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1.0 LEARNING OBJECTIVES

After reading this lesson you will be able to:

- Know about Journalism.
- Know about Role of Newspapers.



- Discuss the brief History of Pre-Independence and Post-Independence Journalism.
- Describe Early Newspapers of India with Indian Language Press.

1.1 INTRODUCTION

Journalism encompasses the process of collecting, verifying, and delivering news and information to the public through diverse communication channels. It revolves around the systematic collection of important facts, narratives, and occurrences that hold relevance and importance within society. Journalists, equipped with professional training, engage in tasks such as reporting, writing, editing, and disseminating news stories across a wide spectrum of platforms, including newspapers, magazines, television, radio, and digital media.

The core objective of journalism is to keep the public informed about ongoing events, pertinent issues, emerging trends, and global developments, spanning from local to international scales. It serves as a crucial conduit connecting real-time occurrences to citizens, furnishing them with precise, equitable, and punctual information to empower them in making knowledgeable decisions and participating actively in democratic processes.

Adhering to a rigorous code of ethics, journalists prioritize values like precision, impartiality, fairness, and transparency. They aspire to present a comprehensive perspective on events, incorporating diverse viewpoints and interpretations while steering clear of personal biases. Investigative journalism, a subset, delves into thorough research and analysis to unearth concealed truths, expose instances of corruption, and hold authoritative figures accountable.

In the contemporary digital era, journalism has expanded its reach through online platforms, social media, podcasts, and video content. As the media landscape continues to evolve, journalism retains its pivotal role in an enlightened society, shaping public opinion, nurturing civic involvement, and safeguarding the bedrock principles of democracy.

1.2 HISTORY OF JOURNALISM

Think of journalism as a basis of democracy; it's a vital job. It's like a tool that helps people learn, grasp things, and feel confident. In India, journalism has gone through significant shifts, both before and after we became independent in 1947. This story has two key parts: what happened before we gained



independence and what unfolded afterward. So, now we'll dive into the details of journalism before and after India's independence.

1.2.1 PRE-INDEPENDENCE JOURNALISM

India has a long history of struggling for freedom, and this journey was filled with challenges. When it comes to the freedom of writing in newspapers in India, it's been a tough battle against authorities who wanted to control the flow of information.

The first newspaper in India was launched by James Augustus Hickey in 1780. It was called The Bengal Gazette and also the Calcutta General Advertiser. However, it only lasted for two years because the British rulers didn't like its strong criticism of their rule.

After that, more newspapers emerged, such as The Bengal Journal, Calcutta Chronicle, Madras Courier, and Bombay Herald. But all of them had to navigate strict rules imposed by the British East India Company, which was in control of India during that period.

In the years 1799, 1818, and 1823, the British rulers enacted laws to control the press in India. However, in 1835, they introduced a more relaxed law called the Metcalfe Act, which was more favorable for the press.

This changed following the significant revolt of 1857. The British rulers, fearing the uprising, implemented the Licensing Act in 1857. This law granted them the authority to prohibit the publication or reading of any newspaper.

In 1867, they introduced the Registration Act, which made it mandatory for every book or newspaper to include the names of the printer, the publisher, and the place of publication. They also had to provide copies of the books to the government within a month of publication.

One of the strictest rules was the Vernacular Press Act of 1878. This act gave the British government extensive powers to suppress news and opinions in Indian languages, with the aim of preventing newspapers from criticizing British policies. However, English newspapers remained unaffected by these regulations.

Between 1908 and 1912, they made four more strict laws — the Newspapers (Incitement to Offences) Act, the Criminal Law Amendment Act, the Press Act, and the Prevention of Seditious Meetings Act.



The Press Act of 1910 was especially hard on Indian newspapers. It allowed the government to ask for money if a newspaper said anything 'offensive' against the government. Around 1,000 newspapers were punished because of this law.

Mahatma Gandhi's Salt Satyagraha used newspapers to get people to join the fight against the British. This made things tense between the Press and the government. After Gandhi was arrested in 1930, the government made the Press (Emergency Powers) Act of 1931. This let state governments control what the newspapers could write.

When the Second World War started in 1939, the government made even stricter rules. Even though there was a law called the Press Emergency Act of 1931, they wanted more control over what news came in from other countries.

At that time, the All-India Newspapers Editors' Conference was formed. It wanted to protect the rights of the press in India. They fought with the British government to relax the rules and tried to have better relations with the government.

1.2.2 POST INDEPENDENCE JOURNALISM

When India gained independence in 1947, things changed for the press.

Press Enquiry Committee and Changes in Laws:

A committee called the Press Enquiry Committee was formed in 1947. Its job was to look at the laws related to the press in the context of the rights that were given by the Constitution.

In 1951, the Press (Objectionable Matters) Act was made, and there was a change in Article 19 (2) of the Constitution. This change gave the government the power to ask for money as security if something "objectionable" was being published. This rule stayed until 1956.

Establishment of the All-India Press Council:

A committee led by Justice Rajadhyaksha was formed in 1954. They gave an important suggestion – to create the All-India Press Council. This council was officially set up on 4 July 1966. It is an independent group that looks at matters related to the press, sort of like a judge. Justice J.R. Mudholkar, who was a judge of the Supreme Court, became the first chairman.



Other Important Acts:

There were other laws made too, like the Delivering of Books and Newspapers (Public Libraries) Act, 1954; Working Journalists (Conditions of Services) and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1955; Newspaper (Price and Page) Act, 1956; and Parliamentary Proceedings (Protection of Publications) Act, 1960. All of these laws were made to manage different aspects of the press.

Freedom of Press Today:

Today, there isn't a separate group that only deals with press freedom. All the rules about press freedom come under Article 19(1)(a) of the Constitution. This article says that all citizens have the right to speak and express themselves freely. But this right has some limits, which are mentioned in Article 19(2) of the Constitution.

There are also groups that keep an eye on the media. The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) and Broadcast Editors Association (BEA) were made to watch over what's shown on TV news.

For electronic media like TV, they have to follow guidelines called the Central News Media Accreditation Guidelines, 1999. These guidelines come from a committee called the Central Press Accreditation Committee, which gives approval to media people.

1.2.3 EARLY NEWSPAPERS IN INDIA

James Augustus Hicky was an unusual Irishman who liked to write articles criticizing Lady Hastings, the wife of Lord Hastings. He got into trouble because of his boldness, which made the Governor-General, Lord Warren Hastings, angry. Even when he was in jail, Hicky kept writing. He worked from his jail cell and continued to contribute to his creation, the Bengal Gazette. This English newspaper started in Kolkata (once known as Calcutta), India, in 1780. It was a big deal because it was the first important newspaper in the Indian subcontinent and it lasted for two years.

Hicky's biggest achievement was introducing the "Bengal Gazette or the Calcutta General Advertiser." This marked not just the start of the first English-language newspaper, but also the first printed newspaper in the whole Indian subcontinent. The newspaper's impact quickly spread beyond the British military people in India – the locals liked it too. It even inspired Indians to start making their own newspapers.



The Bengal Gazette was published every week, starting on January 29, 1780, in Calcutta, the main city of British India. Unfortunately, it stopped being printed on March 23, 1782.

Early Newspapers in Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay

Calcutta:

- In 1780, the "Bengal Gazette" was the first newspaper from Calcutta.
- In 1818, the "Digdarshan" became the first monthly newspaper in an Indian language (Hindi). It was edited and published by British individuals from Serampore.
- "Samachar Darpan & Bengal Gazette" started in Bengali in May 1818.
- "Friend of India" launched in English as a monthly newspaper in 1818.
- In 1822, James Silk Buckingham and Raja Ram Mohan Roy entered Indian journalism. J.S.B. initiated "Calcutta General" in English, while Raja Ram Mohan Roy supported him.
- "Jaanbul," a government newspaper, was launched in opposition to "Calcutta General."
- Raja Ram Mohan Roy launched "Sambad Kaumudi" (Bengali weekly) in 1822, aiming to stop the practice of "Sati" and also introduced "Mirat-ul-Akbar" in Persian to express his thoughts.

Bombay:

- "Bombai Samachar," the first Gujarati newspaper, started in 1822.
- "Bombay Gazette" and "Bombay Courier" were established in 1825.
- **Madras:**
- "Oodunt Marthand," initiated by Pt. Yugal Kishore, started in 1826.
- **General Developments:**
- In 1829, Raja Ram Mohan Roy launched "Bengal Herald."
- "Bangdoot" by Neel Ratan Haldar brought positive changes in British decrees, including the abolition of "Sati Pratha."
- In 1831, "Sanwad Vartman" was launched in Urdu by Nauroji Dorebazi Chandru.
- In 1832, "Journal Of the Royal Society of Bengal" and "Bombay Darpan" were introduced.
- By 1835, Governor General Charles Metcalfe allowed more press freedom.
- In 1839, there were 26 European newspapers in Calcutta, including 9 daily and 9 in Indian languages.



- In Bombay, there were 10 newspapers by Englishmen and 4 by Indians in 1839.
- In 1837, "Sayyudul-Akhbar" emerged as the first Urdu newspaper from Delhi.
- "Sadar-ul-Akhbar," "Ussud-ul-Akhbar," and "Suraj-ul-Akhbar" were notable Persian newspapers.
- Newspapers like "Sudhakar-Akhbar," "Banaras Akhbar," and "Banaras Gazette" were introduced in 1846-1847.
- The First War of Independence in 1857 impacted press developments.
- "Mentcalfs law" of 1856 facilitated newspaper development in Bengal, Bombay, Madras, and UP.

Regional Languages:

- In 1822, "Bombay Samachar" marked the start of Gujarati newspapers.
- "Oodunt Marthand" became the first Hindi newspaper in 1826.
- "Anandabazar Patrika" was established in 1922 by Prafulla Chandra Sarkar for regional language coverage.

Over time, prominent Indian languages such as Hindi, Marathi, Malayalam, Kannada, Tamil, Telugu, Assamese, Urdu, and Bengali have witnessed the growth of newspapers.

1.2.4 INDIA LANGUAGE PRESS

Communication becomes incredibly important in human life and society's growth. Newspapers become a strong part of Western civilization's progress. They help exchange ideas, bring people closer in time and space, and help communities stay connected. Whether we think of them as a new technology or a political tool, newspapers are really important in shaping our understanding of the world, both for each person and for the whole country. They don't just help us understand who we are and what others think, but they also help businesses and the economy by connecting people emotionally Hardt (1981).

Growth of Indian Language Press: Bangla, Marathi, Hindi and Urdu

Newspapers in India come in two main groups: English newspapers and newspapers in various Indian languages like Bangla, Marathi, Hindi, and Urdu. English newspapers are only in English, while language newspapers cover many Indian languages. These language newspapers reach even small



villages, making a big impact on how people all over the country feel. India has newspapers in more than 100 languages, but the main ones are in 16 languages. These newspapers stand out from the English ones by looking different and talking about things in their own way.

Why did newspapers grow so much in India? At first, English newspapers called the language newspapers "vernacular dailies" in a not-so-nice way. But now, these language newspapers are strong and important. India has the second-largest newspaper market in the world, just behind China. While newspapers are struggling in Europe and the USA, they're doing really well in India and China. It's interesting that the top three countries with the most newspapers sold are China (98.70 million copies), India (88.90 million copies), and Japan (69.10 million copies).

After India became independent, there were only 3,533 newspapers and magazines, with 330 newspapers and 3,203 magazines. But over 50 years, this grew a lot – it became twelve times bigger! By 1997, the Registrar of Newspapers of India counted 41,705 newspapers and magazines, and 4,719 of them were newspapers. In 2006, there were 45,600 newspapers and magazines, and 5,600 were newspapers. Today, India has 398 big newspapers that together are read by 30,772,000 people.

THE INDIAN VERNACULAR PRESS

The British rulers in India were always worried about how the newspapers in local languages, called vernacular press, might affect their control. They saw it as a possible threat to their power. They even made a law called the Vernacular Press Act in the early 1900s to control these newspapers. But this law actually made more Indian people realize they wanted freedom from British rule. Even in 1977, during a time of national emergency, there were efforts to control the local language newspapers.

Nowadays, Indian newspapers in local languages have become really big. They use different ways to get more people to read their newspapers. One way is by using interesting titles with important information to attract more readers.

URDU NEWSPAPERS AND THEIR JOURNEY IN INDIA

Urdu, a Key Language:



Urdu, one of India's national languages, is spoken by about six percent of the population. It's the official language in Jammu and Kashmir and the second official language in Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, and Uttar Pradesh.

Early Beginnings:

The first Urdu newspaper, called "Jam-i-Jahan-Numa," was published in Calcutta in April 1822. This was during a time when Calcutta was India's capital.

Urdu in Different Regions:

Before Urdu, Persian newspapers were popular in West Bengal. But when Persian's importance faded, Urdu took its place. From the 1850s until India gained independence in 1947, Urdu journalism grew a lot.

Changes Over Time:

Before 1835, only six newspapers were in Indian languages in North India. But by 1850, this number increased to 28. In 1848, there were 26 newspapers; 19 were in Urdu, 3 in Hindi and Persian, and only 1 in Bengali.

Challenges and Growth:

In 1857, every newspaper needed a license from the government. Then, in 1878, the government introduced the Vernacular Press Act to control regional language newspapers, which affected many newspapers. By 1885, there were 117 Urdu newspapers. By the time India got independence in 1947, there were 584 Urdu newspapers, with 90 of them being daily papers. Today, there are 250 Urdu newspapers in different parts of the country.

Notable Names and Contributions:

Many important Urdu newspapers started during this time. "Inquilab" is known for being well-organized. Maulana Azad began the first Urdu political newspaper, "ALHILAL," in 1912. "Qaumi Awaz" was associated with Jawaharlal Nehru. Even Mahatma Gandhi had an Urdu edition of his newspaper "Harijan."

Growth and Influence:



Urdu newspapers started in different places. For example, Munshi Harsukh Rai began the weekly "Kohinoor" in 1850. Urdu newspapers in Delhi, like "Fawaid-ul-Nazarin" and "Kiran-us-Sadai," became critical of the British government. "Zameendar," launched in Lahore in 1903, became intensely nationalistic and had a big readership.

Challenges and Shifting Times:

Urdu journalism faced difficulties during and after the Partition. Newspapers like "Milap" and "Pratap" shifted locations due to riots and unrest.

Urdu Newspapers Today:

After the Partition, Urdu newspapers like "Dawat" and "Nai Duniya" continued their journey in India. In Pakistan, "Daily Jang" is one of the most widely read newspapers.

The history of Urdu newspapers in India is rich with struggles, growth, and contributions that have shaped the way people receive news and information.

BENGALI NEWSPAPERS

Bengali journalism began with the newspaper "Samachar Darpan" in 1818. This newspaper was not in English and was published by the Serampore mission press. In 1821, another important Bengali journal called "Sambad Kaumadi" was published with the support of Rammohan Roy. During that time, there were other Bengali journals like "Samachar Chandrika," "Bangadoot," "Sambad," "Pravakar," and "Tattobodhini." "Sambad Pravakar" became the first Bengali daily newspaper in 1839.

Bengali journalism played a big role in the Bengal renaissance. Newspapers like "Sandhya" and "Jugantar" were very popular among people who wanted the nation to grow. Over time, Bengali newspapers played an important part in creating and spreading public opinions that were important for the community.

HINDI NEWSPAPERS

Early Beginnings

The first Hindi newspaper, "Oodhund Martand," appeared in Kolkata in 1826. Unfortunately, its editor Yugal Kishore Shukla faced challenges and had to close it within a year. Another attempt with



"Samyadani Martand" in 1850 also didn't succeed. The second Hindi newspaper, "Banga Doot," was published in 1829 by Raja Ram Mohan Ray and Dwarika Prasad Thakore.

Growth and Standardization

The first Hindi daily, "Samachar Sudha Varshan," came out in 1854. Over the years, more Hindi newspapers like "Benaras Akbar," "Sudhakar," "Tatwa Bodhini," "Patrika," and "Sathya" were published. A magazine called "Saraswathi" set the style for Hindi journalism, while newspapers like "Bharat Mitra," "Sarsudhanidhi," and "Hindi Bangavasi" thrived in Calcutta.

Progress and Impact

The 20th century saw the birth of many Hindi dailies in cities like Bombay, Calcutta, and Patna. "Viswamitra" and "Calcutta Samachar" were prominent among them. During World War I, Hindi journalism made strides, with notable journalists like Ganesh Shanker Vidyarthi emerging. Many Hindi newspapers supported the freedom struggle and faced British suppression.

Post-Independence and Beyond

After independence, Hindi journalism expanded rapidly. Hindi became India's official language, and newspapers like "Nav Bharat Times" and "Amrita Patrika" gained popularity. By 1964, Hindi had the most newspapers among language papers. "Dainik Jagran" claimed to be the world's largest read newspaper in 2011. Hindi newspapers are widely read, and there are numerous Hindi news channels and websites.

Current Landscape

Today, there are over 100 Hindi news channels, including Aaj Tak, IBN-7, India TV, Zee News, and more. Hindi newspapers are published from various states, not just in the Hindi-speaking regions. The influence of Hindi journalism remains strong, contributing to the country's media landscape.

MARATHI JOURNALISM

Role of Marathi Press :



Marathi journalism played a crucial role in the growth of Indian media during the late 1800s. It stood out by addressing social and political matters. The movement for social reform started in Pune and Bombay, spreading across the nation. Marathi press took the lead in this drive.

Early Initiatives:

On January 6, 1832, Bal Shastri Jambhekar launched "Bombay Darpan," a Marathi-English magazine in Bombay. It began as a fortnightly and soon turned into a weekly. The magazine aimed to share current happenings and suggest ways for societal betterment. It contributed significantly to social reform, discussing topics like widow remarriage and promoting scientific thinking.

Influential Figures:

Govind Vithal Kunte started "Prabhakar" on October 24, 1841, making him the first professional Marathi journalist. In those days, some publications tried to spread Christianity, but many were focused on social progress, education, and knowledge sharing. "Dyanan Prakash," initiated by Krishnaji Triambak Ranade in 1849, started as a weekly and later became a daily. It played a crucial role as the voice of the Servant of India Society, with contributors like Gopal Krishna Gokhale and Mahadev Govind Ranade.

Prominent Journals:

Other significant publications during this era included "Bartaman Deepika" edited by V.B. Gokhle, "Vichara Lahari" edited by Krishnashastry Chiplunkar, and "Dhumkmetu." These weeklies engaged readers with progressive Western ideas, fostering change in society.

1.2.5 ROLE OF NEWSPAPERS IN INDIA'S FREEDOM STRUGGLE

Newspapers played a pivotal role in India's fight for freedom from British rule. During the pre-independence era, newspapers served as a critical platform for sharing information about government policies, societal needs, and public feedback. This communication channel empowered individuals and communities to stay informed, voice their concerns, and hold the government accountable. The significance of newspapers dates back even before the British colonial period. Figures like Chanakya in ancient times and the existence of newsletters during the Mughal era demonstrated early instances of press influence. The press continued to evolve with the entry of European powers like the Portuguese



and later the English. However, British control led to curbs on Indian press freedom, restricting its potential role in advocating for independence.

Emergence of Freedom: Transformative Role of the Indian Press

The advent of European powers, particularly the Portuguese and later the British, marked a significant phase in India's press history. Portuguese explorers, including Vasco da Gama, introduced the concept of printing, with missionaries publishing religious texts in local languages like Malayalam. Even during the Mughal era, press functions and freedoms existed, hinting at an established press culture. The British East India Company, originally focused on trade, transitioned into politics, gaining a foothold in India by 1600. The British introduced printing presses, initially in Madras in 1772 and Kolkata in 1779. While newspapers were flourishing in England and Europe, India saw a delay in their establishment.

Today, India boasts a vibrant print media landscape with around 70,000 newspapers running across the country. However, the industry faced challenges, including the global recession of 2008 and the rise of web-based alternatives, leading to decreased advertising and circulation for many papers.

Newspapers and Their Nature

A newspaper is a regularly published periodical containing news, information, and advertisements. Typically printed on cost-effective newsprint, it covers a wide range of topics such as local and national politics, notable personalities, crime, business, entertainment, social issues, and sports. The content also includes editorial sections for opinions from editors and writers, as well as ads, comic strips, and promotions from local businesses. Newspapers rely on subscriptions and advertising for financial support. Their content diversity spans editorials, critiques, persuasive pieces, obituaries, entertainment features like crosswords, weather forecasts, advice columns, culinary insights, reviews, and classified ads.

Before newspapers, ancient civilizations used government bulletins like Rome's "Acta Diurna" to communicate announcements. However, newspapers emerged in the early 17th century and grew in significance during India's freedom struggle, amplifying the voices of the people against British colonialism.

Print Media in Early Years of Freedom (From 1947 Onwards)



After India gained independence in 1947, the Bengali press shifted from being critical to being supportive of the government led by Mr. J.L. Nehru. This change was notable. A press commission was formed to review the media landscape in India. The first press commission, with twelve members and chaired by G.S. Rajadhakshya, was established in 1952. At that time, there were 330 daily newspapers. Over the years, their numbers grew to 495 (1965), 755 (1970), 1173 (1979), and reached a substantial 7.23 crore by 1998.

Press Growth in West Bengal

West Bengal, with a population of 8,02,21,171, saw educational progress. In 2001, the state's literacy rate was 68.64%, which later rose to 71.6% as reported by the National Family Health Survey (NFHS) in 2007. West Bengal has about 560 newspapers, with 430 of them published in Bengali. Here are some notable Bengali and English newspapers from Bengal:

Bengali Newspapers

- Anandabazar Patrika: Founded in 1922, this widely circulated daily newspaper is published from Kolkata, New Delhi, and Mumbai by Anandabazar.
- Aajkal: A prominent newspaper from Kolkata, first published in 1981.
- Bartaman: Established in 1984, this newspaper is one of the top-selling Bengali language newspapers in Kolkata.
- Ganashakti Patrika: This daily broadsheet newspaper is owned by the Communist Party of India (Marxist), West Bengal state committee.
- Sangbad Pratidin: Founded in 1992, it is a Bengali newspaper published in Kolkata.
- These newspapers play a significant role in keeping people informed about local and national matters.

1.3 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- a) All-India Press Council was officially set up on.....
- b) Raja Ram Mohan Roy launched(Bengali weekly) in 1822, aiming to stop the practice of
- c) In 1818, the became the first monthly newspaper in an Indian language (Hindi).



- d) The first newspaper in India was launched byin 1780.
- e) The Bengal Gazette was also known as.....
- f) Raja Ram Mohan Roy introduced "Mirat-ul-Akbar" in

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1.5 KEYWORDS

- **Pre-Independence Journalism-** Pre-Independence Journalism refers to the practice of journalism in a country or region before it gained independence from colonial or foreign rule. It typically refers to the period prior to a nation's attainment of sovereignty and self-governance. This concept is most commonly associated with countries that were once colonies of European powers during the era of imperialism and colonialism.



- **Post-Independence Journalism-** Post-Independence Journalism refers to the practice of journalism in a country or region after it has gained independence from colonial or foreign rule. It typically encompasses the period following a nation's attainment of sovereignty and self-governance.
- **Freedom of Press-** Freedom of the press in India is a constitutionally guaranteed right and is considered an essential component of the country's democratic framework. It is enshrined in Article 19(1)(a) of the Indian Constitution, which guarantees the right to freedom of speech and expression, including freedom of the press. However, like any other democratic nation, the actual practice of press freedom in India can be influenced by a variety of factors, including legal, political, economic, and social dynamics.
- **Bengal Gazette or the Calcutta General Advertiser-** The Bengal Gazette, also known as the Calcutta General Advertiser, was one of the earliest newspapers published in India during the colonial period. It holds the distinction of being the first newspaper printed in India. The newspaper was founded and published by James Augustus Hickey, an Irishman, and it began circulation in 1780 in Calcutta, which was then the capital of British India.

1.6 SELF-ASSESSMENT TEST

1. What was the role of press in the Pre and post-independence era?
2. What were the early challenges of journalism in India?
3. Explain the Growth of Indian Language Press in detail.
4. Explain the history of journalism in India.
5. What was the role of journalism in Indian independence?

1.7 ANSWERS TO CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- a) 4 July 1966
- b) "Sambad Kaumudi", "Sati"
- c) "Digdarshan"
- d) James Augustus Hickey



- e) Calcutta General Advertiser
- f) Persian

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STRUCTURE

2.0 Learning Objectives

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2.1.1 the Concept of News Agencies

2.1.2 English and Hindi News Agencies in India.

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2.0 LEARNING OBJECTIVES



- To Explain the concept of news agencies and their significance in the media landscape.
- To Differentiate between the English and Hindi news agencies in India.
- To Describe the functions and roles of prominent Indian news agencies like PTI, UNI, UNIVARTA, BHASA, and SAMACHAR.
- To Identify the key feature services and syndicates in the context of news agencies, including INFA, Publication Syndicate, and PTI Features.
- To Understand the importance of international news agencies and their role in global news dissemination.
- To Compare and contrast major international news agencies such as Reuters, AP (Associated Press), AFP, UPI, and TASS.
- To Analyze the impact of news agencies on the media industry, journalism ethics, and information flow.
- To Discuss the challenges faced by news agencies in the digital age and evolving media landscape.
- To Critically assess the role of news agencies in shaping public opinion and influencing news content.

2.1 INTRODUCTION

In the cutting-edge period, where data traversed the globe at the speed of light, the job of information organizations remains as a foundation in the domain of media and correspondence. News organizations, frequently alluded to as the helps of information spread, act as the connective tissue that spans occasions, stories, and bits of knowledge from each side of the world to an inexorably interconnected crowd. From the clamoring newsrooms of significant urban communities to far off districts, these organizations are entrusted with the imperative obligation of get-together, checking, and conveying news to crowds all over.

This part digs into the unique universe of information organizations, investigating their capabilities, impact, difficulties, and effect on the worldwide media scene. We will travel through the complexities



of their tasks, understanding how these organizations navigate the almost negligible difference among speed and precision, endeavoring to offer crowds ideal and reliable data. Moreover, we will reveal the moral contemplations that support their work, as well as the extraordinary impacts achieved by the computerized age, which has altered how news is made, consumed, and comprehended.

From the spearheading names that have formed the historical backdrop of information scattering to the contemporary difficulties presented by deception and developing advances, this section looks to give an extensive knowledge into the essential job news organizations play in molding how we might interpret the world. By investigating their significance in encouraging informed social orders, maintaining editorial morals, and working with worldwide discussions, we mean to enlighten the unpredictable snare of elements that entwine to make a lively and consistently developing media scene.

2.1.1 THE CONCEPT OF NEWS AGENCIES

A news office, otherwise called a wire administration or news wire, is an association that accumulates, processes, and disperses news and data to different news sources, for example, papers, TV channels, radio broadcasts, and online news stages. News offices go about as middle people between occasions occurring all over the planet and the news-consuming public. They assume a critical part in the fast circulation of information content on a worldwide scale.

Importance in the Media Scene:

News offices hold critical significance in the media scene because of a few key reasons:

Productive News Dispersal: News offices gather news from different sources, including columnists positioned all over the planet, and disseminate it continuously to their supporter media sources. This empowers media associations to get to news rapidly and productively, no matter what their geological area.

Worldwide Reach: News organizations span topographical and language boundaries by giving news content in various dialects. This empowers news to contact a worldwide crowd, making news offices a fundamental device for global news inclusion.



Objective Announcing: News offices are supposed to give levelheaded and impartial news inclusion. This goal detailing keeps up with the validity and dependability of information content, as news sources can depend on news organizations for precise data.

Asset Streamlining: For more modest or neighborhood news sources with restricted assets, buying into news organizations gives admittance to an extensive variety of reports without the requirement for broad in-house revealing. This is especially important for outlets that might not have the ability to keep an enormous group of correspondents.

Various Inclusion: News organizations cover a wide range of themes, including governmental issues, financial matters, science, culture, and that's only the tip of the iceberg. This different inclusion permits news sources to get to a thorough scope of reports without having some expertise in each field.

The cat is out of the bag. Inclusion: News organizations are frequently the first to report breaking news stories. Their ability to quickly gather and disseminate information makes them invaluable in ensuring that crucial events are promptly reported to the public.

Normalization of Information: News organizations adhere to editorial guidelines and practices, which assist with keeping up with consistency and consistency in news revealing across various news sources. This guarantees that news content is exact and dependable.

Data Trade: News organizations work with the trading of information and data among nations and areas. This crossline trade adds to a more extensive comprehension of worldwide occasions and issues.

Impact on News Plan: The reports picked and focused on by news organizations can impact the news plan of different news sources. Media associations frequently depend on news organizations to distinguish which stories are newsworthy and meriting inclusion.

Press Opportunity: The presence of autonomous news organizations adds to squeeze opportunity by broadening news sources and forestalling the centralization of media power in the possession of a couple of associations.

2.1.2 ENGLISH AND HINDI NEWS AGENCIES IN INDIA

English and Hindi news offices in India serve particular etymological and social crowds. Here are the vital contrasts between these two sorts of information organizations:



1. Language:

English News Agencies: These organizations principally work in the English language, taking care of a group of people that is capable in English, which incorporates metropolitan regions, experts, and the informed world class.

Hindi News Agencies: These organizations principally work in the Hindi language, focusing on a more extensive crowd that envelops both metropolitan and country populaces, making them more open to a more extensive range of individuals.

2. Crowd Socioeconomics:

English News Agencies: The crowd for English news offices is many times more metropolitan driven, instructed, and financially well-off. Their inclusion may be more centered around business, legislative issues, foreign relations, and metropolitan way of life.

Hindi News Agencies: Hindi news organizations contact a different crowd that incorporates metropolitan and provincial populaces. Their inclusion traverses a more extensive scope of themes, including local news, social issues, and far-reaching developments pertinent to Hindi-talking districts.

3. Topographical Degree:

English News Agencies: English news organizations frequently have a more worldwide standpoint, as they take special care of a group of people that is very much associated universally and inspired by worldwide news and undertakings.

Hindi News Agencies Hindi news organizations will generally focus on public and provincial news inclusion, mirroring the interests and worries of their dominantly Indian crowd.

4. News Awareness:

English News Agencies: English news offices might have an alternate way to deal with delicate subjects and discussions, frequently sticking to a more nuanced and insightful way of detailing.

Hindi News Agencies: Hindi news organizations might take on a closer to home and direct tone in their revealing, mirroring the social and phonetic subtleties of their interest group.

5. Social Importance:



English News Offices: These organizations could put more accentuation on cosmopolitan and worldwide widespread developments, patterns, and issues that resound with an English-speaking, metropolitan crowd.

Hindi News Offices: Hindi news organizations are probably going to cover widespread developments, celebrations, and provincial stories that are more applicable to Hindi-speaking networks across India.

6. News Style:

English News Agencies: *The news style of English offices might incline towards a formal and succinct way, mirroring the language's impact in conventional training and expert correspondence.*

Hindi News Agencies: Hindi news offices might utilize a more conversational and expressive language style to associate with a more extensive crowd and convey news in an engaging way.

7. Social and Political Inclusion:

English News Agencies: English offices could zero in more on top to bottom examination, political discussions, and strategy conversations that draw in an all the more politically mindful and taught crowd.

Hindi News Agencies: Hindi offices might give a mix of political news and social issues that take special care of a more extensive range of peruses, incorporating those with shifting degrees of political commitment.

2.1.3 Functions and Roles of Prominent Indian News Agencies

Outline of the capabilities and jobs of unmistakable Indian news organizations like PTI, UNI, UNIVARTA, BHASA, and SAMACHAR:

1. Press Trust of India (PTI):

Capabilities:

- PTI is the biggest news organization in India, giving news inclusion across many subjects, including legislative issues, financial matters, sports, diversion, and foreign relations.
- It gathers news from different sources, including its own correspondents positioned across India and the world.



- PTI checks and cycles the news prior to dispersing it to its endorsers.

Jobs:

- PTI assumes a pivotal part in giving precise and solid news to a tremendous organization of papers, TV slots, online gateways, and different news sources.
- It keeps up with the practicality of information conveyance, guaranteeing supporters approach the most recent turns of events.
- PTI's reports frequently act as the establishment for reports in different media, making it an essential wellspring of data for writers and editors.

2. United Trust of India (UNI):***Capabilities:***

- UNI is one more significant news organization in India that gives extensive news inclusion in numerous dialects, including English and Hindi.
- It centers around public and global news, as well as provincial and nearby stories.
- UNI assembles news from its own journalists and reporters positioned across India.

Jobs:

- UNI fills in as a significant wellspring of information for territorial and neighborhood news sources, empowering them to get to many stories without broad in-house revealing.
- It adds to the variety of information content by covering local news that probably won't be covered broadly by bigger organizations.
- UNI's multilingual methodology guarantees that news is open to an expansive crowd with differing language inclinations.

3. UNI-VARTA:***Capabilities:***

- UNI-VARTA is the Hindi news administration given by the Assembled Fresh insight about India (UNI).
- It centers around conveying news in the Hindi language, taking care of a Hindi-talking crowd.



- Like UNI, it gathers news from its own journalists and reporters.

Jobs:

- UNI-VARTA is instrumental in carrying news to Hindi-speaking locales of India, including both metropolitan and rustic regions.
- It fills in as a stage for scattering reports that are socially and semantically pertinent to the Hindi-speaking crowd.

4. BHASA:

Capabilities:

- BHASA is a news organization that gives news in different Indian dialects, taking special care of etymological variety the nation over.
- It assembles news from various districts and makes an interpretation of it into different Indian dialects.

Jobs:

- BHASA adds to conquering language hindrances, guaranteeing that news contacts crowds who probably won't be capable in English or Hindi.
- It assumes a huge part in making news open to a more extensive fragment of the populace, advancing data scattering in territorial dialects.

5. SAMACHAR:

Capabilities:

- SAMACHAR is a multilingual news organization that offers news inclusion in different Indian dialects.
- It accumulates news from assorted sources and gives content in territorial dialects.

Jobs:

- SAMACHAR's essential job is to guarantee that news is accessible to individuals across various phonetic foundations, encouraging inclusivity in news utilization.



- By giving news in provincial dialects, SAMACHAR assists span the data with gapping between various language networks.
- These unmistakable Indian news organizations like PTI, UNI, UNI-VARTA, BHASA, and SAMACHAR satisfy basic capabilities by gathering, confirming, and circulating news to assorted news sources, guaranteeing that exact and pertinent data contacts crowds across India in different dialects and districts.

2.2 KEY FEATURE SERVICES AND SYNDICATES

Here are the key component administrations and syndicates with regards to news organizations:

1.. INFA (Indian News Features Agency)

Portrayal: INFA is a component administration that gives top to bottom examination, assessment pieces, and longer articles on various subjects past customary news inclusion.

Capabilities: INFA centers around delivering well-informed, logical, and interesting substance that goes past the quick consistent pattern of media reporting.

Jobs: INFA's component articles offer per users a more profound comprehension of intricate issues, patterns, and cultural turns of events. These pieces frequently give setting, authentic foundation, and master experiences, improving the per user's information and viewpoint.

2. Distribution Organization:

Portrayal: Distribution organizations are offices that organization, circulate, and permit content (like articles, sections, kid's shows, and elements) to different papers and news sources.

Capabilities: Distribution organizations go about as mediators between satisfied makers and media sources, working with the conveyance of content to a wide crowd.

Jobs: News associations that come up short on assets to make different substance in-house can buy into distribution organizations to improve their contributions. This plan assists news sources with getting to an assortment of content without broad unique creation.

3. PTI Highlights:



Depiction: PTI Highlights is a component administration presented by the Press Trust of India (PTI), which is principally known for its news wire administration.

Capabilities: PTI Highlights produces human-interest stories, way of life highlights, assessment pieces, and unique reports that give an alternate point to news.

Jobs: PTI supplements the customary news inclusion given by PTI by offering per user connecting with accounts, social bits of knowledge, and stories that feature individual encounters. This expands the substance, accessible to news sources.

These element administrations and syndicates change up news contributions, furnishing per users with a more extensive comprehension of occasions, conclusions, and human stories past the quick news titles.

2.2.1 IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL NEWS AGENCIES

Worldwide news organizations assume a basic part in the worldwide media scene by working with the quick and far and wide scattering of information and data on a worldwide scale. Their significance is clear in a few key perspectives:

Global Coverage: Global news organizations have an organization of journalists and columnists positioned in different nations all over the planet. This broad organization empowers them to give complete and ideal inclusion of occasions from various districts, guaranteeing that worldwide crowds approach an extensive variety of reports.

Timely Reporting: Worldwide news organizations succeed at conveying making it known continuously. Their capacity to rapidly accumulate data, confirm realities, and convey news to news sources all over the planet guarantees that huge occasions are accounted for quickly to a worldwide crowd.

Access to Remote Areas: These offices frequently have the assets to arrive at remote or testing to-get to regions where neighborhood news associations probably won't have a presence. This permits them to focus on occasions and issues that could somehow or another slip through the cracks.

Neutral and Objective Reporting: Laid out worldwide news organizations are supposed to stick to editorial standards of objectivity, precision, and believability. Their standing for unprejudiced announcing makes them solid wellsprings of data for news sources and crowds around the world.



Cultural Understanding: Global news organizations assume a part in cultivating social comprehension by giving reports that offer bits of knowledge into the traditions, customs, and difficulties looked by changed social orders. This adds to a more extensive worldwide viewpoint among crowds.

Cross-Border Issues: Many issues today rise above public boundaries, for example, environmental change, illegal intimidation, and worldwide wellbeing emergencies. Worldwide news organizations are critical in covering these points exhaustively, empowering crowds to figure out the worldwide ramifications of such issues.

Media Partnerships: Worldwide news offices lay out associations with news sources in different nations. This joint effort permits news to be adjusted for nearby crowds while yet keeping up with precision and unwavering quality.

Standardized Reporting: These offices frequently follow normalized detailing works on, assisting with keeping up with consistency and quality in news content across various news sources. This guarantees that reports are introduced in an organization that is effectively justifiable for crowds around the world.

Diverse Perspectives: By giving news from different sources and perspectives, worldwide news organizations add to a more balanced comprehension of worldwide occasions. Crowds can get to alternate points of view and make informed decisions.

Impact on Plan Setting: The reports picked and focused on by worldwide news offices can impact the worldwide news plan. News sources all over the planet frequently depend on these organizations to recognize which stories are critical and deserving of inclusion.

2.2.2 MAJOR INTERNATIONAL NEWS AGENCIES

Worldwide news organizations act as vital conductors for the progression of data across the globe, assuming a critical part in the worldwide media scene. Their importance lies in their capacity to assemble, check, and circulate news and data on a worldwide scale. Here's the reason worldwide news offices are significant and their part in worldwide news spread:

Worldwide Reach: Global news organizations have broad organizations of journalists and columnists positioned in different nations. This permits them to cover occasions and stories from around the world, guaranteeing that crowds get a thorough comprehension of worldwide turns of events.



Appropriate Disclosure: These offices are prepared to provide ongoing news inclusion. They play an important role in delivering information fast to news outlets and audiences, ensuring that people are informed about major events as they unfold.

Various Points of View: Global news organizations provide a diverse range of opinions and points of view on global topics. By introducing stories from various points and social settings, they improve crowd comprehension and help them interpret complex situations.

Objectivity: Reputable worldwide news agencies adhere to editorial standards, emphasizing precision, objectivity, and validity in their reporting. Because of their consistency, they are trusted sources of information for news organizations and the general public.

Worldwide Issues: Many issues today rise above public boundaries, for example, environmental change, clashes, and pandemics. Worldwide news offices guarantee that these worldwide worries get exhaustive inclusion, bringing issues to light and empowering global participation.

Blocked Districts: International news companies frequently have the resources to cover events in remote or difficult-to-reach locations where local media may struggle to work. This ensures that accounts from all over the world are uncovered.

Social Getting it: By covering different societies, customs, and cultural difficulties, worldwide news organizations advance social comprehension and compassion among worldwide crowds. This adds to an additional interconnected and informed world.

Cultural understanding: These offices lay out associations with news sources around the world. This joint effort permits neighborhood news associations to get to worldwide reports and adjust them for their crowds, guaranteeing a worldwide viewpoint.

Normalization of Detailing: Worldwide news organizations follow normalized announcing works on, keeping up with consistency and quality in news content. This guarantees that reports are introduced in a configuration that is reasonable and engaging to crowds across dialects and societies.

Plan Setting: Worldwide news organizations assume a part in molding the worldwide news plan. The tales they focus on can impact what subjects gain consideration and conversation on an overall scale.



Crisis Circumstances: During catastrophes, clashes, or philanthropic emergencies, worldwide news offices add to mindfulness, raising money, and aid projects by featuring the earnest requirements of impacted locales.

Encouraging Discourse: By carrying worldwide issues to the very front, worldwide news offices add to worldwide conversations, discussions, and discussions that drive cultural advancement, strategy changes, and global participation

2.2.3 IMPACT OF NEWS AGENCIES ON THE MEDIA INDUSTRY, JOURNALISM ETHICS, AND INFORMATION FLOW.

Looking into Significant Worldwide News Agencies: Reuters, AP (Related Press), AFP, UPI, and TASS

Resemblance / Similarities:

Worldwide Presence: This multitude of information organizations have areas of strength for a presence, with journalists, departments, and columnists positioned in different nations to cover global occasions.

Timely: They succeed in conveying letting it be known expeditiously, offering real-time coverage of significant events.

Objectivity: Trustworthy news agencies stick to editorial morals, keeping up with exactness, objectivity, and validity in their reporting.

Mixed media Inclusion: They give news content in different arrangements, including text, pictures, recordings, and sight and sound elements.

Partnership: These organizations partner their substance to news sources around the world, guaranteeing expansive spread of reports.

Contrasts:

1. Reuters:

FOCUS: Reuters has areas of strength for an on monetary and business news, making it a go-to hotspot for worldwide financial data.



Possession: It's claimed by Thomson Reuters Company, a media combination with an emphasis on proficient data administrations.

Reach: Reuters has an extensive range in monetary business sectors and its detailing frequently impacts market patterns.

2. AP (Related Press):

Proprietorship: The Related Press is a not-for-benefit news office possessed by its contributing papers, radio, and TV channels.

Helpful Model: AP works on an agreeable model, with its individuals' sharing assets and contributing news content.

Inclusion: It covers many subjects, from telling inside and out insightful revealing.

3. AFP (Agency France-Presse):

Beginning: AFP is settled in Paris, France, and has areas of strength for an on worldwide news.

Multilingual: It offers news in numerous dialects, making it a significant hotspot for worldwide news in various locales.

4. UPI (Joined Press Global):

History: UPI has a rich history in American reporting and was once one of the biggest news organizations.

Decline and Recovery: It confronted monetary challenges yet has gone through a restoration, zeroing in on computerized news circulation and novel substance.

5. TASS (Russian News Agency TASS):

Government Alliance: TASS is the state news organization of Russia, and its detailing can mirror the country's true position on issues.

Local Concentration: It gives critical inclusion of Russian and Eurasian issues, offering bits of knowledge into the district's political scene.

2.3 CHALLENGES FACED BY NEWS AGENCIES IN THE DIGITAL AGE



The computerized age and the developing media scene have given news organizations a scope of difficulties that influence their tasks, validity, and manageability. Here are a few key difficulties:

1. *Data Over-burden and Ability to focus:*

With the ascent of the web, online entertainment, and day in and day out patterns of media reporting, there is a steady stream of data viewing for individuals' consideration. News organizations face the test of catching and keeping up with crowd interest in a time of data over-burden.

2. *Speed versus Precision:*

The pressure to get information out there quickly can occasionally force a tradeoff in terms of fact checking and validation. It is challenging for newsrooms to balance the need for speed with the need for precision.

3. *Falsehood and Phony News:*

The improved scene has facilitated the rapid dissemination of falsity and fake news. News organizations should strive harder to distinguish themselves as trustworthy sources in the middle of a sea of misinformation.

4. *Decrease in Income:*

Traditional revenue streams, such as print advertising, have declined, impacting the financial viability of information companies. Advanced publicizing models are frequently ineffective, resulting in difficulties in supporting great news coverage.

5. *Crowd Fragmentation:*

Today's crowds are dispersed among multiple computerized stages and web-based entertainment groups. To effectively reach out to divided audiences, news organizations should adapt their content to varied arrangements and develop it for multiple stages.

6. *Rivalry from Virtual Entertainment:*

For some people, web-based entertainment stages serve as alternative sources of knowledge. News companies seek consideration for client-generated content and the challenges of content virality.



7. *Adaptation and Paywalls:* Implementing paywalls for computerized content might generate revenue, but it also takes a risk by limiting the accessibility of information. It's a challenge to find balance between free and paid content.

8. *Protection and Information Security:*

The assortment and utilization of client information for designated publicizing raise moral and legitimate worries. News organizations should explore protection guidelines and guarantee the security of client data.

9. *Advanced Education and Commitment:*

Advancing computerized education among crowds is crucial for assist them with knowing solid sources from falsehood. News offices frequently assume a part in teaching people in general about media proficiency.

10. *Adaptation to New Formats:*

News organizations need to adjust to new narrating designs like video, digital recordings, and intuitive substance. The change from conventional text-based detailing can be both asset escalated and requesting innovatively.

11. *Trust and Validity:*

Trust in media has been disintegrated because of occurrences of one-sided revealing and phony news. Revamping and keeping up with trust is really difficult for news offices.

12. *Algorithmic Impact:*

Web crawler and virtual entertainment calculations influence the perceivability of information organization content. News offices should comprehend and adjust to these calculations to guarantee their substance contacts the crowd.

13. *Globalization of Information:*

While advanced innovation permits word to get out around the world, it can likewise prompt difficulties in adjusting content to various social settings and keeping away from social heartlessness.

14. *Role of Citizen Journalism:*



The openness of cell phones has enabled resident writers to catch and share news. News offices need to check and incorporate client produced content into their announcing suitably.

News organizations face a complicated trap of difficulties in the computerized age, going from adjusting to new advancements and stages to keeping up with believability and monetary manageability. Tending to these difficulties requires development, versatility, and a pledge to editorial trustworthiness in a quickly advancing media scene.

2.3.1 CREDIBILITY AND RELIABILITY OF NEWS AGENCIES AS SOURCES OF INFORMATION

News organizations are fundamental to the progression of data in the media biological system. In any case, their believability and unwavering quality can differ in view of a few elements. Here is an assessment of these perspectives:

1. Notoriety and History:

Laid out news organizations with a long history of precise and fair revealing will generally be Morse sound. Notoriety is worked after some time through steady adherence to editorial norms.

2. Objectivity and Predisposition:

Trustworthy news organizations focus on objectivity and endeavor to introduce data in a reasonable way. Nonetheless, predisposition can in any case impact detailing, particularly in offices connected to explicit political or business interests.

3. Publication Guidelines and Check:

Solid news agencies have thorough article processes that include checking data from numerous sources before distribution. This guarantees exactness and limits the gamble of spreading falsehood.

4. Utilization of Named Sources:

Dependable news offices depend on named sources and credited data. They abstain from distributing unconfirmed cases or depending entirely on mysterious sources.

5. Straightforwardness in Rectifications:



Slip-ups can occur in detailing. Tenable news offices expeditiously right mistakes and straightforwardly recognize them, improving their responsibility and dependability.

6. *Freedom from Business Interests:*

News offices that are autonomous from corporate and political tensions are bound to keep up with their validity. Adherence to editorial morals is critical in such manner.

7. *Variety of Inclusion:*

Dependable news organizations cover a different scope of subjects and perspectives, mirroring the intricacy of the issues and advancing a balanced comprehension.

8. *Truth Actually looking at Endeavors:*

Trustworthy news organizations put resources into truth really looking at divisions to check the precision of cases made in reports. This aides in keeping up with believability and countering deception.

9. *Attribution and Obtaining:*

Dependable news offices obviously characteristic data to its sources. On the off chance that a news organization neglects to credit data, it brings up issues about the obviousness of the substance.

10. *Adherence to Moral Rules:*

Trustworthy news organizations follow a general set of rules that incorporates standards like honesty, exactness, reasonableness, and limiting damage.

11. *Peer Acknowledgment and Grants:*

Grants and acknowledgment from peers, for example, reporting grants, can be marks of a news organization's validity inside the business.

12. *Consistency Over the long run:*

Believable news offices exhibit consistency in their obligation to precision and moral revealing over a drawn-out period.

13. *Responsiveness to Criticism:*



Dependable news organizations draw in with criticism from their crowd and address concerns straightforwardly, exhibiting their obligation to progress and responsibility.

2.4 SUMMARY

- The section on News Organizations and Worldwide Data Spread dives into the essential job that news offices play in the advanced media scene. Filling in as the supply routes through which news and data stream, news organizations have become fundamental in interfacing occasions, stories, and experiences from across the world to crowds of fluctuating socioeconomics and interests.
- The section begins by laying out the meaning of information organizations, clarifying their capabilities as mediators among occasions and the general population. It underlines how these organizations gather, process, and circulate news quickly, empowering news sources to offer ideal inclusion of worldwide occasions. The impact of information organizations on molding the news plan is likewise featured, exhibiting their part in establishing the vibe for what people in general examines and draws in with.
- The idea of information organizations and their commitment to data dispersal is investigated, addressing their capacity to rise above geological and phonetic obstructions, guaranteeing that news contacts assorted crowds. Moreover, the section dives into the double parts of their believability and objectivity. It looks at how trustworthy offices focus on truth checking, source confirmation, and adherence to editorial morals to keep up with their validity.
- In the advanced age, the part takes note of the difficulties looked by news organizations. These incorporate the high-speed nature of information scattering, which can once in a while think twice about, and the opposition presented by virtual entertainment stages, which challenge customary media channels. The predominance of falsehood is recognized as an obstacle that news organizations should explore while keeping up with their job as dependable sources.
- The section likewise investigates the advancing job of information organizations in an interconnected world. It dives into their commitment with new media configurations like recordings, webcasts, and intuitive substance to take care of changing crowd inclinations. The extension of information organizations into computerized spaces is examined, with an emphasis



on adjusting to calculations and keeping up with significance in a period of quickly moving media utilization designs.

- Moral contemplations are key to the conversation, as news organizations are situated as overseers of goal revealing. The section digs into the situation's offices face in adjusting velocity and exactness, and the methodologies they utilize to guarantee their substance stays reliable and fair-minded. It likewise dives into the obligations of information organizations in fighting falsehood and advancing computerized proficiency.
- The part illustrates news organizations as necessary parts of the media biological system. It highlights their effect on forming public insight, cultivating worldwide mindfulness, and maintaining the groundworks of newscasting. By figuring out their difficulties, impact, and moral contemplations, peruses gain knowledge into the diverse job news organizations play in forming how we might interpret the world and advancing informed citizenship.

2.5 SELF ASSESSMENT QUESTIONS

- 1) What is the primary function of news agencies in the media landscape?
- 2) How do news agencies contribute to global news dissemination and audience access to information?
- 3) Describe the challenges that news agencies face in maintaining a balance between speed and accuracy in news reporting.
- 4) How do news agencies play a role in shaping the news agenda and influencing public discourse?
- 5) What are the ethical considerations that news agencies must address to maintain credibility and objectivity?
- 6) In what ways has the digital age transformed the operations and impact of news agencies?
- 7) Discuss the challenges news agencies encounter in combatting misinformation and fake news.
- 8) How do news agencies adapt their content to different digital formats and platforms to engage diverse audiences?



- 9) Explain the concept of algorithmic influence on news agency content distribution and its implications.
- 10) Why is digital literacy important in the context of news agency content consumption, and how can news agencies contribute to promoting it?

2.6 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

Question: What role do news agencies play in the media landscape?

- A) Advertisers
- B) Content creators
- C) Content distributors
- D) Content consumers

Answer: C) Content distributors

Question: Which factor presents a challenge for news agencies in the digital age?

- A) Increased reliance on traditional media
- B) Limited global reach
- C) Information scarcity
- D) Information overload

Answer: D) Information overload

Question: How do news agencies ensure accuracy and reliability in their reporting?

- A) Rely solely on anonymous sources
- B) Prioritize speed over fact-checking
- C) Verify information from multiple sources
- D) Publish unverified claims

Answer: C) Verify information from multiple sources



Question: Which challenge is posed by the competition from social media platforms for news agencies?

- A) Enhanced credibility of news agencies
- B) Decreased reliance on news agencies
- C) Reduced availability of news content
- D) Misinformation and fake news proliferation

Answer: D) Misinformation and fake news proliferation

Question: What is the role of news agencies in promoting digital literacy?

- A) Encouraging reliance on social media for news
- B) Ignoring the challenges of misinformation
- C) Educating the public on evaluating sources
- D) Discouraging media consumption

Answer: C) Educating the public on evaluating source

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3.0 LEARNING OBJECTIVE

After reading this lesson you will be able to :

- Identify various government media organizations
- Describe the organizational network of individual government media organizations;
- Understand the role of different government media departments

3.1 INTRODUCTION

There are a large number of government media agencies in India that distribute news and information to the general public. Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, which develops and implements national media and broadcasting policy, has jurisdiction over these groups. In India, government media outlets are crucial to the public's access to news, entertainment, and educational material. In addition to



communicating policies and initiatives effectively, these platforms help the government preserve and appreciate cultural assets, and provide an easier way for the general public to access important information. Here are a few prominent government media organizations in India:-

3.2 THE PRESS INFORMATION BUREAU (PIB)

Press Information Bureau (PIB) is the official communications division of the Indian government. It acts as the main agency in charge of educating the general public, the media, and other stakeholders about the goals, plans, and successes of the government. PIB is a division of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, which promotes the sharing of information between the government and the general public. Features of the Press Information Bureau (PIB) include :

Information Hub: For all government departments and agencies, PIB serves as a central information hub. It ensures clear and dependable communication between executive branch agencies.

Media Relations: Serving as a media liaison between the government and the media, the PIB connects the media with the government. It plans press conferences, briefings, and the distribution of statements in order to educate the media about government initiatives. PIB provides timely and reliable information to the public through a variety of channels, such as press releases, press notes, official comments, and social media.

Policy announcements: PIB informs the public of changes to laws, policies, and government programmes. It helps the populace comprehend how these regulations would affect their way of life.

Government projects: The PIB covers a variety of government projects, campaigns, and accomplishments in an effort to raise public awareness. Included is information on social welfare initiatives, monetary changes, and technological developments.

Crisis management: PIB is crucial in supplying the public with accurate and up-to-date information during crises and times of crisis. It facilitates the management of rumours and ensures that all parties involved have access to accurate information.

Openness And Accountability: The PIB promotes more openness by making information on government expenditures, activities, and decision-making processes public. This encourages responsibility and aids in preventing incorrect information.



World Communication: PIB also engages with the world media and overseas audiences to express India's perspective on global issues, foreign policy considerations, and events. The tasks of the Press Information Bureau (PIB) include

Press releases: PIB issues press releases providing official information about the government's decisions, policies, and events. These press releases are sent to media groups for circulation.

Press conferences: The PIB organises press conferences at which officials provide information and respond to queries from the media. This makes it simpler to respond to inquiries and explain government positions.

Social Media Management: PIB oversees a variety of social media platforms in order to interact with the public and reach a larger audience. This includes the dissemination of news and interactive content.

Creation of Content: To make complex government policies easier to grasp, the PIB creates multimedia content, such as talks, infographics, and videos.

Monitoring the Media: The PIB maintains an eye on media coverage in order to measure public sentiment and evaluate the performance of its communication initiatives. This assists in honing the message as necessary.

Publications: The PIB creates magazines, booklets, and other educational materials that provide in-depth examination of governmental projects and policies.

Coordination: To provide a coherent and consistent communication strategy, PIB coordinates with other government departments and ministries.

The Press Information Bureau is essential in promoting open dialogue between the Indian government and the populace. It makes ensuring that residents, journalists, and other stakeholders have access to accurate and timely information, which helps people understand government operations and policies.

3.3 THE REGISTRAR OF NEWSPAPERS FOR INDIA (RNI)

The inception of the Office of the Registrar of Newspapers for India occurred on the 1st of July, 1956. This institution, denoted as the Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI), operates autonomously within



the administrative purview of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, an entity falling under the jurisdiction of the Government of India. The titular head of this establishment, commonly referred to as the Press Registrar, presides over its operations.

The primary responsibility vested in the Office of the Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI) involves the meticulous maintenance of a comprehensive repository encompassing all registered newspapers and periodicals, irrespective of linguistic diversity, disseminated throughout the territorial expanse of India. Predominantly, its mandate revolves around the facilitation and oversight of the registration and regulation of newspapers and periodicals disseminated within the geographical confines of India.

Notably, the Indian press annually releases exhaustive compendiums, known as volumes, offering intricate insights into the press industry. These volumes present meticulously categorized circulation data concerning newspapers and magazines, classified according to their linguistic attributes. Furthermore, the formulation and periodic revision of the Newsprint Allocation Policy falls under the purview of the Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI). It is imperative to elucidate that the RNI conducts its operations in compliance with the Press and Registration of Books (PRB) Act of 1867 and the Press and Registration of Books (PRB) Rules of 1956.

Below delineates the principal functions and obligations assumed by the Office of the Registrar of Newspapers for India:

Registration of Newspapers: The Registration of Newspapers and Periodicals Act designates the Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI) as the authoritative body entrusted with the responsibility of overseeing the registration of newspapers and periodicals published within the territorial boundaries of India. Publishers are mandated to furnish applications for registration within stipulated timeframes subsequent to their respective publication dates. This registration process serves the essential purpose of ensuring that newspapers comply with legal requisites, uphold specified standards, and operate within the regulatory framework delineated by the PRB Act.

Verification of Titles: The purpose of the RNI is to authenticate the titles of newspapers and publications in order to prevent redundancy and ambiguity. Publishers are obligated to include the planned title of their publication when submitting the application for registration. The Registered



Newspaper Index (RNI) is responsible for verifying the availability of a title and ensuring that it does not infringe upon any pre-existing registered publications.

Verification of Circulation: The RNI is responsible for the authentication of circulation data submitted by publishers of newspapers and publications. The aforementioned measure guarantees that assertions regarding circulation are substantiated by audited circulation data and other pertinent documentation. The process of verification plays a crucial role in upholding openness and ensuring the accuracy of circulation reporting.

Monitoring and Compliance: The Regulatory Authority for Print Media oversees adherence to several legislative regulations pertaining to the publication of newspapers. The purpose of this measure is to guarantee that newspapers that are officially registered comply with the rules outlined in the PRB Act and Rules, which include requirements related to periodicity, publication size, language, and other specified factors. The Regulatory Authority for Print Media may initiate appropriate measures in response to publications that fail to comply with regulations.

Preservation of Newspaper Records: The Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI) is responsible for the maintenance of an extensive database and archive including records of registered newspapers and periodicals in India. The institution engages in the collection and preservation of newspapers, with the aim of ensuring their availability for future reference and research endeavours. The library and archive of the Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI) are significant assets for doing research on the historical progression, evolution, and substance of Indian newspapers.

Facilitating Press Freedom: The regulatory function of the RNI include the oversight of newspapers, while concurrently serving as a guardian of press freedom. The registration procedure is designed to uphold principles of transparency, fairness, and non-discrimination. The Right to News and Information (RNI) safeguards the entitlements of publishers and journalists to use their freedom of expression within the confines of the established legal structure.

The primary objective of the Registrar of Newspapers for India is to uphold a dependable and precise documentation of newspapers that are published inside the country. Additionally, it endeavours to foster accountable journalism practises and protect the welfare of readers and the wider public. The regulating



organisation in question serves to facilitate the efficient operation of the newspaper business, while simultaneously safeguarding the fundamental ideals of press freedom.

3.4 PHOTO DIVISION

The administrative jurisdiction of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting encompasses the Photo Division. The images serve as a means to chronicle the socio-economic advancements and cultural engagements inside the nation. The task at hand involves the conscientious undertaking of capturing and meticulously documenting noteworthy occurrences, undertakings, and advancements pertaining to the government, culture, history, and diverse facets of Indian existence by means of photography. The repository has a comprehensive collection of photographic negatives that possess significant archival worth. The Press Information Bureau facilitates the dissemination of positive photographic prints capturing significant news events to various media outlets. Periodic professional development programmes are organised to provide advanced training in photography for photographers employed by state governments as well as those hailing from commonwealth countries. The Photo Division operates from its headquarters located in New Delhi, overseeing the functioning of three regional offices situated in Bombay, Calcutta, and Madras. Additionally, there is a photographic division located in Guwahati.

The Photo Division plays a crucial role in visually representing the nation's growth, history, and achievements. Here's a detailed explanation of the Photo Division in India:

Documentation of National Events: The Photo Division is actively engaged in the documentation of significant national events, including but not limited to the celebrations of Independence Day, parades held on Republic Day, visits of dignitaries, and other notable government functions. The photographs captured during these occasions play a crucial role in preserving historical records and are frequently utilised for official purposes and in various publications.

Photo Features: The Photo Division is in charge of producing photographic features that cover a wide range of topics, including societal concerns, government initiatives, festivals, and cultural events. In order to provide insights into many parts of Indian culture, these image features are disseminated through a number of media venues.



Archiving and preservation: The division is in charge of maintaining and managing a sizable collection of pictures that depict the nation's history, culture, and legacy. Scholars, historians, and journalists can get thorough insights into India's historical and present situations thanks to the archives' vital role in assisting their research, historical analysis, and journalistic activities.

Publishing of Photographic Books: The Photo Division is in charge of publishing photographic books and coffee table books that cover a variety of subjects and provide as a platform for showcasing the achievements, cultures, and art forms of India. These volumes are commonly used in diplomatic settings, acting as gifts for distinguished guests and promoting India's rich cultural heritage abroad.

Photo Exhibitions: The Photo Division arranges exhibits, both domestically and abroad, with the purpose of presenting the artistic contributions of its photographers. These exhibitions serve as a medium for the general public to engage in the appreciation and acquisition of knowledge pertaining to several aspects of Indian life and culture.

Promoting Indian Culture: The Photo Division plays a crucial role in the promotion and preservation of India's rich and varied cultural heritage through its extensive collection of images. The aforementioned statement encapsulates the fundamental aspects of many areas, customs, and art forms, hence cultivating a collective sentiment of admiration and esteem towards the cultural heterogeneity prevalent in India.

Press Photography Training: The division further organises training programmes aimed at enhancing the skills and practises of press photographers. The primary objective of these seminars and training sessions is to uphold a commendable level of press photography inside India, while concurrently enhancing the calibre of visual storytelling within the media.

Digital Outreach: Over the past several years, the Photo Division has augmented its digital outreach efforts by capitalising on social media platforms and its website to exhibit its images to a worldwide audience. This facilitates global access and appreciation of India's visual abundance.

The Photo Division assumes a crucial role in documenting the essence of India via the medium of photography and safeguarding the visual history of the nation. The work undertaken contributes to the establishment of a collective identity and a feeling of national pride within the Indian population, while



simultaneously facilitating the dissemination of the nation's aesthetic appeal, cultural heritage, and notable accomplishments to a global audience.

3.5 THE DIRECTORATE OF ADVERTISING AND VISUAL PUBLICITY

The establishment of the Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) took place in 1955. It is a significant institution operating within the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, responsible for facilitating publicity efforts on behalf of the Government of India. The organisation is headquartered in Delhi, with other regional offices located in Bangalore and Guwahati. The efficiency of its operations is enhanced by the presence of two regional distribution centres located in Calcutta and Madras, which are supported by around 35 field exhibition units. The role entails the responsibility of strategizing, conceptualising, and executing advertising and PR initiatives for many governmental ministries, departments, and organisations. The DAVP functions as the primary coordinating agency for the dissemination of government ads.

The Directorate has many specialised wings, such the Exhibition Wing, Mass Mailing Wing, Outdoor Publicity Wing, Research Wing, Distribution Wing, and Language Wing, in addition to the Audio Visual Publicity Cell. Each of these components has a role in the planning and dissemination of multimedia campaigns, print publicity, press advertising, exhibits, and audiovisual publicity.

Here is a detailed explanation of the Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity:

Planning and Designing Ad Campaigns: The Department of Audio Visual Publicity (DAVP) is responsible for the strategic development and conceptualization of advertising campaigns aimed at promoting various governmental policies, programmes, and initiatives. The organisation collaborates closely with various governmental agencies and ministries in order to comprehend their communication objectives and devise efficacious tactics for engaging the intended audience.

Media Selection and Release: The Department of Audio Visual Publicity (DAVP) is responsible for strategically determining the most suitable media platforms via which government ads are disseminated. The many kinds of media encompass newspapers, magazines, radio broadcasts, television programming, movie productions, outdoor advertising displays, and digital platforms. The role involves



engaging in fee negotiations with media companies, finalising media schedules, and ensuring the punctual dissemination of commercials.

Creative Development: The Department of Audio Visual Publicity (DAVP) is responsible for the development of innovative concepts and designs for advertising campaigns commissioned by the government. The individual collaborates with professional agencies or internal creative teams to generate aesthetically captivating and influential advertising that successfully communicate the desired message to the general audience.

Market Research and Feedback: The Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) engages in market research activities and collects feedback in order to evaluate the efficacy of advertising campaigns. A diverse array of instruments and procedures are employed to assess the extent and influence of ads, facilitating the evaluation of the effectiveness of communication endeavours and enabling the implementation of requisite enhancements.

Outdoor Publicity: The DAVP is responsible for overseeing outdoor publicity efforts, which encompass various forms of advertising such as hoardings, billboards, and displays strategically placed in certain areas. The process involves the selection of suitable locations for outdoor ads, the implementation of correct installation procedures, and the ongoing monitoring of maintenance activities to uphold the visibility and effectiveness of the conveyed messages.

Media Empanelment: The Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) selects and enlists media companies, including both print and electronic platforms, to manage the advertising needs of the government. The procedure involves assessing and choosing agencies according to their skills, scope, and cost-efficiency. The empanelled agencies collaborate closely with the Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) to effectively implement advertising campaigns on behalf of the government.

Media Monitoring and Audit: The Department of Audio Visual Publicity (DAVP) oversees the dissemination and positioning of governmental commercials, with the aim of ensuring adherence to predetermined timelines and standards. Additionally, it performs audits to validate the effective dissemination of ads by media organisations, so promoting accountability and openness within the procedure.



The Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) assumes a pivotal role in the promotion of government projects, the communication of policies, and the dissemination of information to the general public. The primary objective is to generate consciousness, provide education to the general populace, and cultivate a favourable perception of the government by means of impactful advertising and visual marketing initiatives.

3.6 THE DIRECTORATE OF INFORMATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS (DIPR)

The Directorate of Information and Public Relations (DIPR) manages and facilitates the dissemination of information to the general public and the media. In India, the DIPR operates at the state level and is tasked with fostering effective communication between the government and the public, administering media relations, and ensuring that citizens receive accurate and transparent information. DIPR's structure and functions can vary from state to state, but in general, they consist of the following:

Features of the Directorate of Information and Public Relations (DIPR):

State-Level Communication: The main communication organisation for the state government is DIPR, which functions within a particular state. It is in charge of informing the public about the government's messages, policies, initiatives, and programmes.

Media Interaction: DIPR acts as a point of contact for the state government with the media. To guarantee accurate reporting of government actions, it plans press conferences, publishes press releases, and keeps in touch with media on a regular basis.

Public Awareness Campaigns: The DIPR develops and implements public awareness campaigns on a range of topics, including civic responsibility, social welfare, health, and education. The public education and behaviour promotion goals of these programmes.

Event Management: The DIPR plans and oversees all official ceremonies, events, and government activities. It guarantees that these events are covered by the media and that the desired messages are effectively conveyed.

Crisis communication: DIPR is essential in providing the public with timely and accurate information during crises or other crisis circumstances. It aids in controlling rumours, averting panic, and preserving public confidence.



Press releases, articles, newsletters, films, and social media posts are all types of material that the DIPR produces. The public is intended to be informed and engaged by this information.

The Directorate of Information and Public Relations (DIPR) performs the following duties:

Press Statements and Releases: On behalf of the state government, DIPR provides formal press statements and releases. Information about decisions, policies, and announcements made by the government is provided in these papers.

Media Relations: DIPR keeps up ties with reporters and media organisations. It coordinates press conferences, arranges official interviews, and answers to media requests.

Media Monitoring: The DIPR tracks media coverage to ascertain public opinion and evaluate the efficacy of communication plans. It aids in locating any false facts or damaging narratives that require correction.

Social Media Management: DIPR oversees the administration of government social media profiles to interact with the public, disseminate information, and address questions and concerns.

Publication of Information: To enlighten the public on government programmes, policies, and services, DIPR produces educational materials such magazines, brochures, and pamphlets.

Coordination with Departments: To acquire information, updates, and accomplishments for distribution, DIPR works in partnership with several government departments and agencies.

Documentation: The DIPR keeps track of all official events, activities, and publications. It aids in saving significant information for later use.

Public Relations Campaigns: The DIPR prepares and implements PR campaigns to draw attention to government accomplishments, encourage public participation, and raise awareness of significant topics.

In essence, effective communication between the state administration and the public is ensured by the Directorate of Information and Public Relations. It strives to enable media engagements, enlighten the public about government policies and programmes, and deliver accurate, transparent, and timely information to people.

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4.0 INTRODUCTION

In the ever-evolving world of journalism, media-related organizations stand as pillars of influence, advocating for ethics, professionalism, and the responsible dissemination of information. This chapter invites us to journey into the realm of these organizations, each playing a unique role in shaping the landscape of journalism. As we delve into their significance, functions, and contributions, we unlock a deeper understanding of how these entities uphold the core values of journalism and navigate the challenges of the modern media era.

In a world where information flows ceaselessly across various platforms, the role of media organizations becomes paramount. They champion responsible reporting, advocate for journalists' welfare, set ethical standards, and drive the industry towards excellence. From the corridors of print media to the airwaves of broadcasting, these organizations create a tapestry of interconnected efforts that fortify the integrity of journalism.

As we embark on this exploration, we will uncover the multifaceted roles of media-related organizations such as the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC), Indian Newspaper Society (INS), Indian Federation of Working Journalists (IFWJ), National Union of Journalists (NUJ), Press Institute of India (PII), and the News Broadcasters Association (NBA). Each organization brings a distinct set of values and goals, contributing to the broader mission of journalism - to inform, engage, and inspire.



Throughout this chapter, we will dissect the functions of these organizations, understanding their roles in promoting ethical conduct, advocating for industry standards, advancing journalism education, and ensuring the credibility of news dissemination. We will examine how their collective efforts uphold the principles of accuracy, integrity, and accountability, fostering a media landscape that thrives on responsible journalism.

By delving into the roles and contributions of media-related organizations, we gain insights into the mechanisms that propel the journalistic enterprise forward. From print to digital, from broadcast to advocacy, these organizations amplify the voice of journalism, reminding us that behind every news story lies a network of dedicated individuals and entities working tirelessly to uphold the ideals that define our information-driven society.

4.1 DEFINITION AND SIGNIFICANCE OF NEWS MAGAZINES AND PERIODICALS

In the world of print journalism, news magazines and periodicals hold a distinct place that goes beyond the realm of daily newspapers. These publications offer a unique blend of in-depth analysis, feature stories, and thought-provoking content that delve deeper into the issues shaping our world. In this section, we will explore the definition and significance of news magazines and periodicals, uncovering their vital role in the media landscape.

Defining News Magazines and Periodicals: News magazines and periodicals are periodical publications that provide a more comprehensive and reflective approach to reporting compared to the fast-paced nature of daily newspapers. They cover a range of topics, from current events and politics to culture, lifestyle, and trends. What sets them apart is their ability to explore stories with depth, context, and nuance, often offering a richer understanding of complex issues.

Significance in the Media Landscape:

1. **In-Depth Analysis:** News magazines and periodicals are known for their ability to provide in-depth analysis of current affairs. They take the time to investigate stories thoroughly, providing readers with a deeper understanding of events beyond the headlines.



2. **Feature Stories:** These publications often feature long-form articles that dive into various subjects, including human interest stories, investigative pieces, and profiles. This allows for more detailed storytelling that resonates with readers on a personal level.
3. **Contextual Understanding:** News magazines and periodicals contextualize news stories by presenting historical background, multiple perspectives, and expert opinions. This helps readers grasp the broader implications of events.
4. **Thought Leadership:** These publications often feature thought-provoking opinion pieces, editorials, and commentaries that contribute to public discourse and critical thinking.
5. **Catering to Niche Interests:** News magazines and periodicals cater to specific interests and target audiences. Whether it's business, fashion, science, or culture, they provide content tailored to readers' preferences.
6. **Impactful Visuals:** Many news magazines and periodicals prioritize visual storytelling, using photographs, infographics, and illustrations to enhance the narrative and engage readers.

News magazines and periodicals play a crucial role in journalism by offering a space for in-depth analysis, thoughtful exploration, and engaging storytelling. In a media landscape often dominated by rapid news cycles, these publications provide readers with the opportunity to delve deeper into stories, gain context, and develop a more comprehensive understanding of the world around them. As we move forward in this chapter, we will continue to uncover the unique features and contributions of these print media entities.

4.1.1 NOTABLE EXAMPLES OF POPULAR NEWS MAGAZINES

In the world of print journalism, news magazines stand as a distinct category that offers readers a deeper exploration of current events and societal trends. Differentiating themselves from daily newspapers, news magazines provide a unique blend of in-depth analysis and feature stories that captivate and inform their audiences. In this section, we will delve into notable examples of popular news magazines, highlighting their characteristics and contributions.

Differentiating from Daily Newspapers: While daily newspapers prioritize delivering up-to-the-minute news and breaking stories, news magazines adopt a more reflective and comprehensive



approach. They offer a broader lens through which readers can view events, often focusing on analysis, context, and interpretation rather than just reporting the facts. This distinction allows news magazines to explore the "why" and "how" behind the headlines.

Providing In-Depth Analysis and Features: News magazines excel in providing readers with well-researched, thoughtful, and well-crafted articles. Here are some **notable examples**:

1. **The Economist:**

- Renowned for its insightful analysis of global affairs, economics, and politics.
- Offers a comprehensive view of world events through a unique blend of articles, features, and opinion pieces.
- Known for its witty headlines and distinct editorial voice.

2. **Time:**

- A historical publication that covers a wide range of topics, from politics and science to culture and entertainment.
- Features iconic covers that capture the essence of significant moments in history.
- Provides in-depth profiles and stories that resonate with a broad readership.

3. **Newsweek:**

- Offers a blend of investigative journalism, opinion pieces, and features.
- Focuses on a variety of subjects, including politics, science, technology, and culture.
- Addresses current events with depth and context.

4. **National Geographic:**

- Renowned for its visually stunning coverage of science, nature, and exploration.
- Presents in-depth features that dive deep into topics related to geography, culture, and the environment.
- Combines photography and storytelling to create impactful narratives.



5. The New Yorker:

- Known for its literary journalism, fiction, and cultural commentary.
- Offers a mix of profiles, essays, and short stories that explore diverse aspects of society.
- Prioritizes in-depth reporting on arts, politics, and lifestyle.

NOTABLE EXAMPLES IN CONTEXT TO INDIA:

News magazines play a significant role in shaping public opinion, offering in-depth analysis, and providing context to current events. In India, several news magazines have made a substantial impact on the media landscape by delivering insightful reporting and thought-provoking content. Let's explore some notable examples of popular news magazines in the Indian context.

1. India Today: "India Today" is one of India's most widely read news magazines. It covers a range of topics, including politics, business, entertainment, and social issues. Known for its comprehensive coverage and investigative journalism, "India Today" has been a staple for readers seeking in-depth analysis and updates on current affairs.

2. Outlook: "Outlook" is renowned for its investigative and human-interest stories that delve into social, political, and cultural issues. The magazine often takes a critical stance on matters of public interest and is respected for its bold reporting and thought-provoking articles.

3. Frontline: "Frontline" is known for its rigorous journalism and comprehensive coverage of issues affecting India and the world. It offers in-depth analysis, features, and investigative reports on topics ranging from politics and economy to social concerns.

4. The Week: "The Week" provides a concise roundup of news and events from across India and the globe. It offers a blend of news, commentary, and cultural coverage, making it a popular choice for readers seeking a comprehensive yet succinct overview of the week's events.

5. Tehelka: While "Tehelka" is now an online platform, it gained prominence as an investigative news magazine known for its exposés and hard-hitting reports. It played a crucial role in uncovering various political and corporate scandals, making a significant impact on Indian journalism.



6. Down To Earth: "Down To Earth" focuses on environmental and sustainability issues, offering insightful coverage of topics related to climate change, conservation, and ecology. It caters to readers concerned about the environment and the planet's future.

Notable news magazines differentiate themselves from daily newspapers by offering in-depth analysis and thought-provoking features that enrich readers' understanding of current events. Their commitment to context, perspective, and comprehensive reporting allows them to delve into the intricacies of the world around us, providing insights that complement the quick-paced nature of daily news. As we explore further, we'll continue to uncover the distinct characteristics of these influential print media entities.

4.1.2 ADAPTATIONS TO THE DIGITAL AGE - EMBRACING ONLINE PLATFORMS AND CHALLENGES

The digital age has ushered in a transformative era for the media landscape, reshaping how news and information are consumed and shared. News magazines and periodicals, once synonymous with print, have navigated this changing landscape by embracing online platforms. In this section, we'll delve into how news magazines have adapted to the digital age, the opportunities they've seized, and the challenges they've faced.

Embracing Online Platforms:

1. **Digital Editions:** Many news magazines now offer digital editions that mirror their print counterparts. These digital versions provide readers with the same content, often enhanced with multimedia elements such as videos, interactive graphics, and links to additional resources.
2. **Responsive Design:** News magazines have adopted responsive web design, ensuring that their content is accessible and readable across a range of devices, from desktop computers to smartphones and tablets.
3. **Social Media Presence:** News magazines leverage social media platforms to distribute their content, engage with readers, and reach broader audiences. Platforms like Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram serve as channels for sharing articles, interacting with readers, and generating discussions.



4. **Digital Exclusives:** Some news magazines produce content exclusively for their online platforms. This may include web-only articles, interactive features, and multimedia presentations that cater to digital audiences.
5. **Paywalls and Subscriptions:** To sustain quality journalism, some news magazines have implemented paywalls that restrict access to premium content. Subscriptions offer readers the ability to access in-depth analysis and features while supporting the publication financially.

Challenges in the Digital Landscape

1. **Information Overload:** The digital era has led to an explosion of content, making it challenging for news magazines to stand out amidst the noise and capture readers' attention.
2. **Monetization:** While digital platforms offer broader reach, monetizing online content can be challenging. Balancing free and premium content, as well as navigating ad revenue, remains a consideration.
3. **Fake News and Trust:** The proliferation of misinformation on digital platforms has led to concerns about credibility and trust. News magazines must navigate this environment by emphasizing their commitment to accuracy and responsible journalism.
4. **Adapting to Reading Habits:** Online readers often have shorter attention spans and different reading habits compared to print readers. News magazines need to tailor their content to cater to these changing behaviors.

The digital age has presented both opportunities and challenges for news magazines as they navigate the online landscape. By embracing digital platforms, these publications have expanded their reach and engagement, while simultaneously addressing challenges such as information overload and maintaining trust in a rapidly evolving media environment. As news magazines continue to evolve, their ability to adapt to these changes will be crucial in ensuring their continued relevance and impact.

4.2 UNDERSTANDING MEDIA ORGANIZATIONS' ROLE - UPHOLDING ETHICAL STANDARDS AND PROFESSIONALISM

In the dynamic world of journalism, media organizations play a pivotal role in shaping industry standards, promoting ethical conduct, and upholding professionalism. These organizations serve as



guardians of journalistic integrity, ensuring that news and information are disseminated with accuracy, fairness, and a commitment to truth. In this section, we will delve into the vital role that media organizations play in upholding ethical standards and professionalism within the journalism landscape.

Upholding Ethical Standards:

1. **Defining Ethical Journalism:** Media organizations establish codes of ethics that outline the principles journalists must adhere to. These codes encompass values such as accuracy, fairness, objectivity, and respect for human dignity.
2. **Monitoring Content:** Media organizations monitor journalistic content to ensure that it meets ethical guidelines. This involves reviewing stories, headlines, visuals, and opinion pieces to uphold accuracy and prevent the dissemination of misinformation.
3. **Ethical Dilemmas:** Media organizations provide guidance when journalists encounter ethical dilemmas. These dilemmas could include issues related to privacy, conflict of interest, sourcing, and the balance between public interest and personal rights.
4. **Addressing Bias:** Media organizations strive to eliminate bias from reporting. They encourage journalists to present diverse perspectives and avoid favoritism or sensationalism that could compromise objectivity.

Promoting Professionalism:

1. **Training and Development:** Media organizations offer training programs, workshops, and seminars to enhance journalists' skills and professionalism. These programs cover areas such as fact-checking, source verification, and responsible reporting.
2. **Supporting Journalists:** In an era of challenges and threats to journalism, media organizations support journalists who face risks while pursuing stories. They may offer legal assistance, safety guidelines, and advocacy.
3. **Fostering Accountability:** Media organizations encourage accountability within the industry. This includes acknowledging mistakes, issuing corrections, and engaging in transparent conversations with audiences.



4. **Advocacy for Press Freedom:** Media organizations advocate for press freedom, defending journalists' rights to investigate and report without fear of censorship or retribution.

Media organizations serve as guardians of ethical journalism and professionalism, upholding standards that guide journalists in their pursuit of truth and accuracy. By setting ethical guidelines, providing training, and advocating for press freedom, these organizations play a critical role in maintaining public trust and ensuring that journalism remains a beacon of integrity in the media landscape. As we explore further, we'll uncover the specific roles of key media-related organizations and their contributions to the journalism industry.

4.2.1 Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) - Ensuring Transparency in Circulation Figures and Maintaining Credibility in Readership Data

In the realm of print journalism, accurate circulation figures and readership data are crucial for publishers, advertisers, and the industry at large. The Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) plays a pivotal role in ensuring transparency and credibility in these figures. By verifying circulation claims and adopting standardized auditing practices, ABC upholds the integrity of circulation data. In this section, we will delve into the significance of ABC in maintaining accuracy and trust in the realm of print media.

Ensuring Transparency in Circulation Figures:

1. **Verification Process:** ABC verifies, and audits circulation figures provided by publishers. This process involves reviewing distribution methods, subscriber records, and sales receipts to ensure accuracy.
2. **Independent Verification:** ABC's role as an independent third party adds credibility to circulation claims. Publishers' numbers are subjected to impartial scrutiny, reducing the potential for inflated figures.
3. **Preventing Misrepresentation:** ABC's audits prevent publishers from misrepresenting or exaggerating their circulation figures. This practice ensures that advertisers receive accurate information for informed decision-making.

Maintaining Credibility in Readership Data:



1. **Standardized Reporting:** ABC establishes standardized reporting practices that publishers must adhere to. This consistency in reporting methods ensures that data is comparable and reliable.
2. **Readership Data Accuracy:** ABC's focus on transparency extends to readership data as well. By adhering to strict audit standards, the credibility of readership statistics is upheld.
3. **Trust in Media Planning:** Advertisers rely on accurate readership data to plan their media campaigns effectively. ABC's role in maintaining credibility in this data ensures that advertisers invest wisely.
4. **Industry Accountability:** ABC contributes to the accountability of the industry by holding publishers accountable for accurate reporting. This accountability fosters trust among stakeholders.

Benefits for Publishers and Advertisers:

- Publishers benefit from accurate circulation figures, which enhance their reputation and credibility.
- Advertisers can make informed decisions based on reliable readership data, ensuring their campaigns reach the intended audience.

The Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) plays a vital role in maintaining accuracy, transparency, and credibility in the world of print media. By independently verifying circulation figures and adhering to standardized reporting practices, ABC contributes to the integrity of readership data. This commitment to accuracy benefits both publishers and advertisers, ensuring that the print media industry operates on a foundation of trust and reliability. As we delve further, we'll uncover the roles of other media-related organizations and their contributions to the journalism landscape.

4.2.2 Indian Newspaper Society (INS) - Representing Print Media Interests and Promoting Industry Growth and Cooperation

The Indian Newspaper Society (INS) stands as a significant organization within the print media landscape of India. It plays a crucial role in representing the interests of print media entities, fostering



industry growth, and promoting collaboration among publishers. In this section, we will delve into the multifaceted role of INS in shaping the trajectory of print journalism in the country.

Representing Print Media Interests:

1. **Advocacy and Representation:** INS serve as a collective voice for newspapers across the country. It advocates for the interests of publishers and newspapers, engaging with policymakers and regulatory bodies on key issues.
2. **Addressing Challenges:** INS address challenges that the print media industry faces, such as taxation, regulatory policies, and issues related to freedom of the press. It seeks to create an environment conducive to journalistic excellence.
3. **Engaging with Authorities:** By engaging with government authorities and regulatory bodies, INS aim to influence policies that impact the print media sector. It actively participates in discussions to shape the industry's future.

Promoting Industry Growth and Cooperation:

1. **Industry Networking:** INS facilitates interactions among publishers, editors, and professionals from various newspapers. These networking opportunities foster collaboration, knowledge sharing, and the exchange of best practices.
2. **Industry Research and Reports:** INS conduct research and publishes reports on industry trends, readership patterns, and other relevant aspects. This research aids newspapers in making informed decisions.
3. **Training and Workshops:** INS organize training sessions, workshops, and seminars to enhance the skills of journalists, editors, and other media professionals. This contributes to the growth of talent within the industry.
4. **Awards and Recognition:** INS recognize excellence in journalism through awards and accolades. This recognition motivates journalists and newspapers to maintain high standards of reporting.



Collective Impact: INS's efforts have a collective impact on the print media landscape, shaping the industry's trajectory and ensuring a conducive environment for growth and ethical journalism.

The Indian Newspaper Society (INS) plays a pivotal role in shaping the print media landscape of India. By representing the interests of print media entities, advocating for industry-friendly policies, and promoting collaboration and growth, INS contributes to the vitality of journalism. Its commitment to fostering a thriving ecosystem for newspapers underscores its importance in the broader media landscape. As we delve further, we'll explore other media-related organizations and their contributions to the journalism industry.

4.3 JOURNALISTS' WELFARE AND ADVOCACY - IFWJ AND NUJ

Journalists play a crucial role in society by providing information, analysis, and insights that shape public understanding. However, journalists also face challenges related to job security, fair wages, and safe working conditions. Organizations like the Indian Federation of Working Journalists (IFWJ) and the National Union of Journalists (NUJ) advocate for journalists' welfare and work to protect their rights. In this section, we'll explore the objectives of IFWJ and the advocacy efforts of NUJ in supporting journalists.

Indian Federation of Working Journalists (IFWJ) and Its Objectives:

1. **Advocacy for Journalists:** IFWJ is dedicated to advocating for the rights and welfare of working journalists in India. It works to ensure fair treatment, safety, and well-being for journalists across the industry.
2. **Wages and Working Conditions:** IFWJ focuses on issues related to wages and working conditions of journalists. It strives to secure fair remuneration and improved working environments for media professionals.
3. **Job Security:** IFWJ addresses concerns related to job security, contractual employment, and the challenges faced by freelancers. It works to create a more stable and secure environment for journalists.
4. **Legal Support:** IFWJ provides legal support to journalists facing challenges such as defamation suits, harassment, and threats. It acts as a support system for journalists facing legal battles.



5. **Ethics and Professionalism:** IFWJ emphasizes ethical journalism practices and encourages journalists to maintain the highest standards of professionalism in their work.

National Union of Journalists (NUJ) and Its Advocacy:

1. **Promoting Journalists' Rights:** NUJ is committed to protecting and advancing the rights of journalists, including their freedom to report without fear of reprisal or censorship.
2. **Press Freedom:** NUJ advocates for press freedom, both nationally and internationally. It works to ensure that journalists can report on important issues without undue restrictions.
3. **Ethical Standards:** NUJ upholds ethical standards in journalism by providing guidelines and training for journalists to maintain objectivity, fairness, and accuracy.
4. **Equality and Diversity:** NUJ promotes equality and diversity in the media industry, advocating for representation and fair treatment of journalists from diverse backgrounds.
5. **Social Justice:** NUJ engages in advocacy efforts that align with social justice causes, often using journalism as a tool to highlight and address societal issues.

Collective Strength: Both IFWJ and NUJ leverage the collective strength of journalists to advocate for their rights, create positive change, and contribute to a more equitable and ethical media landscape.

The Indian Federation of Working Journalists (IFWJ) and the National Union of Journalists (NUJ) play pivotal roles in advocating for the welfare, rights, and ethical standards of journalists. Through their efforts, they contribute to creating a more supportive environment for media professionals and uphold the integrity of journalism. As we delve further, we'll continue to explore the roles of various media-related organizations and their contributions to the journalism industry.

4.4 PROMOTING EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM EDUCATION - ROLE OF PRESS INSTITUTE OF INDIA (PII)

Journalism education plays a pivotal role in shaping the future of the media industry. The Press Institute of India (PII) stands as an institution dedicated to advancing research, promoting ethical standards, and nurturing talent in the field of journalism. In this section, we will explore the significant role of PII in promoting excellence in journalism education and its contributions to research and ethics in journalism.



Role of Press Institute of India (PII):

1. **Research and Scholarship:** PII serves as a hub for research, scholarship, and academic discourse in journalism. It conducts research studies, publishes academic papers, and hosts conferences that contribute to the advancement of knowledge in the field.
2. **Ethical Journalism:** PII places a strong emphasis on ethical journalism practices. It provides training, workshops, and resources to journalists, educators, and students, emphasizing the importance of responsible and unbiased reporting.
3. **Professional Development:** PII offers training programs and workshops that enhance the skills and competencies of journalists and media professionals. These programs contribute to the continuous learning and growth of individuals in the industry.
4. **Journalism Education:** PII collaborates with academic institutions to enhance journalism education. It develops curriculum guidelines, provides resources, and offers expertise to educators, ensuring that journalism programs align with industry standards.
5. **Media Literacy:** PII engages in media literacy initiatives, working to empower audiences with the skills to critically evaluate and interpret media content.

Advancing Research and Ethics in Journalism:

1. **Research Studies:** PII conducts research studies that address contemporary challenges and trends in journalism. These studies provide insights into areas such as media ethics, digital journalism, and media's role in society.
2. **Ethical Guidelines:** PII develops and disseminates ethical guidelines for journalists, ensuring that ethical considerations are embedded in media practices.
3. **Ethical Training:** PII provides training sessions and workshops on ethical decision-making, source verification, and responsible reporting. These initiatives equip journalists with the tools to navigate ethical dilemmas.



4. **Media Accountability:** PII contributes to media accountability by promoting transparency, accuracy, and credibility in reporting. It encourages journalists to be accountable to their audiences and hold themselves to high ethical standards.

Collective Impact: PII's efforts collectively contribute to a media landscape that values ethical journalism, fosters critical thinking, and embraces continuous learning.

The Press Institute of India (PII) plays a significant role in promoting excellence in journalism education and advancing research and ethics in the industry. Through its research, training, and advocacy, PII contributes to the growth of informed and ethical journalism practices. Its dedication to nurturing talent and upholding ethical standards makes it a cornerstone of the journalism landscape. As we explore further, we'll continue to uncover the roles and contributions of various media-related organizations in print journalism.

4.4.1 The Role of News Broadcasters Association - Ensuring Responsible Broadcasting Practices

In the realm of broadcasting, responsible and ethical practices are essential to maintain the public's trust and deliver accurate information. The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) plays a pivotal role in upholding these standards and ensuring that broadcasting remains a credible source of news and information. In this section, we will explore the significant role of the News Broadcasters Association in ensuring responsible broadcasting practices.

Ensuring Responsible Broadcasting Practices:

1. **Code of Ethics:** NBA establishes a comprehensive code of ethics that sets guidelines for responsible broadcasting. This code outlines standards for accuracy, fairness, objectivity, and sensitivity in reporting.
2. **Content Review:** NBA monitors and reviews content to ensure that it adheres to ethical standards. It examines news stories, documentaries, debates, and programs to maintain quality and prevent sensationalism.
3. **Factual Accuracy:** NBA emphasizes the importance of factual accuracy in broadcasting. It encourages broadcasters to verify information from reliable sources before airing it to the public.



4. **Balanced Reporting:** NBA promotes balanced reporting by encouraging broadcasters to present multiple perspectives on an issue. This approach ensures that audiences receive a well-rounded view of events.
5. **Minimizing Harm:** NBA advises broadcasters to be mindful of the potential harm that certain content may cause to individuals or communities. It encourages sensitivity and responsible coverage.
6. **Engaging with Audiences:** NBA encourages broadcasters to engage with their audiences and address their concerns. This fosters accountability and transparency in broadcasting practices.
7. **Public Interest:** NBA emphasizes the broadcaster's responsibility to serve the public interest. It encourages content that educates, informs, and empowers audiences.
8. **Compliance Monitoring:** NBA monitors broadcasters' compliance with ethical guidelines. It addresses complaints from viewers and takes appropriate action when violations occur.

Contributing to Credible Broadcasting:

1. **Building Public Trust:** NBA's role in ensuring responsible broadcasting practices contributes to building and maintaining the public's trust in news media.
2. **Enhancing Credibility:** By upholding ethical standards, NBA enhances the credibility of news broadcasting, distinguishing it as a reliable source of information.
3. **Promoting Journalistic Integrity:** NBA's advocacy for responsible practices fosters a culture of journalistic integrity within the broadcasting industry.

The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) plays a critical role in maintaining responsible broadcasting practices by establishing ethical guidelines, monitoring content, and promoting accuracy, fairness, and sensitivity in reporting. Through its efforts, NBA contributes to the credibility and trustworthiness of broadcast journalism, ensuring that audiences receive accurate and reliable information. As we continue to explore the roles of media-related organizations, we'll uncover further contributions to the journalism landscape.



4.4.2 MEMBERSHIP AND INDUSTRY REPRESENTATION - MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS AND COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS FOR MEDIA INTEGRITY

The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) is not just a regulatory body; it also serves as a collective platform for news broadcasters to come together, collaborate, and ensure the integrity of media practices. Through its membership structure and collaborative efforts, NBA fosters a sense of unity among broadcasters and works towards maintaining high standards of journalism. In this section, we'll delve into how NBA's membership and collaborative initiatives contribute to media integrity.

Member Organizations and Reach:

1. **Broadcaster Membership:** NBA represents a wide spectrum of news broadcasters, including television news channels and digital media platforms. Its membership roster includes major players in the broadcasting industry.
2. **Pan-India Presence:** NBA's membership spans across India, encompassing regional, national, and international news broadcasters. This diversity ensures representation from various linguistic, cultural, and geographic contexts.
3. **Strengthening Industry Unity:** By bringing together broadcasters of different scales and reach, NBA creates a unified front that advocates for common industry interests and ethical practices.

Collaborative Efforts for Media Integrity:

1. **Sharing Best Practices:** NBA provides a platform for broadcasters to share best practices, experiences, and insights. This knowledge exchange promotes the adoption of high standards across the industry.
2. **Ethical Discussions:** Through seminars, workshops, and forums, NBA facilitates discussions on ethical challenges faced by broadcasters. These conversations help broadcasters navigate complex ethical issues.
3. **Guidelines and Standards:** NBA collaborates with its members to establish industry-wide guidelines and standards for content quality, ethical reporting, and responsible broadcasting.



4. **Media Literacy Initiatives:** NBA undertakes initiatives to promote media literacy among audiences. By collaborating with educators and experts, it contributes to informed media consumption.
5. **Advocacy for Media Freedom:** NBA engages in advocacy efforts to protect media freedom and the rights of journalists. Collaborative actions amplify their collective voice on issues related to press freedom.

Strengthening Media Integrity:

1. **Collective Influence:** NBA's collaborative efforts strengthen media integrity by aligning broadcasters towards common ethical standards and practices.
2. **Responsible Journalism:** Through shared discussions and initiatives, NBA contributes to a culture of responsible journalism, fostering accountability and credibility.
3. **Public Trust:** Collaborative actions enhance the public's trust in the media industry, ensuring that news broadcasters prioritize accuracy, fairness, and transparency.

The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) not only represents member organizations but also creates a collaborative space for broadcasters to work together towards maintaining media integrity. By sharing best practices, advocating for industry interests, and establishing ethical guidelines, NBA contributes to a stronger and more responsible broadcasting sector. Its commitment to collective efforts reflects its significance in upholding journalistic principles within the media landscape. As we continue exploring media-related organizations, we'll uncover their roles and contributions further.

4.5 BROADCASTING STANDARDS AND ETHICAL GUIDELINES - UPHOLDING ETHICAL CONDUCT, ACCURACY, AND CONTENT MONITORING

Broadcast journalism plays a vital role in informing the public and shaping opinions. To maintain the credibility and trustworthiness of broadcasting, ethical standards and guidelines are essential. The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) takes on the responsibility of setting and upholding these standards, ensuring that content adheres to principles of accuracy, fairness, and responsible reporting. In this



section, we'll explore how NBA's broadcasting standards and ethical guidelines contribute to maintaining ethical conduct and content quality.

Upholding Ethical Conduct and Accuracy:

1. **Code of Ethics:** NBA establishes a comprehensive code of ethics that serves as a guiding framework for broadcasters. This code outlines principles of truth, accuracy, impartiality, and integrity in reporting.
2. **Avoiding Sensationalism:** NBA's guidelines discourage sensationalism, encouraging broadcasters to prioritize informative and unbiased reporting over sensational content that may compromise accuracy.
3. **Fact-Checking:** Broadcasters under NBA's purview are expected to verify information from credible sources before disseminating it to the public. This commitment to fact-checking enhances accuracy.
4. **Privacy and Sensitivity:** Ethical guidelines address the privacy and sensitivity of individuals involved in news stories. They prevent undue intrusion and ensure that content is respectful and considerate.

Monitoring Content for Quality and Fairness:

1. **Content Review:** NBA actively monitors and reviews content to ensure compliance with ethical guidelines. This includes news stories, debates, interviews, and documentaries.
2. **Quality Assurance:** By monitoring content, NBA ensures that it meets quality benchmarks in terms of journalistic integrity, accuracy, and unbiased reporting.
3. **Balanced Reporting:** NBA encourages broadcasters to provide balanced coverage by presenting diverse viewpoints on issues, avoiding bias, and providing context.
4. **Timeliness:** While emphasizing accuracy, NBA also recognizes the importance of timely reporting. It encourages broadcasters to strike a balance between accuracy and speed.

Promoting Responsible and Ethical Journalism:



1. **Audience Trust:** By setting and upholding ethical standards, NBA contributes to building and maintaining the trust of the audience in the credibility of news broadcasters.
2. **Media Integrity:** NBA's commitment to responsible reporting and ethical conduct contributes to the overall integrity of the media industry.
3. **Accountability:** Broadcasters' adherence to ethical guidelines ensures their accountability to the public and encourages them to uphold high standards.

The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) plays a crucial role in maintaining ethical conduct and content quality in the field of broadcast journalism. Through its broadcasting standards and ethical guidelines, NBA ensures that news broadcasters prioritize accuracy, fairness, and responsible reporting. By doing so, it upholds the credibility of the broadcasting industry and ensures that audiences receive reliable and trustworthy information. As we continue to explore media-related organizations, we'll uncover their roles in the broader journalism landscape.

4.5.1 FOSTERING PUBLIC TRUST AND CREDIBILITY - NBA'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO RESPONSIBLE BROADCASTING AND ENSURING THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO RELIABLE INFORMATION

Public trust and credibility are essential pillars of journalism, particularly in the realm of broadcasting. The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) plays a significant role in fostering this trust by advocating for responsible broadcasting practices and ensuring that the public has access to reliable and accurate information. In this section, we'll delve into how NBA's contributions align with responsible broadcasting and the public's right to receive trustworthy information.

Contributions to Responsible Broadcasting:

1. **Guiding Principles:** NBA's broadcasting standards and ethical guidelines provide broadcasters with clear and principled directives for responsible reporting. This framework ensures that content is accurate, unbiased, and respectful.
2. **Fact-Based Reporting:** By advocating for fact-based reporting, NBA ensures that broadcasters prioritize verified information over sensationalism, contributing to responsible journalism.



3. **Balanced Coverage:** NBA's emphasis on balanced coverage encourages broadcasters to present a diversity of viewpoints, enhancing the public's understanding of complex issues.
4. **Quality Assurance:** Through content review and monitoring, NBA helps maintain content quality, preventing the dissemination of inaccurate or biased information.

Ensuring the Public's Right to Reliable Information:

1. **Press Freedom Advocacy:** NBA actively supports press freedom, which is essential for journalists to report objectively and serve as watchdogs of democracy.
2. **Transparency:** NBA's commitment to transparency in reporting and ethical practices enhances its credibility as an organization that seeks to serve the public interest.
3. **Addressing Misinformation:** NBA's efforts to monitor and review content contribute to the prevention of misinformation, ensuring that the public has access to accurate information.
4. **Accountability:** By advocating for accountable journalism, NBA ensures that broadcasters uphold their responsibility to provide reliable news and information to the public.

Strengthening Media Literacy and Trust:

1. **Media Literacy Initiatives:** NBA's initiatives to promote media literacy help audiences discern between credible sources and misinformation, empowering them to make informed decisions.
2. **Audience Engagement:** NBA encourages broadcasters to engage with their audiences and address concerns, fostering a sense of transparency and accountability.
3. **Enhancing Credibility:** Through responsible broadcasting practices, NBA contributes to building and enhancing the credibility of the broadcasting industry.

The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) plays a crucial role in fostering public trust and credibility in the field of broadcasting. Through its contributions to responsible reporting, fact-based journalism, and advocating for press freedom, NBA ensures that the public's right to reliable information is upheld. Its commitment to transparency, accountability, and media literacy initiatives further strengthens the connection between broadcasters and their audiences, promoting a media landscape built on integrity.



and trust. As we continue exploring media-related organizations, we'll uncover their collective impact on journalism and society

4.6 SUMMARY

- The Indian Newspaper Society (INS) represents print media interests, advocating for fair policies and addressing industry challenges.
- The Indian Federation of Working Journalists (IFWJ) and the National Union of Journalists (NUJ) focus on journalists' welfare, rights, and ethical standards, ensuring a supportive environment for media professionals.
- The Press Institute of India (PII) is dedicated to promoting excellence in journalism education, advancing research, and upholding ethical journalism practices.
- The News Broadcasters Association (NBA) takes on the responsibility of maintaining responsible broadcasting practices, setting ethical standards, and monitoring content quality in the realm of broadcast journalism.
- These organizations collectively contribute to the integrity, professionalism, and growth of the journalism industry.
- We have explored the significance of news magazines and periodicals in the world of print media. These publications go beyond daily news to provide in-depth analysis, features, and contextual insights.
- Their role in offering comprehensive coverage and in-depth exploration of issues sets them apart from traditional daily newspapers.
- We understand their value as valuable resources for readers seeking nuanced perspectives and background information on current events.
- Additionally, we have discussed the role of organizations like the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) in ensuring transparency in circulation figures and maintaining credibility in readership data. These organizations contribute to the accuracy and reliability of circulation and readership statistics.

4.7 SELF ASSESSMENT QUESTIONS



1. What is the primary distinction between news magazines and daily newspapers in terms of content and coverage?
2. How do news magazines and periodicals contribute to providing in-depth analysis and features compared to daily newspapers?
3. What is the role of the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) in the context of news magazines and periodicals? How does it contribute to maintaining credibility?
4. Name three media-related organizations discussed in this chapter and briefly describe their primary functions.
5. How does the Indian Newspaper Society (INS) advocate for the interests of print media and address industry challenges?
6. In what ways does the Indian Federation of Working Journalists (IFWJ) contribute to journalists' welfare and ethical standards in the field?
7. Explain the significance of the National Union of Journalists (NUJ) in protecting journalists' rights and promoting responsible journalism.
8. What is the role of the Press Institute of India (PII) in advancing journalism education and maintaining ethical standards?
9. How does the News Broadcasters Association (NBA) ensure responsible broadcasting practices and ethical content in broadcast journalism?
10. How do media-related organizations collectively contribute to the credibility, accountability, and professionalism of the journalism industry as a whole?

4.8 CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

1. **Question:** What sets news magazines and periodicals apart from daily newspapers?
 - A) They focus exclusively on international news.
 - B) They provide in-depth analysis and features.
 - C) They emphasize breaking news coverage.



D) They prioritize celebrity gossip.

Answer: B) They provide in-depth analysis and features.

2. **Question:** Which organization ensures transparency in circulation figures for news magazines and periodicals?

- A) Indian Newspaper Society (INS)
- B) Editors Guild of India
- C) Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC)
- D) News Broadcasters Association (NBA)

Answer: C) Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC)

3. **Question:** Which organization represents the interests of print media and addresses challenges faced by newspapers?

- A) Press Institute of India (PII)
- B) Indian Federation of Working Journalists (IFWJ)
- C) National Union of Journalists (NUJ)
- D) Indian Newspaper Society (INS)

Answer: D) Indian Newspaper Society (INS)

4. **Question:** The National Union of Journalists (NUJ) primarily focuses on:

- A) Ensuring transparency in circulation data.
- B) Promoting excellence in journalism education.
- C) Advocating for journalists' rights and responsible journalism.
- D) Setting ethical standards for news magazines.

Answer: C) Advocating for journalists' rights and responsible journalism.

5. **Question:** What is the main role of the News Broadcasters Association (NBA)?



- A) Representing print media interests.
- B) Ensuring responsible broadcasting practices and ethical content.
- C) Advocating for journalists' welfare.
- D) Promoting research in journalism education.

Answer: B) Ensuring responsible broadcasting practices and ethical content.

6. **Question:** The Indian Federation of Working Journalists (IFWJ) primarily focuses on:

- A) Advocating for journalists' welfare and rights.
- B) Setting ethical standards for broadcast journalism.
- C) Promoting research in journalism education.
- D) Representing print media interests.

Answer: A) Advocating for journalists' welfare and rights.

7. **Question:** What is the primary function of the Press Institute of India (PII)?

- A) Advocating for journalists' rights.
- B) Representing print media interests.
- C) Setting ethical standards for journalism.
- D) Promoting excellence in journalism education.

Answer: D) Promoting excellence in journalism education.

8. **Question:** How do media-related organizations contribute to the journalism industry's credibility and professionalism?

- A) By sensationalizing news stories.
- B) By compromising ethical standards.
- C) By advocating for responsible journalism and setting standards.
- D) By prioritizing celebrity gossip.



Answer: C) By advocating for responsible journalism and setting standards.

9. **Question:** The role of the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) primarily focuses on:

- A) Advocating for journalists' welfare.
- B) Ensuring responsible broadcasting practices.
- C) Maintaining transparency in circulation figures.
- D) Promoting research in journalism education.

Answer: C) Maintaining transparency in circulation figures.

10. **Question:** How does the Indian Newspaper Society (INS) contribute to the print media industry?

- A) Advocating for journalists' welfare.
- B) Ensuring transparency in circulation figures.
- C) Representing print media interests and addressing challenges.
- D) Promoting excellence in journalism education.

Answer: C) Representing print media interests and addressing challenges.

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