

## Editorial

With immense academic satisfaction and a sense of deep responsibility toward scholarly advancement, we proudly present the first issue of the Indian Journal of Social Sciences Research and Analytics (IJSSRA). This journal is envisioned as a multidisciplinary and multilingual platform designed to foster rigorous, critical, and socially relevant research in the social sciences. As an open-access, double-blind, peer-reviewed, and refereed academic journal, IJSSRA is committed to upholding integrity, quality, and inclusivity in scholarly publications.

The inaugural issue brings together five carefully selected articles that represent the thematic diversity and intellectual depth the journal aspires to uphold. Each contribution encapsulates a unique perspective, rooted in empirical rigor and enriched by theoretical insights, covering contemporary challenges and contextual narratives in Indian and global settings.

The issue opens with the thought-provoking article by **Sharma and Singh**, titled “**Sustainability in the Indian Knowledge System: Traditional Wisdom for a Greener Future.**” This work compellingly brings ancient Indian philosophies into the modern sustainability discourse. It illustrates how traditional Indian thought, drawn from the Vedas, Upanishads, and indigenous practices, contains an inherent ecological consciousness that can inform present-day environmental strategies. Following this, **Pal and Pal** present “**Scientific Mapping of Research Evolution on Artificial Intelligence in Education: A Scientometric Analysis.**” Their study employs advanced scientometric techniques to map the trajectory of AI in the educational domain. With a systematic review of global literature, the paper highlights trends, collaborations, and emerging frontiers, making it a valuable resource for future policy directions and academic planning in education technology. **Chandan Kumar**’s article “**Varanasi shahar ke pariprekshya mein Varuna nadi**” offers an interdisciplinary exploration of the Varuna River and its declining role in the urban landscape of Varanasi. The study blends cultural history with contemporary ecological concerns, drawing attention to how sacred geographies are being eroded by unplanned urbanization and policy neglect. His call for integrated river rejuvenation strategies resonates deeply with today’s urban environmental crises. Shifting the focus to the educational landscape, **Vivek Jaiswar** contributes a timely critique in “**Bhartiya pariksha pranali mein mulyankan evam rachanavaad.**” The article deconstructs the Indian examination system through the lens of constructivist pedagogy. It highlights the limitations of memory-based testing and argues for a student-centric model that

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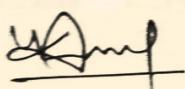
emphasizes reflective learning, creativity, and formative assessment, calling for structural reforms in assessment culture. Finally, **Harshvardhan** presents a nuanced discussion in “**Vartaman pariprekshya mein Baal Sansad ki upadeyata.**” Through a socio-educational lens, the article evaluates the relevance of Baal Sansad (Children’s Parliament) in today’s democratic society. It explores how such participatory models instill democratic values, responsibility, and leadership qualities in school children, promoting inclusive and experiential citizenship education.

Taken together, these five scholarly contributions set a strong and inspiring foundation for the IJSSRA. They represent a confluence of traditional knowledge systems and modern analytical approaches, regional case studies and global perspectives, qualitative reflection and data-driven evidence. This issue brings to the fore themes that are central to both academic inquiry and societal transformation—environmental sustainability, digital innovation, heritage conservation, educational reform, and participatory democracy.

The IJSSRA’s commitment extends beyond publication—it aims to shape conversations, inform practice, and influence policy by encouraging original, impactful, and contextually grounded research. As we look ahead, our journal seeks to become a credible voice in the academic ecosystem, bridging disciplines, languages, and geographic boundaries. We aspire to nurture a vibrant academic community that values collaboration, transparency, and intellectual integrity.

We warmly invite researchers, scholars, educators, and practitioners to be part of IJSSRA’s evolving journey, whether as contributors, reviewers, or readers. With each issue, we endeavor to deepen our engagement with critical issues, elevate underrepresented voices, and build knowledge that empowers and transforms.

**With great enthusiasm and regards,**



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