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Q :1. What is mobile journalism? How it changes the dynamic of journalism in Pakistan?

Answer :

Mobile Journalism

Definition :

To begin with, it is smart phone used for reporting purposes. It is also known as mojo, mobile journalism or smart phone journalism. It is a form of rocketing new media story telling, where journalists use mobile phones with network connectivity to gather, edit and distribute news.

Such reporters are known as mojos, mobile journalist or freelance journalists.

History :

The term mojo has been in use since 2005 and slowly it began to get popularly from the United States of America. Later on from 2007 since the emerge of iPhone it gained even more popularity that before.

Why mobile journalism is changing dynamics of journalism :

There are always some trends that it is important to be understood. The demand for video has never been higher because these days everyone is attached to their smart phones so mostly people are nit finding out about news on the TV as they used to therefore mobile journalism is on the rise.

Moreover, it is not always affordable for many people to get themselves camera's. Also, holding a camera and then transferring the data into the system can be a headache sometimes, especially when you are in hurry. Therefore, journalists can use the tool they already have, The smart phone.

Another trend is the growth in social media, If one has huge number of followers or supporters on social media then you need be there too, to get in front of them.

Mobile phone is a connected device therefore, being able to post quickly without transferring videos from the camera to the computer is a major advantage of the mobile journalism.

Also, the Audience use mobile so it is easy to connect with them.

Few years back people used TV, Radio and print. Currently it is reduced and social media is however, on the rise.

To explain this more clearly, I will say that the smart phone is "The Swiss Army of Journalism ".

It can create pictures, videos, audio, graphics and many other types of mixed media content.

This means journalists only have to carry one tool with them to do all these things and that only the phone.

In addition, there is a trends knows as Live Streaming. In the past going live involved expensive equipment and now people can do a Facebook or a twitter live with a touch of button on the phone.

Even, major broadcasters are using this trend in many cases.

Moreover, it must not be forgotten that the speed which mobile phone is improving is incredible.

Nit only all the phones improving but, with the passage of time APPs are getting better too.

5G rolling out soon, one get the best speed of the internet too.

Therefore to sum up, mobile journalism is;

- Cost-effective
- Powerful
- In tune with the trends

That's it is pretty hard to ignore mobile journalism. If a person is in the news business they need to treat their phone as a powerful professional tool than it really is.



Things to remember regarding Mobile journalism :

According to BBC world news, mobile journalism is peaking these days. However, there are things to keep in mind before tuning into the world of mobile journalism.

It is important to switch the phone on the airplane mode before starting to make a report. This is advised because one may get phone calls or text messages that may interrupt the reporting.

In mobile journalism the quality of the Audio can be effected by many factors. Therefore a microphone is required.

Moreover, for holding the phone a holder, stand or gimbal is required, depending upon the situation.

Coming to the second part of the question

How Mobile Journalism is changing the Dynamic of Journalism in Pakistan :

It is crystal clear that, mobile journalism is changing the pattern of news across the globe not only Pakistan. The reason why this is on the rise globally is explained above already.

Coming to Pakistan, it is no doubt that Pakistan and it's people have been welcoming to the new technology since the beginning. Currently, mobile phone are transferred to the news rooms across the country. However, there lies the issue of increasing in Yellow journalism across the nation.

Through the mobile journalism fake news is spreading rapidly across the country. Yet, there are good sides to it as well. According to a new research Pakistan's inhabitants are more addicted to their mobile phones. Today millions of people are using smart phones in Pakistan.

Q :2. What is Parliament? What is the importance of Parliamentary Reporting?

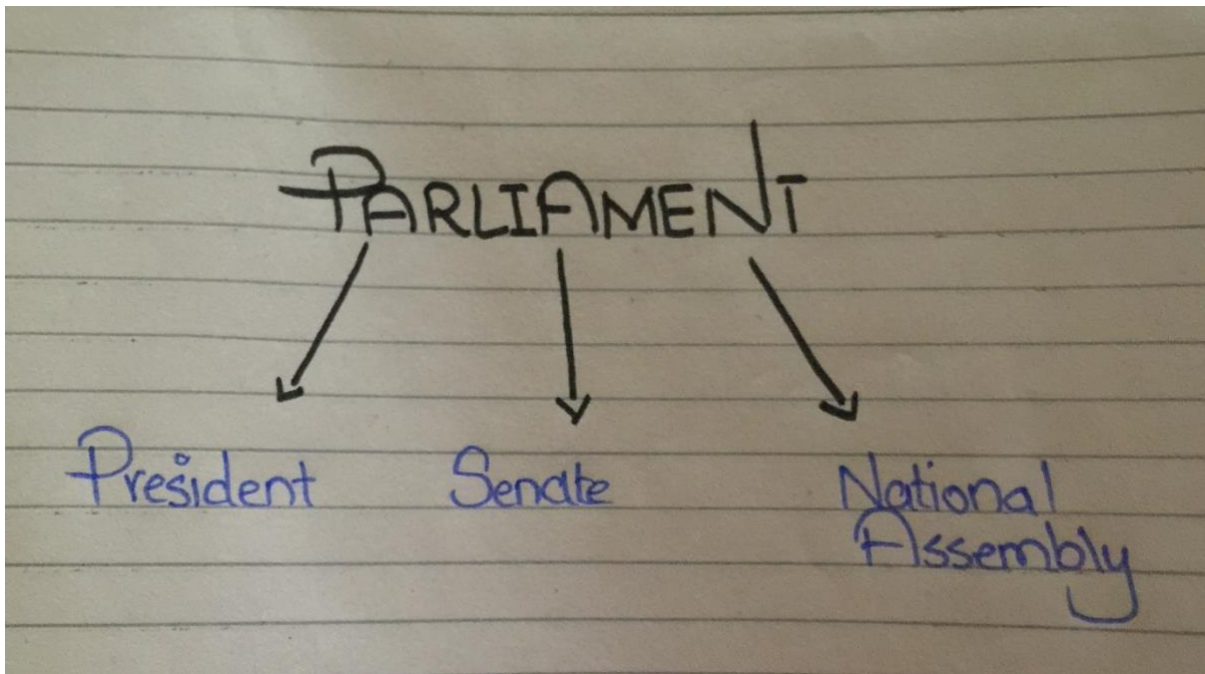
Answer :

Parliament :

Parliament is legislative body of government. In addition, Parliament has three main roles:

1. Making Laws
2. Overseeing government
3. Representing electorate

It also divided into the three parts giving bellow;



Due to less amount of time I will conclude this with the important information.

National Assembly :

There are total of 342 seats in Pakistani National Assembly . Among those 272 are directly elected and 60 are reserved for women. In addition 10 of these seats are for religious minorities.

To make legislation a group of people work into this and debates and discussions take place to get into a clear conclusion.

- Total seats : 342

- 272 are being elected
- Women reserved seats 60
- Religious minorities : 10

Across the globe, the parliament plays a huge role and it has different huge functions.

Senate :

Senate is Parliament's legislative body.

It consists of 104 members overall

The seats in the senate follows as ;

- 14 general seats
- 4 seats for women
- 4 religious people / Technocrats
- 1 none- Muslim

The total number reaches to 23 people. In addition, in senate one and a half of it's members retire every three years.

Parliamentary Reporting :

The parliamentary reporting is beat and it is being given to the reporters to cover the whole beat. These reports have quite a lot of information regarding to parliament.

These specialized journalists cover the discussions and debates that takes place in Parliament among the Parliament members

Every important policy takes place within the Parliament. Thus Parliament reporting is one of the most important beats and has a huge value. These reports inform and aware people regarding budget, new laws and stuff related to that.

Q : What is Digital Literacy? How do you differentiate it from Digital Skills?

Answer :

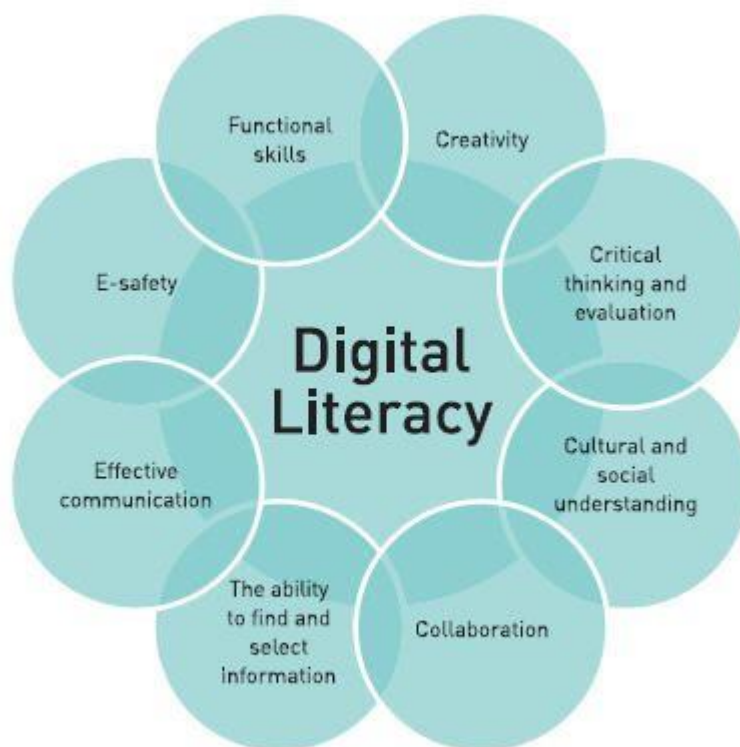
Digital literacy is using digital technology and having right skills to achieve the goals. Media used to be straight forward. People used things like magazines, newspapers, radio and television and then distributed to the masses.

Today there is internet which is a network of digital connections with no beginning and no end. This digitally connected world is constantly transforming the way we play or learn and interact with each other. Digital media is getting more suffocating and harder to navigate. In order to survive and thrive in networks digital age, people need to know and understand how to access digital media. Analyzing it, evaluating it and to produce it. This what digital literacy teaches.

It is really important to be digitally illiterate in the 21st century. The word Literate means the ability to read and write. But, at a deeper level it also means to comprehend and apply what you have read or written in a real world context.

The world is in a different place now than it was 10 years ago. In 2007 the first smartphone was introduced to the world, and a carrier of app development was born. Nowadays there are numerous fields that uses this technology. All this requires is to be digitally Literate.

Digital literacy is having knowledge of digital world and embracing that knowledge.



Digital Literacy Across the Curriculum. p.19. FutureLab March 2010.

What does it mean to be digitally Literate :

Technology is being taught to connect to the world to people these days. Having this knowledge makes one digital Literate. Following the ethics and specific guidelines.

It is important to have a set of skills for digital literacy

- Being able to manage the information
- Creating and editing materials ie content
- Communication skills
- Following guidelines and ethics online
- Transacting

It is important to know that digital skills lead to the digital literacy

Difference between digital skills and digital literacy :

Digital skills is following a step by step process of creating an email account. Digital literacy is recognizing spam, why it is being sent and understanding how email providers use filters to minimize potential harm.

Digital skills is knowing how to use Microsoft Word. Digital literacy is using Microsoft Word to clearly and effectively communicate all the key components of an assignment.

Digital skills is showing someone how to borrow eBooks. Digital literacy is knowing why some eBooks aren't available in New Zealand libraries even though those same eBooks can be purchased online.

Taking the example of journalism about 5 W's and one H. This will give a clear difference between digital skills and digital literacy

- What and how leads to digital skills

Where,

- How, where, who when are the questions that digital literacy answers

Difference between digital skills and digital literacy

Digital Skills	Digital literacy
Sending text messages	Ability to judge if some channel is appropriate or not
Search anything on google or YouTube	Using google or YouTube appropriately and understanding it

Using word, excel etc	Understand benefits and disadvantages of them
Using Twitter, Facebook etc	Understanding the fact and how to use social media safely

Q What is NLE? What are Importance of NLE in the modern world

Answer :

None Linear Editor :

It is a type of editing either for photo, video or audio. It is Digital editing as simple as that and today where technology is on the peak it is on the peak it is more used. In fact mostly used form of editing.

It is a method that allows you to access any frame in a digital video clip regardless of sequence in the clip. The freedom to access any frame, and use a cut-and-paste method, similar to the ease of cutting and pasting text in a word processor, and allows you to easily include fades, transitions, and other effects that cannot be achieved with linear editing.



Nowadays, the world it is editing anything anytime ones to do. It is more flexible. Linear editing was something that comes first with having no time of seconds chance and one had to do everything all over again.

For instance let me explain with the example of footage in a none-linear editing. If ones it started working on it or record it, you bring it on a digital file and put that file into premiere Pro, Final cut or some other software and if you feel like the colors not what you wanted so you put on colors or add some curves depending on the choice. Yet, the actual original file can be saved in the system which is un touched. It does nothing to the original and also again, even inside the edited footage if you want to change or redo anything it is possible. It is a kind of non destructive work.

Importance in the modern world :

In the past this was a quite complicated task editors had to edit so much and go through a specific sequence which hard and definitely even imaging that is hard. Going through a sequence of series of work might be easy to say. However, it is critical tough job to accomplish.

Today, in the modern world, a lot of technology is there for each individual, lives are made easy and it is even more simple to work with that. Softwares are introduced to be used for individuals so that is simple without following any specific patterns. So why wouldn't the modern world adopt that.

Q: Write a short note on the judicial system and it's reporting

Answer :

Every government consists of three basic branches

1. Executive Branch
2. Legislative Branch
3. Judicial Branch

Supreme Court of Pakistan :

Supreme Court is the most powerful one and the judge there is known as chief Justice and there are other judges there too. Besides chief justice the other judges are 15 in number.

To be a judge in supreme court of Pakistan it is important to have Pakistani identity and having a work experience as judge minimum 5 years in any court and working experience of a minimum 15 years in high court.

The retirement age of this judge is 65 years.

The first chief justice of Pakistan's supreme court was Abdul Rasheed.

Structure :

On the top lies supreme Court of Pakistan. Beneath thus, there is a court known as Federal Shariat court.

And there are high courts under supreme court. There are 4 districts across the country and each district has a high court in Pakistan and one is in the capital so it is total 6 in number.

There are the following High courts across the country:

1. Baluchistan High Court
2. Islamabad High Court
3. Lahore High Court
4. Peshawar High Court
5. Sindh High Court
6. District and session Court

Beneath High court there is district session judge. Every area (zila) has its own District session judge and additional District session Judge. In Cities and districts there are magistrates and seniors civil judges.

There are rules and regulations when it comes to the selection of judges across the country. It requires experience.

The retirement age of high court judges is 62 years.

Under the courts mentioned above comes the trial courts and under this is the special courts also known as bench courts.



Court Reporting :

A court reporter, formerly referred to as a law reporter, is a journalist whose job is to capture the live trials going on in the courts. These are the reporters having the beat to cover the courts.

In order to be a court reporter is must to know about the courts have the basic information.

To put in a nutshell, these reporters cover court and transfer the news to people by the help of media.

These reporters need to understand different court terminologies regarding courts.

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