

The Use and Need of Social media in Contemporary Times, an Analytical Study in the light of Islamic Teachings

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ABSTRACT

There is no doubt that social networking has brought people living miles away together, but those living in the same house have been cut off from each other. Learning new things with modern technology is a far cry. The young generation has forgotten its purpose in life and is spending its time on the wrong activities. While in this age of science and technology, the need is to know how we should benefit from modern technology. How can we learn new things, how can we develop more, instead of all this, today's young generation is engaged in misuse of these things. Our young generation is spending their precious time on these useless activities. If you think about it, nothing is bad and harmful by itself, but the way it is used makes it good or bad. Facebook is being used by some people for good things and some people are not. Those who teach Quran online on Facebook, WhatsApp, Skype. They also learn different types of courses. There are many websites that have a lot to learn so it is up to us to use anything positive or wrong. Therefore, in this article, we will try our best to talk about the use of social media in the light of Prophetic teachings and its importance and necessity in contemporary times.

Keywords: Social media, contemporary times, Use and Need, Islamic Teaching.

Introduction

In today's modern and fast-paced era, science has created many facilities for man and new inventions have provided many facilities. has taken If you want to search anything or get information about a place, Google brings all the details in front of you with one click. And you get all the information about that place at home. The work that used to be done after several days of waiting is now done immediately. While modern technology has given a lot of convenience to

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Social media includes Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp, Line, Viber, Skype, and other such applications.

Introduction to Social Media

Social media refers to websites and applications designed to allow people to share content quickly and efficiently. Although many people access social media through smartphone apps, this communication tool originated with computers, and social media can refer to any Internet communication tool that allows users to access mass content. The ability to share photos, opinions and events in real-time has changed the way we live and do business. Here are the basics of understanding social media and how it can be used to promote your business.

Social media is a digital tool that allows users to quickly create and share content with the public. Social media covers a wide range of websites and apps. Some, like Twitter, specialize in sharing links and short text messages. Others, like Instagram and TikTok, are designed to improve the sharing of photos and videos.

Although many social media companies impose some restrictions, such as downloading images that depict violence or nudity. There are very few limits on what one can share through mass media such as mass media, radio stations and other means of mass communication such as television channels.

Anyone with internet access can sign up for a social media account. They can use the account to share whatever content they choose, and the content they share reaches everyone who visits their page or profile. Using a hashtag as a topic allows users to connect with strangers who are sharing content related to a topic of interest.

Social media covers a wide variety of websites and applications, so the functions of these tools also vary. However, most social media sites usually start with creating a user profile with a name and email address. An Instagram user with a new account can take a photo and share it on their profile with a caption. . In addition to creating content for their profile, social media users can also find other users whose content they want to follow or comment on. Depending on the type of social media, a user may "follow" another user, add them as a "friend" or "subscribe" to another user's page.

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Social media often use "feeds" that allow users to scroll through content. Social media companies use algorithms based on user profile data to determine the content that appears and the order in which it appears. A feed will include content from "followed" users, as well as content from organizations that pay to promote their content. The network allows users to connect and exchange thoughts, ideas, and content with other users. Gain expertise, often with users who share similar tastes and interests. Facebook and Twitter are examples of social networks. Although more professional than others, LinkedIn can also be considered a social network.

The religious role of social media

The modern educated class is suffering from a severe religious crisis. The West has so polluted the minds against Islam through the media that today it is being presented as a fundamentalist religion and propaganda against Islam is being spread through social media. Growing or going. In today's news writings, unlike other religions, Islam is generally associated with violence. While people of other religions commit terrorism, their religious identity is not defined, September 11, 2001. The West took full advantage of the incident and Muslims were

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Importance of communication in Islam

During Hajjatul wada' (Farewell Hajj) on the tenth year of Hijrah, the order given by the Prophet ﷺ for spreading the religion is a guiding light for us.

The Prophet ﷺ said:

"And let him who is present among you reach the absent."²

That is, those who are present here should tell these commandments and these things to these people. Someone who is not here may be more understanding and protective than you. Sometimes the listener is more understanding than the speaker.

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¹ Mateen Khalid, Huquq Insani ki Aar ma, Page, 219.

² Imam Bukhari, Sahih Bukhari, Hadith no, 104.

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During the time of the Prophet ﷺ, the companions of the Prophet ﷺ used to preserve the Qur'anic revelation by writing it on bones, palm trunks, pieces of stone, etc. The Prophet ﷺ used to make the Companions recite by himself. The Holy Qur'an was memorized, because of which many the Companions were included in the Qur'an memorization. Most of the people used to rely on their memory. Because the Arabs' memory was very strong. If they read, hear, or see the thing once, they would have memorized it. Hazrat Zayd and Hazrat Ameer Muawiyah are especially noteworthy among the writers of revelation.

In the early days, the Companions also used to write down hadiths. When the Prophet ﷺ came to know about it, he ﷺ ordered to destroy all the hadiths that had been written so that there would be no doubt of adulteration in the divine revelation. The Companions of the Prophet (may God bless him and grant him peace) showed great taste and passion in memorizing and knew its importance and it became clear that the Qur'an is different, and the Hadith is different. At that time, the Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) gave permission to write the blessed hadiths.

The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) used to order those companions to sit near him who were more intelligent and superior in understanding and wisdom, among them Abd Allah. Arba'ah means four Abdullah, Ibn Mas'ud, Ibn Abbas, Ibn Zubair, Ibn Umar, Caliphs of Arba'ah, Abu Hurairah, Abu Saeed Al-Khudri, may Allah be pleased with him, include the Sahaabah.

For this purpose, the Prophet ﷺ sent letters of invitation to Islam to various rulers and princes of the Sultanate. The letters of his ﷺ are still present in various places and their pictures can be seen on social media. This speaks for itself. There is evidence. How the followers of Islam have protected it.

Media and teachings of the Prophet (PBUH)

The direction and purpose of social media in the Islamic state has been confirmed, the meaning of media is to spread and convey. Islam has determined that the thing to spread and convey is only known. This is the positive and permissive role of these sources. And the protective role is to carry out the duty of suppressing and erasing the negatives. To give a strong response to

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any attack on Islamic values.³ In the event of the creation of Adam, there are two styles after the expression, these two styles are seen working in human life, one is the prophetic model of Adam and the other is the modern model, what is the prophetic model?

It is said in the Holy Quran:

"يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَكُونُوا مَعَ الصَّادِقِينَ"

"O you who believe! Fear Allah and be (always) with the truthful."⁴

"وَالَّذِينَ لَا يَشْهَدُونَ الزُّورَ وَإِذَا مَرُّوا بِاللَّغْوِ مَرُّوا كِرَامًا"

"And those who do not bear false witness and pass with honor when they pass by an indecent act"⁵

This model of the media is intended to be truthful and unbiased and not to promote lies, fabrications, obscenity and nudity and the culture of indecency should continue to flourish. The unequivocal expression of Islam should be disseminated and explained, Islamic morals should be explained, Da'wat-i-Allah should be called, religious and worldly learning should be promoted. , correct information should be promoted, curiosity should be avoided, should be helpful in the establishment of righteous society and brotherhood and unity should be promoted.

Respect humanity:

An Islamic state's social media broadcasts following the principles of human dignity and respect for humanity and do not include in the writings such a program that disrespects the human being.

The Prophet (PBU) said:

"A Muslim is the brother of a Muslim, he oppresses him and does not turn away from him"⁶.

³ Muhammad Dilshad, Kunuz Zaraya ablag awr tahqiqi tariqa, Page, 297.

⁴ Surah at-Tawbah, Verse, 119.

⁵ Surah al-Furqan, Verse, 72.

⁶ Imam Muslim, Sahih Muslim, Hadith no, 6578.

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Unbridled journalism and broadcasting are a source of sabotage in human society. Islam binds the mass media to the basic principle of humanity. Printed or electronic media is not allowed to disrespect people. Create chaos and play with people's self-esteem.

Prohibition of abusive and insulting behavior:

Islam forbids that which hurts the hearts of other human beings.

"يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا يَسْخَرُ قَوْمٌ مِنْ قَوْمٍ عَسَىٰ أَنْ يَكُونُوا خَيْرًا مِنْهُمْ وَلَا نِسَاءٌ مِنْ نِسَاءٍ عَسَىٰ أَنْ يَكُنَّ خَيْرًا مِنْهُنَّ وَلَا تَلْمِزُوا أَنفُسَكُمْ وَلَا تَنَابَزُوا بِالْألقَابِ بِئْسَ الإِسْمُ الفُسُوقُ بَعْدَ الإِيمَانِ وَمَنْ لَمْ يَتُبْ فَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الظَّالِمُونَ"⁷

"O you who believe! Let not a group of men make fun of another group, perhaps they are better than them (the mockers), nor women make fun of other women, perhaps they are better than them, and you one another. Do not taunt one another and do not call one another by bad names. To be called a transgressor after faith is a bad name, and those who do not repent are the wrongdoers."

Publication of goodness:

The promotion of good and the prohibition of evil is the basic principle of Islamic society. Therefore, the mass media must adhere to this principle. It is said in the Holy Quran:

"كُنْتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ"⁸

"You are the best of the nations that have been revealed to the people. You enjoin good and forbid evil, and you believe in Allah".

The Prophet ﷺ said:

⁷ Surah al-Hujurat, Verse, 11

⁸ Surah Al-Imran, Verse, 110

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"By Him in Whose hand is my soul, you must enjoin good and forbid evil, otherwise it is possible that Allah will punish you from His side, then you will call upon Him and You won't get an answer⁹".

The current state of the Muslim Ummah is the result of neglecting this duty. The promotion of good and the prevention of evil is carried out with speed through the media.

Prevention of promiscuity:

Immorality and nakedness are the way of Iblees, Immorality is basically speech and action that leads a person to immorality.

do, such as obscene dialogues, sexually suggestive songs, nude pictures, obscene fiction, novels, poems, and articles etc.

Allah said in the Qur'an:

“قُلْ تَعَالَوْا أَتْلُ مَا حَرَّمَ رَبِّيَ عَلَيَّكُمْ إِلَّا تَشْرِكُوا بِهِ شَيْئًا ۚ وَبِالْوَالِدَيْنِ إِحْسَانًا ۚ وَلَا تَقْتُلُوا أَوْلَادَكُمْ ۚ إِنَّكُمْ لَرِزْقُهُمْ وَإِيَّاهُمْ ۚ وَلَا تَقْرَبُوا الْفَوَاحِشَ مَا ظَهَرَ مِنْهَا وَمَا بَطَّنَ ۚ وَلَا تَقْتُلُوا النَّفْسَ الَّتِي حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ إِلَّا بِالْحَقِّ ۚ ذَٰلِكُمْ وَصَّاكُم بِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَعْقِلُونَ”¹⁰

Say, "Come, I will recite what your Lord has prohibited to you. [He commands] that you do not associate anything with Him, and to parents, good treatment, and do not kill your children out of poverty; We will provide for you and them. And do not approach immoralities - what is apparent to them and what is concealed. And do not kill the soul which Allah has forbidden [to be killed] except by [legal] right. This has He instructed you that you may use reason."

The Prophet ﷺ said:

"Those women who are clothed but are naked, are themselves inclined to men and entice them to themselves, their heads are bent to one side like the hump of a lucky camel. They will not

⁹ Imam Tirmizi, Sunan Tirmizi Hadith no, 39

¹⁰ Surah Al-Anam, Ayah, 151

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enter Paradise, but They will not get its fragrance even though the fragrance of Paradise will come from far away.¹¹

Abu Saeed al-Khudri narrated, that whoever among you sees an act contrary to the Shariah, stop him with his hand, if he does not have the strength, then stop him with his tongue, and if he does not have the strength, then he should be angry with his heart This is the weakest faith.¹²

Objection to provision of false information:

The media undermines the dignity of an individual or group by giving false information about it. According to this Islamic principle, the media must provide information based on truth and reality.

Allah said in the Qur'an:

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"O you who believe! Fear Allah and (always) be with the truthful".

The media of the Islamic State avoids false rumors and baseless news, it is the responsibility of the media to inform the public of the true situation. False characters are played in dramas.

"Mu'awiya bin Huida said: I heard the Messenger of Allah (PBUH) say: Destruction is for the person who says something that makes people laugh, even though it is false, then destruction is destruction for such a person.¹⁴

¹¹ Imam Muslim, Sahih Muslim, Hadith no, 2128.

¹² Imam Bagawi, Mishqat al-Masabih, V. 1, Page, 478.

¹³ Surah at-Tawbah, Verse, 119.

¹⁴ Imam Tirmizi, Sunan Tirmizi Hadith no, 2315.

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False relationships are made in dramas and stories, so it is forbidden to make false direct relationships.

"Abdullah bin Abbas (r.a) said that the Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: "Whoever attributes himself to someone other than his father, or (a slave or slave girl) makes someone else his master instead of his master, then Allah, the Exalted, and the angels And cursed be he to all men."¹⁵

Promotion of Islamic Brotherhood:

The stability of Muslim society is based on the principle of brotherhood in Islam. With the help of media, Islamic brotherhood can be promoted.

"Indeed, all believers are brothers, so make peace between your brothers and fear Allah so that you may be shown mercy¹⁶".

Media can maintain the unity of Muslim society by keeping this spirit of brotherhood awake.

The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said regarding brotherhood:

On the authority of Abu Musa Ash'ari, may Allah be pleased with him. He said to the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, that he, peace and blessings be upon him, said: A believer is like a building to another believer in that one part of it gives strength to another part. inserted into his fingers¹⁷".

He said in another place:

¹⁵ Imam Ibn Maja, Sunan Ibn Maja, Hadith, 2609.

¹⁶ Surah al-Hujurat, Verse, 10.

¹⁷ Imam Bukhari, Sahih Bukhari, Hadith no, 481

"All Muslims are like one body; if one organ suffers, your body becomes restless".¹⁸

These hadiths suggest that from the Islamic point of view, the media should strengthen the unity and brotherhood of the Muslim Ummah and not promote sectarianism, prejudice, and hatred.

Concept of positive entertainment:

When a person is constantly busy, he needs peace and contentment. If he does not know, then who knows, he said:

“هُوَ الَّذِي جَعَلَ لَكُمْ اللَّيْلَ لِتَسْكُنُوا فِيهِ وَالنَّهَارَ مُبْصِرًا ”

"It is He who made the night for you so that you may rest in it and made the day visible."¹⁹

The Prophet ﷺ said to one of his Companions Sayyiduna Abdullah bin Amar:

"And sleep too, because your eye also has a right over you, your soul also has a right over you, and your wife also has a right over you"²⁰.

It's fun, it's relaxing, and what else?

Islam has allowed entertainment, with the condition that it does not commit Haram, Muslim society can also provide entertainment for its members to prevent wasting the talents of individuals. Lack of memory or negligence or forgetfulness, except for four things, running between artistic goals, training a horse, spending time with family and learning to swim.

It is in the tradition of Bukhari Sharif that the Messenger of Allah (PBUH) organized a horse race and awarded a prize to the winner.²¹ These hadiths show that the concept of

¹⁸ . Kanzul Ummal, Hadith no, 761

¹⁹ Surah Yunas, Verse, 67

²⁰ . Imam Bukhari, Sahih Bukhari, Hadith no, 1977

²¹ Imam Bukhari, Sahih Bukhari, Hadith no, 515.

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entertainment in Islam is much broader and more comprehensive than the concept of entertainment found in the present-day media.

Research Result

The importance of mass media is evident in every sphere of life. We get entertainment and news but also information and awareness are provided. Media is a mirror through which our society is reflected and comes in front of us, but it plays an important role in making the society. When an

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