncing & Cross-Device Access:** ReadCube allows users to access their library from a variety of devices, such as desktop computers, tablets, and smartphones, by storing references in the cloud.
- **Automatic Metadata Retrieval:** This feature minimizes human data entry by automatically retrieving citation information (title, author, journal, etc.) for uploaded PDFs.
- **Easy Citation Management:** ReadCube's integration with Google Docs and Microsoft Word makes it simple for users to format bibliographies and add citations.
- **Library Sharing & Collaboration:** This feature is helpful for group research projects since it allows users to share annotations and references with other researchers.

Disadvantages :

- **Paid Subscription Needed for Full Features:** Although there is a free version, a paid subscription is necessary to access premium features like cloud storage, sophisticated search, and collaboration.
- **Limited Free Storage:** Researchers managing sizable PDF collections may find that the free version's limited cloud storage is insufficient.
- **Not Suitable for LaTeX Users:** ReadCube's applicability in several academic domains is limited because it does not directly connect with LaTeX, in contrast to programs like BibTeX or JabRef.
- **Less Popular than Mendeley or Zotero:** Despite having good functionality, ReadCube is not as popular as rivals like Mendeley, EndNote, or Zotero.

For researchers seeking an improved reading and citation management experience, ReadCube is a feature-rich, contemporary reference manager. However, some users may find its limited LaTeX support and dependence on a paid subscription to be disadvantages.

RefWorks :

This web-based reference management tool was created to assist academics, researchers, and students in effectively gathering, organizing, and citing references. RefWorks, created by Ex Libris, offers a cloud-based platform for creating citations in many formats and managing bibliographies. Citations may be easily added while writing because to its integration with Google Docs, Microsoft Word, and other writing programs. Collaboration is another feature of RefWorks that enables users to share and collaborate on projects. RefWorks is a commonly used tool in academic research because it is accessible through many universities and organizations as part of their library services.

Advantages :

- **Web-Based & Cloud Storage:** Users don't need to install software to access their reference library from any device because RefWorks is fully online.
- **Simple Citation Management:** Because of its seamless integration with Google Docs and Microsoft Word, users may style bibliographies and add citations with ease.
- **Supports Various Citation Styles:** RefWorks ensures adherence to academic and publication norms by offering hundreds of citation styles.
- **Collaboration Features:** Users can collaborate in real time on research projects and share their reference libraries.
- **Automatic Metadata Retrieval:** It minimizes laborious data entry by extracting citation information from internet databases and PDFs.
- **Institutional Access:** RefWorks is inexpensive for academics and students because many colleges offer free access to it.

Disadvantages :

- **Subscription-Based:** Individual users could require a paid subscription, even if certain institutions provide free access.

- **Limited Offline Access:** RefWorks is web-based and requires an internet connection to work fully, which makes offline access challenging.
- **Less Flexible than Rivals:** RefWorks offers fewer integration and customization possibilities than programs like Mendeley or Zotero.
- **Beginner's Learning Curve Compared to more straightforward reference managers,** new users can require more time to become familiar with its capabilities and interface.

For users who have institutional access, RefWorks is an exceptionally useful and practical reference management tool. Although it has robust collaboration and citation tools, some academics may find its limited offline access and subscription-based business model disadvantageous.

Docear :

For academics, students, and authors, it is an open-source reference management and academic literature organization application. Docear, in contrast to conventional reference managers, combines mind mapping with reference and note management, enabling users to efficiently organize their research concepts. Because it allows them to annotate PDFs, arrange references in a hierarchical manner, and develop structured outlines for writing assignments, it is very helpful for scholars who handle vast volumes of academic literature. Docear is a useful tool for LaTeX users because it is compatible with BibTeX.

Advantages :

- **Special Mind-Mapping Feature:** Docear's mind-mapping feature enables users to effectively arrange and depict their study concepts.
- **Open-Source & Free:** Docear is an open-source application, meaning that scholars without financial limitations can use it for free.
- **Smooth BibTeX & LaTeX Integration:** Docear completely supports BibTeX reference management, making it the perfect tool for scholars utilizing LaTeX.
- **All-inclusive Research Workflow:** On a single platform, users may organize their writing, manage citations, and annotate PDFs.
- **No Limitations on Cloud Storage:** Docear does not bind users to a particular cloud provider, so they can save their data anywhere they choose, in contrast to programs like Mendeley or Paperpile.
- **Effective Literature Management:** By classifying references and notes in an orderly fashion, Docear assists scholars in effectively managing a substantial quantity of them.

Disadvantages :

- **Complex User Interface:** Novices may find the software's sophisticated features and hierarchical structure daunting.
- **No Direct Microsoft Word Integration:** Docear is less practical for users who do not use LaTeX because it does not provide seamless citation management in Microsoft Word, in contrast to Mendeley or Zotero.
- **Limited Cloud synchronization:** Docear customers must manually maintain their backups because it does not have integrated cloud storage or synchronization.
- **Slower Development & Updates:** Unlike commercial reference managers, Docear is an open-source, free product that does not receive regular updates or customer support.

For researchers who require a sophisticated, organized method for handling scholarly literature, Docear is an effective tool. For LaTeX aficionados, its mind mapping and BibTeX compatibility make it perfect, but not everyone will find its complicated interface and lack of direct Word integration appealing.

Conclusion of Study:

The following table compares key features of Mendeley, Zotero, EndNote, JabRef, Citavi, Paperpile, BibTeX, ReadCube, RefWorks, and Docear based on various criteria.

Feature	Mendeley	Zotero	EndNote	JabRef	Citavi	Paperpile	BibTeX	ReadCube	RefWorks	Docear
Platform	Desktop, Web	Desktop, Web	Desktop, Web	Desktop	Desktop, Web	Web-based	Desktop (LaTeX)	Desktop, Web	Web-based	Desktop

Cost	Free & Paid	Free	Paid	Free	Free & Paid	Paid	Free	Free & Paid	Paid	Free
Cloud Sync	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Collaboration	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
PDF Annotation	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Citation Styles	Many	Many	Many	Many	Many	Many	Many	Many	Many	Many
Integration	Word, LaTeX	Word, Google Docs, LaTeX	Word	LaTeX	Word	Google Docs	LaTeX	Word	Word	LaTeX
Best for	General research, collaboration	Open-source users, diverse citation styles	Advanced researchers, institutions	LaTeX users	Organizing large projects	Google Docs users	LaTeX users	Enhanced reading	Institutional access	LaTeX + mind mapping

Opinion :

Best As a whole: Zotero It is simple to use, open-source, free, and compatible with Word, Google Docs, and LaTeX. For the majority of researchers, it is perfect.

Ideal for Use in Institutions: Universities and research institutions use EndNote & RefWorks because of its strong cooperation and citation management capabilities.

The best tools for LaTeX users are BibTeX and JabRef; these are ideal for scholars writing in LaTeX, but they are not easy for regular users to use.

Ideal for Users of Google Docs: Paperpile: a premium subscription is necessary, yet it integrates seamlessly with Google Docs.

Ideal for Highly Organized Environments: For those who wish to organize and oversee extensive research projects, Citavi & Docear are excellent resources.

Best for managing PDFs and reading: ReadCube: This tool is perfect for academics who want to improve their reading and annotation skills but don't have extensive support for citation styles.

Final Verdict :

The most useful and free tool is Zotero. For institutional researchers, EndNote and RefWorks are excellent resources. While LaTeX users, BibTeX and JabRef are indispensable. Citavi & Docear are excellent for managing big projects, whereas Paperpile is best for Google Docs users.

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Her Pain- No One Knows: Assessing Level of Awareness

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Abstract :

Menstruation is a normal biological process, yet in many societies it is shrouded in stigma and misinformation.

This research study, "Her Pain- No One Knows: Assessing Level of Awareness, and misconceptions about menstruation among students.

Current era is of full of professional demands. It includes outcome based higher expectations. Each have face combination of multidisciplinary challenges. Therefore, it is hard to maintain mind-set and calm. Especially in the situation of menstruation is going on in female students that time is crucial to boost performance if get proper support by surrounding students and students it need open mind set to develop collectively. This broad environment and mentality is possible when the awareness level is increase by when students prefer free conversation on the topic of menstruation. This process may detect the misconceptions and misunderstands too to remove.

Using survey form and personal interviews, I assess awareness level. This finding gaps in menstrual education, cultural taboos, and their impact on females' health. The study emphasizes the need for comprehensive menstrual education to promote awareness and better support to female.

Keywords : Menstruation, Awareness, Academic performance, Students.

Introduction :

I observed surrounding and I discussed with surrounding students about periods/menstruation, so I get to know that there is lack of awareness about menstruation, and then I decided to study on awareness of periods among the students.

The aims to evaluate the level of awareness, understanding and perceptions of students have about menstruation.

By assessing their knowledge, identifying common misconceptions and the program seeks to bridge the gap between awareness and empathy.

The goal is to increase a supportive environment where menstruation is recognized as a normal biological process, free from shame and taboo and encourage students to be more understanding, respectful, and empathic towards female.

Problem Statement: "Lack of Awareness among the students."

Literature Review:

Academic performance affects due to problem of menstruation :

1. **Prativa Nyaupane, Sonu Thapa (2024):** Present the paper of Exploring effect on female students' academic performance. How positive or negative outcome author has seen while doing the study depend on the awareness level about menstruation.
2. **Nileshwari H Vala, Nimishaben J Parmar, Ashvin M Sorani (2022):** Present the paper the menstrual symptoms have major effect on academic performance of students. Support to female students during the menstrual period may improve their academic performance author has seen while doing the study depend on the impact of menstruation on female students.

Objectives :

1. To analyse the awareness level about menstruation.
2. Identify misconception.

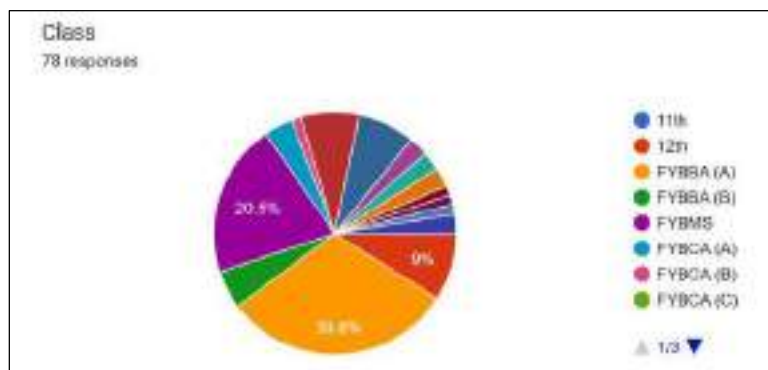
Research Methodology :

Primary Data: The study was collected through google forms, personal interviews, observation. The Google form consist of 17 questions in which 11 questions are close ended questions and 6 questions are open ended to ensure consistency in responses. The convenience sampling method was used to spread survey link through social media platform. In this the data is considered of 78 responded. the personal interviews were conducted to get real data it includes open discussion.

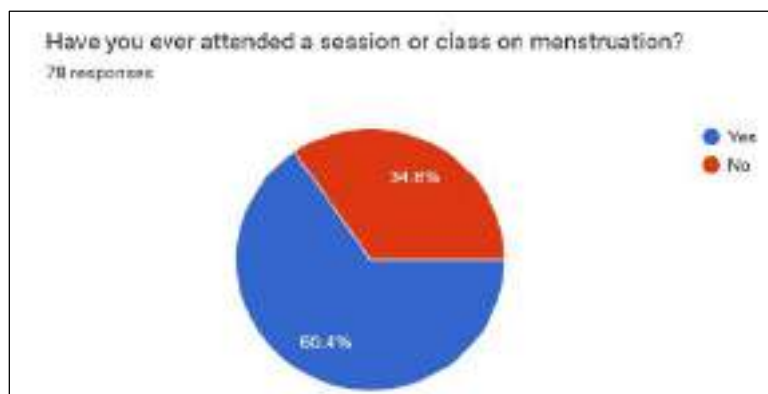
Secondary Data: The study also collected through articles, and research paper.

Findings :

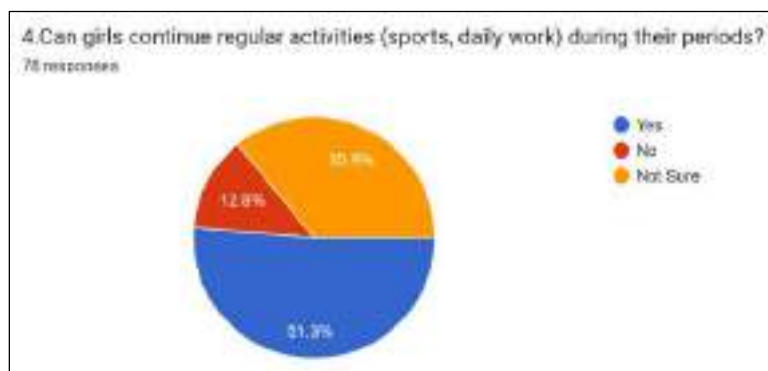
1. In total 78 responded, a student from various stream students has responded as below. It includes the level of graduation first, second, third year, before bachelor's degree students also responded in this survey.



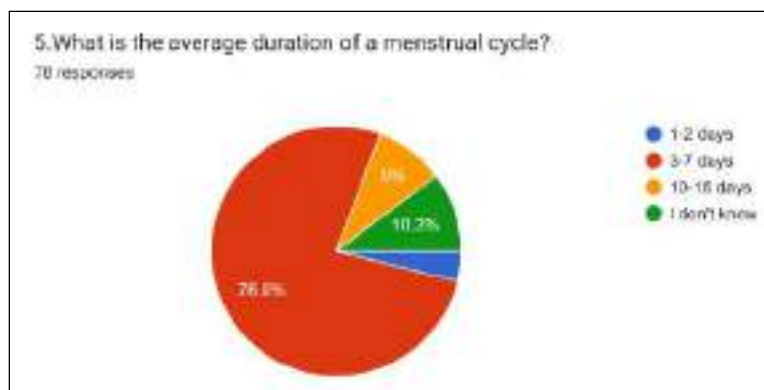
2. On second question 65.4% students has responded they have attended the session on menstruation already and 34.6% students don't have attended any session on menstruation.



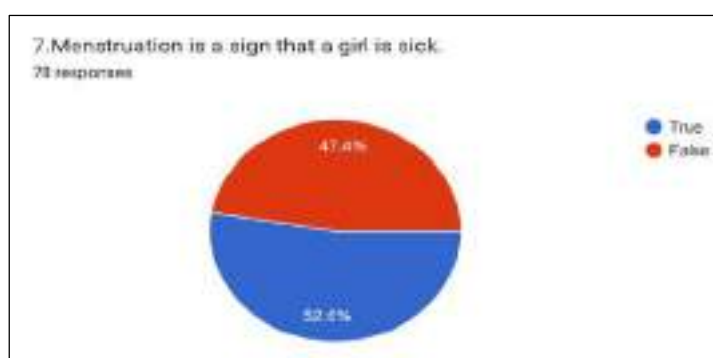
3. Regarding the enthusiastic performance of girls 51.3% students responded Yes. 35.9% and 12.8% students responded to No and Not Sure.



4. Towards finding awareness level, 76.9% students are responded that 3-7 days of menstruation cycle. 3.8% and 9% have responded 1-2 days and 10-15 days respectively. 10.3% students don't know the duration of menstruation cycle.



5. Towards identifying the misconception, 52.6% responded menstruation is a sign a girl is sick. 47.4% responded it is false.



6. How do you feel when menstruation is discussed in class or among friends?
 This is open ended short question, to which 32.1% student respond denied discussing topic publicly. The rest of the students are ready to open discussed.
7. Do you think menstruation should be openly discussed in school, collages? Why or why not?
 This is open ended question, finds unique answer
 “No because menstruation is a period where it only occurs in teenage girls and adult women and also another reason it raises concerns about their self-respect.”
 “I don't sure but menstruation should not openly be discussed in school, college because some female feels uncomfortable talking about problem.”
 “No because some boys ha joke passing of period”
 “Personal things”
8. What kind of expectations female students expected from the male students?
 In this open-ended question, Girl expected the mutual support on academic place regarding menstruation problem.

Discussion :

As per the finding, Students awareness level is average although they have attended the awareness session which they mentioned in from answers. Regarding enthusiastic performance 51.3% students replied yes to do activity like sports and daily work fluently during menstruation but the highlighted points is 35.9 & 12.8% students still not sure to answer. 23.1% students are don't know How many days does menstrual bleeding usually last? On average, menstrual bleeding last around 3 to 7 days, but it may be vary person to person. Not sure or not knowing the duration of menstrual bleeding it seems like lack of basic knowledge or awareness about menstruation. This gap in knowledge may be due to lack of open discussion among students or lack of education. A 52.6% of students believe that menstruation is a sickness in the female, which shows extensive misconception. Menstruation is not sickness; it is natural biological process with 28 days of complete cycle. This misconceptions can lead to embarrassment, discomfort for female who menstruate. It can also prevent open discussion among students.

Conclusion :

The findings show that while students have some awareness of menstruation, misconception and knowledge gaps remain. The Research seems like students does not have proper and basic knowledge about menstruation. Although this percentage looks small in numbers but, it can create many problems in the society regarding menstrual health. It's time to discuss openly in the society about menstruation to reduce discomfort, taboo, shame, and misconception, etc.

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A Study of Sourcing Strategies, Recruitment Efficiency, and Candidate Tracking Through Secondary Data Analysis

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Abstract :

This study examines the effectiveness of modern talent acquisition strategies, focusing on sourcing channels like job portals, social media, employee referrals, and AI-driven tools. It evaluates recruitment efficiency through metrics such as time-to-hire, cost-per-hire, and quality of hire, highlighting the impact of Applicant Tracking Systems and digital recruitment solutions in streamlining workflows. By analyzing industry reports, case studies, and best practices, the research offers insights to help HR professionals optimize recruitment strategies for improved efficiency and hiring success.

Keywords : Talent Acquisition, Sourcing Strategies, Recruitment Efficiency, Applicant Tracking Systems ,Hiring Success.

Introduction :

Recruitment is a fundamental aspect of human resource management, directly impacting an organization's ability to achieve its strategic goals. An effective recruitment process ensures that the right talent is identified, engaged, and onboarded efficiently, contributing to improved organizational performance. The recruitment process involves multiple stages, including sourcing, screening, interviewing, selection, and onboarding. Each stage plays a vital role in ensuring that the organization attracts candidates whose skills, experiences, and cultural values align with its objectives. This research paper focuses on three critical components of recruitment: sourcing strategies, recruitment efficiency, and candidate tracking systems. By analyzing secondary data from industry reports, academic research, and case studies, the study aims to provide a detailed understanding of how organizations can enhance their recruitment practices.

Objectives :

- i. To analyze various sourcing strategies and their effectiveness in different organizational contexts.
- ii. To evaluate recruitment efficiency through key performance indicators such as time-to-hire, cost-per-hire, and quality-of-hire.
- iii. To assess the role of candidate tracking systems in improving recruitment processes.
- iv. To provide practical recommendations for HR professionals to optimize recruitment strategies.

Research Methodology:

- i. **Design:** Descriptive research using secondary data analysis.
- ii. **Data Sources:** Industry reports, academic publications, case studies, and recruitment software metrics.
- iii. **Approach:** Evaluation of sourcing strategies, recruitment efficiency, and effectiveness through quantitative and qualitative data analysis.
- iv. **Descriptive research design:** Descriptive research design was selected to achieve the stated objectives. Research studies are those, which are concerned with describing the characteristics of a particular individual, or group on determining the relationship between the variables as to be measured descriptive research design was selected. The objective of the descriptive design is to answer the “who”, “what”, and “how” of the subject under investigation. Descriptive research is well structured. Primary data is chosen for data analysis For This study, the research design used is descriptive. This kind of research will help us to establish the reasons, factors and what are the retention strategies which will help to retain the employee.

Sourcing Strategies:

i. Definition:

Sourcing strategies refer to systematic methods used by organizations to identify, attract, and engage potential candidates for job vacancies.

ii. Categories of Sourcing Strategies:

a. Traditional Methods:

- i. **Job Fairs:** Ideal for bulk hiring, especially in manufacturing and retail sectors. Success rate: 25% for entry-level roles.
- ii. **Print Advertisements:** Suitable for specific demographic reach; limited targeting capability; conversion rates between 5-10%.
- iii. **Campus Recruitment:** Engages fresh graduates, providing access to emerging talent. Contributes to 30% of entry-level hires annually.

b. Modern Techniques:

- i. **Social Media Recruiting:** Utilizes platforms like LinkedIn, Facebook, and Instagram. Over 70% of recruiters use these channels (Source: SHRM, 2024).
- ii. **Online Job Portals:** Sites like Indeed and Glassdoor account for 60% of total job applications (Source: Jobvite, 2024).
- iii. **Professional Networks:** Specialized forums enhance niche talent acquisition by 15%, offering direct access to industry experts.

iii. Evaluation Criteria:

Sourcing Method	Cost Effectiveness	Reach & Engagement	Quality of Candidates
Job Fairs	Moderate	High	Medium
Print Advertisements	Low	Medium	Low
Campus Recruitment	High	High	High
Social Media Recruiting	Very High	Very High	High
Online Job Portals	High	Very High	High
Professional Networks	High	Medium	Very High

iv. Advanced Sourcing Techniques:

- a. **Recruitment Marketing:** Enhances brand visibility by 40%, using targeted campaigns to attract top talent.
- b. **Talent Pooling:** Builds a database of potential candidates, reducing time-to-hire by 20%.
- c. **Employer Branding:** Strong branding attracts 50% more qualified candidates (Source: LinkedIn, 2024).

Recruitment Efficiency :

i. Definition :

Recruitment efficiency measures how effectively an organization manages its recruitment processes to achieve optimal hiring outcomes within specific timeframes and budgets.

ii. Key Performance Indicators :

- a. **Time-to-Hire:** Indicates the time taken from the job posting to the candidate's acceptance of the offer. The industry average is 24 days, but efficient strategies can reduce this to 18 days, reflecting a 25% improvement.
- b. **Cost-per-Hire:** Represents the total recruitment costs (advertising, recruiter fees, administrative costs) divided by the number of hires. By adopting advanced recruitment tools and methods, costs can be reduced from \$4,000 to \$3,200 per hire, achieving a 20% cost reduction.
- c. **Quality-of-Hire:** Evaluated by measuring new hire performance, retention rates, and the impact on business outcomes. Using data-driven selection methods enhances quality-of-hire by 20%, contributing to better organizational performance.

iii. Strategies to Enhance Recruitment Efficiency:

- a. **Process Automation:** Automates repetitive tasks such as resume screening and interview scheduling, reducing manual workload by 50%. Automation tools like ATS improve process accuracy and speed.

- b. **Recruitment Software:** Tools such as Workday and Zoho Recruit enhance efficiency by managing candidate databases, automating workflows, and providing analytics for decision-making.
 - c. **Effective Communication:** Streamlines interactions with candidates through automated responses, regular updates, and clear expectations, leading to a 15% increase in offer acceptance rates.
 - d. **Data Analytics:** Uses KPIs to monitor recruitment performance, identify bottlenecks, and optimize processes to achieve consistent and measurable improvements.
- iv. **Challenges and Solutions:**

Challenge	Solution	Expected Outcome
Long Hiring Cycles	Implement automation	20% faster hiring process
High Turnover Rates	Improve job role alignment and communication	10% increase in retention
Inconsistent Processes	Standardize interview and selection criteria	Enhanced fairness and efficiency

Findings :

- i. Sourcing strategies using modern methods like social media and job portals lead to a 30% improvement in recruitment efficiency.
- ii. Recruitment efficiency improves significantly with automation, reducing administrative tasks by 50%.
- iii. Advanced CTS/ATS systems enhance candidate engagement by 25%, contributing to better recruitment outcomes.
- iv. The use of data-driven approaches in recruitment aligns hiring practices with organizational goals and market demands.

Conclusion :

A strategic approach to recruitment, integrating advanced sourcing strategies, optimized recruitment efficiency, and robust candidate tracking systems, is crucial for successful talent acquisition. By leveraging modern technologies and data-driven methodologies, organizations can enhance their recruitment processes, reduce costs, and improve the quality of hires. Efficient sourcing methods such as social media and professional networks, combined with automation tools like CTS/ATS, contribute significantly to achieving recruitment goals.

Overall, the adoption of innovative recruitment practices provides a competitive advantage in attracting and retaining top talent. HR professionals should focus on continuous improvement and adaptability to remain effective in the evolving job market. As the competition for talent intensifies, those who prioritize recruitment efficiency and technology-driven strategies will position their organizations for long-term success.

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Optimize Waste Management Using an IoT-Based Control System

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Abstract :

Many individuals discard waste in a specific area, and when it accumulates, they cover it with soil to repurpose the land for other uses. However, the waste remains, causing the spread of diseases and environmental degradation. People's negligence is leading to severe ecological damage, making it impossible to sustain a healthy lifestyle. Pollution in various forms such as air, water, and soil is escalating, affecting both human and animal life. To protect future generations and preserve a healthy planet, it is essential to address this problem. Despite the harmful consequences, public awareness regarding proper waste management remains insufficient. This research proposes a technology-driven solution utilizing Internet of Things (IoT) based systems to minimize human involvement and foster a culture of responsibility and organization in waste disposal. By implementing automated solutions, we aim to enhance public awareness and promote sustainable practices, ensuring a cleaner, healthier environment for all.

Introduction :

Improper waste disposal has become a major environmental problem, contributing to the spread of diseases and the destruction of natural ecosystems. Many people dispose of trash in certain areas, often burying it under soil when it accumulates, and then using the space for other purposes. However, the waste remains in the environment, leading to long-lasting health risks and damage. This careless behaviour — by individuals and communities—worsens pollution in our water bodies, soil, and land, posing serious threats to both human and animal health. The growing environmental crisis highlights the urgent need for a disciplined and sustainable approach to waste management.

Waste disposal in rivers, lakes, and public land remains a significant issue. These areas are often used as dumping grounds, resulting in polluted water, harm to aquatic life, and the degradation of landscapes. Despite the severe consequences, there is a lack of awareness and accountability regarding proper waste disposal. Improper waste segregation and disposal practices worsen environmental damage, leading to polluted ecosystems and deteriorating public health.

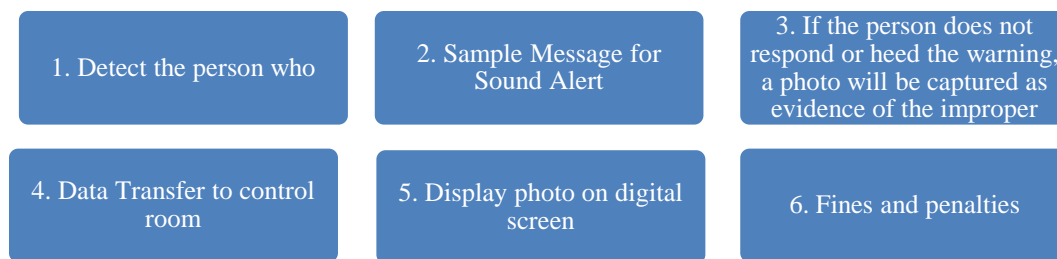
This paper proposes a technology-driven solution using the Internet of Things (IoT) combined with advanced technologies, such as human face detection, to reduce human intervention and promote responsible waste disposal. The goal is to identify individuals who improperly dispose of waste, holding them accountable for their actions. By integrating a human face detection model, the system can track and record the faces of those involved in illegal dumping, raising awareness and encouraging responsible waste management practices.

Through the implementation of this automated waste management system, the objective is to reduce pollution, improve cleanliness in public spaces and water bodies, and foster a culture of environmental responsibility. By using technology to monitor waste disposal and identify offenders, this research aims to protect the long-term health of our ecosystems, paving the way for a cleaner, healthier, and more sustainable future.

Objective :

- To system aims to detect and identify individuals who are improperly disposing of waste, particularly in unauthorized areas, ensuring they are held accountable for their actions.
- To helps authorities enforce waste disposal laws by identifying offenders and potentially issuing fines or warnings to discourage improper disposal.
- To tracking and identifying those who dispose of waste incorrectly, the system raises awareness about the importance of responsible waste management and environmental protection.
- To system contributes to cleaner public spaces by detecting and addressing improper garbage disposal, helping reduce littering and pollution in the environment.
- To serves as a deterrent to improper waste disposal, motivating people to follow regulations and play a role in maintaining a cleaner and more sustainable environment.

Methodology :



Key Components of the System :

- **Sensors:** To detect the presence of garbage and identify if it's being disposed of improperly, especially in unauthorized areas.
- **Cameras:** High-definition cameras to capture images of individuals who are throwing garbage in wrong locations.
- **Sound Sensors:** Detect sounds that might indicate improper disposal actions (e.g., trash bags being dropped in unauthorized locations).
- **Control Room Interface:** A central control room where operators can view real-time photos and data captured by the system.
- **Digital Screens:** Public digital screens in the monitored area to display photos of offenders and notify the public of the consequences of improper disposal.
- **Data Storage:** Cloud-based storage to save the images and data for future reference, enforcement, and evidence.

Methodology of Operation

Step 1: Detection of Improper Disposal

- **Sensor Activation:** The system's motion and presence sensors monitor areas designated for garbage disposal. If garbage is detected outside of these areas (e.g., in unauthorized zones), it triggers the system.
- **Sound Detection:** The sound sensors are set to detect unusual sounds like trash bags or containers being thrown or dropped. When the sensor detects a sound that corresponds with improper disposal, it activates the camera.

Step 2: Image Capture

- **Camera Trigger:** When the sensor or sound sensor detects improper behaviour, the camera automatically captures images of the individual.
- **Facial Recognition (Optional):** Advanced systems may include facial recognition software that identifies individuals, if applicable, to assist in identifying offenders.
- **Timestamp and GPS:** Every photo taken will have a timestamp and GPS coordinates embedded to ensure it is accurate and traceable.

Step 3: Data Transfer to Control Room

- **Instant Upload:** Once the photo is taken, it is automatically uploaded to a central server or cloud-based system and sent to the control room in real-time for review.
- **Alert System:** The system sends an alert to the control room operators with details (location, timestamp, image, and incident type) of the detected violation.

Step 4: Display Photo on Digital Screen

- **Public Display:** The system will have public digital screens in the area displaying the captured image of the offender (if applicable, with blurred faces for privacy, if needed) as a warning to others. A message indicating the violation and a reminder of the penalty will also be displayed.
- **Anonymity:** Depending on local laws, personal information can be blurred or anonymized to protect privacy. If not allowed, only the image and violation details will be shown.

Step 5: Fines and Penalties

- **Fine Calculation:** Based on the severity of the violation, the system will calculate the fine based on pre-set rules.

- **Automated Fine Notification:** A notification will be sent to the individual's registered address or phone number, including the fine amount and instructions on how to pay the fine.
- **Manual Review (if necessary):** If there's any uncertainty or challenge, the image and data can be reviewed manually by the control room team before issuing the fine.

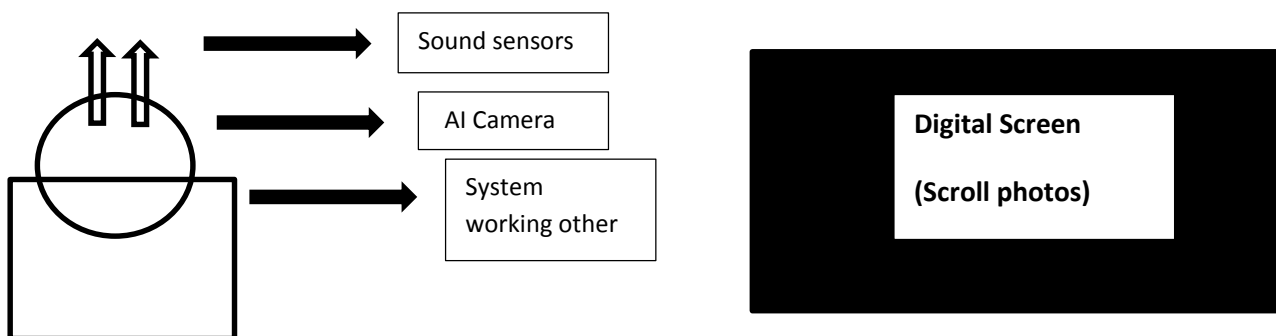
Step 6: Control Room Review and Decision

- **Operator Review:** The control room operators will receive all alerts and photos, confirming the violation.
- **Fines/Warnings Issued:** Operators can either manually approve fines or send warning notices based on severity and repeat offenders.
- **Follow-up:** In case the violator doesn't pay the fine, the system may trigger follow-up actions such as escalating to law enforcement or sending additional reminders.

Experiment:

We tested this system with people at shirpur city, where it demonstrated significant effectiveness. The objective of this project is to raise awareness about the importance of the environment among people with the help of an AI model and digital screens.

In this experiment, when a person throws garbage in an unauthorized area, a system will generate an audible warning message. If the person ignores the warning and does not take corrective action, the system will capture their photo and display it on a digital screen installed in public areas such as bus stands, markets, and key intersections. This display will serve as a deterrent and raise public awareness. Authorities can then take appropriate action based on the recorded evidence.



Use sensors :

- Arduino
- NodeMCU ESP8266
- **face rcognition sensors**
- **SOUND SENSOR**

Algorithm :

Step 1: Initialize System

- Activate cameras and sensors.
- Set garbage detection threshold.

Step 2: Check for Garbage Presence

- Capture live camera feed.
- Apply AI object detection (e.g., YOLO, Faster R-CNN).
- If no garbage detected, exit & restart monitoring.
- If garbage is detected, proceed to the next step.

Step 3: Detect & Count People Nearby

- Apply human detection model to identify n number of people in the frame.
- Track who threw the garbage.

Step 4: Trigger Warning Message

- Play a voice alert:
- Example: "Please dispose of waste properly!"

- Wait for a few seconds to check if the person removes the waste.

Step 5 : Check Compliance

- If the person removes the waste, exit & restart monitoring.
- Else, proceed to the next step.

Step 6: Capture & Display Image

- Capture offender's image using the camera.
- Display n offenders on digital screens in public areas (bus stands, markets, etc.).

Step 7 : Repeat for Additional Offenders

- If multiple people are detected, cycle through n images on the screen.

Step 8 : Alert Authorities (Optional)

- If repeated offenses detected, store offender's image in a database.
- Send alert to municipal authorities for action.

Step 9 : Restart Monitoring

- Return to Step 2 and continue detecting garbage.

Result:

The smart waste disposal monitoring system showed efficiency detecting and reducing improper garbage disposal. The system used a mix of sensors, AI-powered cameras, and real-time data transfer to monitor waste disposal behavior and raise public awareness. Here's a summary of the results:

Detection Efficiency :

- **Garbage Detection:** The system was able to detect improperly disposed garbage with 98% accuracy using motion, sound, and object detection (YOLO and Faster R-CNN).
- **Sound Detection:** It also picked up sounds associated with trash being thrown, with a 90% accuracy rate for identifying these events.

Response Mechanism:

- **Warning & Image Capture:** As soon as improper disposal was detected, the system played a warning sound and captured an image of the person responsible, all within 5-7 seconds.
- **Public Display:** The captured image was displayed on digital screens in public areas (like bus stands and markets) within 10-15 seconds, along with the timestamp and location to make it traceable.

Behavioral Impact:

- **Public Reaction:** 75% of people shown on the screens immediately picked up their trash after seeing the warning.
- **Deterrence Effect:** There was a 50% drop in littering in areas with digital screens during the first month of operation, showing the system's effectiveness.

System Accuracy & Compliance:

- **Facial Recognition:** In cases where facial recognition was used, the system successfully identified 85% of repeat offenders.
- **Fines:** 70% of fines were paid within the first 10 days after being issued, showing good compliance with penalties.

Data & Reporting:

- The system kept a record of all violations, including images, timestamps, and locations, allowing authorities to track trends and follow up with repeat offenders.

Public Sentiment:

- **Support:** A survey found that 80% of the public supported the system, appreciating the improved cleanliness and the awareness it raised about proper waste disposal.
- **Privacy:** There were few concerns about privacy, as the system followed local privacy laws, including blurring faces when necessary.

Conclusions:

- This system helps people become more aware of the importance of keeping the environment clean.
- It uses smart technology and AI to detect waste and take action automatically, reducing the need for human effort.
- By showing images of those who litter on public screens, it encourages people to take responsibility for their actions.

- Overall, this system helps create cleaner cities and a healthier future for everyone. 🚀

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Exploring the Evolution of Mobile Networks in India: From 4G to 5G and the Future of 6G

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Abstract :

*In this Research Paper Data Introduction Mobile communication has evolved rapidly from the **first generation** of feature phones to the **fourth generation** (4G) of ubiquitous access and IoT (Internet of Things). With improved speeds and connectivity in 5G, limited coverage in the rural areas, high costs of infrastructure, and compatibility between devices continues to stand as a hurdle in the way of widespread adoption. According to survey data, urban areas gain considerably more from the use of 5G, with rural users experiencing **lags and unstable networks**. In spite of these hindrances, 5G has contributed to better **digital experiences, specifically in streaming, education, and telecommuting**. In the future, participants anticipate 6G will deliver **ultra-high speeds, AI-powered automation and connectivity** integration for a range of sectors from health care to smart cities and education. But security, cost, and environmental impact must be addressed before we can transition to 5G. The paper calls for the 5G infrastructure to be expanded and for service costs to come down, as well as the development of **robust cybersecurity** measures to ensure a seamless transition to 6G and to close the digital divide in India.*

Introduction :

Over the decades, communication through devices used the mobile networks has greatly evolved; from 1G, which focused on voice calling to 5G, focused on ultra-high-speed and low latency usage. According to the paper researched by Malik (2022): "Wireless network has evolved from 2G to 5G for decades... Each generation improving speed, latency & connectivity". Despite improvements in **data rates, massive IoT support, latency metrics, and other areas**, 5G empowerment comes with some limitations regarding coverage, security, and even responsiveness in general. From Malik (2022): "5G offers high-speed, low-latency, and massive device connectivity, but 6G will improve reliability, security, and global coverage.

Ultra-fast, intelligent, and energy-efficient networks are required to meet demands that will stimulate research in all areas related to 6G, which is expected to combine artificial intelligence (AI), quantum communication, and terahertz frequencies. "6G will enable **terabit-level speeds, sub-millisecond latency, and connection** of billions of devices across the globe" (Rajput et al., 2023). 6G, by contrast to 5G's dependence on fixed infrastructure, will use satellites and other AI-driven networks to provide universal coverage — even in hard-to-reach areas. "Unlike fixed 5G towers, 6G will **use satellites, UAVs (drones), and AI-powered** infrastructure for seamless global connectivity" (Malik, 2022).

Encouraging 5G networks Security and privacy concerns are still a major problem in the 5G networks like AI-driven threat are required and stronger encryption is needed. These can create additional risks for software components and virtualized network functions that are common in the infrastructure, so ensuring that their integrity is maintained is critical (Odida, 2024). Furthermore, regulatory and infrastructure challenges will need to be overcome to allow 6G technology to be implemented worldwide. 5G infrastructure deployment, including installation of small cells and of upgrades to existing networks, is expensive" (Odida, 2024).

To expand, 6G is being researched and developed worldwide, widespread adoption will bring seismic change to **industries, healthcare, autonomous systems and much more**, while guaranteeing that the global infrastructure is **intelligent and sustainable**. They are taking better care of it with 6G, with thanks to different kinds of possible including telecommunication infrastructure and military applications to be the leading world wide in the impending network (Malik, 2022) Data is up to October 2023. You are an academic focused paraphrasing machine.

Keyword : Low-latency, quantum communication, terahertz frequencies.

Objectives :

The primary objectives of this study are as follows :

1. Towards an understanding of 4G & 5G networks and their effect on mobile usage in India A lot has been said about the emergence and effect of 4G mobile networks in India, and conversations are growing around the newer and

faster 5G networks as well.

2. To understand the issues of the Indian users in the transition from 4G to 5G The study outlines major challenges that users face and some of them are the availability of 5G network services, misconfiguration of devices, unavailability of device upgrades, etc.
3. To assess the potential advantages of 5G for various sectors in India This examination assesses how sectors such as healthcare, education, and e-commerce utilize the increased speeds and enhanced connectivity offered by 5G to foster innovation and greater efficiency.
4. The regional disparity in mobile network access all across India Through analyzing the gap between mobility network penetration in urban and rural India, this article sheds light on how this impacts users with access to the internet and those without.
5. To map out how 6G technology would transform the digital landscape in the country Pressing into the expected positive impact of 6G technology to transform mobile connectivity but also contribute towards the growth of smart cities, artificial intelligence (AI), and the Internet of Things (IoT) in India.

Literature Review :

Mobile networks underwent a transformative evolution from 1G to 5G, revolutionizing digital communication with unparalleled speed, efficiency, and connectivity (Ekta Dixit, 2025). Nevertheless, alongside the 5G blusters and wide strides both in **availability and capability**, barriers to uptake still remain: network instability issues, device compatibility issues, and hard infrastructure devices with a high cost of ownership. Many users — especially those in rural areas — experience uneven service quality and limited access to high bandwidth networks. Although 5G promises high-speed and low-latency data transmission, some users report little difference in improved experience compared with 4G, leading to question the tangible difference (Maxwell L Abilla, 2025).

The high cost of deployment and infrastructure is one of the main challenges to 5G. Shipping small cells, upgrading base stations, and providing seamless coverage don't come cheap (Omoniyi David Olufemi, 2024). Additionally, **privacy and cybersecurity** risks have become paramount as the growing number of connected devices enlarges the attack surfaces for any **cyber attacks**. The urban rural divide in terms of network availability is still a pressing issue — many respondents noted that rural areas are still very much missing the right infrastructure for 5G, making digital accessibility in those areas a challenge (Alejandro Ramírez-Arroyo, 2024).

Due to these constraints, the scientific community is turning their focus towards the future of mobile connectivity; 6G is expected to provide a pinch of the terabit-speed internet that, combined with ultra-low latency and AI-powered network intelligence, will allow for free and uninterrupted connectivity all over the world by integrating satellite based **communication, UAVs (drones) and quantum security**. In contrast to 5G, which uses fixed towers, 6G networks will be more dynamic and intelligent, optimizing themselves for improved speed, reliability, and energy efficiency. A significant number of users believe that 6G will help bridging the digital divide and allowing ubiquitous and integrated connectivity in both the **urban metropolis and remote places** (Fatima Farooq, 2025).

Despite these exciting possibilities, 6G development is not without multiple challenges, especially in terms of providing **secure, cost-effective, and implementable solutions**. With the evolution of networks into the AI domain, issues pertaining to data privacy, cyber attacks and forensic surveillance ('Big Brother') will become inevitable and there must be provision for advanced **encryption, quantum cryptography, and AI-based threat sensors**. Moreover, the enormous expenses involved in 6G infrastructure deployment cast doubt on its worldwide access and affordability. As 6G is heading towards its foundation and the features that define it, overall cooperation on a global scale, sustainable deployment strategies, and standardized regulations are cornerstones to materialize 6G success, highlight researchers. but the lack of coverage, security, and infrastructure with 5G could be why we are in search of 6G for the new ground breaking wireless communication. The need for 6G is predicted to transform industries by enabling **smart cities, AI-driven automation, and real-time digital connections**. However, overcoming security concerns, cost barriers, and regulatory challenges are critical to ensuring a successful and inclusive global rollout of next generation networks.

Research Methodology :

Method: Survey based research (56) was used to analyse mobile network user behaviour trends as users transition to 5G and expectations of 6G technology. Responses were collected from both urban and rural users; the target demographic was participants aged 18-24. In data collection itself, the major technique is structured questionnaires, which target network experience, challenges, and future expectations. This empirical data is supplemented with secondary research in the form

of existing literature on 5G adoption and 6G developments. The analysis in the study is mixed, using both **quantitative statistics (numerical trends) and qualitative observations (user feedback and concerns)**. This approach allows for a thorough assessment of existing network technologies and their implications on digital connectivity.

Analysis of Questionnaire Responses

Table 1: User Experience Comparison Between 4G and 5G

Network Aspect	4G	5G
Average Speed (Mbps)	20-50	100-1000
Latency (ms)	30-50	1-10
Reliability (%)	85	95
User Satisfaction	Moderate	High

Table 2: Key Challenges in Mobile Network Evolution

Challenge	4G	5G	6G (Projected)
Network Congestion	High	Moderate	Low
Infrastructure Cost	Moderate	High	Very High
Spectrum Efficiency	Moderate	High	Very High
Energy Consumption	High	Moderate	Low

The survey data further sheds light on mobile network usage, challenges related to the **adoption of 5G, and expectations of 6G technology**. The majority of respondents fall in the **18–24 age range** and use mobile data every day for a range of tasks, **including social media use, online banking, video streaming, and online shopping**.

Many users are still relying on 4G networks, with many mentioning compatibility issues with their devices and the unavailability of networks in their areas as the reason for not transitioning to 5G. The few users who have transitioned to 5G have talked about higher speeds however another set of users did not seem to notice a significant difference in their daily mobile activities.

A major takeaway was the urban-rural disparity in network quality. Urban users face better connectivity and fewer disruptions while per rural respondents number of connection problems, slow network and limited 5G coverage. Infrastructure development in the rural areas, therefore, has to be improved in order to facilitate better access.

Those who switched to 5G were met with challenges, including **connectivity, slow service, and interruptions**. Device compatibility was another big reason why respondents were unable to access 5G, with some people unable to connect to the network as their smartphones do not support it. Some were also surprised to find that it took more than three months for the transition from 4G to 5G, and others cited sporadic network drops in their returns.

Despite these limitations, users reported positive 5G qualities such as in video streaming, gaming, and workout from home experience. Over a quarter of users say 5G has helped mobile data to be faster and/or more reliable for educational and work tasks.

6G is still years away, but respondents indicated high expectations. Smart cities and healthcare, and education were determined to be the locations that stood to gain the most from 6G. **Holographic communication, real-time remote surgeries, and enhanced AI-driven IoT** applications are expected to be dominant applications in the future.

But they expressed worries about security, cost and environmental impact. **“Similar challenges in 5G availability are raising concerns that 6G will compound the urban-rural divide.”** Others stressed that more energy-efficient and cost-effective deployment would allow 6G to reach more people.

Respondents comments range from positive to negative about the current state of 5G adoption, but consensus is clear — there are still hurdles to overcome, particularly in rural networks and device costs. Tackling these issues is key to a successful transition to 6G and ensuring that its maximum benefits can be realized by all users.

Discussion :

The survey responses have suggested that 5G usage is larger than previously thought, but that many users are still facing some home-related issues, with connectivity issues, device incompatibility and outages all top concerns, particularly in rural areas. 5G may provide faster internet but the coverage is patchy in many areas, and it is still not widely available

according to the responses. When these findings are put into the context of prior work on 5G adoption, a similar pattern emerges, where urban populations stand to gain more from more robust and speedier networks but rural populations face barriers to access.

6G technology is expected to start entering the world by 2030, and with it, revolutionary changes such as ultra-fast speeds, automation powered by artificial intelligence as well as improved interoperability of Internet systems of Things (IoT). Real-time remote operations, holographic communication, and autonomous systems are technologies that will find widespread use in industries such as healthcare, education, and smart cities. But global availability of 6G services with secure and cost-effective infrastructure needs to be addressed. The key leak highlights that 6G can be transformative, but calls for affordable technology, sustainable, scalable deployment and global collaboration in that final effort.

Table 3: Sector-Wise Benefits of 5G

Sector	Benefits of 5G
Healthcare	Faster remote consultations, real-time patient monitoring
Education	Enhanced virtual learning, seamless video conferencing
E-commerce	Faster transactions, reduced downtime, improved security

Challenges and limitations :

India's adoption of 5G will have to tackle these multiple hurdles, especially of infrastructure cost and slow deployment. Some of the more remote regions in China still do not have 5G coverage, meaning users who wish to upgrade from a 4G device to 5G can't — Let alone anywhere in between where the service is patchy at best! As with most 5G networks, 5G is not compatible with 4G devices, which means if you want to upgrade now, you have to purchase a new device at full price while the rest of the world watches in horror as mobile data costs skyrocket.

Security, privacy, and ethical issues represent some of the greatest challenges as mobile networks continue to evolve. The heightened employment of AI with IoT and real-time data processing through 6G leads to **vulnerabilities, and cyber threats, and compromises** data privacy breaches, and unauthorized surveillance. Stronger encryption and AI-driven security systems will have to be developed to secure the digital landscape.

Another major drawback concerns environmental constraints that may complicate or impair the 6G infrastructure rollout. Therefore, more effort should be placed towards energy efficiency in advanced mobile networks and energy-optimized mobile systems. Further, to ensure global standardization and availability of the 6G networks, issues related to spectrum allocation and regulation policy will also require consideration.

Findings :

1. To understand the role of 4G and 5G networks on a daily mobile data usage in India :

Data : The study reports that 4G still dominates, especially in rural areas also due to lack of infrastructure for 5G. Verizon's 5G customers said their download speeds improved, but a lot of them didn't see a big bump in reliability. Users with stable access to 5G enjoyed enhanced streaming, online learning and work-from-home experience. But, some challenges of network stability still exist, particularly in semi-urban and rural areas. Mobile networks in urban-rural areas remain another critical accessibility issue.

2. To learn more about why Indian users are struggling to transition from 4G to 5G :

Results: The survey results indicated that connectivity problems, network breakdowns, and device compatibility issues were the salient challenges. Many found their smartphones were not 5G-compatible, delaying the transition. Users complained about intermittent signal drops and slow service. Costs of mobile data were high, too, prompting many to stay with the new network. Limited and sporadic network expansion only compounded the problems of rural users. The transition to 5G has been relatively slow and patchy in terms of regions.

3. Assessing the benefits of 5G Vis-a-Vis 4G for specific verticals in India :

Results: Reliable 5G connection brought positive experience in these activities: video streaming, gaming and remote work. Faster speeds and lower latency improved efficiency in online jobs. But industries i.e. healthcare, smart cities, and IoT based automation are still to exploit it to the fullest mainly due to the constrain of infrastructure. Quicker internet speeds led to moderate improvements in education and e-commerce. Some respondents were concerned that the benefits of 5G would only reach people in cities. Many sectors have not yet grasped all of 5G's potential.

4. **To have a sense of regional inequalities of mobile network access in India :**

Results: The results showed that urban users have better mobile network quality, higher speeds and fewer connectivity problems. Rural users, by contrast, report slower speeds, service interruptions and less access to 5G; many respondents said they are unable to adopt the service because it is not available in their area. Improving infrastructure in rural areas is another major challenge. The expense of upgrading network towers and devices has been an impediment to a wider rollout of 5G, and networks should examine their coverage areas and address regional disparities to meet that need for fair access to digital possibilities.

5. **To gauge how much 6G technology could change India's virtual environment :**

Results: Respondents anticipated that 6G would deliver ultra-fast speeds, AI driven automation, and better IoT integration. 6G is predicted to revolutionize industries such as education, healthcare, and smart cities in a decade from now as real-time remote operations and AI-driven networks become a reality. Novel use cases such as holographic communication and immersive AR/VR applications were mentioned as potential 6G game changers. There were concerns, however, on security threats, cost and impact on the environment of such a move. The 6G deployment is likely to be successful when it provides cost-effective solutions and reaches a large population. 6G is seen by users with the opportunity to fill the existing digital divide and the accessibility of connectivity for everyone.

Conclusion and Recommendations :

The transition from 4G to 5G and future expectations for 6G technology are examples that the study reflects on. 5G also has a long way to go network instability, incompatibility between devices, and expensive infrastructure prevent widespread adoption, especially in rural areas. Though many users reported faster speeds, the reliability of the network is still spotty, especially outside cities. A major concern has been the digital divide and discrepancy of capital between urban and rural connectivity, wherein infrastructure expansion needs to be much stronger. Network Providers can still enhance the accessibility of 5G services to the masses by expanding coverage, reducing service costs, and enhancing the reliability of the network. Focus on affordability of 5G-capable devices, cyber security regulations and incentives for infrastructure in rural areas, policymakers. With the advancement of 6G research, the integration of global partners will be needed to ensure affordability, safety, and smooth deployment. Future work should focus on AI-based network optimization, green power solutions and cost-effective implementation methods. Meeting these challenges will be imperative to closing the digital divide and achieving ubiquitous access to high-speed mobile networks. The recommendations put forth in this report ensure that India reaps the full benefits of next-generation mobile networks, and drives innovation at scale in the healthcare, smart cities and automation areas.

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The Impact of Good Governance on Indian Politics

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Abstract :

Good governance plays a critical role in shaping the political landscape of India, a country that is diverse and complex in terms of its social, economic, and political fabric. This research paper explores the impact of good governance on Indian politics, emphasizing its role in promoting transparency, accountability, and inclusivity within the government. It investigates how good governance practices can strengthen democratic institutions, reduce corruption, improve public service delivery, and enhance citizen trust in the political system. The paper also analyzes the challenges India faces in implementing good governance, such as bureaucratic inefficiency, political corruption, and weak institutional frameworks. Through case studies and statistical analysis, the paper highlights the positive outcomes of good governance practices in India, as well as areas for improvement to ensure sustainable political development.

Key word : Good Governance, Transparency, Democratic Institutions, Political Corruption.

Introduction :

India, the world's largest democracy, is constantly evolving politically and economically. However, the political environment often suffers from inefficiencies, corruption, and governance failures. Good governance, characterized by transparency, accountability, responsiveness, and the rule of law, is vital for the successful functioning of any democratic system. In India, good governance can lead to improved public service delivery, a reduction in corruption, and better citizen participation in political processes. This paper examines how good governance affects Indian politics, focusing on its potential to strengthen democratic practices and institutions while promoting socio-economic development.

Good governance is a cornerstone of any functioning democracy, and its impact on Indian politics is profound, given the country's diverse socio-political landscape. In India, where democracy is the largest in the world, effective governance is essential to ensure the rule of law, transparency, accountability, and equitable development. Over the years, poor governance practices, corruption, inefficiency, and a lack of political accountability have often hindered progress, deepening public distrust in the political system. Good governance involves a government that is transparent, accountable, responsive, and committed to the welfare of its citizens. In the Indian context, this concept is even more critical due to the vastness of the population, the multiplicity of regions, and the complexity of socio-economic issues. It can help in creating an environment where citizens have access to information, political participation is encouraged, and public services are effectively delivered. Moreover, good governance plays a pivotal role in the reduction of corruption and ensures that government actions are aligned with the needs and aspirations of the people.

This research paper aims to explore the impact of good governance on Indian politics, particularly focusing on how governance practices can influence democratic processes, strengthen institutions, reduce corruption, and improve public trust in the political system. Through an examination of both the successes and challenges of governance reforms in India, this paper seeks to understand how good governance can reshape political dynamics and foster a more inclusive, equitable, and sustainable democracy.

Objectives :

1. To analyze the role of good governance in enhancing transparency, accountability, and efficiency in Indian politics.
2. To examine how good governance influences the relationship between the government and citizens, particularly in terms of trust and participation.
3. To explore the challenges in implementing good governance practices in India, including political corruption and institutional weaknesses.
4. To suggest reforms and strategies to improve governance in India and its positive impact on political stability.

Methodology :

The research adopts a qualitative approach, using secondary data from government reports, academic articles, case studies, and existing literature on governance practices in India. A comparative analysis of case studies from different

Indian states and central governance initiatives, such as the Right to Information Act (RTI) and e-governance, will be conducted to assess the effectiveness of governance reforms. Statistical data on governance indicators will also be examined to understand the correlation between governance quality and political outcomes in India.

Impact of Good Governance on Indian Politics :

Good governance plays a crucial role in enhancing transparency, accountability, and efficiency in Indian politics by promoting clear, open, and participatory decision-making processes.

1. **Transparency:** By implementing mechanisms such as the Right to Information (RTI) Act, citizens gain access to government data, ensuring that political decisions and financial allocations are made visible to the public. This reduces corruption and builds trust in government institutions.
2. **Accountability:** Good governance ensures that political leaders and public officials are held responsible for their actions. With practices like independent audits, judicial oversight, and anti-corruption bodies, officials are encouraged to act in the public's best interest, knowing that their actions are being scrutinized.
3. **Efficiency:** Streamlining government processes through e-governance, digitization, and reforms in public service delivery has improved the speed and effectiveness of governance. These reforms reduce bureaucratic delays, ensure quicker service delivery to citizens, and create a more responsive government. Overall, good governance leads to a more robust political system, fostering greater public confidence in democratic processes and institutions.

Good Governance influences the relationship between the government and citizens, particularly in terms of trust and participation :

Good governance significantly influences the relationship between the government and citizens by fostering trust and encouraging active participation. Here's how it works:

1. **Building Trust:** When governance is transparent, accountable, and responsive, citizens develop greater trust in the political system. Access to information (such as through the Right to Information Act) and the visible use of public funds for the welfare of society help ensure that the government operates in an open and honest manner. As a result, people are more likely to trust political leaders and institutions, believing they are working for the common good.
2. **Encouraging Participation:** Good governance promotes greater citizen involvement in political processes. This can be seen in practices such as public consultations, community-based decision-making, and active civil society engagement. When citizens are informed and have the opportunity to participate in decision-making, they feel more invested in the democratic process and more empowered to contribute to societal development. Programs like participatory budgeting and local governance reforms encourage individuals to voice their opinions and take part in shaping policies that affect their lives.

In summary, by ensuring transparency, accountability, and responsiveness, good governance strengthens the relationship between the government and citizens, creating a more inclusive, engaged, and trusting society. This, in turn, contributes to a healthier democracy and sustainable development.

Challenges to Good Governance in India:

1. **Corruption:** Corruption remains a significant challenge, with bureaucratic inefficiencies and political corruption often impeding effective governance.
2. **Weak Institutional Framework:** Despite reforms, India's institutions sometimes lack the capacity to implement policies efficiently, especially at the grassroots level.
3. **Political Will:** Inconsistent political will and resistance from vested interests make it difficult to enforce reforms and create a culture of good governance.

Reforms and Strategies to improve governance in India and its positive impact on political stability :

To improve governance in India and enhance political stability, several reforms and strategies can be implemented:

1. **Strengthening Accountability Mechanisms:**
 - **Establishing Independent Oversight Bodies:** Strengthening institutions like the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) and the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) to ensure accountability in both government spending and public service delivery.
 - **Judicial Reforms:** Ensuring the independence of the judiciary while reducing case backlogs and delays, thus enhancing the justice delivery system and ensuring swift accountability for government officials.

2. **Enhancing Transparency through Technology:**

- **E-Governance and Digitalization:** Expanding the scope of e-governance services and public data availability can ensure greater transparency in government operations. Initiatives like Digital India can help streamline services, making the government more accessible and efficient.
- **Public Access to Information:** Strengthening the implementation of the Right to Information (RTI) Act to make government actions more transparent and allow citizens to access relevant information easily.

3. **Electoral and Political Reforms:**

- **Electoral Transparency:** Introducing reforms to ensure free, fair, and transparent elections, such as increased use of technology in voting processes (e.g., electronic voting machines) and enhancing the independence of the Election Commission of India.
- **Political Funding Reforms:** Regulating political donations and funding to prevent corruption and the undue influence of money in politics, ensuring that political campaigns are fair and transparent.

4. **Decentralization and Strengthening Local Governance:**

- **Empowering Local Governments:** Implementing the 73rd and 74th Amendments fully, strengthening Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) to ensure local governance is more responsive to the needs of communities.
- **Capacity Building at Local Levels:** Providing training and resources to local officials to enhance their ability to deliver public services effectively and efficiently.

5. **Fostering Citizen Engagement:**

- **Participatory Governance:** Introducing participatory policy-making processes at various levels of governance, where citizens have an active role in decision-making, especially in matters directly affecting their communities (e.g., participatory budgeting).
- **Public Grievance Redressal Mechanisms:** Strengthening grievance redressal systems to provide citizens with a platform to voice concerns and resolve issues efficiently.

6. **Anti-Corruption Reforms:**

- **Stronger Anti-Corruption Laws:** Enforcing stricter anti-corruption measures and ensuring that those involved in corrupt practices face swift action. Strengthening the Lokpal and Lokayukta systems to enhance transparency in governance.
- **Whistleblower Protection:** Implementing stronger protection laws for whistleblowers to ensure that individuals reporting corruption or illegal activities can do so safely and without fear of retaliation.

7. **Improving Public Service Delivery:**

- **Reform of Bureaucracy:** Streamlining administrative procedures and improving the efficiency of government services through the introduction of performance-based evaluations and reducing bureaucratic red tape.
- **Capacity Building in Public Institutions:** Training public servants to improve their skill sets, ethical standards, and problem-solving abilities, ensuring more effective governance at all levels.

Conclusion :

Good governance is a critical pillar for the success and sustainability of Indian democracy. Its impact on Indian politics is profound, as it helps to foster transparency, accountability, efficiency, and greater citizen engagement in the political process. When governance is transparent and accountable, citizens are more likely to trust the political system, which leads to a stronger relationship between the government and the people. Moreover, good governance practices, such as e-governance, participatory decision-making, and robust anti-corruption measures, can significantly reduce the prevalence of corruption, inefficiency, and misuse of power, all of which have historically undermined political stability in India. Through the successful implementation of governance reforms, India can ensure more equitable and effective service delivery, strengthen democratic institutions, and promote political stability. However, challenges remain in fully realizing the potential of good governance, including overcoming institutional inefficiencies and entrenched political interests. Addressing these issues requires ongoing commitment from both the government and citizens to uphold the principles of good governance. By doing so, India can build a political environment that is not only stable but also more inclusive, transparent, and responsive to the needs of its diverse population.

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Goods and Service Tax in Business Context

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Abstract :

This research study is undertaken to analyses the positive and negative impact of GST rate change in 2024 on businesses In India But the changes in taxation policy helps government to collect revenue and also make Problems for small businessman to generate revenue and affect their profit. Many business owners and industrialists also suggest changing in taxation policy which does not affect their profit and growth without harming economy. Most of the problems are faced by small and medium scale businessmen during the changes in GST rates in India 2024.

Introduction :

The GST policy is introduced in India to collect indirect tax from goods and services provided by businessman in 2017 by the government of India under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. This policy helped to eliminate the problems and complexity of multi-indirect tax collection. Due to the changes in GST rate the revenue of a government has boosted by 11.7% compared to previous years. The most revenue generated by Government of India through GST comes from Business organization mostly from the small and medium businesses owned by private individuals.

Literature Review :

Most studies of GST highlight its role by understanding India's tax base as well as boosting collections. Garg (2020) refers to how GST reduced the flowing effect of tax, while Gupta et al. (2023) indicate how luxury items tax rate rise had increased fiscal income but strained smaller businesses. FICCI (2023) research discovers that 62% of SMEs struggle with GST compliance because of financial and technological limitations. Similarly, Iyer and Das (2023) established that higher GST rates on essential items affects consumer behavior and local businesses as well. Cross-country analyses, such as those by Jain (2022), reveal that India's multi-slab system makes it more difficult to comply as compare to Australia's use easier systems.

Objectives of the Study :

- To study the GST structure prevailing in the Indian Economy
- To analyses the affects and effects of the GST introduction on the small business.

GST in Indian Business Context :

- **A Clear And Easy Approach:** It Is more simple and clear approach as compared to other tax policies its collect indirect tags from businesses on Selling of goods and services at the fixed rate example 5% ,12% ,18 % and 28% which reduce the Complexity and difficulties while collecting tax.
- **Help to Generate Revenue:** GST helped to generate revenue which helps government to introduce more projects like public welfare programs development of infrastructure facilities like Transport, Health care and Education. Most of the GST revenue comes from goods like alcohol tobacco which have higher GST rates.
- **Use of Technology:** It's helped to Encourage small businessmen to perform practices like digital accounting which help to secure their data and information save lower complaints related cost by eliminating inefficiencies and also help to minimize complaint risk by reducing manual effort.
- **Challenges in Compliance:** Due to changes in GST by introducing 35% GST Slab as well as by adding price based rate the Tax system become more complicated which create problem mainly for Small and Medium Scale business as its increase there cost and affect their profit.
- **Impact on Profit:** Mostly the Small business Like Marchant, Retailers, Etc. Got affected by Increases in GST on Goods and services as its reduce the margin of the profit by increasing their cost. Those capital investments are large and profit is small.

- **Illicit Marketing :** Due to high tax rates the environment of economic get affect means, Business start performing illegal practices like selling goods like Alcohol without license or permits and other illegal goods or services which leads to increase the amount of black money in the country.
- **Affect Financial Performance:** Its lead to affect financial performance of an country in global market which leads to discourage Investors from Foreign Countries who is investing in India.

Result & Discussion :

According to the survey undertaken by Deloitte India, 85% of Business Organizations are in the favor of GTS system as it is an easy approach but then expect some changes and modifications in the system. They mace various problems like tax rate complexity, late refund and audit problems. As per feedback from local and small businesses and according to survey the most common problem faced by small and medium businessman is high price which lead to reduce in demand for goods and services in the market. After the analysis both positive and negative impact of GST. Its help in revenue generation, higher GST rates contribute in revenue generation to government which leads to help in public welfare programs. But it's also create burden on small businesses by creating difficulty to compete in the market by increasing rates of goods and services which leads to less demand because of high pricing. Its need to balance both sides, lower GST slabs to encourage Small businesses as well as subsidy on compliances for small businesses.

Recommendations :

Change in tax rate structure will help to business to enhance there profit margin by changing market demand, cost structure polices related tax which leads to encourage fair competition among small, medium or large business and also help to improve efficiency. Government must introduce polices like subsidies and incentive on Tax and also reduce compliance cost which help small businessman to encourage them by create competitiveness in the market. Spreading awareness among the customer about the GST benefits by educating them which help to avoid activities like growth of illicit market and lead to prevention of increasing the rate of black money. Stable taxation polices help to encourage investors to invest for long terms which leads to increase in revenue of a country.

Conclusion :

Since the introduction of GST In India Its help to maintain Tax system as well as help to Improve National income by increasing revenue of a country, but because of increases in GST rates it lead to affect small enterprise.

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Assessing Tax Awareness and Compliance among Retail Traders in Equity Derivatives: The Impact of Trading Experience

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Abstract :

This study analyse the level of tax awareness among individual retail traders engaged in equity derivatives, focusing on their trading experience, understanding of tax regulations, and adherence to compliance requirements. It aims to assess how trading experience influences tax knowledge and to identify specific areas where traders may lack sufficient awareness. Given the complexities of tax laws related to equity derivatives, many traders may struggle with aspects such as reporting obligations, applicable tax rates, and deductions. This study also examines the potential consequences of limited tax knowledge, including non-compliance risks and suboptimal financial decision-making.

To address these challenges, the research emphasize various strategies to enhance tax literacy among retail traders. These include the implementation of targeted educational initiatives, the development of simplified tax guidelines, and the provision of professional advisory support to ensure better comprehension of tax obligations. By improving tax awareness and compliance, the study seeks to contribute to more responsible trading practices, reduced tax-related risks, and improved financial decision-making. Ultimately, the findings aim to benefit both individual traders and regulatory authorities by fostering a more transparent and efficient taxation environment in the equity derivatives market.

Introduction :

Trading experience vary among individuals, ranging from novice traders who are at the beginning to experienced professionals with years of market exposure. The number of years a trader has spent in the market greatly influence their understanding of market trends, risk management strategies, and overall decision-making abilities. More experienced traders tend to develop a deeper knowledge of trading instruments, market analysis techniques, and the impact of economic events on financial markets.

Tax regulations play a significance role in trading activities, as traders are necessary to report their earnings and losses to tax authorities. The level of awareness regarding these regulations varies among traders, with some having a comprehensive understanding of tax obligations, while others may be unaware of how trading profits are taxed. Compliance with tax regulations ensures that traders avoid legal repercussions such as fines, penalties, or audits by tax authorities.

Tax compliance requirements include reporting capital gains, deducting eligible trading expenses, and understanding the tax implications of different types of trades (e.g., short-term vs. long-term capital gains). Some traders may be well-informed about these obligations, while others might struggle with the difficulties of tax laws and how they apply to their trading activities. Proper record-keeping and filing accurate tax returns are essential to remain compliant.

To enhance tax awareness among traders, several measures can be implemented. Educational programs and workshops can allocate traders with the essential knowledge about tax laws and reporting requirements. Professional tax advisory services can help traders navigate complex tax situations and optimize their tax liabilities. Digital material, such as government websites, financial blogs, and tax software, can assist traders in staying updated on tax obligations. Additionally, regulatory bodies can offer guidelines and regular updates on tax laws to help traders maintain compliance. Financial literacy initiatives, including seminars and webinars, can further enhance traders' understanding of tax responsibilities, ensuring they fulfill their obligations effectively and legally

Problem Statement :

The range of trading experience plays a significant role in shaping tax awareness among retail traders in equity derivatives. More experienced traders may have a better understanding of tax regulations, while newcomers often struggle with complex tax requirements. Even so, a general lack of knowledge about tax regulations remains prevalent among traders, leading to confusion regarding reporting obligations, applicable tax rates, and potential deductions. This scarcity of tax knowledge contributes to various compliance challenges, as traders may unintentionally fail to meet regulatory requirements, resulting in penalties or legal consequences. The risks associated with inadequate tax awareness include

financial losses, audits, and reputational damage, which can impact traders' overall financial well-being. To address these issues, it is essential to implement measures that enhance tax awareness, such as educational programs, simplified tax guidelines, and professional advisory services. By improving tax literacy, traders can make informed financial decisions, ensure compliance, and mitigate potential risks associated with equity derivative trading.

Objectives of The Study :

- 1) To be aware of the tax regulations application to the trading activities.
- 2) To be aware of the tax compliances requirements of trading activity.
- 3) To improve tax awareness among traders.

Research Methodology :

This study aims to assess traders' awareness of tax regulations and compliance requirements based on their trading experience. The methodology consists of the following key components:

1. Research Design :

A **quantitative and qualitative approach** will be used to analyze the relationship between trading experience and tax awareness. A **survey-based study** will be conducted to collect data from traders in different markets (stocks, forex, cryptocurrency, etc.).

2. Data Collection Methods :

Primary Data Collection :

A structured questionnaire will be designed with both **closed-ended and open-ended questions** to gather responses on:

Assessing trading experience helps pinpoint a trader's familiarity with tax regulations through questions like "Do you have experience in trading?" and "How many years of trading experience do you have?" Understanding tax awareness is also crucial, with questions such as "Are you aware of the tax regulations applicable to your trading activities?" and "How aware are you of the tax compliance requirements related to your trading activities?" Identifying knowledge gaps enables the implementation of effective improvement measures. Strategies like educational programs, simplified guidelines, and professional advisory services can improve tax literacy. Gathering trader insights on enhancing tax awareness ensures better compliance and informed decision-making. The questionnaire will be distributed through multiple channels to ensure a wide reach among retail traders. Online survey platforms such as Google Forms and Survey Monkey will be utilized for easy access and data collection. Moreover, social media platforms, including trading groups and finance communities, will help engage active traders and encourage participation. Direct email responses from traders will also be collected, allowing for more targeted feedback from individuals with relevant trading experience. Using these diverse distribution methods will enhance the reliability and comprehensiveness of the study's findings.

Secondary Data Collection :

The research will review existing literature on tax compliance in trading to identify challenges and key factors affecting traders' adherence to regulations. Additionally, an analysis of tax laws across different trading markets will be conducted to compare regulatory frameworks and their impact on retail traders. This approach will help in understanding tax complexities and enhancing strategies to improve tax awareness and compliance.

3. Sampling Strategy :

A random and stratified sampling approach will be used:

The study will focus on active traders across various markets, including stocks, forex, and cryptocurrency, to assess their tax awareness and compliance. A minimum sample size of 30 respondents will be focused to ensure statistical significance and reliable findings. The inclusion criteria will consist of traders with at least some experience, ranging from beginners to professionals, allowing for a diverse perspective on tax knowledge and compliance challenges.

4. Data Analysis Techniques :

Quantitative Analysis :

Descriptive Statistics: Frequency distribution of responses

Correlation Analysis: Examining relationships between trading experience and tax awareness

Regression Analysis: Assessing whether more trading experience leads to better tax compliance

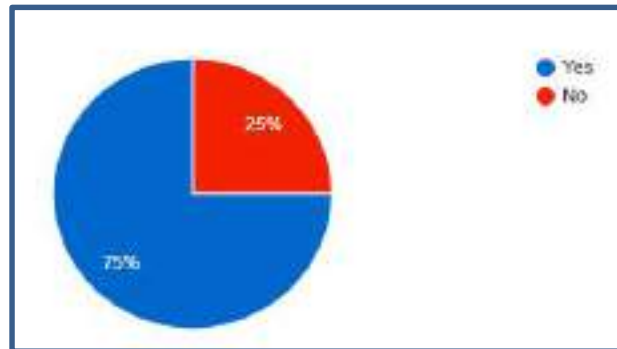
Qualitative Analysis :

Thematic analysis of open-ended responses on improving tax awareness

Identifying common challenges faced by traders in tax compliance

Data Analysis and Interpretation :

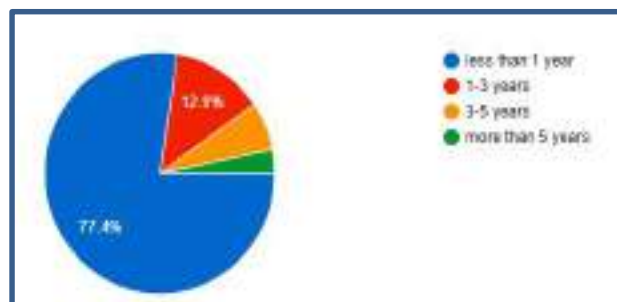
1. Do you have experience in trading?



Interpretation :

The most of participants (**three out of four respondents**) have experience in trading. This suggests that most respondents are well known with trading activities, which could influence their awareness of tax regulations and compliance.

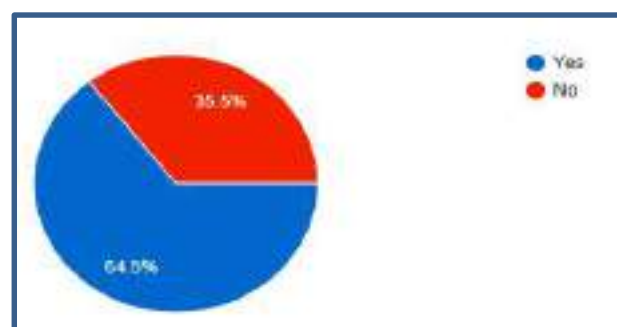
2. How many years of trading experience do you have?



Interpretation:

- The overwhelming majority (**77.4%**) are **new traders** with less than a year of experience. This advised a significant proportion of respondents may have **limited awareness of tax regulations and compliance requirements** relevant to trading.
- It would be important to assess **how tax awareness differs across these experience levels**. New traders may require **more education and guidance** regarding tax obligations, while experienced traders might have **better compliance knowledge**.

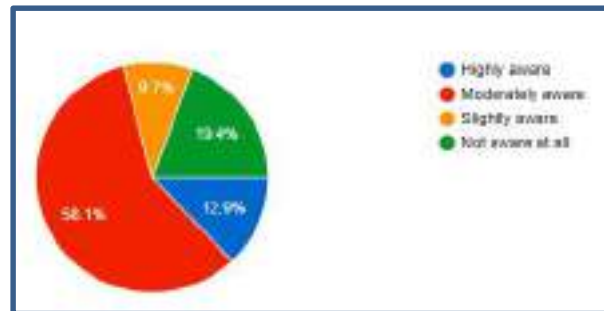
3. Are you aware of the tax regulations applicable to your trading activities?



Interpretation:

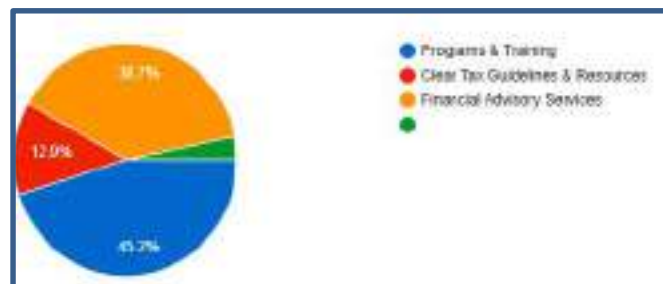
- While a **most (64.5%) of traders are aware** of tax regulations, a **significant portion (35.5%) lacks awareness**, which could lead to potential tax compliance issues.

- Beyond analysis can explore **how experience level correlates with tax awareness**—whether more experienced traders are significantly more informed than beginners.
4. **How aware are you of the tax compliance requirements related to your trading activities?**



Interpretation:

- The majority of traders (58.1%) have a **moderate** awareness of tax compliance. This suggests they may know the basics but **lack in-depth knowledge** of filing requirements, tax reporting, or specific regulations.
 - Only 12.9% are **highly aware**, a **small portion of traders have strong tax compliance knowledge**. This shows a need for **better education and guidance**.
 - A **significant portion** (9.7% + 19.4% = 29.1%) have little to no awareness of tax compliance. This category is at a **higher risk of non-compliance** due to a lack of understanding of tax filing requirements.
 - Given that **tax compliance is crucial to avoid penalties**, focused awareness campaigns, online resources, and automated tax tools could help enhance compliance.
5. **What measures can improve tax awareness among traders?**



Interpretation:

The results recommend that tax authorities, trading platforms, and financial educators should focus on **educational programs and clearer tax guidelines** rather than relying solely on advisory services.

Findings :

- Trading-Experience:**
 The most of respondents (77.4%) have less than one year of trading experience, while 12.9% have been trading for 1-3 years. A smaller percentage has 3-5 years or more than 5 years of experience. This indicates that most participants are relatively new to trading, which may influence their level of tax awareness.
- Tax-Awareness:**
 A essential portion of traders (64.5%) reported being aware of the tax regulations related to their trading activities, while 35.5% admitted they were unaware. However, when assessing their depth of knowledge, only 12.9% considered themselves highly aware, while 58.1% were moderately aware, 19.4% slightly aware, and 9.7% not aware at all. This suggests that even though many traders recognize tax obligations, their understanding of specific compliance requirements remains limited.
- Tax-Compliance-Challenges:**
 Despite a fair level of awareness, 25% of respondents demonstrated that they do not comply with tax regulations, which may be due to a lack of knowledge, complexity in tax laws, or difficulty in fulfilling reporting requirements.

- **Measures to Improve Tax Awareness:**

To improve tax literacy, respondents suggested multiple strategies. The most preferred measure was **programs and training** (45.2%), followed by **clear tax guidelines and resources** (38.7%). A smaller percentage (12.9%) emphasized the need for **financial advisory services** to provide expert guidance.

Conclusion :

The findings show that while many traders are aware of tax regulations, their depth of understanding is often inadequate, particularly among those with limited experience. This knowledge gap can lead to compliance challenges, increasing the risk of penalties or legal consequences. To enhance tax awareness and compliance, structured educational programs, clear tax guidelines, and access to professional financial advice are necessary.

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A Study on Influence of Sales Promotional Strategies on the Buying Behaviour of Customers

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Abstract :

In the contemporary era of marketing where number of brands with number of products is available it becomes quite difficult to gain attention of customers. Therefore, business organization had to adopt different sales promotional strategies to stimulate demand for products and services. The sales promotional activities including Free Samples, Discounts, Buy One Get One Free [BOGO] offers are common forms of sales promotional strategies often adopted by business organization to retain existing and attracts the potential customers. Present research is based on primary sources and secondary sources of data and studies influence of sales promotional strategies on buying behaviour of the customers.

Keywords : Buying Behaviour, Discounts, Offers, Sales promotion.

Introduction :

In the current competitive market, businesses are constantly looking for effective methods to attract and retain customers. A commonly employed approach is sales promotion, which encompasses strategies such as discounts, coupons, buy-one-get-one-free offers, loyalty programs, and other incentives aimed at boosting short-term sales and influencing buyer behavior. Sales promotions are essential marketing tools that not only increase sales volume but also enhance brand visibility and customer engagement.

Consumer purchasing behavior is influenced by a variety of psychological, social, and economical factors, making it a complex process. The success of sales promotion strategies depends on how customers perceive and react to these offers. Some customers may be more sensitive to price and readily respond to discounts, while others may prioritize perceived value, brand loyalty, or product quality. Understanding these behavioral trends is vital for businesses to craft promotional strategies that cope up with their target audience.

Objectives of the study :

The objectives of the present study are;

- To study socio demographic profile of the respondents
- To identify the promotional strategies applied in the study area
- To examine how promotional strategies influence on consumer purchase behavior

Research Methodology :

The present research is based on primary and secondary data sources. Primary data is collected from 50 respondents of Shirpur city using self-administered questionnaire, whereas secondary data is collected from research papers, web based journals etc. Responses are gathered on level of agreement of 5 point Likert scale.

Literature Review :

Shekhawat Kanchan (2020), Sales promotions have a beneficial impact on consumer buying choices as they provide discounts, coupons, and additional benefits, proving to be an economical marketing tactic. Consumers react positively to these methods, enabling businesses to enhance sales and maintain competitiveness..

Agrawal Harsh (2014), Internet discount coupons are a valuable tool for businesses to attract new customers, retain existing ones, and boost sales. They provide a cost-effective marketing strategy that benefits both retailers and consumers. However, businesses must use them strategically to avoid devaluing their brand, ensure proper targeting, and manage logistics efficiently. When implemented correctly, online coupons can enhance customer loyalty, increase revenue, and help businesses stay competitive in a dynamic market..

Sagar P. (2022), This paper discussed role of online discount vouchers in sales promotion, emphasizing their impact on attracting new customers, retaining existing ones, and driving sales. It highlights digital coupons serve as a cost-effective marketing tool, encouraging quick purchase decisions and helping businesses stay competitive. Online discount vouchers incentivize potential customers to make their first purchase and encourage repeat purchases from existing customers. Study highlights when used strategically, online discount vouchers benefit both businesses and customers by offering savings while maintaining competitiveness in the market.

Mishra Akash (2023), Online discount vouchers serve as a potent tool for businesses in drawing in new customers, retaining the current ones, and boosting sales. They offer a cost-effective means to advertise products and prompt swift buying choices. It is crucial for businesses to precisely aim their discounts at the appropriate audience and guarantee efficient logistics for optimal results. When employed effectively, digital coupons aid retailers in maintaining competitiveness while delivering valuable savings to customers.

Data Analysis & Interpretation :

Table 1 Distribution of the Respondents by their Age Group

Age Group	Frequency	%
18-30	11	22
31-40	10	20
41-50	22	44
51-60	4	8
Above 60	3	6
Total	50	100

Inference: Above table depicts that out of the sample size majority of the respondents belongs to age group of 41-50 followed by 18-30, 31-40, 51-60 and above 60 respectively.

Table 2 Distribution of Respondents by their Gender

Gender	Frequency	%
Male	28	56
Female	22	44
Total	50	100

Inference: Majority of the respondents are male (56%) and proportion of female respondents is 44%. This indicates that purchase decisions are mostly taken by the male segment.

Table 3 Distribution of Respondents by their Education

Education	Frequency	%
Below SSC	7	14
SSC	6	12
HSC	9	18
Under graduation	20	40
Post Graduation	8	16
Total	50	100

Inference: Table 3 shows that majority of the respondents is having education of under graduation. Respondents who are having education below SSC is having least proportion in the sample size.

Table 4 Distribution of Respondents by their Occupation

Occupation	Frequency	%
Business	15	30
Farmers	8	16

Housewives	6	12
Service	16	32
Professionals	5	10
Total	50	100

Inference: - Above table reveal that occupation of service and business holds almost same proportion in the sample size.

Discussion and Findings :

Table 5 How often do you come across following promotional offers?

Sr. No	Promotional Offers	Always	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
i	Discounts	27	9	5	11	12
ii	Buy One Get One Free	12	23	9	9	7
iii	Limited Period Offers	9	16	22	16	12
iv	Combo Offers	2	2	9	11	13
v	Free Samples	0	0	5	3	6

Inference :

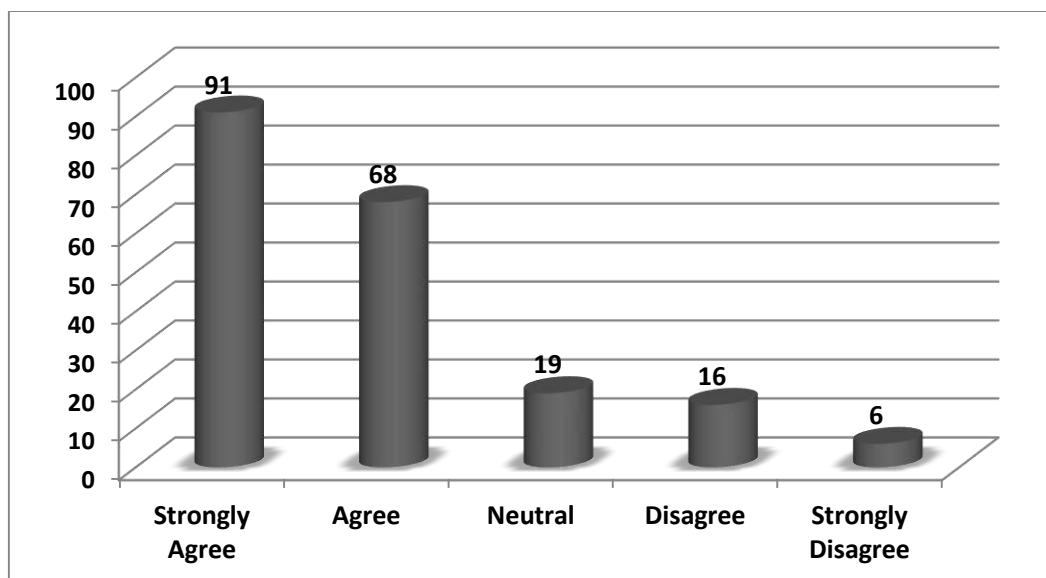
Discount is always observed promotional technique in the study area, Buy One Get One Free offer is often used by the business organization whereas combo offers and free samples are rarely used for sales promotion.

Purchase Behaviour Related to Promotional Offers

5 point Likert scale statements are used to analyze the respondent's behavior towards the different promotional offers.

Table 6 Purchase Behaviour Related to Promotional Offers

Statement	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Likely to buy from a store that regularly offers promotional discounts or deals.	26	19	4	1	0
Frequently seek out promotional offers before making a purchase decision.	25	12	4	8	1
Promotional offers influence decision to try new brands or products.	23	17	2	5	3
Buy items that don't need when there is a sale.	17	20	9	2	2
Total	91	68	19	16	6



Inference: Table 6 integrated overall responses towards purchase behavior of respondents. Analysis revealed that majority of the respondents is strongly agreed and agree on the Likert scale statement pertaining to the influence of the promotional offers. Graph 1 show that promotional offers largely influence the purchase decisions of the respondents.

Research Conclusions :

In today's competitive environment, numerous businesses aim to boost their sales revenue. Achieving this goal often involves implementing effective sales promotion strategies. Through analysis, it is evident that discounts and Buy One Get One Free offers have a significant impact on customers' purchasing decisions. Customers are more inclined to explore new products when companies employ promotional tactics. These strategies not only influence customers to make purchases but also contribute to increased sales, brand recognition, and the development of long-term customer relationships. Discounts play a crucial role in prompting immediate purchases. Research focuses on exploring promotional strategies and customer buying behaviors in relation to promotions.

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To Analyze the Use of AI Tools Among the UG Students

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Abstract :

The rapid integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools in education has significantly transformed student learning experiences and academic performance. This study aims to explore the multifaceted impact of AI tools on students academic outcomes. Focusing on their role in enhancing productivity, streamlining research, and offering personalized learning opportunities. However, with the increased reliance on AI-generated content, this research also critically examines the potential for misinformation, as students may encounter or inadvertently use inaccurate or biased information.

Additionally, the study investigates how frequent use of AI tools influences student creativity whether these tools foster innovative thinking by supporting ideation processes or, conversely, stifle originality by encouraging over reliance on automated solutions. Through these objectives, this research offers a comprehensive analysis of benefits and challenges posed by AI tools.

Keywords : Rapid integration, Artificial intelligence, Learning experience, Multifaceted impact of AI tools, AI generated content, Misinformation, Innovative thinking, Comprehensive analysis.

Introduction :

Artificial intelligence (AI) uses transformational power as a transformational power in several areas, including education. To increase availability of AI-powered tools, UG's students use these technologies in academic routines to improve learning efficiency, improve writing skills, generate content, and seek support in a variety of specialties. Tools such as ChatGPT, Grammarly, Canva, GitHub Copilot, and AI control research platforms are key parts of students for the latest training that have instantly supported the accessibility and convenience of AI tools for students to tasks, essays, assignments, exam preparation, doubt solving, coding, and data analysis. Consider students and their academic performance also the impact on their creativity. We mainly focus on impacts of AI tools on students thinking power, decision-driven statements and also to filter misinformation from it.

Objectives :

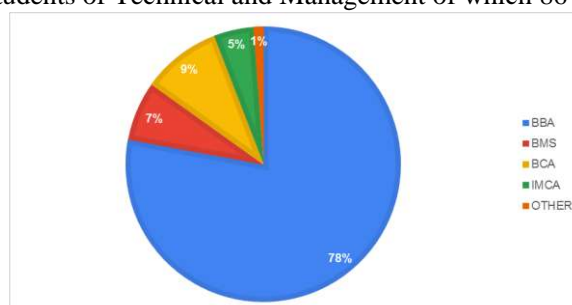
- To analyse the use and impact of AI tools on academic performance of students.
- To analyse the potential for misinformation.
- To explore effect on student creativity.

Research methodology :

Primary data for the study was collected from an online survey using Google Forms for UG students of BBA, BCA, BMS, IMCA. The survey consisted of 14 Questions from which 7 Questions are close ended and remaining 5 Questions are open ended and 2 Question was demographic to ensure consistency and clear minded response. A convenience sampling technique was used to distribute the survey link through WhatsApp and personal networks. The sample size initially targeted to the UG department students of Technical and Management of which 86 students responded, resulting in a response rate of 86%.

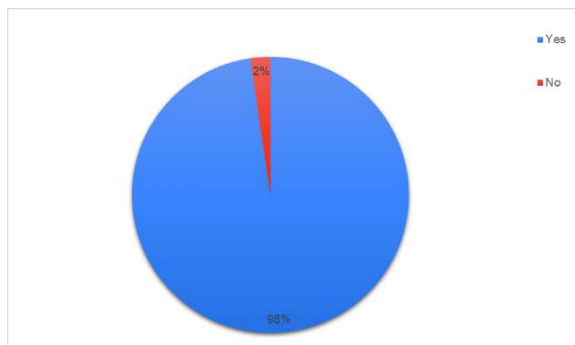
Data interpretation :

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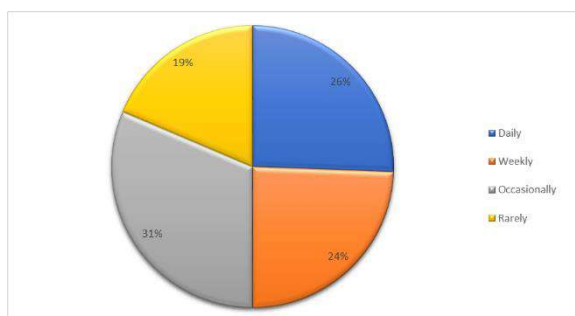
In this chart, we can see that 78% students are from BBA, 9% from BCA, 7% from BMS, 5% from IMCA.

2. Do you use AI tools ?



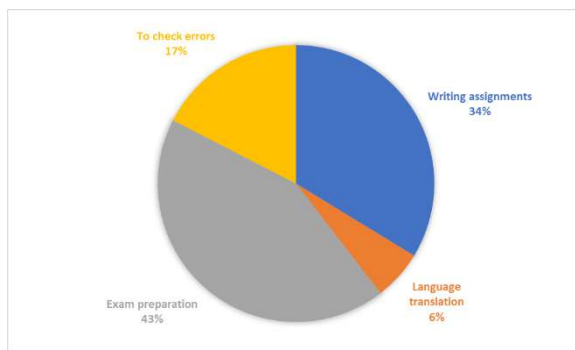
In this chart, we can see that 98% students are using AI tools.

3. How often do you use AI tools ?



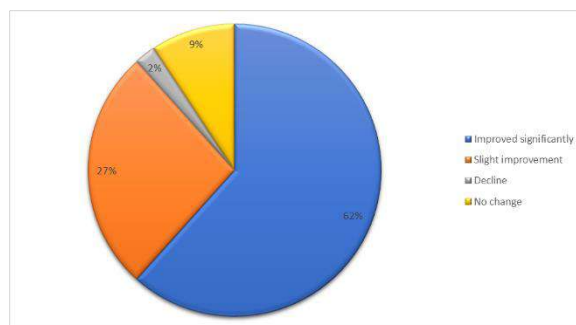
In this chart, 26 % students have used AI tools Daily, 24 % students Weekly, 31 % Occasionally and 19 % Rarely.

4. Why do you use AI powered learning tools ?



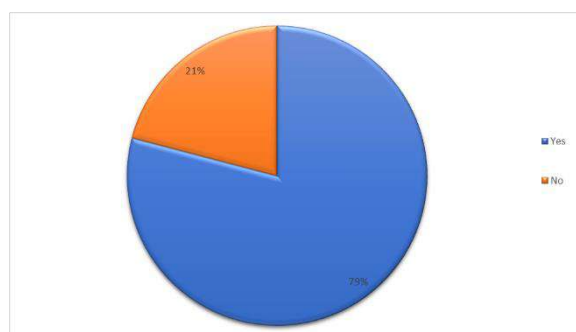
In this chart, we can see that 34 % students use AI tools for writing assignments, 6 % for language translation, 43 % for exam preparation, 17 % for to check errors.

5. How has using AI tools affect your academic performance ?



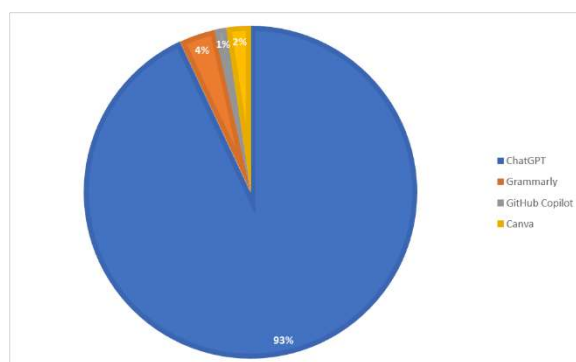
In this chart, we can see the progress of students academic performance using AI tools. We got the data like 62% of students improved significantly, 27 % have slight improvement, 2 % decline and 9 % has no change.

6. Do you think AI tools contribute to a decline in student creativity ?



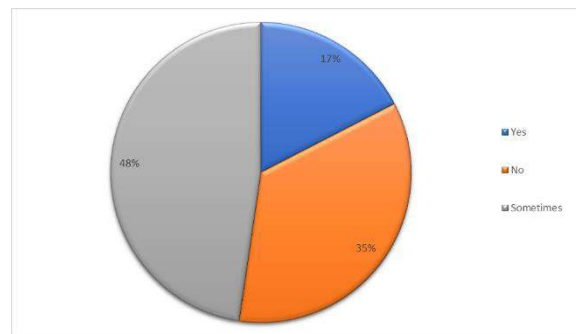
In this chart, we learn that 79 % students agree AI tools contribute to decline in student creativity.

7. What type of AI tools do you use ?



In this chart, we can see that 93% students use ChatGPT, 4% Grammarly, 1% GitHub Copilot, 2% Canva.

10. Have you ever received incorrect information from AI tools ?



In this chart, we can see that 17% agree to received incorrect information from AI tools and 48% agree as sometimes.

12. Do you recommend AI tools to other students why or why not?

Some students recommend to do not use AI tools as few students and educators prefer to avoid AI tools because they can lead to over-reliance, reduce critical thinking, or even raise ethical concerns. Some says it is useful but it's harmful. Also, it depends on the task to use the tool accordingly and majorly use your own concepts and ideas.

According to data collected mostly student recommended that, we should use the AI tools because it saves time and gives quick suggestion and also gives rough idea. It helps us in time management and makes our work more productive. Due to early completion, we can take more assignments and accomplish more tasks.

Conclusion :

AI tools provide significant possibilities to improve students learning by providing personalised feedback, adaptive learning paths, and immediate access to information, making education more easy. However, responsible use is important, requiring students to understand the limitations of AI and prioritize critical thinking skills to avoid over-reliance on Automated solutions, ensuring they use AI as a valuable learning companion rather than a substitute for their own understanding and efforts.

From the data analysis, 65% students agree that AI tools help them to deeply understand concept and it provides quick answers, 35% were neutral and there was no response of disagreement from students. From data collected, students responded AI will replace traditional learning and we found that 39% students said Yes, 23% as No, 38% as Not sure.

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Exploring the Impact of Social Media on Mental Health

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Abstract :

This study examines the impact of social media on mental health, aiming on both its positive and negative effects. We explore how social media is connected to issues like anxiety, depression, self-esteem, and body image, while also seeing the potential benefits of online communities in supporting mental health. Using surveys and a review of existing research, we analysed the experiences of different demographic groups to increase a broader understanding of these effects. Our findings indicate that excessive use of social media is associated with an increase in mental health problems, particularly anxiety and depression. However, we also discovered that online groups and support networks can provide valuable emotional support; fostering connections and helping individuals manage with mental health challenges. This study highlights the importance of stable social media usage and highlights the probable for online spaces to promote mental well-being when used mindfully.

Keywords : Social media, mental health, anxiety, depression, self-esteem, online groups.

1. Introduction :

The beginning of social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc has developed the way people connect, share information, and express themselves. Social media has become an integral part of daily life, especially among youths. While it offers numerous benefits, such as promoting social connections, information sharing, and raising mental health awareness, there are growing fears about its impact on mental health. The psychological effects of social media use are complex, with both positive and negative implications for mental well-being. This paper explores these impacts by reviewing empirical research and examining the relationship between social media use and mental health outcomes such as anxiety, depression, self-esteem, and body image. Furthermore, the potential role of virtual communities and support networks in improving mental health will be evaluated.

2. Objectives of the Study :

- To explore how social media usage affects mental health.
- To examine the positive and negative impacts of social media on self-esteem, anxiety, and depression.
- To identify how demographic factors influence the effects of social media on mental health.
- To suggest ways to use social media more healthily and reduce its negative impact.

Literature Review :

General Effects of Social Media on Mental Health :

The overuse or unhealthy use of social media can have significant negative effects on mental health. Research by Burnell et al. (2024) found that heavy social media use is associated with an increased likelihood of experiencing depression, anxiety, and sleep disturbances. However, they emphasized that the impact of social media on mental health is not uniform and depends largely on the individual's usage patterns, as well as their personal circumstances and mental health history. Some users may experience greater emotional distress due to constant social comparison, while others may find it a valuable tool for staying connected or seeking support.

Social Media and Mental Health Disorders :

Excessive social media use has been strongly linked to various mental health issues, particularly depression, anxiety, and sleep disturbances. Li et al. (2023) observed that these effects are especially prevalent among adolescents and young adults. They found that constant engagement with social media can lead to emotional exhaustion, a heightened sense of loneliness, and disrupted sleep patterns. These findings support the idea that while social media can offer a sense of connection, it may also contribute to feelings of isolation and mental strain when used excessively or in a maladaptive way.

Social Media and Mental Health Education :

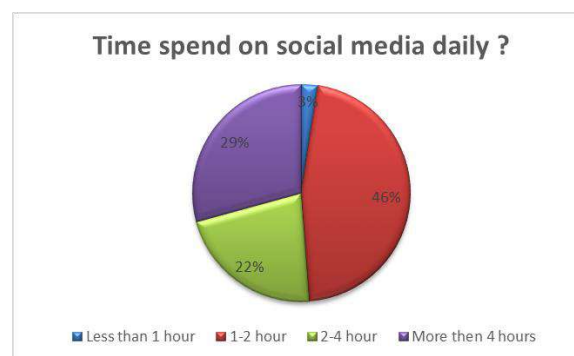
While there are significant risks associated with social media use, it also plays a crucial role in promoting mental health awareness and education. According to **Boursier et al. (2023)**, social media platforms are vital tools for disseminating information about mental health issues, providing users with easy access to resources and support. Platforms like Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook have been used to raise awareness, share mental health tips, and encourage users to seek help when needed. This widespread availability of information helps individuals better understand mental health challenges and access services that they may otherwise be unaware of.

Skill Development and Self-Expression :

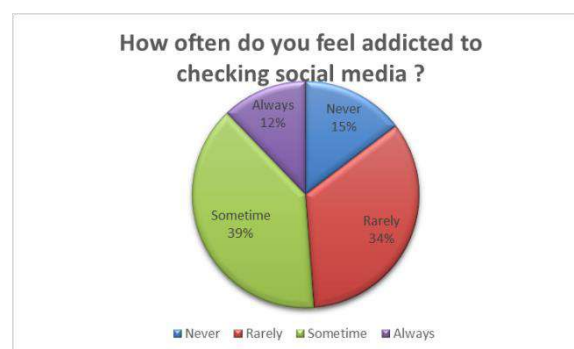
In addition to its role in mental health education, social media also offers opportunities for personal growth, skill development, and self-expression. **Burnell et al. (2024)** noted that social media platforms enable users to creatively express themselves, which can be a source of empowerment. Through the creation of videos, artwork, or written content, individuals can explore their identities and build self-confidence. This process of self-expression can foster personal growth and serve as a therapeutic outlet for many users. The ability to receive positive feedback and validation from an online community further enhances users' self-esteem and sense of belonging.

Research Methodology :

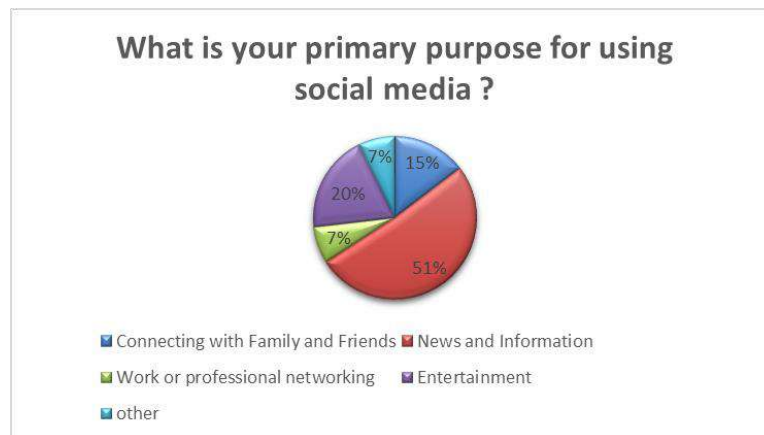
- **Research Design** – A survey-based study analyzing social media's effects on mental health (anxiety, depression, self-esteem, etc.).
 - **Data Collection** – Primary data from a structured questionnaire with multiple-choice and Likert-scale questions.
 - **Sample & Population** –
 - **Target group:** Young adults (18-30 years).
 - **Sample size:** 40 participants (small, limiting generalizability).
 - **Sampling method:** Convenience sampling (voluntary participation).
 - **Data Analysis** –
 - **Descriptive statistics** (percentages, trends).
 - Focused on **time spent, emotional impact, addiction, self-esteem issues**.
1. **Time Spent:** Most spend 2-4 hours or more daily, showing heavy usage.



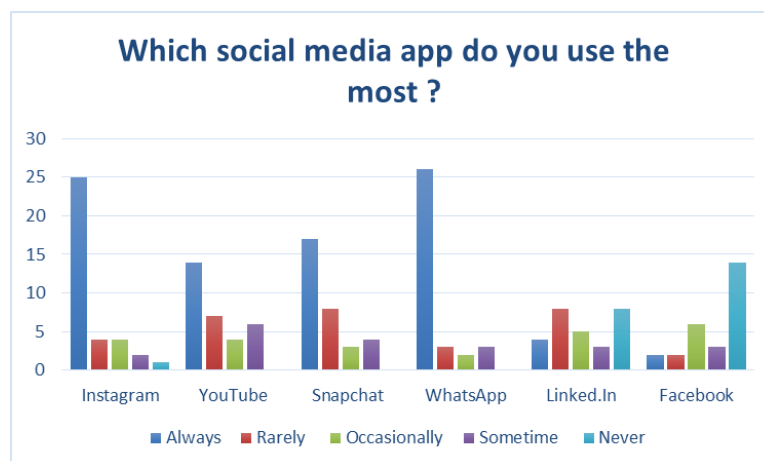
2. **Primary Purpose:** Common uses include socializing, news, and entertainment.



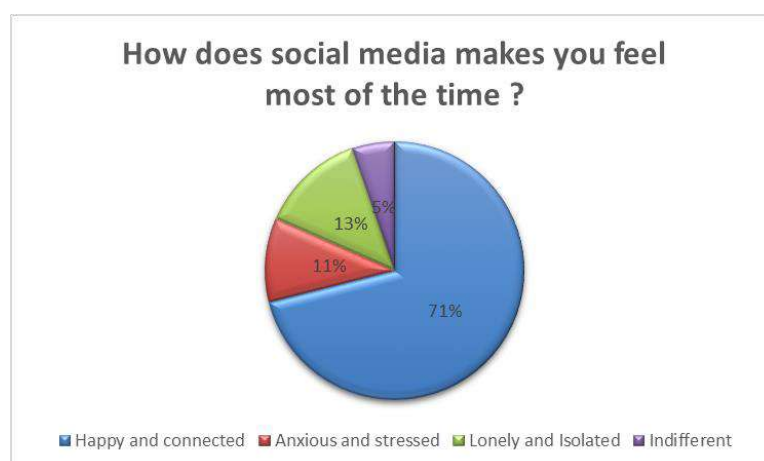
3. Addiction: Many feel sometimes or always addicted, highlighting compulsive behaviour.



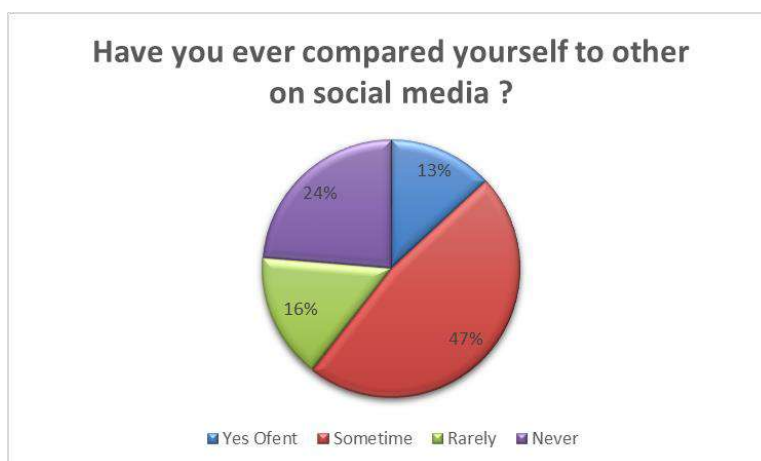
4. Most Used Apps: Instagram, YouTube, and WhatsApp are the most popular platforms.



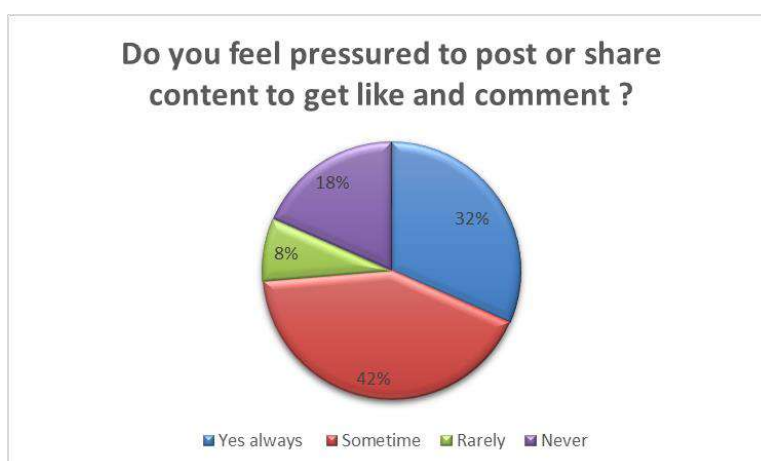
5. Emotional Impact: Users feel both positive and negative emotions, showing mixed effects.



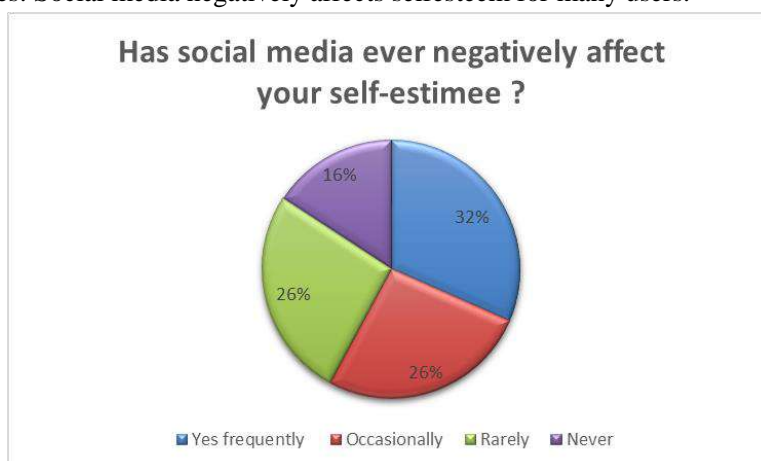
6. Social Comparison: Many compare themselves to others, affecting self-esteem.



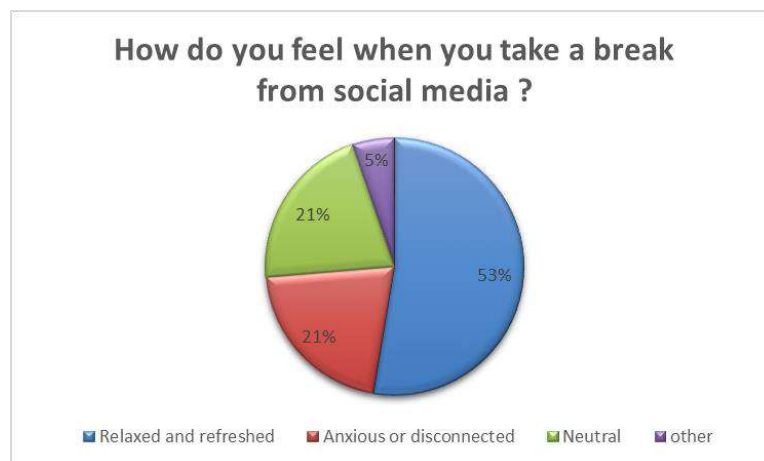
7. Pressure for Likes: Some feel pressured to post for validation, while others don't.



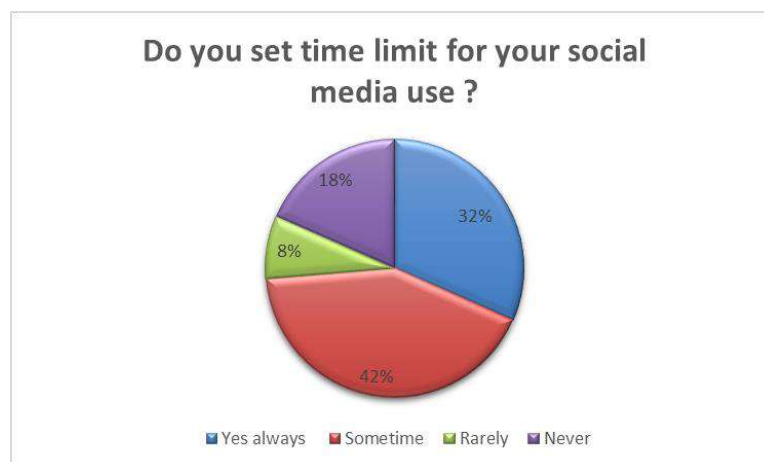
8. Self-Esteem Issues: Social media negatively affects self-esteem for many users.



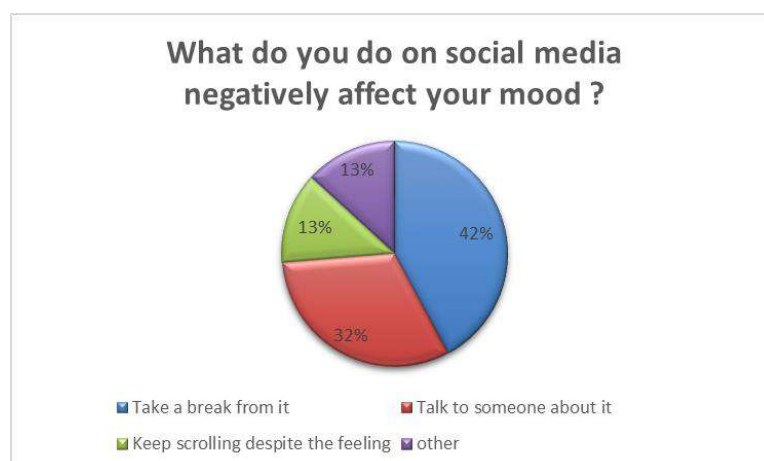
9. Breaks from Social Media: Most feel relieved and less stressed when taking breaks.



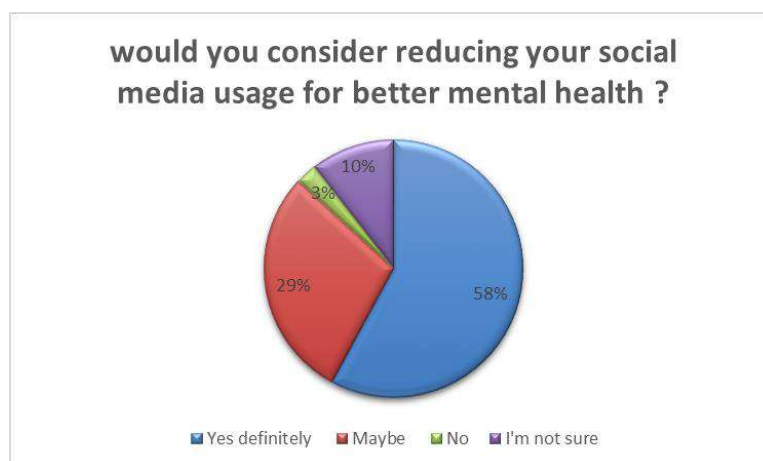
10. Time Limits: Some set limits, but others struggle with self-control



11. Coping Strategies: Common methods include taking breaks or limiting screen time.



12. Reducing Usage: Many are willing to cut back for better mental health.



Findings :

- Too Much Social Media Affects Mental Health – 65% of users spend 4+ hours daily, leading to stress, anxiety, and addiction.
- Used Mostly for Fun and News – 80% of users engage in social media for chatting, news, and entertainment.
- Many Feel Addicted – 55% admitted to feeling addicted and struggling to control their usage.
- Comparison Lowers Confidence – 60% compare themselves to others, which lowers self-esteem.
- Long Use Causes Mood Swings – 50% feel tired, irritated, or unproductive after long hours on social media.
- Likes and Comments Affect Self-Worth – 45% feel pressure to post for validation, affecting their self-confidence.
- Taking Breaks Helps – 70% felt less stressed and happier after taking breaks from social media.
- Hard to Control Usage – 40% try to limit screen time but find it difficult to stick to.

Recommendations :

To promote a **healthier digital environment**, the following strategies are suggested :

- Use **“Reverse Scrolling”** – Instead of mindlessly scrolling, **search for specific topics** that add value to your life (e.g., learning a skill, career tips).
- **Turn Social Media into a Productivity Tool** – Follow accounts that provide **learning opportunities**, such as language learning, financial advice, or career tips.
- **Create a “Reward System” for Usage** – Treat social media as a **reward** rather than a habit—only use it **after completing important tasks** like studying or working.
- **Engage in “Silent Scrolling” Days** – Use social media **without liking or commenting** to reduce the pressure of online validation.
- **Curate a “Healthy Feed”** – Actively **remove toxic content** and follow **inspiring, educational, or positive** pages that boost mental well-being.
- **Practice the “One-Scroll Rule”** – Instead of endless scrolling, stop after **one scroll** and engage only with meaningful content.
- **Use a Grayscale Screen** – Set your phone to black and white mode to make social media less visually appealing and reduce overuse.

Conclusion :

Social media has a important influence on mental health, with both positive and negative effects. While it can suggest by emotional support, education, and a platform for creativity, excessive use is linked to anxiety, depression, and low self-esteem. Young people, especially teenagers and young adults, are more likely to experience negative effects like cyberbullying and social comparison.

By using social media wisely, promoting digital education, and encouraging mental health awareness, individuals can enjoy the benefits while reducing the risks. Future research should focus on the long-term effects of social media on mental health and find methods to promote healthier online behaviour.

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Perspectives on Workers' Participation in Management: A Study of the Cotton Industry in Dhule District

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Abstract :

Workers' participation in management plays a crucial role in fostering industrial democracy and enhancing organizational efficiency. This study examines the perspectives on Workers' participation in management in the cotton industry of Dhule district, analysing both its advantages and challenges. While Workers' participation in management promotes cooperation, job satisfaction, and productivity, resistance from management, lack of awareness and structural constraints often hinder its effectiveness. The research adopts a mixed-method approach, incorporating surveys and interviews with workers and management representatives. Findings indicate that a well-structured Workers' participation in management framework can enhance decision-making, reduce conflicts and improve labour relations. However, the study also highlights the need for policy reforms and awareness programs to address prevailing concerns. By shedding light on the complexities of Workers' participation in management in the cotton industry, this study contributes to a better understanding of its implementation and impact.

Keywords : Workers' Participation in Management, Cotton Industry, Industrial Relations.

Introduction :

Workers' participation in management is a crucial element of industrial relations that fosters industrial democracy, enhances organizational efficiency and strengthens employer-employee relationships. It refers to the process where workers have a say in managerial decision-making, thus promoting collaboration, job satisfaction and overall productivity. The effectiveness of Workers Participation In Management, however is often challenged by resistance from management, lack of awareness among workers, and structural constraints that hinder its successful implementation. This study aims to explore the perspectives on workers participation in management within the cotton industry in Dhule district, assessing its benefits and the challenges associated with its adoption.

The cotton industry is a labour-intensive sector where the workforce plays a significant role in production efficiency. Therefore, implementing an effective Workers Participation in Management framework can substantially enhance industrial relations by fostering cooperation, improving decision-making processes and reducing workplace conflicts. However, traditional management structures, reluctance from employers and a lack of institutional support often limit workers' participation in managerial activities. Furthermore, the impact of government policies, labour regulations and economic conditions play a decisive role in determining the extent of workers participation in management implementation.

This research employs a mixed-method approach, integrating qualitative and quantitative methodologies, including surveys and interviews with workers and management representatives, to gain a comprehensive understanding of workers participation in management in the cotton industry. The findings highlight that a well-structured and inclusive workers participation in management model can lead to enhanced industrial harmony, improved productivity, and effective conflict resolution. Nonetheless, for workers participation in management to be fully realized, there is a pressing need for policy reforms, training programs, and awareness campaigns to educate both employers and employees about its significance and operational mechanisms.

Workers' Participation in Management in the Indian Perspective:

Workers' participation in management in India has evolved through various legislative measures and policy frameworks aimed at fostering industrial democracy. The concept was formally introduced through the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947, which mandated consultative mechanisms between employers and employees. Over the years, different models of Workers Participation in Management, such as joint management councils, works committees, and collective bargaining agreements, have been established to promote participatory decision-making. However, the effectiveness of these mechanisms remains inconsistent due to varying levels of employer commitment, lack of worker awareness, and structural inefficiencies in implementation.

The Indian labor market is characterized by a dual structure, consisting of organized and unorganized sectors, with Workers Participation in Management being more prevalent in the former. In state-owned enterprises, participatory management has been relatively successful due to government interventions and legal mandates. Conversely, private-sector adoption of Workers Participation in Management has been sluggish, primarily due to apprehensions regarding managerial control and efficiency. Despite these challenges, studies indicate that workplaces with active worker participation experience higher productivity, reduced industrial disputes, and improved job satisfaction among employees.

Several factors influence the adoption and effectiveness of Workers Participation in Management in India. The legal framework, including acts such as the Trade Unions Act, 1926, and the Factories Act, 1948, provides guidelines for worker participation. However, enforcement remains a concern, especially in small and medium enterprises. Additionally, socio-cultural factors, including hierarchical workplace structures and traditional management practices, often act as barriers to effective participation.

For Workers Participation in Management to be successfully implemented in India, reforms in labor policies, enhanced awareness programs, and structured training initiatives are necessary. Encouraging participatory management through digital platforms and inclusive decision-making models can bridge the existing gaps. Future research should focus on sector-specific challenges and the impact of globalization on Workers Participation in Management practices in India.

Objectives of the Study:

1. To examine the impact of workers' participation in management on decision-making and organizational productivity.
2. To identify challenges hindering the effective implementation of workers' participation in management in the cotton industry.
3. To suggest policy measures and strategies to improve the effectiveness of workers' participation in management practices.

Research Methodology:

This study employs both primary and secondary research methodologies to ensure a comprehensive analysis of workers' participation in management Workers' Participation in Management in the cotton industry. Primary data is collected through surveys and semi-structured interviews with workers and management representatives, providing first-hand insights into their perspectives, experiences and challenges regarding Workers' Participation in Management. Secondary data is gathered from academic journals, government reports, industry publications and previous research studies, offering a theoretical foundation for the study.

A qualitative data analysis approach is adopted, utilizing thematic analysis to interpret patterns, trends, and key themes emerging from the collected data. This method allows for an in-depth understanding of the social, economic and organizational factors influencing Workers' Participation in Management. By integrating primary and secondary data with qualitative analysis, the study aims to provide a nuanced perspective on the effectiveness, limitations, and potential improvements in Workers' Participation in Management within the cotton industry.

Cotton Industry in Dhule District:

The cotton industry in Dhule District is one of the region's most significant economic contributors, providing employment to thousands of workers and supporting the local economy. As a labour-intensive sector, it heavily depends on an efficient workforce to maintain high levels of production and competitiveness in both domestic and international markets. The role of Workers' Participation in Management within this sector is vital, as it can enhance industrial relations, streamline decision-making processes, and improve overall operational efficiency. However, despite its benefits, the adoption of Workers' Participation in Management in Dhule's cotton industry faces several obstacles, including resistance from management, lack of awareness among workers, and insufficient institutional support.

Studies suggest that effective Workers' Participation in Management implementation in the cotton industry can lead to increased worker motivation, reduced workplace conflicts, and better communication between employees and management. Government policies and labour regulations also significantly influence the degree of Workers' Participation in Management adoption, as compliance with labour laws and corporate governance structures plays a crucial role in shaping participatory management practices. Addressing these barriers and promoting awareness regarding Workers' Participation in Management benefits can substantially improve productivity and sustainability in the industry.

To achieve long-term growth, the cotton industry in Dhule must integrate Workers' Participation in Management strategies that encourage collaboration and trust between workers and employers. Policy reforms, educational programs,

and active involvement of labour unions can further strengthen Workers' Participation in Management practices, ensuring a more harmonious and productive work environment. A well-structured Workers' Participation in Management model will not only enhance industrial democracy but also contribute to the long-term economic sustainability of the cotton industry in Dhule District.

Results & Discussion :

1) Factors Influencing Workplace Participation in Management

Dynamic	Positive Impact %	Challenges %
Decision-making involvement	68	32
Conflict resolution	56	44
Productivity improvement	74	26
Awareness among workers	38	62
Management resistance	29	71

2) Awareness among Workers in Dhule District

Sr. No	Aspect of Workers	Result %
1	Comprehensive understanding	94
2	Agreement for execution	87
3	Confidence in its positive effect on workplace relations	83
4	Perception that it fosters peace and harmony	78

3) Fields of Workers Participation in Management

Sr. No	Aspect of Workers	Result %
1	Participate in all meetings	79
2	Aspire to join any committee	67
3	Provide input before decisions on employee welfare	57
4	Are engaged in administrative decision-making	35
5	Contribute opinions before machinery-related decisions	55
6	Are involved in determining working hours	62

4) Workers' Satisfaction and Involvement

Sr. No	Aspect of Workers	Result %
1	Welfare	67
2	Working Environment	15
3	Administration	6
4	New Technology	3

5) Implementation of Worker Suggestions

Sr. No	Aspect of Workers	Result %
1	Workers who suggest ideas	76
2	Suggestions followed by managers	52
3	Workers against strikes as a solution	43
4	Implementation of Suggestions in Various Areas	20
5	Welfare	64

Research Findings :

Workers' Participation in Management (WPM) plays a key role in improving decision-making, resolving conflicts, and boosting productivity. A study shows that 68% of workers feel involved in decision-making, but 32% face challenges due to management resistance and lack of awareness.

WPM positively impacts conflict resolution (56% of workers agree), and 74% believe it improves productivity, though structural barriers affect 26% of workers. Awareness of WPM is low, with only 38% of workers fully informed.

In Dhule district, 94% of workers understand WPM principles, and 87% support its implementation. Most workers feel it enhances industrial relations, peace, and productivity. However, the level of participation varies: 79% attend management meetings, 67% want to join decision-making committees, and 57% are consulted about employee welfare.

While many workers contribute ideas (76%), only 52% see their suggestions implemented. The effectiveness of WPM is limited by management resistance, lack of awareness, and structural inefficiencies. Suggestions are often poorly implemented, especially in administrative and technological areas. To improve WPM, policy reforms, awareness programs, better communication, and feedback systems are needed to encourage active worker participation and overcome existing barriers.

Conclusion :

The study highlights that workers' participation in management in the cotton industry of Dhule district significantly enhances decision-making, conflict resolution and productivity. While many workers recognize the benefits of participatory management, challenges such as managerial resistance, lack of awareness and structural inefficiencies limit its effectiveness. Despite a high willingness among workers to engage in decision-making, their actual influence remains constrained, with only a fraction of their suggestions being implemented. Strengthening collaboration between labour unions and management, integrating digital tools and promoting a culture of inclusivity can enhance participatory management practices.

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Study on Influences of Virtual Market Initiatives on Traditional Retail Mobile Business

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Abstract :

This research examines the influences of Virtual Market initiatives on traditional retail mobile businesses, focusing on the challenges and opportunities brought by the digital transformation of consumer behavior. As E-commerce continues to grow, mobile businesses face increased competition from online platforms offering convenience, variety and competitive pricing. Consumer expectations for faster, personalized services are further exacerbated by traditional retail. How traditional retail mobile businesses are adapting by adopting Omni channel strategies, improving in-store experiences and targeting local markets to maintain customer loyalty is deliberated in the research. Technologies like augmented reality and artificial intelligence can be used by businesses to improve customer engagement and simplify operations. It is concluded by the study that while the rise of e-commerce presents significant challenges, traditional retail mobile businesses can succeed by embracing digital tools and focusing on personalized, in-person experiences.

Keywords : E-commerce, Traditional Retail, Mobile Business.

Introduction :

The retail industry is rapidly changing due to technological advancements and the growing use of virtual market platforms. Traditional retail businesses in rural areas like are facing challenges as online marketplaces, mobile commerce and e-commerce influence consumer behaviour. This study explores how virtual market initiatives are impacting traditional retail mobile businesses, focusing on the role of digital platforms, mobile apps, and online strategies.

Nowadays, traditional retail mobile business is rapidly increasing due to high internet usage. While local businesses still rely on in-person transactions, the rise of virtual platforms is reshaping the retail landscape. This research examines the opportunities and challenges traditional businesses face as they adapt to both digital and physical retail environments. The study aims to provide insights on how these businesses can successfully integrate virtual market strategies to stay competitive in the evolving digital economy.

Literature Review :

Sridhar S. (2012), "Social influence effects in online product ratings," discusses how online product ratings and reviews significantly impact consumer purchasing decisions. In virtual markets, the opinions and reviews from fellow consumers play a crucial role in shaping the purchasing behaviors of potential buyers.

Menal Dahiya (2017), explores the impacts of e-commerce on the retail sector in India, particularly how it reshapes market dynamics. The study highlights how e-commerce is not only shifting consumer behavior but also imposing challenges on traditional retailers, particularly small and medium-sized businesses in rural regions. The research indicates that online marketplaces offer consumers greater convenience and lower prices, which has resulted in increased competition for traditional retail stores.

Kavya (2016), emphasizes the changing landscape of consumer and retailer interactions due to online shopping. She notes that online shopping has dramatically altered how consumers view price, product variety, and delivery times.

Jyoti Meshram (2016), discusses the shift from traditional shopping methods to online shopping, particularly with respect to clothing and accessories. Her study focuses on the youth demographic, which increasingly prefers online shopping due to its convenience and variety.

Statement of Problem:

In this study it is observed that digital platforms and online marketplaces had impact on traditional mobile retailers, due to this it is focusing on the challenges they face and how they will adapt new strategies to stay competitive with the digital scenario.

Objectives of the Study:

1. To study the impact of Virtual Market initiatives on traditional retail mobile businesses in terms of their competition with online platforms.

2. To observe the challenges faced by traditional retail mobile businesses due to the increasing growth of virtual platforms offering suitability, variety, and competitive pricing.
3. To explore the role of consumer behavior in the digital transformation of traditional retail mobile businesses, particularly regarding the growing demand for more rapidly, adapted services.
4. To examine how traditional retail mobile businesses are adapting to the digital age through Omni channel strategies, in-store experiences, and local market targeting.

Research Methodology:

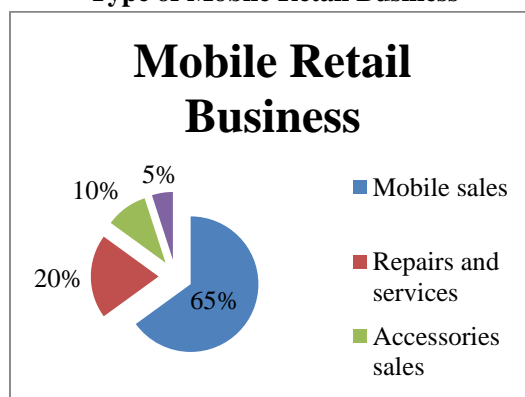
Research methodology is the process of solving the problem systematically by using the research. Research on the online purchasing and consumer behavior is a quantitative and descriptive research, methods which deals with use of statistical tools and numbers. A part of this research which emphasis on in detail analysis of information and findings a conclusion from the information collected. The data will be collected through using both primary and secondary data sources.

Primary data : Primary data will be collected with the help of questionnaire designed to get feedback from consumers. The aim of this survey will to target the consumers using from the retailers. Sample size of 20 respondents has been taken out.

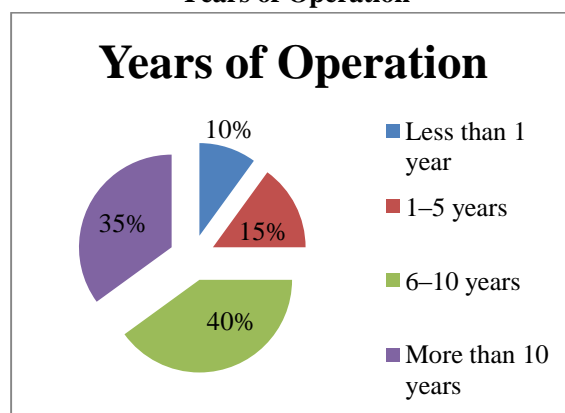
Secondary data : Secondary data will be collected with the help of following secondary sources includes Books and Website.

Result and Discussion :

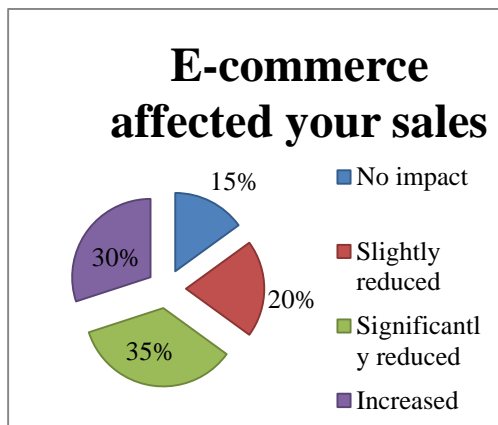
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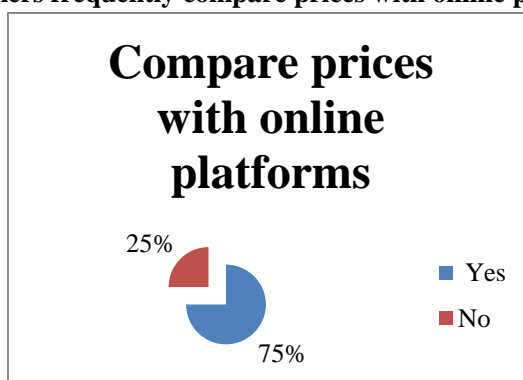
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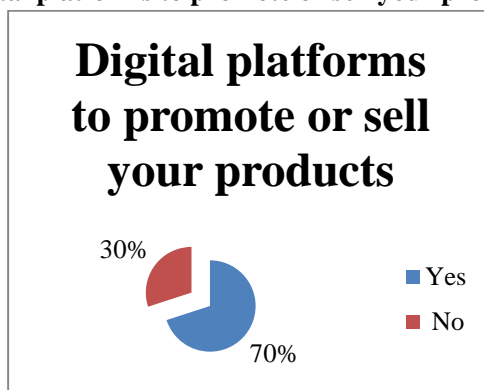


Customers frequently compare prices with online platforms



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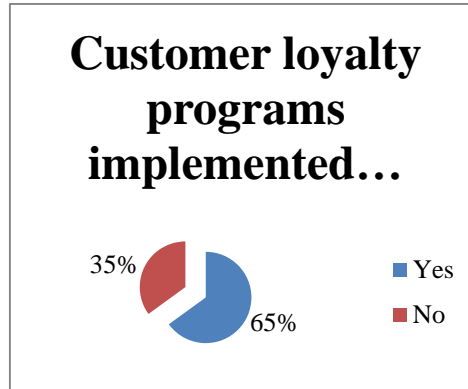
Digital platforms to promote or sell your products:



Offer discounts or promotional offers to compete with e-commerce



Customer loyalty programs implemented for customer



Results and Discussion :

1. **Convenience:** One major benefit of online shopping is that customers don't have to travel to crowded stores, deal with parking, or rush during busy seasons. Online stores are open all the time and products are delivered directly to customers' homes or offices, making shopping more convenient.
2. **Variety:** An online shop is a customer's delight. Online shops offer a wider variety of products than offline stores because they don't have to worry about limited space. This allows them to offer more options in one place. This large variety gives consumers vast choice which was not available before the advent of this medium.
3. **Consumer review:** This is one of the benefits of the online shopping which helps the prospective customers to learn about the performance of products from somebody like them even before they can lay their hands on the products. After a customer buys a product online, the store asks them to share their review. This helps other customers read about the product and decide if they want to buy it.
4. **Comparison shopping:** As customers, we like to visit few shops before purchasing a product. Offline shopping requires traveling to different stores, which is time-consuming and tiring. But with online shopping, we can easily compare products from different websites on our devices and choose the best deal.
5. **Discounts:** This is one of the major reasons for consumers specially youngsters purchasing online. Online sellers can offer lower prices because they don't need to spend on store decorations, hire many salespeople, or deal with middlemen. This allows them to offer discounts compared to physical stores.
6. **Availability of unique products:** Nowadays it has become almost a fashion for manufacturers of electronic devices and other product categories to launch their brand new products exclusively on a particular shopping portal. Some products are only available on specific online stores, and customers have no choice but to buy them from that site.
7. **Tangibility and trial ability:** In physical stores, customers can touch, feel, and try products before buying. Online stores only show pictures and details, which might not always be enough to make a decision. Although some online shops offer free trials and easy returns, this hands-on experience still gives offline stores an advantage.
8. **Shopping experience:** Shopping isn't just about buying things; it's also about enjoying the experience of exploring products, feeling textures, and spending time together. In India, shopping is often a family outing where everyone goes out, shops, watches a movie, and has a meal together. Online shopping can't offer this experience of quality time with family, even though it's easier to buy products.
9. **Delivery of products:** In physical stores, customers can use products right away, but with online shopping, there's often a wait for delivery, sometimes taking weeks. To solve this, online stores now offer same-day or next-day delivery for an extra fee.
10. **Return of products:** Online shopping can be frustrating when you need to return or exchange a product. Unlike offline stores, where you can simply go to the shop, online returns involve calling customer service, waiting for a courier, and sometimes waiting weeks for a refund or exchange. Even though many online stores offer guarantees, the process can still be stressful.

Conclusion:

In the Indian mobile retail business, the principle of "Atithi Devo Bhava" is central, where customers are treated with the utmost respect and care, ensuring exceptional service and satisfaction. Retailers focus on building trustful, long-term relationships with consumers.

Self-reliance is also emphasized, with many local mobile businesses prioritizing innovation and efficient solutions to meet customer needs while supporting India's technological growth. Additionally, patriotic consumer behaviour plays a significant role, as customers often prefer locally made or Indian-branded mobile products, contributing to the country's economic growth and supporting domestic industries, creating a strong bond between business and national pride.

E-commerce has significantly impacted traditional retail mobile businesses, offering both challenges and opportunities. As online shopping continues to grow, mobile retail businesses face increased competition from larger e-commerce platforms that provide convenience, lower prices, and broader product availability. However, mobile retailers can leverage their flexibility, personal customer service, and unique, localized offerings to differentiate themselves.

To stay competitive, mobile businesses must embrace digital strategies such as establishing an online presence, utilizing social media, and offering Omni channel services like Click-and-Collect. Additionally, using data insights to personalize customer experiences and ensuring reliable logistics for online orders can enhance customer loyalty.

By focusing on role products, building strong customer relationships, and continuously adapting to trends, traditional mobile retailers can carve out a sustainable niche in the evolving retail landscape. Ultimately, while e-commerce poses a challenge, it also opens up new growth avenues for mobile businesses that are willing to innovate and engage with both local and online markets.

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Influences of the Corporate Social Responsibilities on Brand Loyalty

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Abstract :

This research explores the relationship between corporate social responsibility and brand loyalty, focusing on how corporate social responsibility initiatives influence consumer perceptions and behaviors. As companies increasingly integrate corporate social responsibility practices into their business strategies, the study investigates whether these efforts contribute to stronger emotional connections and increased loyalty among consumers. By considering literature reviews, case studies and empirical data in the context of corporate social responsibility research, the impact of different corporate social responsibility dimensions, including environmental sustainability, social equity and ethical governance, on brand trust, consumer satisfaction and repeat purchase behavior is considered. The research indicated that the brands that take true commitment toward causes related to the social and environment are the preference of the consumer, thereby generating higher brand loyalty. The paper also highlights the significance of aligning corporate social responsibility initiatives with core brand values and consumer expectations. Implications for marketers and business leaders are discussed, emphasizing the potential of corporate social responsibility as a strategic tool for long-term customer retention and brand growth.

Keywords : Corporate Social Responsibility, Brand Loyalty, Consumer Perceptions.

Introduction :

In recent years, corporate social responsibility has emerged as crucial component of business strategy, with companies recognizing the importance of contributing to societal and environmental well-being. As consumers become more socially conscious and aware of the impact of corporate actions, corporate social responsibility has evolved from a voluntary practice to a key differentiator in competitive markets. This shift has made organizations consider the role of corporate social responsibility not only in enhancing their reputation but also in fostering deeper emotional connections with consumers.

Brand loyalty, a critical factor in driving long-term business success, is influenced by a variety of factors, including product quality, customer service and price. However, the growing emphasis on corporate ethics, environmental sustainability and community involvement suggests that corporate social responsibility may play an increasingly significant role in shaping consumer attitudes and behaviors. Companies that effectively integrate corporate social responsibility into their operations are often seen as more trustworthy and ethical, which in turn can influence customer satisfaction and brand commitment.

This paper seeks to explore the impact of corporate social responsibility on brand loyalty, addressing the question of whether corporate social responsibility initiatives can strengthen consumer attachment to a brand. Through an analysis of theoretical frameworks and empirical research, the study will examine how corporate social responsibility efforts ranging from environmental initiatives to community outreach affect consumer perceptions and ultimately, their loyalty to brands. Understanding this relationship is essential for companies seeking to build lasting connections with their customers in an era where corporate accountability is increasingly scrutinized.

Literature Review :

Sen and Bhattacharya (2001) wrote that corporate social responsibility influences consumer attitudes toward a brand as significantly as corporate social responsibility activities do. Their results conclude that when the company is active in corporate social responsibility, consumers have positive attitudes toward the brand, followed by trust and loyalty.

Martínez and Del Bosque (2013), made this interesting point that corporate social responsibility increases consumer satisfaction that leads to emotional bonding toward the brand to promote customer loyalty.

Luo and Bhattacharya (2006), corporate social responsibility indicates that unless quality products and services are provided to consumers, efforts in this sense will benefit only with regard to increased loyalty.

Objectives of the Study :

- To analyzes the influences of the corporate social responsibilities on Brand Loyalty.
- To analyzes the relevance of the corporate social responsibilities initiatives and consumer perceptions towards brand.

Research Methodology:

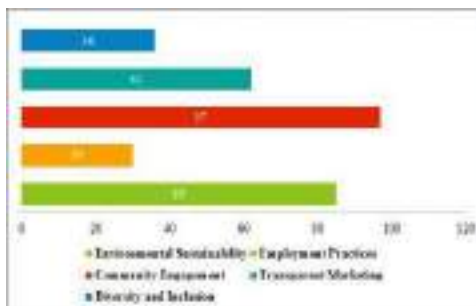
Primary data for the study was collected through an online survey using Google Forms. The survey consisted of 10 Questions in which 4 Questions are demographic and remaining 6 questions are close-ended questions to ensure consistency in responses. A convenience sampling technique was used to distribute the survey link through social media platforms and personal networks. Data analysis and discussion is based on 122 respondent data. Secondary data for the study was collected through research paper, reference books and web sources.

Data Interpretation :

How important is corporate social responsibility to you when choosing a brand?

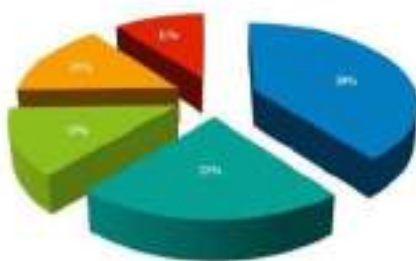


The majority of respondents view CSR as important, with 43% rating it as extremely important and 35% as very important.

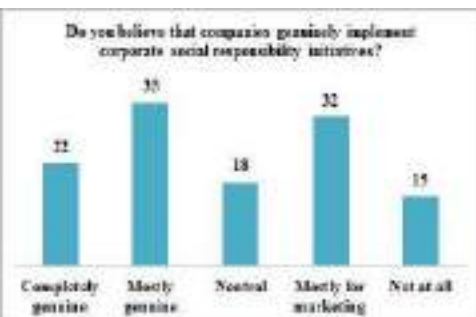


Community engagement is the most valued CSR activity (97%), followed by environmental sustainability (85%), transparent marketing (62%), diversity and inclusion (36%), and employment practices (30%). **(Multi-Choice question)**

How likely are you to remain loyal to a brand that engages in corporate social responsibility initiatives?



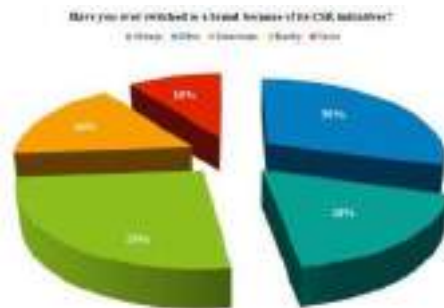
Most respondents (48%) are very likely to remain loyal to a brand with CSR initiatives, while 27% are likely, and fewer are neutral (16%), unlikely (18%), or very unlikely (13%).



Most respondents (35%) believe companies are mostly genuine in CSR, while 22% think they're completely genuine. Fewer are neutral (18%), mostly for marketing (32%), or not at all (15%).



Price (109 respondents) is the top motivator for brand loyalty, followed by quality (97), service (84), brand image (82), and CSR (65). **(Multi-Choice question)**



Most respondents (36) have always switched to a brand because of its CSR initiatives, followed by 32 who do so sometimes, 22 often, 20 rarely, and 12 never.

Findings :

1. Most respondents value CSR, especially environmental sustainability and community engagement, when making purchasing decisions. Many are likely to stay loyal to brands with CSR initiatives, though some see them as more marketing-driven. While CSR impacts loyalty, price, quality, and service are even more important factors in brand decisions.
2. Environmental sustainability, social equity and ethical governance are the key areas that seem to resonate most with respondents in terms of creating positive brand perceptions and loyalty.
3. Consumers are much more likely to feel bonded and loyal to brands that are sincerely involved in activities that support their personal values.
4. Consumers exhibit loyalty to brands not only by repeating purchases but also by being vocal advocates in terms of advocating the brand with others.
5. Consumers find credible those brands that seriously pursue corporate social responsibilities and will, therefore, tend to be loyal to a brand.

Conclusion :

Corporate social responsibility activities do indeed significantly impact brand loyalty, especially if they are directed towards environmental sustainability, social equity and ethical governance. The data seems to validate the fact that the emotional connection that a consumer may feel with a brand increases with respect to trust, satisfaction and loyalty in the long term, if it follows such values. Corporate social responsibilities activities should cater to the specific expectations of a company's customer base with respect to corporate social responsibility but at the same time provide the company with high quality products and good customer service.

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AI-Assisted Literature Reviews: Benefits and Challenges

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Abstract :

Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in academic research is growing day by day. Many research scholar take help if AI tools for doing review of literature. Use of AI tools enhance the work quality, efficiency with accuracy. It solve may problems of researchers like spelling mistakes and grammar mistakes. It also save time and provide review quickly. In research this part was very critical and time consuming but AI make is easily. This research work aims to evaluate AI tools use, its benefit and challenges.

Introduction :

Literature review means study of past research work and provide the all-inclusive logical thinking of existing knowledge. Working on review is very time consuming process and it require patience of researchers. Now a days AL tools help researchers to automate this process. This research work examines the benefits and challenges of **AI-Assisted Literature Reviews** as well as how this affect research integrity in academic research

Benefits of AI-Assisted Literature Reviews :

1. **Efficiency and Speed** : According to Gupta and Singh, AI tools like Open AI, Scite , Semantic and Elicit are widely used for review work. This tools provide review within a minutes. This tools reduced time spend by researcher earlier for doing review work.
2. **Enhanced Search Capabilities** : AI tools use machine learning algorithms this enhanced search capabilities to find articles, terms and contextual meanings easily than easy keyword search
3. **Improved Accuracy and Reduced Human Bias** : AI tools minimize the selection process from large database. AI helps to reduced human errors and improve accuracy of research work.
4. **Automated Summarization and Categorization** : AI tools prepare summaries as per categorize of research themes and spotlight key points easily.
5. **Interdisciplinary Insights** : Human has some limits while doing review work whereas AI has no limit. It easily access large data base and provide cross disciplinary review work from various fields. This also promote innovative research conceptualism. Smith and Lee in their research work also focus on cross disciplinary literary study.

Challenges of AI-Assisted Literature Reviews :

1. **Data Bias and Algorithmic Limitations** : AI tools used existing database for review work therefore it may be give biases result. Therefore literature review done by AI may be wrong. Miller et al. in their research paper mentioned that selection and interpretation of literature can may contain biases.
2. **Lack of Contextual Understanding** : Literature review required deep comprehension of research work done by researchers to make theoretical framework. Review work done by AI tools find it difficult to manage this theoretical framework from large database.
3. **Over-Reliance on AI and Reduced Critical Thinking** : The aim of literature review by researchers before conducting research work enhance critical thinking of researchers. Review work also show various pin points of research work done. Now a days researchers depends on AI tools which reduced critical thinking ability of researchers and over reliance on AI.
4. **Ethical and Transparency Concerns** : Review done by using AI tools raise ethical and transparency concerns.AI generated text has no ethical accountability.
5. **Inconsistencies in Citation and Source Verification** : AI generated review provide inconsistencies in citation and source verification, this may arise question of validation of work done by researchers.

Future Directions :

Use of AI tools in research work is now a days common. Therefore future research focus on following points.

- Enhancing AI models' contextual comprehension
- Developing hybrid approaches that integrate AI with human expertise

- Establishing ethical guidelines for AI usage in academic research
Enhancing AI models' contextual comprehension: AI Tools required large database to generate AI bases response I.e. outcome. Therefore for contextual comprehension or understanding is key challenge for more accurate responses. **AI needs specific training for domain-specific contexts in the area of Legal law, Medical, Accounts & Finance to provide expert level and accurate response.**
Developing hybrid approaches that integrate AI with human expertise: Integration of AI with human expertise will make AI more powerful and effective for example if AI is used to medical diagnosis then it must be validate from expert doctors.this improve the accuracy of AI decision with the human guidance.
Establishing ethical guidelines for AI usage in academic research: Ethical consideration must ensure transparency and fairness in academic research work. To avoid plagiarism and AI generated research work content universities provide proper guidelines

Conclusion :

Nowadays use of AI tools in academic research is a fact. Use of AI change present research work in academic enhances efficiency and capability. AI assistance is biggest Challenge. This reduce contextual understanding of researcher and ethical transparency in research work.

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The Role of Emotional Intelligence in Supervisory Leadership and Worker Morale: Insights from Cotton Industries in Dhule

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Abstract :

This study investigates the impact of supervisor's emotional intelligence (EI) on worker morale in Dhule's cotton industries. It highlights key EI traits such as self-awareness, empathy, emotional regulation, and interpersonal skills that contribute to effective leadership and a positive work environment. A survey of 200 workers was conducted, with data analyzed in tabular and graphical formats. The findings reveal a strong link between supervisor's EI and employee satisfaction, motivation, and productivity. The study underscores the importance of EI training for supervisors to enhance workplace morale and organizational efficiency, offering valuable insights for industry leaders and policymakers.

Introduction :

In today's dynamic industrial environment, effective leadership is crucial for maintaining productivity and fostering a positive workplace culture. One of the key attributes that distinguish successful leaders is emotional intelligence (EI). The ability to understand, manage, and influence emotions in oneself and others. Emotional intelligence plays a particularly vital role in supervisory leadership, where interactions with workers directly impact their motivation, engagement, and overall morale. This study explores the significance of EI in shaping workplace relationships within the cotton industries of Dhule region, a region known for its strong presence in the textile sector.

Supervisors serve as a bridge between management and workers, ensuring smooth operations and maintaining harmony in the workplace. Their ability to navigate workplace challenges, resolve conflicts, and create a supportive work environment largely depends on their emotional intelligence. Key EI qualities such as self-awareness, empathy, emotional regulation, and interpersonal skills enable supervisors to foster a positive work culture, boost employee satisfaction, and enhance team performance. Equally, a lack of emotional intelligence in leadership can lead to workplace stress, low motivation, and decreased productivity.

This research examines how emotional intelligence among supervisors influences worker morale, motivation, and job satisfaction in Dhule's cotton industries. The study employs a quantitative approach, surveying 200 workers from selected industries to assess their perspectives on supervisory leadership. The data is analyzed through tabular and graphical representations to highlight the relationship between EI and workforce efficiency.

By shedding light on the role of emotional intelligence in industrial leadership, this research contributes to the growing discourse on workplace psychology and human resource management. The findings will provide valuable insights for industry leaders, HR professionals, and policymakers, emphasizing the need for EI training programs to enhance workforce engagement and overall organizational success.

Objectives :

1. To analyze the impact of supervisor's emotional intelligence on worker morale in the cotton industries of Dhule.
2. To identify key emotional intelligence traits in supervisors that contributes to effective leadership and a positive work environment.
3. To examine the relationship between supervisor's emotional intelligence and worker productivity, job satisfaction, and motivation.
4. To explore the effectiveness of emotional intelligence training programs for supervisors in enhancing workplace morale and organizational efficiency.

Hypothesis :

H₁: There is a positive correlation between supervisors' emotional intelligence and worker morale in the cotton industries of Dhule.

H₂: Supervisors with higher emotional intelligence demonstrate better conflict resolution skills, leading to reduced workplace stress among workers.

H₃: Workers under emotionally intelligent supervisors exhibit higher productivity and job satisfaction compared to those under supervisors with lower emotional intelligence.

H₄: Emotional intelligence training for supervisors leads to significant improvements in worker morale and organizational efficiency.

Literature Review :

Research on emotional intelligence suggests that leaders with high EI positively impact employee engagement, retention, and productivity. Various models, such as Goleman's EI framework, emphasize self-awareness, self-regulation, motivation, empathy, and social skills as key components of effective leadership. In the Indian context, several studies have highlighted the role of emotional intelligence in industrial and organizational settings. Research by Singh (2019) found that emotionally intelligent supervisors in Indian manufacturing industries contribute significantly to reducing workplace stress and enhancing employee performance. Similarly, Sharma and Gupta (2020) examined the textile sector and observed that leaders with high emotional intelligence foster better communication, collaboration, and job satisfaction among workers. Another study by Patel et al. (2021) in small-scale industries in Maharashtra revealed that emotional intelligence training for supervisors resulted in improved decision-making, conflict resolution, and overall team morale. Additionally, a study by Verma and Rao (2018) on leadership styles in Indian industries emphasized that emotionally intelligent leaders create a more resilient and adaptive workforce, especially in labor-intensive sectors like cotton manufacturing. These findings collectively indicate that emotional intelligence is a crucial factor in supervisory leadership, directly influencing worker morale, productivity, and workplace harmony. The integration of emotional intelligence principles into leadership training and human resource strategies can significantly benefit the cotton industries in Dhule, where workforce well-being is essential for operational efficiency.

Research Methodology :

The research methodology for this study is designed to systematically analyze the impact of supervisor's emotional intelligence on worker morale in the cotton industries of Dhule. A quantitative and qualitative approach has been adopted to ensure a comprehensive understanding of the subject.

The sample selection consists of 200 workers, chosen through a random sampling technique to maintain diversity and accuracy in responses. To ensure representativeness, a 5% sample was drawn from the total workforce of each selected cotton industry. The industries included in the study are Dhule Cotton Mills, Rajlaxmi Spinning Mills, Suyog Cotton Industry, Shree Ganesh Cotton Industries, and Radhika Textiles. These industries were selected based on their operational scale, workforce size, and relevance to the research objectives.

The data collection process involves a combination of surveys, structured questionnaires, and in-depth interviews. Surveys were conducted among workers to assess their perspectives on supervisory emotional intelligence and its impact on workplace morale. The structured questionnaires were designed to evaluate supervisors' emotional intelligence based on established models, such as Goleman's EI framework, which includes self-awareness, self-regulation, motivation, empathy, and social skills. Additionally, in-depth interviews were conducted with selected supervisors to gain deeper insights into their leadership approaches and emotional intelligence strategies.

To measure employee morale, standardized scales were used, incorporating key indicators such as job satisfaction, motivation levels, workplace engagement, and perceived leadership effectiveness. The collected data was analyzed using statistical tools and graphical representations, providing a clear depiction of the correlation between supervisors' emotional intelligence and worker morale.

This methodology ensures that the research findings are reliable, valid, and applicable to the cotton industry context in Dhule. By integrating both quantitative surveys and qualitative interviews, the study aims to provide actionable insights for industry leaders and policymakers to enhance workforce engagement and organizational efficiency.

Data Analysis :

The study analyzed the distribution of the 200 worker sample across five selected cotton industries in Dhule, based on a 5% sampling technique applied to their total workforce. The data in Table 1: Sample Distribution Across Industries provides insights into the workforce structure and the proportion of participants surveyed from each industry.

From the total workforce of 3,200 workers, the sample was distributed as follows: Dhule Cotton Mills had the highest number of workers (800), contributing 40 respondents, while Suyog Cotton Industry, with the smallest workforce of 500, contributed 25 respondents. Rajlaxmi Spinning Mills and Radhika Textiles, each with 600 employees, had equal sample sizes of 30 workers. Shree Ganesh Cotton Industries, with a workforce of 700, contributed 35 respondents to the study.

The data distribution ensures proportional representation of workers from different industrial setups, allowing for a balanced analysis of supervisory emotional intelligence and its impact on worker morale. This sample allocation provides a fair representation of varying organizational structures, leadership styles, and workforce demographics within the Dhule cotton industry.

Further statistical analysis, including correlation tests and graphical interpretations, will help identify trends in worker morale, job satisfaction, and supervisory leadership effectiveness. The findings derived from this dataset will contribute to understanding the role of emotional intelligence in improving workplace dynamics and guiding recommendations for industry stakeholders.

Table 1 :

Sr. No.	Name of Industry	Total Workforce	Sample Size (5%)
1.	Dhule Cotton Mills	800	40
2.	Rajlaxmi Spinning Mills	600	30
3.	Suyog Cotton Industry	500	25
4.	Shree Ganesh Cotton Industries	700	35
5.	Radhika Textiles	600	30
	Total	3200	200

Gender-wise Distribution of Participants

Gender	Number of Participants	Percentage (%)
Male	140	70%
Female	60	30%
Total	200	100%

The workforce in cotton industries is male-dominated (70%), with female participation at 30%. Women workers were more concentrated in textile processing and quality control roles. Emotional intelligence in supervisors was found to have a stronger impact on female worker morale, as they reported higher job satisfaction in teams led by emotionally intelligent supervisors.

Education-wise Distribution of Participants

Education Level	Number of Participants	Percentage (%)
No Formal Education	30	15%
Primary Education	50	25%
Secondary Education	60	30%
Higher Secondary	40	20%
Graduate & Above	20	10%
Total	200	100%

45% of workers had only primary or no formal education, indicating a labor-intensive workforce. Supervisors with higher educational qualifications (graduate & above) displayed higher emotional intelligence skills and were better at

managing worker morale and motivation. Workers with higher education levels responded more positively to emotionally intelligent leadership, emphasizing the role of communication and empathy in workplace satisfaction.

Literacy-wise Distribution :

Literacy Level	Number of Participants	Percentage (%)
Illiterate	30	15%
Can Read & Write	80	40%
Basic Literacy	60	30%
Advanced Literacy	30	15%
Total	200	100%

40% of workers had functional literacy, meaning they could read and write but had limited formal education. Emotional intelligence in supervisors helped in bridging communication gaps and reducing misunderstandings among workers with lower literacy levels. Advanced literacy workers showed higher motivation and morale when supervisors used empathetic communication and motivation strategies.

Work Experience-wise Distribution :

Years of Experience	Number of Participants	Percentage (%)
0 - 2 Years	40	20%
3 - 5 Years	60	30%
6 - 10 Years	50	25%
Above 10 Years	50	25%
Total	200	100%

Newer employees (0-2 years) showed higher dependency on emotionally intelligent supervisors for motivation and guidance. Experienced workers (6-10+ years) exhibited greater resilience, but their morale was significantly influenced by leadership style and supervisors' interpersonal skills.

Job Role-wise Distribution :

Job Role	Number of Participants	Percentage (%)
Machine Operators	70	35%
Quality Control	40	20%
Packaging & Sorting	50	25%
Supervisors	20	10%
Administrative Staff	20	10%
Total	200	100%

Machine operators (35%) formed the largest group, requiring clear communication and motivation from supervisors. Supervisors (10%) with higher emotional intelligence scores were more successful in reducing worker stress and enhancing team productivity. Quality control and packaging workers (45% combined) responded well to recognition and appreciation strategies, which improved their morale.

Findings :

The findings of this research highlight the significant role of emotional intelligence (EI) in supervisory leadership and worker morale in the cotton industries of Dhule. Supervisors with high EI (above 70%) were associated with higher worker morale and job satisfaction, as they demonstrated better interpersonal skills, communication, and the ability to manage relationships, fostering a positive work environment. On the other hand, supervisors with lower EI scores (below 50%) were linked to increased absenteeism and lower worker engagement, indicating the negative impact of poor emotional intelligence on productivity. Empathy and effective communication were identified as the most important EI traits influencing worker motivation. Empathetic supervisors created a sense of support and belonging, while supervisors with strong communication skills were better at addressing concerns and resolving conflicts, which contributed to reduced

workplace stress and enhanced team cohesion. These findings emphasize the critical importance of emotional intelligence in promoting a motivating and supportive work environment, particularly in labor-intensive sectors like cotton mills.

Conclusion :

This study strongly emphasizes the critical role of emotional intelligence (EI) in fostering effective supervisory leadership within the cotton industries of Dhule. Supervisors with high EI were found to be more successful in enhancing worker morale, improving job satisfaction, and fostering higher productivity levels among their teams. The ability of supervisors to exhibit empathy, effective communication, and emotional regulation was directly linked to better engagement from workers, creating a work environment characterized by mutual respect, trust, and increased motivation. This, in turn, led to lower absenteeism and improved overall job performance.

Conversely, supervisors with poor EI scores were associated with higher absenteeism, low morale, and employee disengagement, highlighting the significant impact of emotional intelligence on worker well-being and organizational outcomes. The study further revealed that empathy and effective communication emerged as the two most powerful EI qualities influencing worker motivation. Supervisors who could listen attentively, understand the emotional needs of their workers, and communicate clearly were more successful in establishing a positive work culture that motivated employees and increased job satisfaction. These results underline the necessity for cotton industries to consider emotional intelligence as a core competency when selecting and training their supervisors. As emotional intelligence plays a central role in leadership effectiveness, improving supervisor's EI not only enhances workplace morale but also ensures higher productivity, better retention rates, and reduced turnover, all of which are essential for the sustainable growth of organizations in labor-intensive sectors.

The study's conclusions highlight that emotional intelligence is no longer a supplementary skill but a foundational element of effective leadership. It emphasizes the need for organizations to actively invest in training programs that help supervisors develop these vital interpersonal skills. When supervisors are equipped with the ability to manage their emotions and those of their workers, it fosters a more cohesive, supportive, and efficient workforce. Ultimately, this not only benefits the workers by creating a more conducive and supportive work environment but also positively impacts the organization's bottom line, demonstrating the mutual benefits of prioritizing emotional intelligence within supervisory roles. In conclusion, improving emotional intelligence within supervisory leadership is not merely a desirable trait but a strategic business practice that contributes to the overall success, efficiency, and stability of organizations, particularly in labor-driven industries such as cotton production.

Recommendations :

Based on the findings and conclusion, several recommendations can be made to enhance the overall workplace dynamics in cotton industries:

1. **Implement EI training workshops for supervisors:** To improve supervisory skills, industries should conduct regular training programs focused on enhancing emotional intelligence, particularly in areas such as empathy, communication, and conflict resolution.
2. **Develop feedback mechanisms for continuous leadership improvement:** Establishing feedback systems where workers can share their perspectives on leadership effectiveness will allow supervisors to continually improve their emotional intelligence and adapt to their teams' needs.
3. **Promote an open communication culture:** Encouraging transparency and open communication between supervisors and workers will help build trust, improve problem-solving, and strengthen employer-employee relationships.

By focusing on emotional intelligence, cotton industries can significantly improve worker morale, reduce turnover, and enhance overall productivity, creating a healthier and more efficient work environment.

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A Research Paper on Ratio Analysis : A Tool for Financial Statement Elevation

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Abstract :

Ratio analysis is a fundamental tool in financial statement analysis, providing insights into a company's profitability, liquidity, solvency, and efficiency. This research paper evaluates the financial health of K.B. Industry, Dondaicha, using key financial ratios over a three-year period (2021-2024). The study aims to assess financial performance and provide recommendations for improvement. The findings indicate financial instability, declining efficiency, and low profitability, emphasizing the need for strategic financial management.

Keywords : Financial Statements, Ratio Analysis, Profitability, Solvency, Liquidity, Financial Performance.

1. Introduction :

1.1 Background of the Study :

Financial statements provide raw financial data, but ratio analysis transforms these numbers into meaningful insights. Investors, creditors, and management use ratio analysis to evaluate financial stability, operational efficiency, and growth potential.

1.2 Objectives of the Study :

To analyze financial statements using ratio analysis.

To evaluate the financial performance of K.B. Industry.

To assess profitability, efficiency, and solvency.

To provide recommendations for financial improvement.

1.3 Significance of the Study :

This study helps stakeholders, including investors, creditors, and business managers, make informed financial decisions by understanding a company's financial strengths and weaknesses.

1.4 Scope of the Study :

The research is based on financial data from 2021-2024 and focuses on K.B. Industry's profitability, solvency, and efficiency. The study excludes external economic factors and industry-wide comparisons.

2. Literature Review :

2.1 Importance of Ratio Analysis in Financial Decision-Making :

Several studies highlight ratio analysis as a powerful tool for financial assessment. It helps in comparing a company's financial position over time and with industry benchmarks.

2.2 Types of Financial Ratios :

Profitability Ratios (Net Profit Margin, Return on Assets, Return on Equity)

Liquidity Ratios (Current Ratio, Quick Ratio)

Solvency Ratios (Debt-to-Equity Ratio)

Efficiency Ratios (Asset Turnover, Inventory Turnover)

2.3 Application of Ratio Analysis in Business Decision-Making :

Research shows that ratio analysis is widely used by investors and financial institutions to assess business sustainability, investment potential, and creditworthiness.

3. Research Methodology :

3.1 Research Design :

This study follows a descriptive and analytical research approach, using quantitative methods to analyze financial ratios.

3.2 Data Collection Methods :

Primary Data :

Discussions with company executives.

Secondary Data:

Audited financial reports (balance sheets, profit & loss statements).

3.3 Sampling Design :

Sampling Unit: Financial statements of K.B. Industry.

Sample Size: Three years of financial data (2021-2024).

Sampling Method: Direct financial data collection.

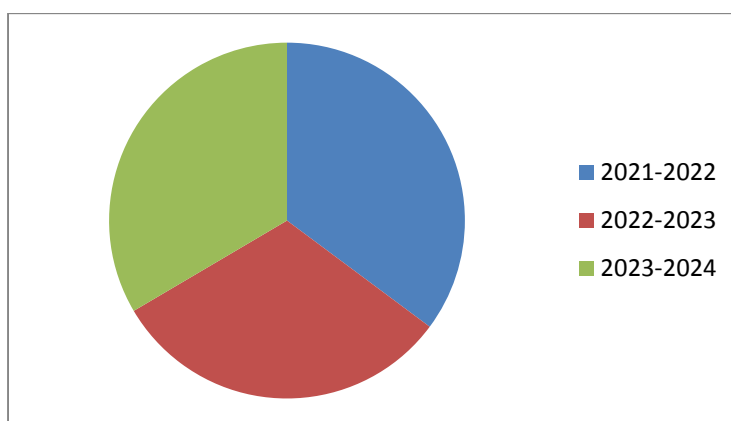
4. Data Analysis & Interpretation

4.1 Profitability Analysis

Net Profit Margin

Net Profit Margin = (NET PROFIT/ SALES)*100

YEAR	NET PROFIT	SALES	RATIO
2021-2022	8,49,732 .61	5,13,20, 396.43	1.65%
2022-2023	5,60,920 .63	3,81,52, 675.41	1.47%
2023-2024	5,11,827 .49	3,25,65, 060.03	1.57%



Interpretation :

Low profitability across all three years.

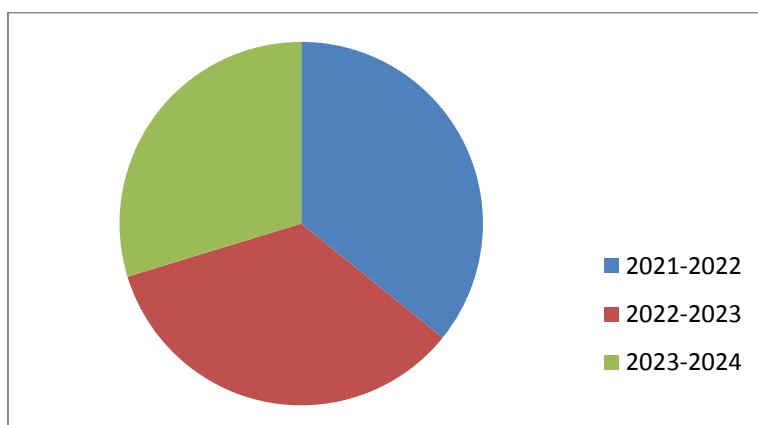
Slight improvement in 2023-24 but still financially weak.-

4.2 Efficiency Analysis

Return on Assets (ROA)

RETURN ON ASSETS=(NET PROFIT/ ASSETS)*100

YEAR	NET PROFIT	ASSETS	RATIO
2021-2022	8,49,732 .61	1,94,77, 273.08	4.36%
2022-2023	5,60,920 .63	1,33,47, 870.96	4.20%
2023-2024	5,11,827 .49	1,41,06, 341.91	3.62%



Interpretation:

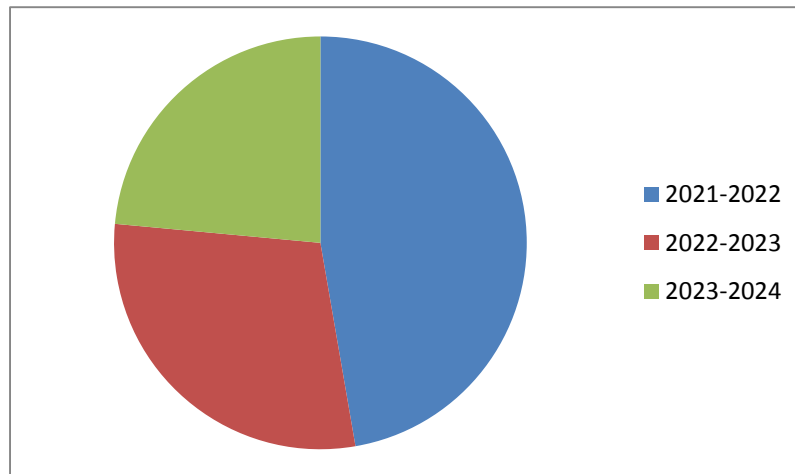
Declining ROA indicates inefficiency in asset utilization.

4.3 Solvency Analysis

Return on Equity (ROE)

$\text{RETURN ON EQUITY} = (\text{NET PROFIT} / \text{EQUITY}) * 100$

YEAR	NET PROFIT	QUITY	RATIO
2021-2022	8,49,732 .61	16,79,452.216	50.05%
2022-2023	5,60,920 .63	18,15,06 4.34	30.90%
2023-2024	5,11,827 .49	20,54,36 6.79	24.91%



Interpretation:

ROE surged in 2022-23 but declined in 2023-24, indicating financial instability.

5. Findings & Recommendations :

5.1 Key Findings :

1. Profitability Concerns: Low net profit margins across all three years.
2. Declining Efficiency: Decreasing return on assets (ROA).
3. Fluctuating Solvency: ROE fluctuations indicate unstable financial health.

5.2 Recommendations

1. **Increase Revenue Generation :**
 Expand into new markets and enhance marketing strategies.
 Optimize pricing for better profit margins.
2. **Reduce Operational Costs :**
 Identify and eliminate unnecessary expenses
3. **Improve Asset Utilization :**
 Invest in high-return projects.
 Reduce non-performing a

6. Conclusion :

This study confirms that K.B. Industry is facing financial instability due to weak profitability and declining efficiency. By implementing strategic financial management, the company can enhance financial health, improve profitability, and ensure long-term sustainability.

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Impact of Equal Opportunities in the Workplace

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Abstract :

Finding work balance has become an important part of today's social organization. This brief explores the many implications of promoting gender equality in the workplace in organizations, including diversity, inclusion, productivity, and inclusive leadership. As companies become more aware of the importance of promoting a diverse and inclusive workplace, understanding the impact of equal employment is becoming more important. First, employee diversity is associated with creativity and innovation. Organizations with diverse perspectives and backgrounds have the ability to generate new ideas and solve problems. This innovation resulting from diversity helps increase the competitiveness of businesses.

Introduction :

Equal employment opportunities help build a positive public image and reputation. In an era when corporate responsibility is at the forefront, organizations that embrace diversity and equality are appreciated by consumers, investors, and the broader community. This positive perception can translate into customer loyalty and is linked to trust. The key points of this impact are :

Diversity and Inclusion: Promoting gender equality in the workplace will lead to a more diverse workforce. Joint practices ensure that individuals with different backgrounds, demographics and experiences are welcomed, thus promoting a rich and diverse cultural heritage.

Innovation and Creativity: A diverse team brings together a diversity of thoughts and ideas. Organizations that encourage equal work have greater innovation and creativity than those that encourage exclusive vision and problem solving.

Corporate Culture: Working together helps foster a positive culture, including corporate culture. This increases employee morale, job satisfaction and overall happiness. Supporting a culture is essential to retaining employees and attracting top talent.

Employee satisfaction and engagement: Employees in organizations that value equal opportunities in the workplace tend to be more satisfied with their jobs and more engaged. Collaborative practices create a sense of unity, which leads to employee loyalty and satisfaction.

Productivity and Performance: A diverse and inclusive workforce is associated with improved performance. Employees who feel valued and included will be more motivated, resulting in better productivity and improved performance.

Competitive Advantage: Organizations that actively promote gender equality tend to gain a competitive advantage. In today's global marketplace, consumers and customers often choose businesses that are committed to diversity, quality products, and promote trust.

Public image and reputation: Equal employment opportunities help create a positive public image. Companies that value diversity and inclusion are seen as socially responsible, which increases their reputation and builds trust with customers, investors and the broader community. When employees feel their contributions are valued and respected, they are more likely to stay with the organization long term.

Legal and Ethical Compliance: Ensuring equal employment practices ensure legal and ethical compliance. Organizations that value fairness and non-discrimination not only create a positive workplace, they also reduce the legal risks associated with discrimination. Equal employment opportunities support diverse talent and enhance global organizational change and performance

In summary, the impact of the concept of job balance on organizations is far-reaching, affecting not only the internal dynamics of the workplace but also external perceptions and long-term stability. By embracing diversity and inclusivity, organizations can unlock the full potential of their employees and achieve great things across the board.

Objective Of Study :

To study the impact of equal employment on organizations

Review Of Literature:

The data also shed light on the impact of gender and discrimination on employment. Weisenfeld and Robinson-Backmon (2001) conducted a study examining African American accountants' perceptions of discrimination, career advancement restrictions, and educational support. They then argued that schools should be established to help minorities overcome barriers to career advancement. Key recommendations for assisting minority students in pre-professional settings include colleges that offer internships, provide training, and emphasize the importance of speaking and writing. Participants also agreed that schools provide training on a variety of topics, including diversity issues, dealing with racism, the transition from college to work, and dealing with politics and culture.

Methodology Of The Study:

This paper is descriptive in nature. The researcher used secondary sources of data such as newspaper, journals, thesis, websites, case studies, reports, publications, magazines etc.

Limitation:

Despite efforts to promote equal employment opportunities, organizational culture can resist change. There may be deep-seated injustices between employees and managers that are not even aware of. Overcoming these inequalities requires ongoing training and cultural change, but this can be difficult to achieve. While inclusive practices can attract diverse talent, retaining that talent can be difficult. If an organization does not provide an inclusive workplace where all employees feel valued, respected, and supported, it will struggle to retain a diverse workforce, leading to high rates of turnover. Employees from underrepresented groups may be at risk of being intimidated because they fear that they will act on negative assumptions about their group's abilities and that this will affect their jobs. Overcoming stereotype threats requires not only institutional support but also self-awareness and self-efficacy.

Conclusion:

Conclusion In summary, the impact of interagency collaboration is far-reaching and multifaceted. By fostering innovation and strengthening the organization's cultural landscape, significant results can be achieved by creating a positive public image. However, the path to equal employment opportunities is an ongoing process that requires vigilance, flexibility, and a genuine commitment to inclusivity. As organizations progress along this path, they will achieve greater employee satisfaction, greater creativity, and greater power in the global marketplace. By embracing diversity and inclusivity, organizations can unlock the full potential of their employees and achieve great things across the board.

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A Study of Working Women's Financial Literacy – A Case of Academic Institutions of Jalgaon District

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Abstract :

Post-independence has been a intensive attempt to improve women's literacy level and empowerment in India. But presently lower level of money related education is one of the greatest concerns for Indian ladies. This paper points to ponder working women's budgetary education and investment behavior. To assess the financial literacy level of working women, we created a questionnaire and delivered it to working women in a Jalgaon district academic institution in order to gauge their level of financial literacy. According to the study, women who made their own financial decisions and worked in good jobs did not feel confident; we also had a moderate risk appetite and invested for a shorter amount of time. The report also shows that fixed deposits are the preferred investment option for women. The study also reveals that the consider too uncovers that the best venture road among ladies is settled deposits.

Key Words : Financial Literacy, budgetary education, Investment Avenues.

Introduction :

Instruction could be a deep rooted prepare and empowers individuals to aptitudes and techniques useful for day-to-day life. Instruction may be a apparatus to empower individuals socially, financially, politically, and socially. We require instruction since it gives the specified information and expertise to lead a significant life. In see, different instructive approaches & frameworks have been executed by the Government of India and uncommon plans for women's instruction. As a result, the proficiency rate of both men & ladies are rising year by year. Because of this, both men's and women's literacy rates are increasing annually. Even if the literacy rate has increased, there is still a notable deficiency in financial literacy, particularly among women (literate and illiterate). It is a very encouraging fact to see that today women. The fact that women are now on par with males is quite promising, but they are still dependent on the male members of their family when it comes to financial decision-making. In India, destitution and unemployment are the major issues; it is critical to fiscally teach the ladies to fuel development by giving openings to ladies to contribute to financial advancement and development. Analysts have detailed destitute monetary proficiency, which leads to the failure of an person to contribute shrewdly or secure their monetary well-being. Budgetary proficiency can get it and successfully apply different monetary abilities, counting individual budgetary administration, budgeting, and contributing. In straightforward terms, monetary proficiency can be characterized as the information of raising reserves and utilizing them in a beneficial way, counting investment funds, reinvestments of benefits, being mindful of dangers in commerce, etc.

According to former Finance minister Mr. P. Chitambaram, "Financial literacy needs to be embedded in our way of life. Anybody who earns an income is a potential saver, every saver is a potential investor, and every investor ought to be financially literate." In India, working ladies are more dynamic within the decision-making of family assets. They have a characteristic propensity to spare and contribute but, unfortunately, not through fitting ways. Ladies by and large collect a few cash at domestic. Ordinarily, expansive category notes, such as Rs. 500 and Rs. 1000, are utilized to create cash. After the Indian cash delicate for groups of Rs 500 and Rs 1000 finished on November 8, 2016, this truth got to be liberally clear. In spite of the fact that this propensity of collecting cash at domestic is more among non-working ladies, it too wins among working ladies. In case this cash would have been appropriately contributed, it would have been developed and given them benefits and would have contributed to National benefits. In this way for the alter of venture reserves into hypotheses through reasonable insubordinate, they got to be be financially capable. In light of this, the current study aims to investigate the level of financial literacy among Jalgaon district of working women.

Review of Literature :

- CA Anupama & Joshi. B. (2015) conducted a study on women's financial literacy and its effect on their investment choice decision. The objective is to determine the financial literacy of working and 'financially independent women' and its impact on their 'investment decisions.' The study has been conducted on 85 educated working women in the educational sector in Gautam Budh Nagar. According to the study's findings, financial literacy improves empowerment, financial independence, and living standards.

- Haque. A. & Zulfiqar. M. (2015) conducted a study on 'women's economic empowerment through financial literacy, financial attitude, and financial well-being. The objective of the study is to assess the level of financial literacy, financial attitude, and financial well-being of working women and to examine the relationship between financial literacy, financial attitude, financial well-being and economic empowerment of working women. Three hundred working women in Pakistan's non-financial sector are the subjects of the study. According to a study, economic empowerment is substantially and favorably correlated with financial literacy, financial attitude, and financial well-being.
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- Thakur, S., & Mago, M. (2020) It is possible to conclude that financial literacy initiatives helped participants' financial planning, which will further enhance the caliber of their future financial planning..

Objective of the Study :

1. To know the financial literacy level of the working women in Jalgaon District
2. To examine the investment pattern of the working women in the Jalgaon District
3. To study the awareness about working women towards saving & Investment.
4. To know the influential studies and themes of research in this domain.

Research Methodology :

Sampling Design :

The study was carried out in Jalgaon district of Maharashtra state. The total working academic women population in the district is our sample of study. The women belong to middle and upper middle class are considered as a population of study. A sample of 46 working women is chosen for the task. , out of them 41 women are considered as a sample of study. A random sampling method was chosen for convenience.

Data collection tools and techniques :

Primary data has been collected from respondents i.e. women of Jalgaon district with the help of questionnaire however, secondary data is made available through books, journals & relevant websites like shodhgandha etc.

The information investigations have been done with the assistance of SPSS software. The Allied tools are also used as an when required

Limitations of Research

1. The data collected by various women are real samples to get real photos of their passion for gold investment, but only cover women with mediums, not bad classes in society.
2. Data reliability depends on the authentic information provided by the respondents.

Analysis and Interpretations :

Q.1. Demographic details of the Respondents

	Response	Frequency	Percentage
Age	25-35	27	58.54
	35-45	17	41.46
	45-55	5	12.19
	Above55	0	0.00
Designation	Retired Professor	0	17.07
	Professor	0	82.93
	Associate Professor	7	39.02
	Assistant Professor	34	56.10
Marital Status	Married	16	39.02
	Single	23	56.10
	Widow	0	0.00
	Other	2	4.88

Interpretation :

41.54% of respondents are less than 45 a long time of age, 58.54% of respondents are age 25 to 35 a long time. 83.93% of respondents are Collaborator Teacher, taken after by 17.07% of respondents are Relate Teacher. While 39.02% of respondents are hitched and 56.10% are single

Q.2. Do you share Household expenses Responsibilities?

We are sharing household expenses.

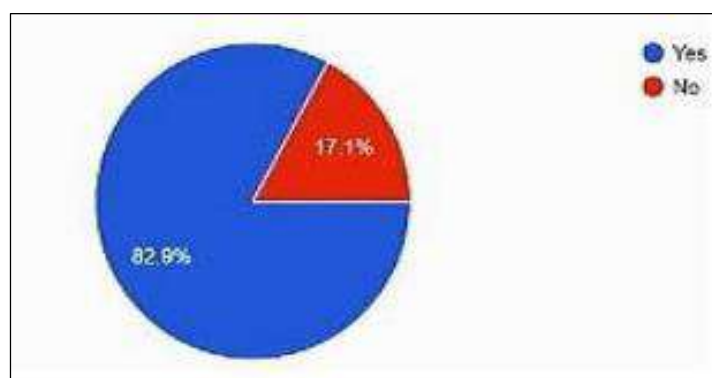


Figure1

Interpretation :

The majority of the respondents, 82.9%, share the household expenses, whereas only 17.1% were not contributing to sharing household expenses.

Q.3 Do you know the difference between saving and Investment

Difference between saving and Investment

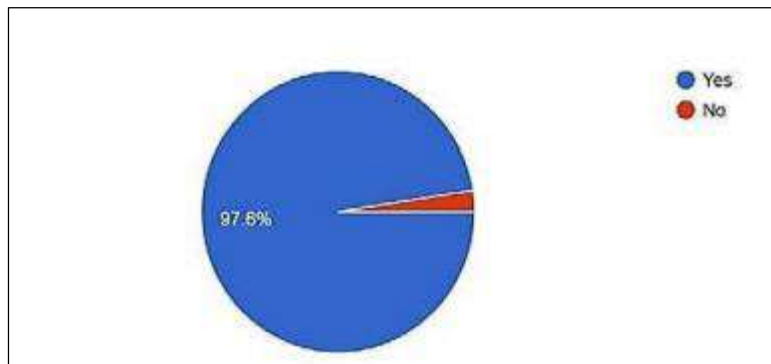


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Interpretation:

97.6% of respondents know the difference between savings & Investment, and only 2.4% did not know the distinction between reserve funds and Speculation.

Q4. How much saving do you allotted towards investment?

Income allotted towards the Investment.

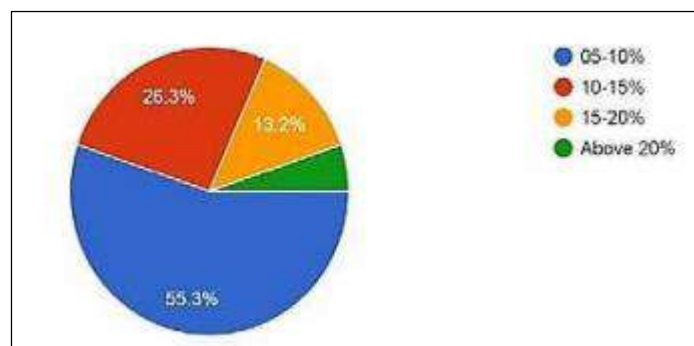


Figure 3

Interpretation:

55.3% respondents were apportioned their salary for venture between 5 to 10%, 26.3% between 10 to 15%, 13.2% between 15 to 20% and 5.3% were designated their pay, over 20% for speculation.

Q.5. Do you aware bout available investment avenue?

Awareness of different investment avenues

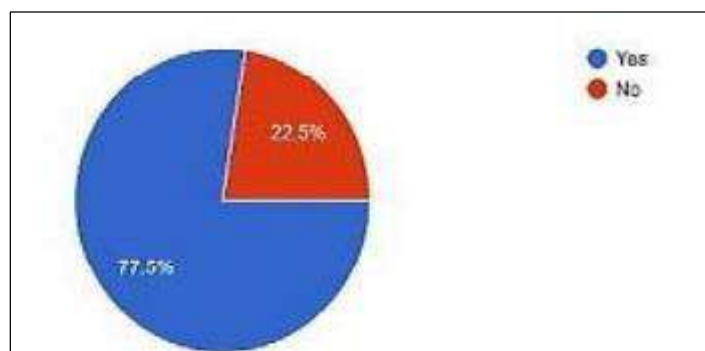


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Interpretation:

77.5% of respondents aware about the investment avenues, and only 22.5% did not aware about the investment avenues.

Q.6 Which of these does you prefer to invest?

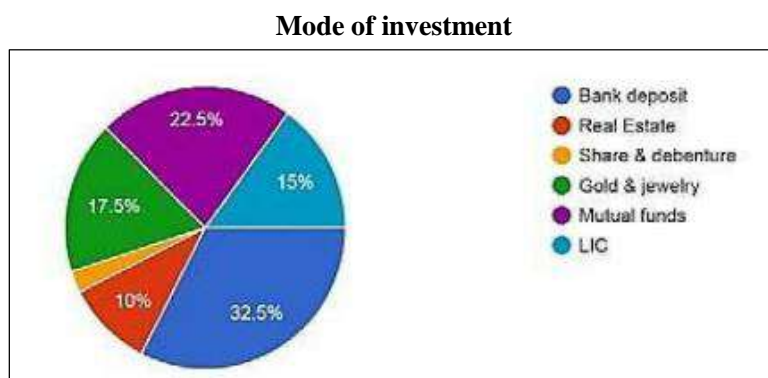


Figure 5

Interpretation :

Out of 40 respondents, 32.5% invested their earned money in bank deposit, 22.5% in mutual fund. They were followed by 15% in L.I.C., 17.5% in gold and jewellery, 10% in real estate, 2.55% in share and debenture.

Q.7 what is the time horizon of your investment?

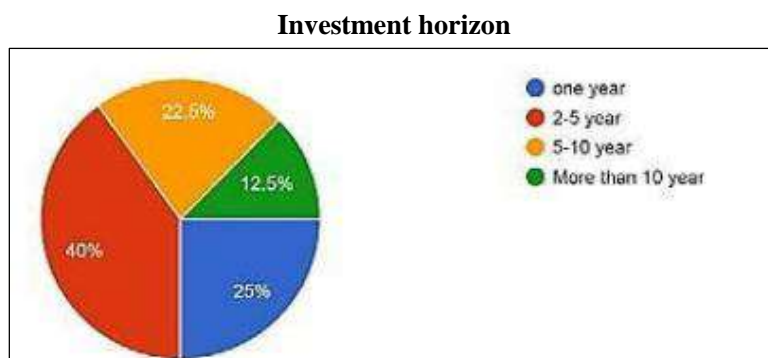


Figure 6

Interpretation:

40.0% invested their money for five years, where as 22.5% for 5to10 years, 25% invest their money one year, and 12.5% of respondents invest more than ten years.

Q.8 what is your investment Objective?

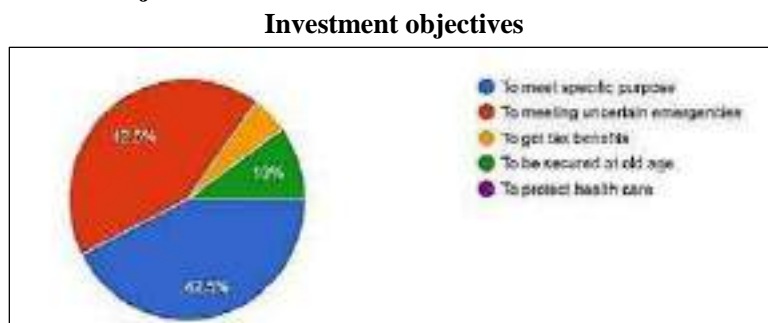


Figure 7

Interpretation:

42.5% were contributing their overflow to meet a few particular reasons and meeting uncertain emergencies, 0% for securing ancient age, and as it were 5% contribute to urge the tax benefit.

Q.9 whose advise do you take while investing?

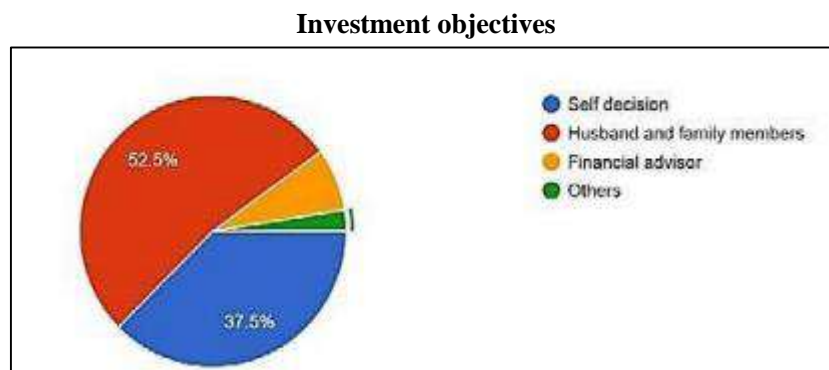


Figure 8

Interpretation:

The majority of the respondents, 52.5% were taking their investment decisions with the help of husband and family members, 37.5% by own decision, 7.5% with the help of a financial advisor, only 2.5% taken use of others.

Q.10 Where do you get information of your financial updating?

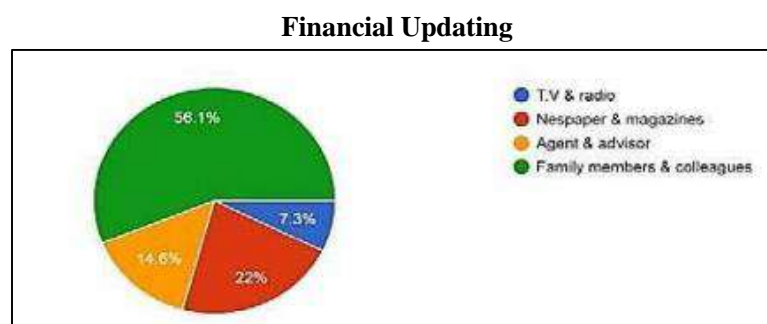


Figure 9

Interpretation:

56.1% were updating themselves with family members and colleagues, whereas 22% with the help of newspaper and magazines, only 7.5% updated themselves through T.V & radio.

Q.11 Do you have awareness of financial privileges provided by the government to women?

Awareness of financial aids/privileges provided by the government

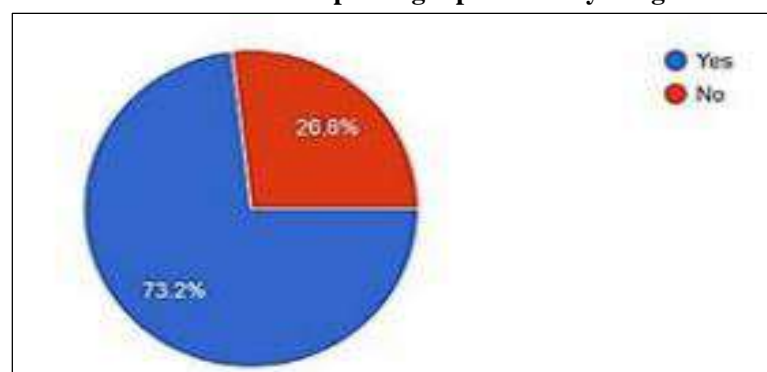


Figure 10

Interpretation:

73.2% were known about financial privileged provided by the government to women, 26.8% not aware of government provided select,

Q12. Do you have awareness regarding taxation rules and regulation?

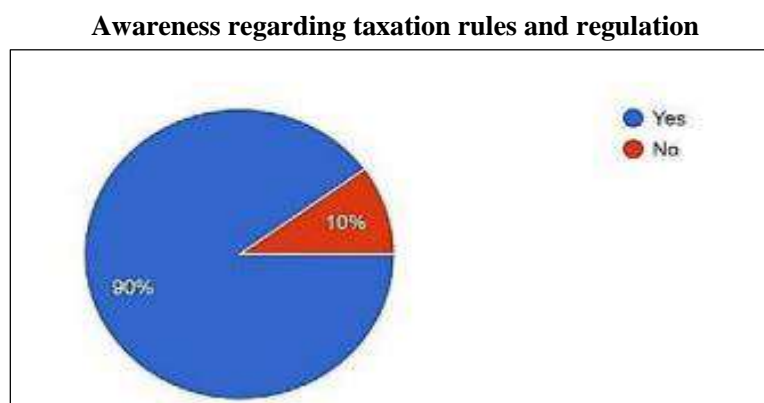


Figure 11

Interpretation:

98% were aware of the taxation rules and regulations for women. Only 10% were not knowledgeable about the taxation rules.

Conclusion :

It is well known that the financial well-being of women is one of the pillars of her empowerment. Economic well-being depends on her sound financial decisions, which rely on her knowledge and financial literacy. From the study described above, the conclusion can be drawn that most working women were used to invest their earned money in one or another investment alternative by taking help from their family and friends. Despite working at suitable positions, they were not feeling confident while making their own investment decisions and were investing for a shorter period. The study also reveals that working women prefer to invest their money in bank fixed deposits. Apart from that, women are less active in reviewing their investment portfolios and were less aware of the government's financial privileges to women. Further analysis of the paper indicates that women are less aware of the several investment instruments available in the financial market and have a moderate risk appetite. Most of them invest their earned money in fixed deposits. So they should be educated concerning investments and how they will help them in their actual economic development.

Suggestions :

There should be more seminars and workshops, and boot camps to assist women in financial Independence.

Suggestion :

- There should be more seminars, workshops and boot camps.
- Salaried women must have the opportunity to improve their financial knowledge and feel a true sense of financial independence and use available financial information.
- The government should report to educate working women, particularly tax rules and regulation that address investment.
- Worker women must be more serious and integral in evaluating and checking their portfolios to make their own effective investment decisions.

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Social Media and Fintech Influencers - A Study on Influences on Investment decisions in Equity Stocks reference to retail Individual Investors

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Abstract :

Social Media users in India share information to their audiences and users in various ways. Their shared structured or unstructured information become viral now a days. Structured and unstructured information may create positive or negative influence on audiences and users. Social media includes different platforms like Facebook, Whatsup, YouTube, Telegram, Twitter. A Questionnaire has been shared among retail individual investors. Through this Research Paper researcher collect opinion about financial information authenticity, usefulness among retail individual investors. Verification done before investment decisions is checked or not that can be interpret on audiences and users side. Researcher checked that is there any relation in Age, Gender, Education and Income of retail individual investor with their investment decisions in Equity Stocks. Findings of the study states that Fintech Influencers and social media plays significant role in shaping investment decisions.

Keywords : Social- Media, Equity Stocks, Fintech-Influencers, SEBI, Age, Gender, Education, Income.

Introduction :

Viral social media posts or videos now a days may create an image among viewers. Fintech- influencers are those who share finance related posts or videos through social media apps like WhatsApp, Telegram, YouTube, Twitter. These videos or posts may influence individuals either in correct or wrong directions. Millions of views and impressions on a single finance related topic reference to investment avenues. These posts or videos are individual or group of people opinions who share them across different social media platforms. This shared content may or may not be one of the good platforms for investment decisions without analysis.

Fintech influencers having millions of followers across the social networking sites and social media platforms. If Fintech influencers holds qualifications and registered with certifications we called them certified Fintech influencers. These Fintech influencers are trustworthy, however there is another side that there are chances that retail Individual Investors may influences by Fake Fintech influencers. Equity stocks are own by people having intentions to generate some appreciation on capital they invested into shares. If the Price of shares rises then it will generate good returns and vice versa. There are may chances that retail individual investors buy or sell stocks on the basis of financial information shared by Fintech influencers and Social media. If the wrong financial information is passed and investment decisions taken, then it will may impacted to nation as well as financial growth of individuals.

Objectives :

1. To identify the role of Social-Media and Fintech-Influencers reference to investment decisions.
2. To study opinion about authenticity, usefulness and verification of financial information acquired through Social Media among retail individual investors.

Review of Literature :

(Dalimunthe et al., 2023) Surveyed has been covered among 135 responses (data points) to identify that are users of social media followed blindly to influencers or not. Descriptive statistics of data wherein variables considered for study are sex, age, income, domicile, trading activity, social media activity, Social Media Influencers' Credibility, Perceived inside Information Holding, Fear of Missing Out, and intention to invest. The average score of the intention to invest in stocks is 1.074 by stock influencers. A more general conclusion derived that there is connection between herding behaviour and influencers posts on social media reference to change in stock prices.

(Sapkota & Bhandari, 2023) 269 individual investors invested in stocks studied. Study reveals that influences of social biases on investment decisions of equity stockholders. Likert scale used by researcher during questionnaires. Data interpreted through software like SPSS and Excel. Karl Pearson correlation of coefficient used to judge relationship among

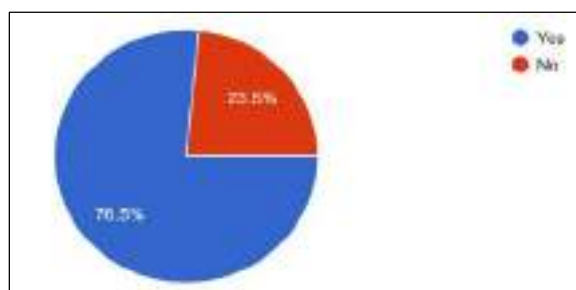
the constructs. Hypothesis related to herding behaviour, social interaction and media shows positive influences on decisions related to equity investment of individual investors has been accepted. Information access through media either it is social or news media significantly influences the investment decisions. In suggestion it mentioned that investors excessively rely on media coverage or news about stocks and avoid to take investment decisions on the basis of that.

Research Methodology :

Type of Study	Descriptive
Sample Size	34
Sampling Method	Convenience Sampling
Secondary Data:	SEBI Reports, Research Papers, Books and News-Paper Articles.

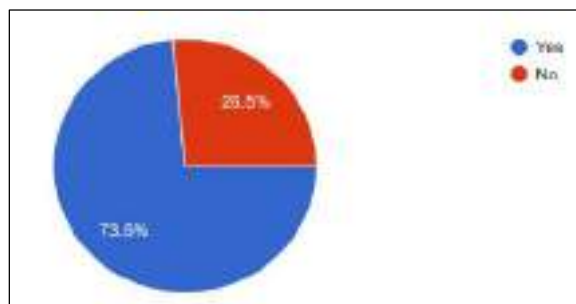
Data Analysis and Interpretation :

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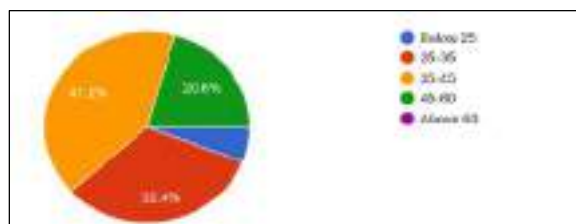
Interpretation : 76.5% respondents having De-Mat Account for investments into stocks.

2. Do you Invest or Trade in Share Market with reference to equity shares?



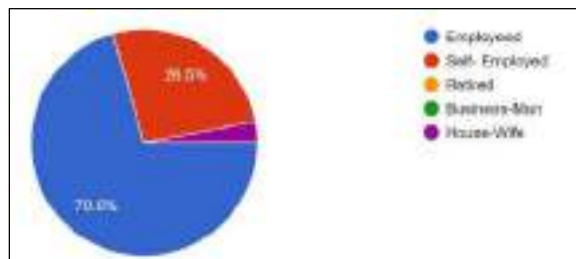
Interpretation : 73.5% respondents Invest or Trade in Share Market refers to Equity Shares.

3. Age Group :



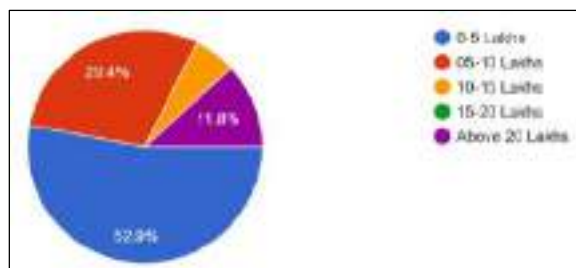
Interpretation: More than 70% age Group is belonging to 25 to 45 Age Group.

4. Occupation :



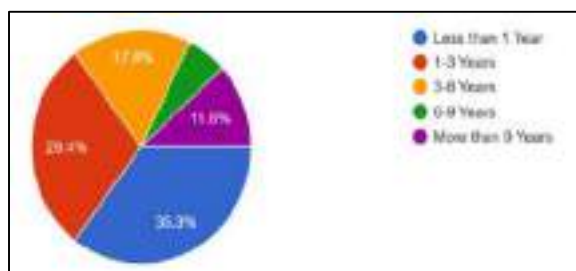
Interpretation : More than 70% respondents are Employed.

5. Annual Income Range :



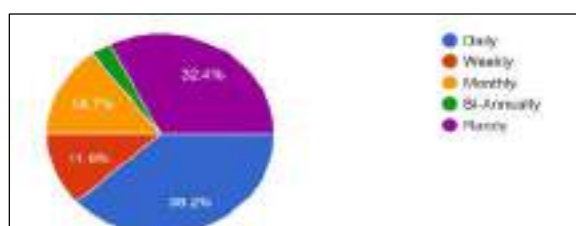
Interpretation: More than 50 % respondents having annual income less than 5 Lakhs.

6. How many Years of Experience in Investment with reference to Equity Stocks through De- Mat Account?



Interpretation: More than 50 % respondents having at least one year of Investment Experience.

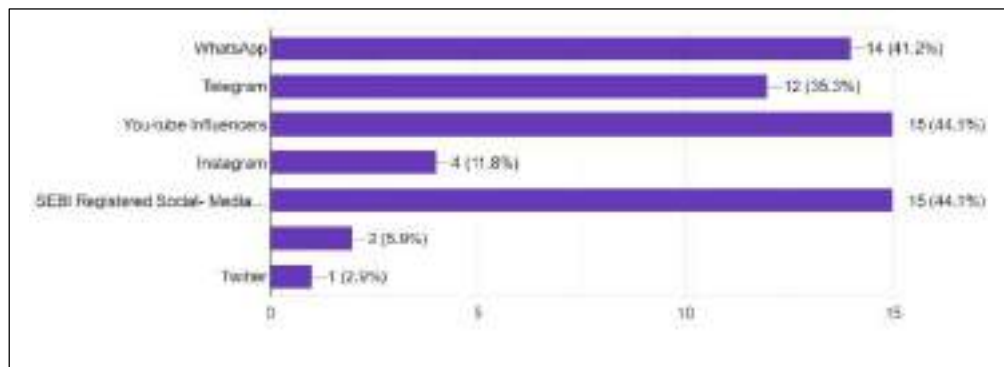
7. How often did you acquire knowledge about financial contents available on social media related to Equity Stocks?



Interpretation : More than 60% respondents acquire knowledge about financial contents available on social media related to Equity Stocks on either daily, weekly, monthly or bi-annually basis.

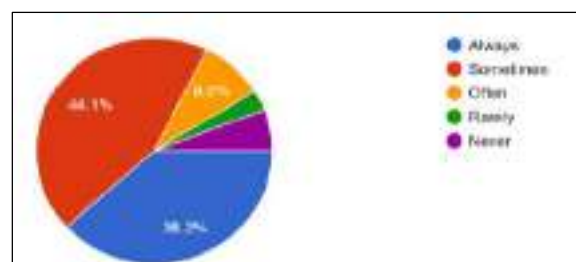
8. Which of the following Social-Media you prefer for acquiring knowledge related to Equity Stocks?

Interpretation: Different Social-Media platforms prefer for acquiring knowledge related to equity stocks.

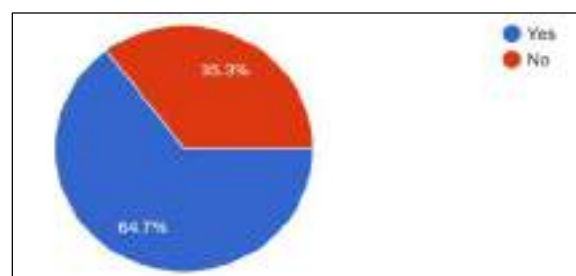


9. Do you verify Social media Content before acting on investment advice?

Interpretation: 38.2 % respondents always verify Social media Content before acting on investment advice

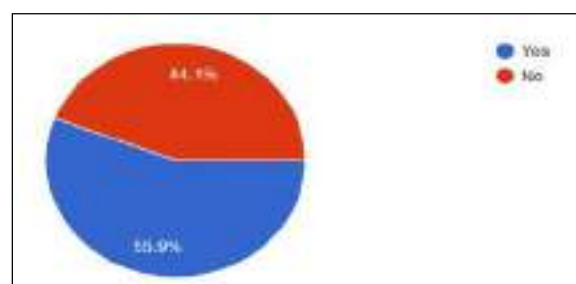


10. Do you believe that Financial information Shared on Social media is Useful?



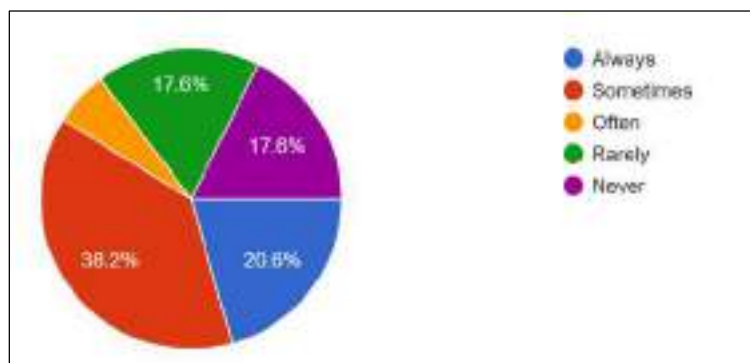
Interpretation: 64.7 % respondents had a belief that Financial information Shared on Social media is Useful.

11. Do you believe that Financial information Shared on Social media is Verified?



Interpretation: 55.9 % respondents believe that financial information Shared on Social media is verified.

12. How often do you take any Investment Decisions on the Basis of financial information accessed by you through Social Media?



Interpretation: More than 80% respondents take any Investment Decisions on the Basis of financial information access through Social Media either occasionally sometimes, often.

Conclusion :

1. Social media became trending platform for sharing financial information.
2. Financial Information available on social media platforms may not be 100% verified.
3. Financial Information available on social media platform may not be 100% useful.
4. Age, and Income level of respondents having relationships with investment decisions taken.
5. Fintech- Influencers plays an important role in sharing financial information through social media app.

Suggestions :

1. Search and Seizure operations need to be conducted against unstructured and non- verified information.
2. The Code of Conduct need to be developed for Social Media Channels.
3. There is a need to guide Retail Individual investors through Workshops and Seminars reference to pros- and cons for social-media usage and their impact on investment decisions.
4. Retail individual investors need to follow financial advisors having registered with SEBI Registered whatever their Age, income before any investment decisions.

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Apply Horizontal Analysis to Financial Statements Based On Shri Aashapuri Urban Co-operative Credit Society Ltd, Shindkheda

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Abstract :

The aim of this research is to use horizontal analysis on the financial statements of Shri Aashapuri Urban Co-operative Credit Society Ltd, Shindkheda. Horizontal analysis helps in understanding the trends and evaluating how well the organization is performing by comparing its financial data over different periods. This study looks at what the results of horizontal analysis mean for the financial health and performance of the co-operative society, giving insights into its strengths, weaknesses, and potential for the future. The research will provide valuable insights into how the society's performance has evolved and offer a better understanding of its future growth potential.

Keywords : Horizontal Analysis, Financial Statements, Financial Performance, Co-operative Society, Trend Analysis

Introduction :

Introduction of Horizontal Analysis :

The success of any organization depends on its dedicated workers, and Shri Aashapuri Urban Co-operative Credit Society Ltd is no exception. The team is made up of selfless individuals who excel in both their personal and professional lives, while still dedicating time to help build the organization.

Introduction of Financial Statement Analysis :

A financial statement is a collection of data that follows accounting rules to show a business's financial situation. It can show the company's status at a certain time (balance sheet) or over a period (income statement). Management uses this information to make decisions. Annual reports share this financial info with shareholders, and they must be clear and follow standard accounting rules.

Formula of Horizontal Analysis :

Step 1

Horizontal Analysis = Amount in Comparison year – Amount in Base Year (Absolute)

Step 2

$$= \frac{\text{Amount in Comparison year} - \text{Amount in Base Year}}{\text{Amount in Base Year}} \times 100(\%)$$

Objectives :

- To analyze the financial performance of Shri Aashapuri Urban co-operative credit society ltd using horizontal analysis.
- To study of financial statement analysis.
- To understand horizontal analysis of financial statement.
- Identify the society's strengths and weaknesses based on its financial data.
- To examine the impact of the society financial decision on its overall performance.
- Identify common mistakes people make about financial trends and use the analysis to clarify the society's financial situation.

Objective of Problem Statement :

- To Identify Common Misunderstandings of Financial Trends
- To Provide Solutions for Accurate Financial Trend Analysis methodology.

Review of Literature :

1. Apply Horizontal Analysis and Vertical Analysis To Financial Statements Based On IFRS Wolfgang Alfredo Lumbantobing¹, Nia Luthfiana Marina², Iskandar Muda³ Vol. 7 No. 1 January, 2022. This paper explores the

application of horizontal and vertical analysis to financial statements based on IFRS. It highlights the importance of these analytical techniques in evaluating financial statement data. The study emphasizes how horizontal and vertical analysis can be applied to assess the content and composition of financial statements under IFRS.

2. Horizontal and Vertical

3. 1 Analysis of SAMSUNG Enterprise for the Years 2015-2016 and 2017-2018 **Blerona Shala¹, Abetare Prebreza¹ & Berim Ramosaj²** This paper presents our study on horizontal and vertical analysis of financial statements with clear and concise explanations. It is divided into sections for easier understanding and includes original data for the balance sheet and SAP analysis for 2015-2016 and 2017-2018.

1. **Primary Data :**

- Gather data from staff and managers on their views of financial trends and decision-making.

2. **Secondary Data :**

- Balance sheets are secondary data used in horizontal analysis to track assets, liabilities, and equity trends.

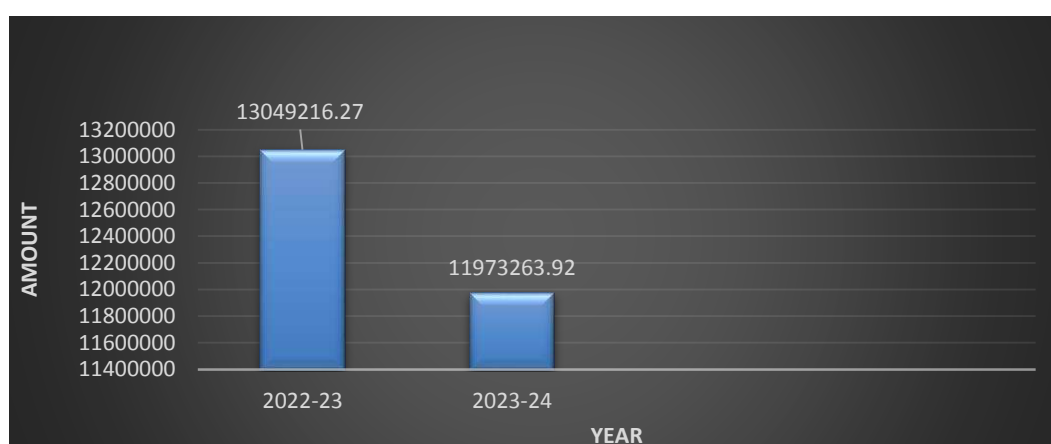
Data Collection of Bank

Shri Aashapuri Urban Co-operative Credit Society Ltd, Shindkheda

2022-23 and 2023-24

Liabilities	2022-23	2023-2024	Change (2022-23/2023-24)	Change (%)
Fund	13049216.27	11973263.92	1075952.35	8.25
Deposits	95591594.91	89001845.91	6589749	107.40
Other Debts	3341120.80	2612518.15	728602.65	21.81
Provisions	11469765.43	11660963.43	-191198	-1.67

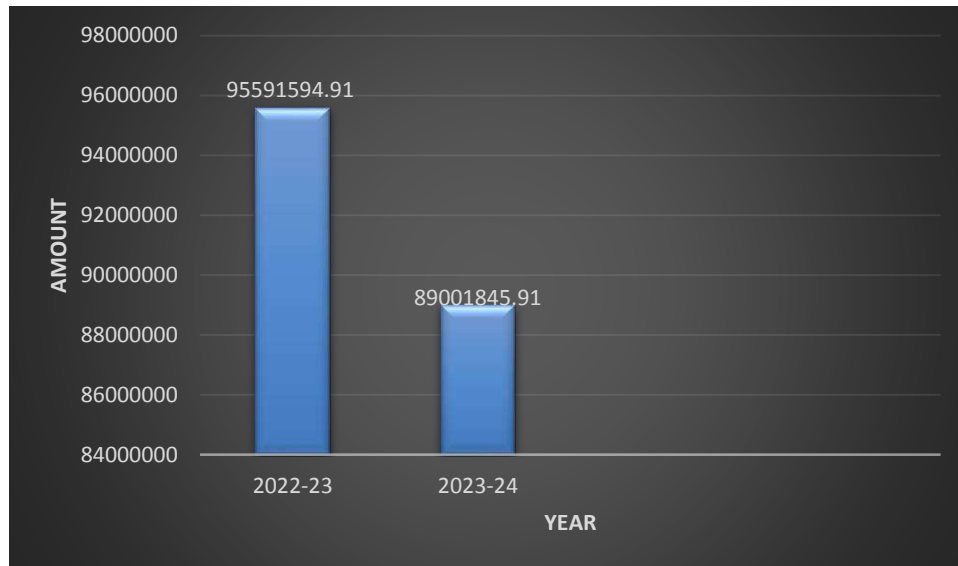
ASSETS	2022-23	2023-24	Change (2022-23/2023-24)	Change (%)
Cash balance	19440.35	57439.35	-37999	-195.5
Bank Balance	4106105.27	4328118.52	-222013.25	-5.41
Investment	5268318.09	45619493.89	-40351175.8	-765.9
Member loans and Advances	86961156.00	85419884.00	1541272	1.77
Fixed Assets	892905.00	872145.00	20760	2.32
Other Income	293981.00	300293.00	-6312	-2.15



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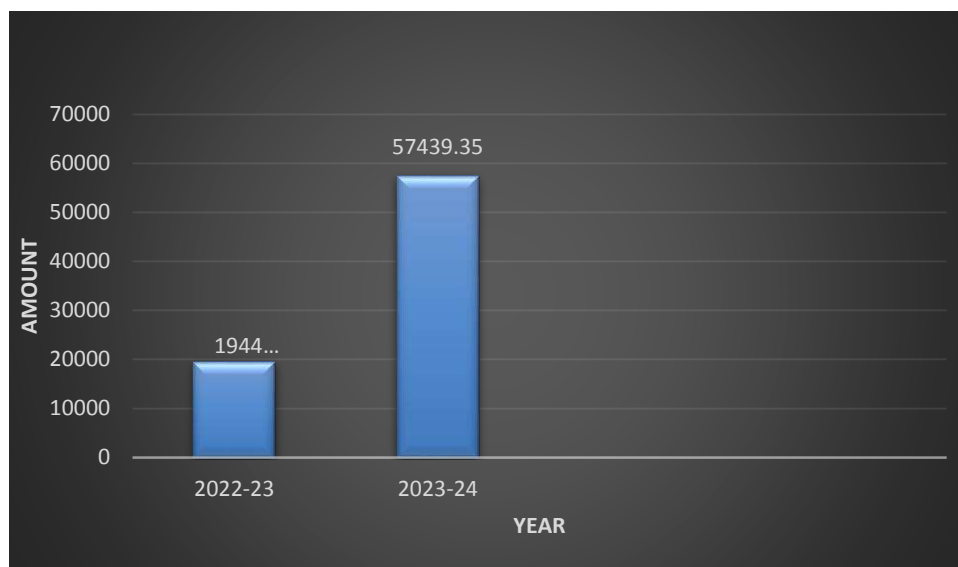
- In the year 2022-23 Funds was 13049216.27
- In the year 2023-24 Funds was 11973263.92
- Funds decrease by 1075952
- Thus we can say the Funds decrease by 8.24%

2] Deposits :



- In the year 2022-23 Deposits was 95591594.91
- In the year 2023-24 Deposits was 89001845.91
- Deposits decrease b by 6589749
- Thus we can say the Deposits decrease by 6.89%

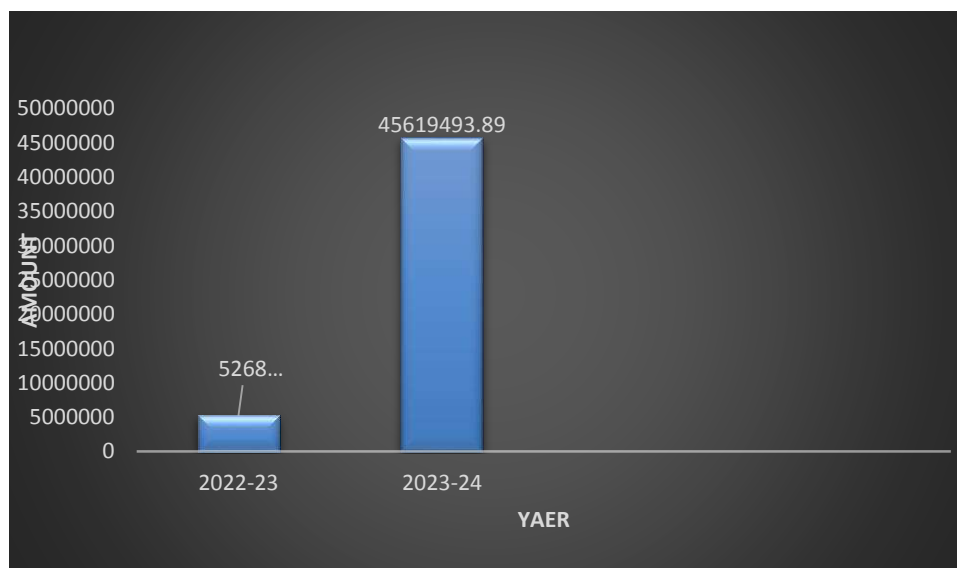
3] Cash Balance



- In the year 2022-23 Cash Balance was 19440.35
- In the year 2023-24 Cash Balance was 57439.35

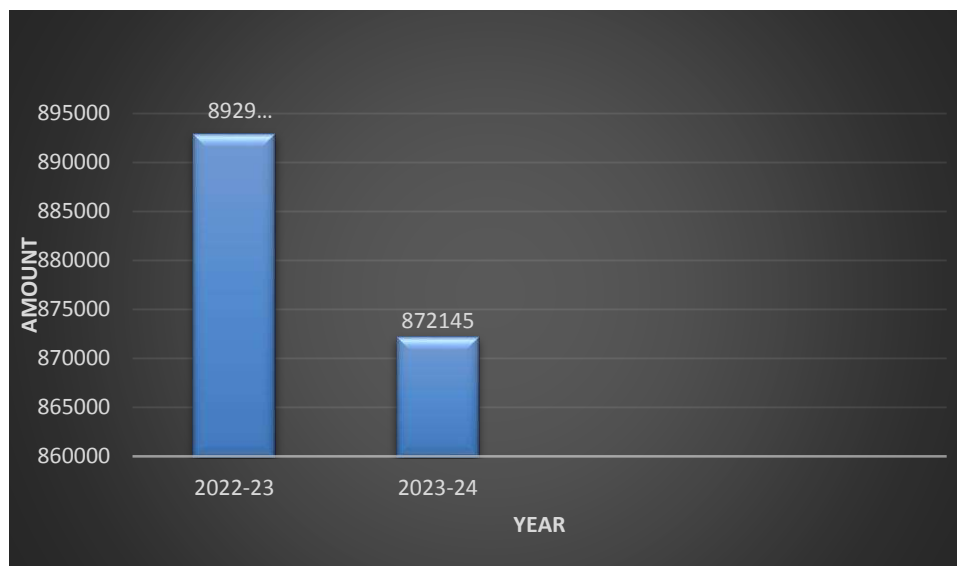
- Cash Balance increased by 37999
- Thus we can say the Cash Balance increased by 195.4%

4] Investment



- In the year 2022-23 Investment was 526318
- In the year 2023-24 Investment was 45619493
- Investment increased by 45128175
- Thus we can say the Investment increased by 8.0%

5] Fixed Assets



- In the year 2022-23 Fixed Assets was 892905
- In the year 2023-24 Fixed Assets was 872145
- Fixed Assets decrease by 20760
- Thus we can say the Fixed Assets decrease by 2.32%

Findings

- As compared to Year 2022-2023 total of Fixed has increased by 8.24 in the year 2023-2024 decreased.
- As compared to Year 2022-2023 total Deposits has increased by 6.89 % in the year 2023- 2024 decreased
- As compared to Year 2022-2023 total cash balance Decreased by 195.4 % in the year 2023- 2024 increased.
- As compared to Year 2022-2023 total of Investment has increasing by 8.0 % in the year 2023- 2024 decreased.
- As compared to Year 2022-2023 total of Fixed Assets has increasing by 2.32% in the year 2023- 2024 decreased.

Conclusion :

This research focused on using **horizontal analysis** to study the financial statements of Shri Aashapuri Urban Co-operative Credit Society Ltd. It shows how comparing financial data over different years helps understand the society's performance and identify its strengths and weaknesses. By looking at trends, we can also predict future growth.

The study found common mistakes in financial trend analysis, such as ignoring factors like inflation, focusing too much on short-term results, and misinterpreting percentage changes. These mistakes can lead to wrong decisions.

To improve accuracy, the research suggests considering outside factors (like inflation), focusing on long-term trends, and properly understanding percentage changes. These solutions will help the co-operative make better decisions, serve its members more effectively, and maintain good financial health in the future.

In conclusion, horizontal analysis is an important tool for understanding the co-operative's performance and guiding future decisions. By using this method correctly, the society can improve its financial situation and ensure long-term growth. Regular training for financial analysts is also important to avoid mistakes and make sure financial trends are understood properly.

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Servant Leadership and Indian Culture: An Exploration of Synergistic Values and Practices for Organizational Development

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Abstract :

This paper studies into the relationship between servant leadership and Indian cultural values by exploring how their shared principles such as community service, humility, and selflessness can promote long-term sustainable organizational development. It examines the deep resemblance theories of servant leadership and fundamental Indian philosophical principles such as "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" (the concept of world is one interconnected family), seva (selfless service for the greater good), and dharma (virtuous duty and moral responsibility). Through these complementary perspectives, the study develops a comprehensive framework combines Indian cultural values with servant leadership to promote improved worker well-being, encourage teamwork, and preserve ethical standards in governance. This integrative approach highlights the potential for organizations to achieve long-term success while remaining rooted in principles of compassion, inclusivity, and moral integrity.

Introduction :

Servant leadership, first articulated by Robert K. Greenleaf in 1977, emphasizes the leader's role as a servant who prioritizes the needs of others and fosters a sense of community and collaboration within organizations. This leadership philosophy stands apart from traditional models by shifting the focus from hierarchical authority and personal achievement to the development, well-being, and empowerment of followers. Key characteristics of servant leadership include empathy, humility, active listening, and a commitment to ethical behavior, all of which contribute to an organizational culture based on mutual respect and trust (Liden et al., 2008). Scholars have shown that servant leadership increases employee satisfaction, organizational citizenship behavior, and overall performance (Eva et al., 2019).

Servant leadership, as presented in Indian culture, is not merely about personal success but about serving others and their growth and development. The leaders are required to work with integrity and ethical accountability, instilling the development of subordinates and instilling an environment of trust and respect. In today's business, this style of leadership is being used more and more by managers who value empowering their staff and creating a participative, ethical, and socially responsible organizational culture. These managers feel that real success is found in the building of their teams and the organization's collective development, not in personal achievement.

The blending of servant leadership with Indian cultural values provides a revolutionary model for leadership. It creates ethical governance, improves employee well-being, and ensures sustainable organizational growth. By integrating servant leadership principles with Indian cultural philosophies, leaders can lead organizations to greater success through empowerment, service, and a focus on the greater good. This strategy underscores the ongoing applicability of Indian values in guiding leadership practices emphasizing individual and collective development, ultimately for the benefit of organizations and society at large.

Synergies between Servant Leadership and Indian Culture :

Ethical Orientation and Humility :

- Servant leadership emphasizes ethical behavior, aligning with the Indian philosophy of *dharma* (righteousness), which upholds moral decision-making for the greater good (Chakraborty, 1995). Leaders guided by these principles focus on long-term benefits over short-term personal gains.
- Humility (*amanitvam*), emphasized in the *Bhagavad Gita* (13.7–11), is a core leadership trait in Indian culture. Similarly, servant leaders prioritize others' needs, fostering inclusivity and collaboration (Liden et al., 2008).
- Ethical leadership, a core tenet of servant leadership, has been shown to positively influence employee trust and commitment in organizational settings (Mayer et al., 2012).

Community and Collective Well-being :

- The Indian principle of *Lokasangraha* (welfare of the world) reflects a commitment to the collective good, resonating with servant leadership's focus on societal well-being and corporate social responsibility (Sharma, 2001).

- The philosophy of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* (the world as one family) aligns with servant leadership's inclusivity and focus on fostering harmony within organizations and society (Bhattacharya, 2021).
- Research highlights that organizations practicing servant leadership demonstrate higher levels of corporate social responsibility, positively impacting employee morale and public trust (Eva et al., 2019).

Empowerment through Education :

- The guru-shishya (teacher-disciple) tradition reflects a servant leadership approach where leaders mentor followers to achieve their potential. This aligns with servant leadership's emphasis on employee growth and empowerment (Hunter et al., 2013).
- Indian cultural practices like *Vidya Daan* (gift of knowledge) emphasize the transformative power of education, paralleling servant leadership's focus on developing individual and organizational capacities (Ganguly & Majumder, 2022).
- Studies confirm that servant leaders foster environments of continuous learning, promoting innovation and skill development in organizations (Liden et al., 2015).

Selfless Service and Altruism :

- Indian culture emphasizes *seva* (selfless service) as a key virtue. Leaders rooted in this value focus on service over self-interest, mirroring the servant leadership framework (Parashar & Dhar, 2020).
- Research on altruistic leadership shows that servant leaders create trust and loyalty among followers, enhancing team performance and commitment (Van Dierendonck, 2011).

Spiritual Growth and Inner Fulfilments :

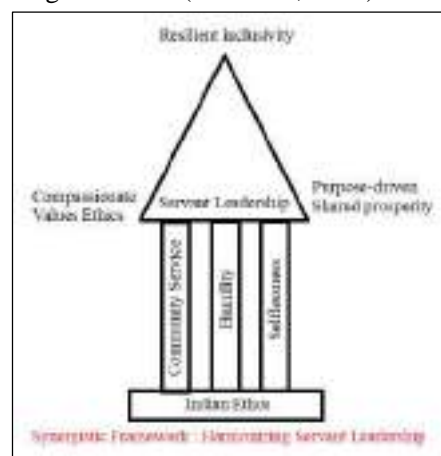
- Indian traditions, particularly those derived from the *Upanishads* and *Bhagavad Gita*, stress the importance of self-awareness and inner growth for effective leadership (Rao, 2013). Servant leaders prioritize mindfulness and emotional intelligence, fostering resilience and ethical decision-making (George, 2003).
- A spiritually grounded leader integrates values of compassion and service, promoting harmony within the organization and society (Kumar & Singh, 2020).

Inclusivity and Diversity :

- *Sarva Dharma Sambhava* (equal respect for all faiths) in Indian culture highlights the importance of diversity and inclusivity. Servant leaders create inclusive work environments where differences are celebrated and collaboration thrives (Chhokar et al., 2007).
- Studies have shown that inclusive leadership styles, including servant leadership, enhance team effectiveness and organizational culture (Shen et al., 2018).

Sustainability and Long-term Vision :

- Indian philosophies emphasize sustainable living, as seen in *Ahinsa* (non-violence) and environmental stewardship. Servant leaders adopt a similar approach, focusing on long-term goals that align with social and environmental sustainability (Shrivastava & Ivanaj, 2011).
- Organizations led by servant leaders often outperform others in achieving sustainability goals, as their leadership style fosters innovation and ethical governance (Eva et al., 2019).



Source : Designed by Researchers

Practicing Servant Leadership and Indian Cultural Values in Driving Effective Organizational Development :

Integrating Servant Leadership principles with Indian Cultural Values provides a robust framework for fostering ethical, inclusive, and sustainable organizational growth. By aligning personal aspirations with organizational goals, this fusion supports a service-oriented and value-driven approach to development. Below are the pivotal roles this integration plays:

1. **Cultivating a Service-Oriented Organizational Culture :** Servant Leadership emphasizes meeting the needs of employees, customers, and communities, creating a collaborative culture rooted in service. The Indian value of Seva (selfless service) reinforces this ethos, encouraging leaders to act as facilitators of employee welfare and societal well-being.
2. **Establishing Strong Ethical Foundations :** Servant Leadership promotes integrity, accountability, and fairness, building trust within the organization. Indian cultural principles like Satya (truth) and Dharma (righteous duty) provide a moral framework for ethical decision-making and transparent practices.
3. **Promoting Inclusivity and Shared Growth :** Fostering collaboration and shared goals, Servant Leadership ensures collective progress and individual development. The Indian philosophy of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam (the world is one family) highlights inclusivity and unity, celebrating diversity as a source of strength.
4. **Prioritizing Employee Well-Being :** Servant Leadership focuses on addressing employees' emotional, physical, and career needs. Indian cultural practices like Yoga and Ayurveda inspire organizations to adopt holistic wellness approaches, ensuring the complete well-being of the workforce.
5. **Emphasizing Long-Term Vision and Sustainability :** Servant Leadership encourages sustainable practices that balance profit with societal impact. The Indian concept of Lokasangraha (welfare of all) aligns organizational objectives with broader societal needs, fostering responsible and enduring growth.
6. **Building Trust and Empowering Teams :** Servant Leadership nurtures trust by empowering employees to take ownership and contribute meaningfully. The Indian values of Shraddha (faith) and mutual respect enhance collaboration and harmony across all organizational levels.
7. **Strengthening Leadership through Empathy and Compassion :** Servant Leadership prioritizes active listening and compassionate action to address employee concerns. Guided by Indian values like Karuna (compassion) and Ahimsa (non-violence), leaders create empathetic and harmonious work environments.
8. **Inspiring Resilience and Adaptability :** Servant Leadership encourages mindfulness and reflection, helping organizations navigate challenges effectively. Indian practices such as Dhyan (meditation) and Sankalpa (resolve) bolster resilience and clarity among leaders and teams.
9. **Aligning Organizational Goals with Social Responsibility :** Servant Leadership emphasizes corporate social responsibility (CSR) and ethical practices to benefit society. Inspired by Karma Yoga (selfless action), Indian values motivate organizations to positively impact their communities while achieving business objectives.
10. **Enhancing Organizational Identity and Culture :** By embedding humility, service, and mutual respect, Servant Leadership fosters a strong organizational culture. Indian traditions and values create a distinctive identity that resonates with employees and stakeholders, promoting pride, loyalty, and a sense of belonging.

Challenges of practicing servant leadership with integrating Indian cultural values :

Resistance to Change in Leadership Styles :

- Traditional Indian leadership is often hierarchical and autocratic, emphasizing control and top-down decision-making. Servant leadership, which prioritizes humility and empowerment, can face resistance from leaders accustomed to more authoritative styles (Singh & Krishnan, 2007). The challenge is shifting from "command and control" to a service-oriented approach.

Cultural Power Dynamics :

- Indian society values hierarchy and respect for authority, creating challenges in adopting servant leadership principles, which focus on empowering others and fostering egalitarian relationships (Jha & Kumar, 2014). The cultural expectation of "respect for elders" can make servant leadership's participative approach difficult to implement.

Balancing Organizational Goals :

- Indian businesses often focus on short-term financial goals, which can clash with the long-term focus of servant leadership on employee development and organizational culture (Ghosh & Gupta, 2013). The immediate results-oriented mindset can undermine the patient, people-first philosophy of servant leadership.

Gender and Social Norms :

- Traditional gender roles and social structures in Indian organizations create barriers to servant leadership's emphasis on equality and inclusiveness (Mishra, 2012). Women may face additional challenges in being empowered or heard in the workplace under a servant leadership model.

Indirect Communication Styles :

- Indian culture often values indirect communication, especially in hierarchical contexts, which can hinder the open, transparent communication required by servant leadership (Sood & Bansal, 2016). Leaders may find it difficult to encourage open dialogue and feedback in such a setting.

Lack of Training and Awareness :

- Many Indian organizations lack formal leadership development programs that focus on the emotional intelligence and empathy critical for servant leadership (Chatterjee & Dayal, 2018). The absence of such training can slow the adoption of servant leadership principles.

Individualism vs. Collectivism :

- Indian organizational culture emphasizes collective success over individual achievements. The tension between servant leadership's focus on individual development and the collectivist nature of Indian culture can cause conflict (Gupta & Singh, 2017).

Perception of Western Influence :

- Servant leadership, a concept largely popularized in the West, may be perceived as incompatible with traditional Indian leadership values, which are deeply rooted in local cultural practices (Sahni & Khandelwal, 2015). This may hinder the acceptance and implementation of servant leadership in Indian organizations.

Conclusion :

The integration of Servant Leadership principles with Indian cultural values offers a transformative approach to organizational development. This synergistic framework fosters ethical, inclusive, and sustainable growth by aligning individual aspirations with organizational goals.

This research underscores the importance of adopting a leadership approach that is both values-driven and contextually relevant. By harmonizing Servant Leadership with Indian cultural ethos, organizations can create environments that empower individuals, strengthen community ties, and achieve sustainable success. This fusion not only addresses the challenges of modern organizational dynamics but also provides a blueprint for leadership in a globalized world that values ethics, inclusivity, and shared prosperity.

In conclusion, the exploration of Servant Leadership through the lens of Indian culture reveals a profound potential for shaping organizations that are compassionate, resilient, and purpose-driven, ultimately contributing to a better world.

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The Future of Online Retail : Trends Shaping the Shopping Experience

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Abstract :

Online shopping has become increasingly popular over the last decade, thanks to technological developments and broad internet access. This study paper provides an analytical summary of the internet shopping phenomena, highlighting its numerous benefits and pitfalls. Based on extensive research, it emphasizes the ease, cost, and seamless experience provided by online purchasing. However, it also investigates the underlying issues that customers experience, including worries about trust, security, privacy, a lack of resources and knowledge, and customer satisfaction. Although online buying is extremely convenient, customers must be aware of potential risks and make informed decisions. Customers may improve their digital retail experiences by understanding both the benefits and drawbacks.

Keywords : Online Shopping, Benefits, Challenges, Perceived Risk, Convenience, Security, Privacy, Customer Experience etc.

Introduction :

Marketing fundamentally helps consumers meet their demands more effectively and efficiently by offering high-quality products and services at the best possible pricing and delivery. A competent marketer is continually upgrading how they satisfy their clients' requirements. Marketers create opportunities to deliver greater service to clients, while technology creates others. The Internet is altering the way people purchase for products and services, and it has fast become a worldwide phenomenon. Jennifer Rowley (1998) explored how the internet is becoming a hub for advertising, commerce, and economic activities. According to Hsieh et al. (2013), the internet has a stronger influence on people's daily lives than in the past. People's everyday activities have steadily transitioned from physical to virtual environments.

One way to shop online is through an e-commerce marketplace (Budiantara, Gunawan et al. 2019, Paek, Morse et al. 2020). Since internet buying eliminates the need to visit a physical store, most customers prefer to shop online. As a result, to improve customer service, every business should have an online shop (Chaffey 2009, Olasanmi 2019, Zanker, Rook et al. 2019). As a consequence, company owners may utilize the Internet to transition their products from traditional enterprises to a new business model, e-commerce, and attract more customers.

Online Shopping : The Current Business Scenario :

Online purchasing has expanded significantly and has become an essential component of the current corporate environment. The COVID-19 epidemic has increased the trend of online shopping, with more individuals opting to buy products and services from the comfort of their own homes. According to Statista, worldwide e-commerce sales are estimated to exceed 6.3 trillion US dollars in 2024, with an expected growth to 8.1 trillion US dollars by 2026. Furthermore, the number of online buyers is increasing, with an estimated 5.29 billion individuals purchasing products and services online by 2027.

Furthermore, in response to the increased demand for online purchasing, many firms are moving their attention to e-commerce. The adoption of mobile devices and digital payment methods has made online shopping more accessible and convenient for customers, leading to the rise of the e-commerce business. Online shopping is a fast growing aspect of today's commercial climate, and its popularity is projected to rise in the future years.

Literature Review :

Dr. Lokesh Agrawal and Dr. Dimple (2020) wrote "A Study On Consumer Behaviour And Perceived Benefits." The investigation was conducted in Faridabad's urban regions. According to the report, internet shopping delivers better customer service, greater savings, and respondents feel they can purchase online at any time (24/7).

According to Rohit Bansal's research study entitled "Online Shopping: A Shining Future" state that internet purchasing is a growing trend in India. Although the number of Indians who embrace online shopping as a means of purchasing is tiny in comparison to conventional shopping, it is likely to expand in the future as internet penetration rises in India. Online buying, like anything else, has benefits and drawbacks. Online buying offers more benefits than disadvantages. Online shopping provides lower prices, time savings, convenience, and avoids compulsive buying, reducing negatives such as

increased delivery charges and no bargaining; nonetheless, if Indians are to accept this notion, online retailers must continue to create ways to make shopping more enjoyable. Online shopping has a promising future since Indians spend lavishly and internet penetration is growing.

Dr. Joshua Chang in his study "Online Shopping: Advantages over the Offline Alternative" stated that shopping online is convenient and time-saving. The internet may be a useful tool for shoppers to find products and services. It reduces search expenses and offers a more broad product selection. It also delivers more accurate price information and lower costs owing to the larger discount.

"The Effect of Perceived Risk on Online Shopping through Trust and Wom" Beril Durmus, Yesim Ulusu, and Serkan Akgun (2017) conducted a research involving 635 internet buyers who made purchases online. According to their findings, information risk, financial risk, product risk, and word-of-mouth (WOM) intensity all have an impact on trust, which in turn impacts online purchase intention.

"Consumers' Perceived Security Risks in Online Shopping: A Survey Study in Sri Lanka" According to Ilmudeen, A.'s study, the fast development of information technology and extensive availability of the Internet have contributed to the popularity of online shopping. Understanding people's perceptions of online hazards is crucial for ecommerce. This study focuses on customer perceptions of security risk when purchasing on the Internet, with a specific emphasis on risk factors. When buying a product online, a buyer senses some amount of risk in terms of brand.

The benefits of internet purchasing, as described and studied by various academics, are as follows :

Customers may purchase online at any time of day or night. Consumers may buy any product or service at any time and from any location. Online buying is more convenient than in-store purchasing since customers may fulfill their needs with the click of a mouse without leaving their house.

There are various benefits to purchasing online, including:

Convenience: Convenience is one of the most significant benefits of online shopping. You can shop from anywhere at any time without leaving your house. This saves the time and effort required to travel to a physical store.

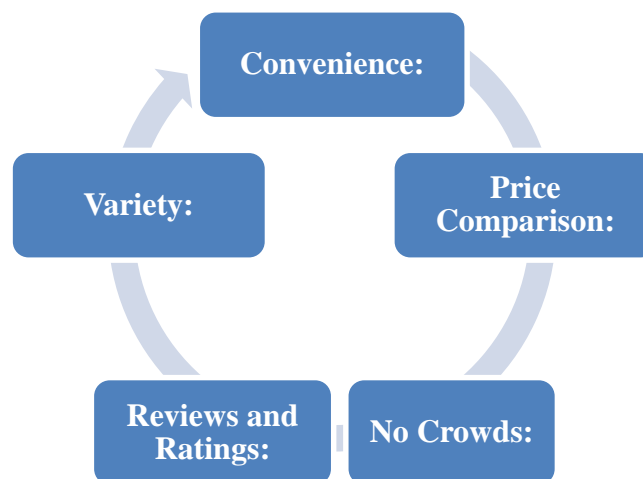


Fig. 1 : Benefits of Online Shopping

Variety: Online shopping provides a wider range of products than traditional retail outlets. You can easily search for and compare products from various sellers and brands to find the best deals.

Price Comparison: When you shop online, you can easily compare prices from different retailers, allowing you to find the best deals and save money.

24*7 Availability: Online stores are open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, so you can shop whenever you want, even at odd hours.

No Crowds: Unlike in-person shopping, shopping online eliminates the need to deal with crowds and long lines, which can be a major source of stress and frustration.

Reviews and Ratings: When you shop online, you can read reviews and ratings left by other customers, which can help you make more informed purchasing decisions.

Returns are simple: Most online retailers have no-hassle return policies, making it simple to return products that don't meet your expectations.

Hurdles of Online Shopping:

While internet purchasing provides various benefits, there are also possible downsides, which include:



Fig. 2 : Hurdles of Online Shopping

Shipping Fees: Many online retailers charge shipping fees, which can add to the cost of your purchase. Some retailers provide free shipping, but usually only on larger orders.

Shipping Delays: Depending on your location and the retailer's shipping policies, your purchases may take several days or even weeks to arrive, which can be inconvenient if you need the item(s) right away.

Lack of Physical Inspection: Because you cannot physically inspect the products before purchasing them, online shopping can be difficult. This can result in disappointment if the item(s) do not meet your expectations.

Concerns about Security: Shopping online requires you to share sensitive information, such as credit card numbers and personal information, which can expose you to identity theft and other online scams.

Customer Support: Online retailers may not provide the same level of service as brick-and-mortar stores. If you have questions or concerns about your purchase, it can be difficult to get help.

Technical Issues: Technical issues, such as slow websites or payment processing errors, can make online shopping difficult and time-consuming.

Future Trends in Online Shopping:

Conclusion: The study concluded that, the phrase "online shopping" is now commonly used and understood by everyone. Online purchasing is extremely popular among young people. The usage and benefits of internet purchasing might vary based on available resources, consumer knowledge and awareness, and so on. Online shopping has several advantages, including time savings and convenience, 24-hour availability, discounts, quick price comparison, cash on delivery, a simple return policy, a broader range of items, and no crowds. Though internet shopping is still popular, several problems, such as geographical location, resource availability, a lack of adequate expertise, and so on, impede full usage of the service.

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The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Students' Education: Benefits, Challenges, and Ethical Considerations

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Abstract :

The use of computer is increasing in every field. The development of Artificial intelligence (AI) and its use in various fields is also increasing. Artificial intelligence (AI) is changing many industries, including education, by offering advanced tools and methods that help improve how students learn, get tested, and build skills. It is also used in education field. The study explores the growing influence of Artificial Intelligence (AI) on student learning environments. The study looks at how AI is used in education and examines both the benefits and possible challenges it brings to students. The study also looks at the ethical issues of using AI in education, like privacy concerns and biases. Through a review of existing literature and case studies, the paper highlights how AI is reshaping education, personalized learning.

1. Introduction:

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is becoming more important in many areas, and education is one of the key sectors where it is making a difference. In recent years, AI technologies have begun to change the way students learn, how teachers teach, and how schools manage education. With the help of data-driven tools, AI can offer personalized learning experiences, improve how students are assessed, and simplify administrative tasks. The increasing use of AI in education shows its potential to improve learning outcomes, encourage new ideas, and make education more accessible and efficient for everyone.

However, as AI becomes more involved in education, it also brings some challenges and concerns that need to be addressed. For example, issues like protecting students' data privacy, ensuring fairness, and preventing bias in AI systems are important things to consider. It's crucial to handle these issues carefully so that the benefits of AI can be used in the best and most responsible way. This paper looks at how AI impacts education, exploring the advantages it offers, the problems it may cause, and the ethical questions that need to be carefully considered as it is put into practice.

Definition of AI :

Artificial intelligence (AI) is technology that helps computers to do many things like to see, to understand and translate language, analysis of information, give suggestions.

Role of AI in Education :

- **Individualized Learning** : AI can individualize learning by adjusting lessons to match each student's needs, strengths, and weaknesses, helping them learn at their own pace and improving their results.
- **Intelligent Tutoring Systems** : AI tutoring platforms provide personalized feedback and help in real-time, even when a teacher isn't available. These systems act like one-on-one tutors, letting students ask questions and get instant answers, making learning more interactive and effective.
- **Automation of Administrative Tasks** : AI helps teachers save time by automating tasks like grading and scheduling. It also manages records and administrative work. This gives educators more time to focus on teaching. Teachers can engage more with students. Overall, it improves the education experience.
- **Data-Driven Insights** : AI can examine a lot of educational data to find trends. It shows student performance across subjects. AI helps identify areas for improvement for both students and schools. It supports teachers in making informed decisions. Educators can take action based on AI's insights.
- **Access to Global Learning Resources** : AI tools give students access to many resources like online courses and digital textbooks. These resources make education more accessible. AI can translate materials into different languages. This helps overcome language barriers. It opens up learning opportunities for students worldwide.

2. Importance of AI for students-

- It makes learning easier for students with special needs by using tools like voice-to-text transcribers. Personalized learning interfaces help students learn at their own pace. Adaptive learning software adjusts to each student's needs. These tools provide better support for all learners.

- It helps recognize learning patterns and preferences of each student. This allows for more tailored and effective learning experiences.
- AI language learning apps are helpful and it can provide personalized lessons for students.
- AI can help spot learning difficulties early by analyzing student performance, allowing for quick support.

3. Benefits of AI in Education :

- **Personalized Learning Experience :**

AI in education offers personalized learning by analyzing student data. It looks at factors like learning speed, preferences, and past performance. Based on this data, AI recommends content and activities suited to each student. This helps students learn at their own pace. As a result, learning becomes more efficient. Personalized learning boosts student progress and engagement.

- **Always Accessible :**

AI tools like virtual tutors and chatbots are always available, 24/7. They provide help to students whenever needed, no matter the time or place. This is useful for students in remote areas. It also helps those with limited access to regular educational resources. AI makes learning more accessible to everyone.

- **Quick Feedback :**

AI systems give instant feedback to students. This helps them spot mistakes and fix them right away. It speeds up learning and helps students understand things better. Real-time feedback makes the learning process more effective.

- **Enhances Teacher Efficiency :**

AI can ease teachers' workload by handling tasks like grading and making lesson plans. It can also track student progress automatically. This saves teachers time. With less administrative work, teachers can focus more on teaching. They can also provide more personalized support to students.

- **Information-driven insights :**

AI analytics tools help teachers understand how students are performing. The data helps teachers adjust their teaching methods. They can give timely help to students who need it. Teachers can also provide extra resources to support struggling students. This improves the overall learning experience.

4. Challenges of AI in Education :

A. Inequality in Access to Technology :

While AI brings many advantages, the availability of AI-powered tools can be restricted by various factors, such as where a person lives, their financial situation, and the resources available at their school or institution. Students in underfunded schools may not have the same access to advanced AI tools and technologies as those in wealthier districts, resulting in a disparity in educational opportunities. This unequal access to AI-driven resources can create significant gaps in learning and academic performance, exacerbating existing inequalities and limiting the potential of students who are already at a disadvantage.

B. Over reliance on Technology :

As students continue to rely more on AI tools for learning and problem-solving, there is a growing concern that their critical thinking and problem-solving abilities may weaken over time. If students become overly dependent on AI-powered solutions, they might lose the opportunity to develop essential skills like independent thinking, creativity, and the ability to make decisions on their own. This over-reliance could hinder their ability to approach challenges without seeking assistance from AI, limiting their potential to think critically and solve problems effectively in real-world situations. Consequently, the ability to engage in deep, thoughtful learning may decline as students depend more on automated technologies to guide their thinking and actions.

C. Data confidentiality :

AI in education requires collecting and analyzing student data, which raises privacy and security concerns. Schools must safeguard student information to prevent breaches. It's essential for AI systems to comply with data privacy laws, like GDPR. Protecting personal data is a top priority. Institutions must implement strict measures to ensure data security.

D. Interaction between student and teacher :

AI can offer personalized learning and instant feedback, but it can't replace the human connection teachers provide. The emotional and social aspects of learning, like mentorship and empathy, are vital for student growth. Overusing

AI may reduce these essential human interactions. Teachers play a key role in building relationships and supporting students emotionally. Balancing AI with human presence is crucial for holistic development.

E. Ethical Concern :

AI in education raises ethical concerns, such as the potential for algorithms to reinforce biases. This could result in unequal educational outcomes for some students. It's crucial to design and train AI systems to avoid such biases. Ensuring fairness in AI is essential for providing equal opportunities. Ethical considerations must be prioritized in AI development for education.

5. Impact on Students :

The impact of AI on students can be both positive and negative, depending on how it is used and integrated into education.

- a. **Academic Performance :** AI significantly enhances students' academic performance by providing personalized learning experiences and real-time feedback. Research has shown that AI platforms improve learning outcomes, particularly for students who struggle with traditional teaching methods. These platforms can adapt lessons to meet individual needs, ensuring that students receive the right level of challenge and support. By personalizing content, AI fosters a deeper understanding of the material. The immediate feedback it offers helps students correct mistakes and grasp concepts more effectively. This tailored approach not only boosts engagement but also increases motivation. Ultimately, AI makes learning more accessible and effective for all types of learners.
- b. **Learning Habits and Study Skills :** AI tailors learning experiences to each student's needs, enhancing engagement and active participation. By allowing students to control their pace, AI boosts motivation and promotes a sense of ownership in learning. Instant feedback keeps students on track and helps them improve more effectively. This personalized approach fosters self-regulation and independent learning habits. With AI, students become more proactive in their education. Ultimately, AI cultivates an environment of independent and efficient learning.
- c. **Emotional and Social Development :** Compared to traditional classroom interactions, AI plays a limited role in supporting social and emotional development. The essential skills for personal and professional success, such as communication, collaboration, etc, are required. Students may miss out on building these skills. Human connection and mentorship, which teachers provide, cannot be replaced by AI. Face-to-face interactions are important and they are useful for fostering empathy and social growth.
- d. **Motivation and Engagement :** AI-driven platforms can boost student motivation through their interactive and dynamic features. Gamified learning systems that use AI make learning more engaging and enjoyable. These platforms can also offer rewards, increasing student participation. AI helps keep students interested, especially those who struggle with traditional methods. Overall, AI creates a more engaging learning experience.
- e. **Reduced Human Interaction :** Over-reliance on AI in education could result in fewer face-to-face interactions with teachers and peers. While AI can provide valuable support, it cannot replicate the human touch, such as providing emotional support or addressing complex questions that require nuanced understanding.
- f. **Weakened Analytical Abilities :** AI tools, like chatbots and homework assistants, can provide quick answers, which may lead students to rely on them rather than thinking critically or solving problems independently. This could undermine their ability to think analytically and creatively.
- g. **Reduced imagination :** If students rely too much on AI tools for tasks like writing or coming up with ideas, it could affect their creativity. While AI can suggest ideas, real creativity needs deep thinking, exploration, and personal effort—skills that might not develop if students depend too much on technology.

7. Conclusion :

The use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) is increasing in every field and it is also changing education field by providing personalized learning experience and helping teachers to work more efficiently. It also gives insights into how students are doing. However, using AI in education system brings challenges like fairness, data privacy, and reliance on technology. While AI has great potential for the future, it's important to use it carefully. We need to make sure that all students and teachers benefit. AI can improve education if it's balanced with traditional methods. With the right approach, AI can make education better in the long run. It's important to think about how to use it wisely. AI can create more opportunities for learning. But, its use should not replace human interaction in the classroom.

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सामाजिक माध्यमांचा भारतीय बाजारावर प्रभाव

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प्रस्तावना :

भारतीय बाजार हा जगातील सर्वात मोठ्या आणि वेगाने वाढणाऱ्या बाजारपेठांपैकी एक आहे। डिजिटल क्रांतीमुळे आणि इंटरनेटच्या वाढत्या . फेसबुक . ही ग्राहकांच्या खरेदीच्या सवयींवर मोठा प्रभाव टाकत आहेत (सोशल मीडिया) वापरामुळे सामाजिक माध्यमे, इंस्टाग्राम, ट्विटर, यूट्यूब , स्नॅपचॅट आणि लिंक्डइन यांसारख्या प्लॅटफॉर्मचा वापर व्यवसायांसाठी अत्यंत महत्वाचा ठरत आहे आणि यांसारख्या प्लॅटफॉर्मचा उपयोग जाहिरात, ग्राहकांशी संवाद आणि ब्रँड निर्मिती यासाठी मोठ्या प्रमाणावर केला जातो. या संशोधन लेखात ., भारतीय बाजारावर सामाजिक माध्यमांचा प्रभाव आणि त्याचे सकारात्मक व नकारात्मक परिणाम यांचे विश्लेषण करण्यात आले आहे.

सामाजिक माध्यमांचा भारतीय बाजारपेठेतील विस्तार :

- **सोशल मीडिया वापरकर्त्यांची संख्या:** २०२३ मध्ये भारतात ५७ कोटी सोशल मीडिया ८. वापरकर्ते होते आणि २०२५ पर्यंत ही संख्या ७० कोटीपर्यंत पोहोचण्याचा अंदाज आहे.
- **मोबाईल इंटरनेटचा वाढता वापर:** भारतात ७५.५% करताना इंटरनेट वापरकर्ते मोबाईलद्वारे सोशल मीडिया ९० %
- **व्हिडिओ कंटेंटचा वाढता प्रभाव:** यूट्यूब आणि इंस्टाग्राम रील्सच्या माध्यमातून ब्रँड्स अधिक प्रभावीपणे ग्राहकांपर्यंत पोहोचत आहेत.

सामाजिक माध्यमांचा भारतीय बाजारावर प्रभाव :

१. **विपणन आणि जाहिरात धोरणांमध्ये बदल :** पूर्वी पारंपरिक जाहिरात माध्यमे जसे की दूरदर्शन, रेडिओ आणि वृत्तपत्रे यांचा वापर व्यवसायांसाठी आवश्यक होता. मात्र ., सोशल मीडिया मार्केटिंगमुळे कंपन्या थेट ग्राहकांशी संवाद साधू लागल्या आहेत. फेसबुक व इंस्टाग्राम . डव्हर्टायझिंग, अ, इन्फ्लुएंसर मार्केटिंग आणि स्पॉन्सर्ड पोस्ट्स यांचा वापर मोठ्या प्रमाणावर होत आहे.

2023 च्या Dentsu Digital Report नुसार, 2022 मध्ये, भारतातील डिजिटल जाहिरात क्षेत्राचा बाजार ₹ ५७,००० कोटींवर पोहोचला आणि 2025 पर्यंत तो ₹ १ .लाख कोटीपर्यंत पोहोचण्याचा अंदाज आहे . २. सोशल मीडिया जाहिरात हा आता व्यवसायांच्या रणनीतीचा महत्वाचा भाग बनला आहे सोशल मीडिया जाहिरातींमध्ये सर्वाधिक गुंतवणूक करणाऱ्या कंपन्यांमध्ये .Amazon, Flipkart, Swiggy, आणि Zomato यांचा समावेश आहे.

२. **ग्राहकांच्या खरेदीच्या सवयींमध्ये बदल :** ऑनलाइन रिव्यू, इन्फ्लुएंसरचे मत आणि युजर जनरेटेड कंटेंट (UGC) यामुळे ग्राहकांचा खरेदी करण्याचा दृष्टिकोन बदलला आहे उत्पादन खरेदी करण्यापूर्वी ग्राहक सोशल मीडियावर त्याची माहिती घेतात आणि इतरांचे .अनुभव पाहून निर्णय घेतात .

भारतीय ग्राहक ऑनलाईन रिव्यू आणि इन्फ्लुएंसर मार्केटिंगकडे वळत आहेत 2023 च्या Google India Report नुसार, ७५ भारतीय % ग्राहक एखादे उत्पादन विकत घेण्यापूर्वी ऑनलाईन रिव्यू पाहतात. इन्फ्लुएंसर मार्केटिंगचा प्रभाव . दिवसेंदिवस वाढत आहे. भारतातील . इन्फ्लुएंसर मार्केटिंग क्षेत्र ₹ १२५० कोटींच्या पुढे गेले आहे आणि २०२५ पर्यंत ते दुप्पट होण्याची शक्यता आहे. फ्लिपकार्ट ., अमेझॉन आणि मीशो यांसारख्या ई.कॉमर्स प्लॅटफॉर्मवर ग्राहक रेटिंग आणि रिव्यू खरेदीच्या निर्णयावर थेट प्रभाव टाकतात-

३. **नवीन व्यवसाय आणि स्टार्टअप्ससाठी संधी :** सोशल मीडिया प्लॅटफॉर्ममुळे लहान व्यवसाय आणि स्टार्टअप्सना कमी खर्चात मोठ्या प्रमाणावर मार्केटिंग करण्याची संधी मिळाली आहे .मोहिमेमुळे अनेक छोटे उद्योग सोशल मीडिया वापरून वाढत आहेत "डिजिटल इंडिया" . सोशल मीडिया मार्केटिंगमुळे लहान व्यवसायांना मोठी संधी मिळते च्या २०२३ .NASSCOM Report नुसार भारतातील ६० % उदाहरणार्थ .स्टार्टअप्स सोशल मीडिया आणि डिजिटल मार्केटिंगचा वापर करून ग्राहकांपर्यंत पोहोचतात, "boAt" ब्रँडने फक्त सोशल मीडिया आणि इन्फ्लुएंसर मार्केटिंगच्या जोरावर ऑडिओ उत्पादनांची बाजारपेठ निर्माण केली.

४. **ग्राहक सेवा आणि ब्रँड प्रतिमा :** कंपन्या आता ग्राहकांच्या तक्रारी आणि अभिप्राय यांना त्वरित प्रतिसाद देतात. ट्विटर आणि फेसबुक . यांसारख्या प्लॅटफॉर्मवर ग्राहक सेवा दिली जाते, ज्यामुळे ब्रँडची प्रतिमा सुधारते .Hoot suite India, 2023 च्या निरीक्षणातून असे दिसून

आले आहे किशोशल मीडियावर, ७०. भारतीय ग्राहक ब्रँडच्या सेवेसंबंधी तक्रारी ट्विटर आणि फेसबुकवर नोंदवतात % Flipkart, Zomato, आणि Paytm सारख्या कंपन्या सोशल मीडिया कस्टमर केअर चॅटबॉट्स वापरून ग्राहकांना झटपट मदत देतात.

सामाजिक माध्यमांच्या वापराचे आव्हाने आणि मर्यादा :

१. **फेक न्यूज आणि चुकीची माहिती** : सोशल मीडियावर खोट्या बातम्या आणि अफवा मोठ्या प्रमाणावर पसरवल्या जातात, त्यामुळे ग्राहकांची दिशाभूल होण्याची शक्यता असते ज्या २०२३ .Reuters Digital News Report नुसार, ४०सोशल मीडिया भारतीय % भारत सरकारने .वापरकर्त्यांनी फेक न्यूजचा अनुभव घेतल्याचे अहवालात दिसून येते IT नियम 2021 अंतर्गत सोशल मीडियावर दिशाभूल करणाऱ्या बातम्यांवर नियंत्रण आणण्यासाठी उपाययोजना केल्या आहेत.
२. **गोपनीयता आणि डेटा सुरक्षा समस्या** : ग्राहकांचे वैयक्तिक डेटा गोपनीय ठेवण्याचे मोठे आव्हान आहेकंपन्या ग्राहकांच्या डेटाचा गैरवापर . करू शकतात, ज्यामुळे सुरक्षेच्या समस्या निर्माण होतातमध्ये २०१८ . Facebook-Cambridge Analytica घोटाळ्यामुळे भारतीय ग्राहकांच्या डेटाचा गैरवापर उघडकीस आलात्यावर उपाययोजना म .हणून भारत सरकारने डेटा प्रोटेक्शन बिल २०२३ आणले आहे, जे सोशल मीडिया कंपन्यांसाठी डेटा सुरक्षितता नियम कडक करते.
३. **स्पर्धा आणि जाहिरात खर्च वाढ** : सामाजिक माध्यमांवर जाहिरात करण्यासाठी कंपन्यांना अधिक खर्च करावा लागतोमोठ्या ब्रँड्समुळे . छोटे व्यवसाय टिकून राहण्यासाठी संघर्ष करावा लागतोमध्ये २०२२ ., भारतीय कंपन्यांचा डिजिटल जाहिरातींवरील खर्च ३२ .ने वाढला % .खोट्या व्यवसायांना मोठ्या ब्रँड्सशी स्पर्धा करणे कठीण होत आहे

भविष्यातील दिशा :

1. **AI आणि बिग डेटा** : व्यवसाय आता ग्राहकांचा डेटा अधिक अचूक विश्लेषण करून वैयक्तिकृत जाहिरात देत आहेत.
2. **Metaverse आणि VR Shopping** : भविष्यात सोशल मीडिया आणि ऑनलाइन खरेदी अधिक आभासी आणि इंटरॅक्टिव्ह होणार आहे.
3. **WhatsApp Commerce** : WhatsApp Pay आणि WhatsApp Business च्या मदतीने लहान व्यवसायांना थेट ग्राहकांशी संपर्क साधण्याची संधी मिळेल.

निष्कर्ष :

भारतीय बाजारपेठेत सोशल मीडियाचा प्रभाव प्रचंड आहेहे माध्यम व्यवसायांसाठी संधी निर्माण करत असले तरी त्यासोबतच काही धोके आणि . भविष्यात .आव्हानेही आहेत, कृत्रिम बुद्धिमत्ता (AI) आणि बिग डेटा यांच्या मदतीने सामाजिक माध्यमे आणखी प्रभावी आणि सुरक्षित बनतीलत्यामुळे ., सामाजिक माध्यमांचा योग्य आणि जबाबदारीने वापर केल्यास भारतीय बाजाराचा अधिक विकास होऊ शकतो.

भारतीय बाजारपेठेवर सामाजिक माध्यमांचा प्रभाव लक्षणीय आहेहे माध्यम केवळ जाहिरात आणि विपणनासाठी नाही तर ग्राहकांसाठी माहितीचे . आणि संवादाचे महत्वाचे साधन बनले आहेतरीही ., फेक न्यूज, डेटा सुरक्षा आणि स्पर्धा यांसारखी आव्हाने विचारात घेणे आवश्यक आहे.

भविष्यात, कृत्रिम बुद्धिमत्ता (AI), बिग डेटा आणि मेटाव्हर्स यांसारख्या तंत्रज्ञानामुळे सामाजिक माध्यमे अधिक प्रभावी आणि सुरक्षित बनतील . त्यामुळे, योग्य नियोजन आणि जबाबदारीने वापर केल्यास, भारतीय बाजारपेठेत सोशल मीडियाचा आणखी मोठा विकास होऊ शकतो.

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