

## Social Media as A Change Agent, And Its Impact on Youth

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KEYWORDS	ABSTRACT
Social Media, Youth, Change	The major objective of this study is to investigate the social changes caused by
Agent.	social media use, exploring the impact of social media on youth. In this
	quantitative study, 104 students of the University of Sargodha were selected
ARTICLE HISTORY	through convenience sampling technique with a questionnaire as the data
Date of Submission: 22-11-	collection tool. Pearson's correlation test was applied using SPSS software and
2024	the results revealed a positive and statistically significant relationship between
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2024	social media use and its perceived effectiveness as a change agent. A statistically
Date of Publication:30-12-	significant relationship was revealed ( $r = .207$ , $p = .035$ ). Regression analysis
2024	further highlighted that 4.3% of the variance in perceived effectiveness of social
Conference Organizer(s)	media as a change agent (SMCA) was explained by social media use $(R2 = 0.043)$
Research Consultancy on	with a standardized beta coefficient of 0.207 (p = .035), indicating a 0.207
Social & Management	increase in SMCA for every one-unit increase in social media use. These findings
Development	highlight the important role of social media in shaping youth perceptions. This
&	study focuses on influencing youth perspectives and highlights the importance
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	of leveraging social media to promote social change.
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