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Dear Colleague,

As the field of Psychology evolves in India, so do the challenges faced by practicing mental health professionals'. Psychologists today don many hats as they work across multiple settings, ranging from hospitals, clinics and NGOs to corporate and research organizations, and schools. Unfortunately, mental health care, as a service area, has been slow in embracing technology compared to other service sectors in the country. Technology has the potential to make professional assessment services more accessible to the masses and significantly empower professionals'.

Pearson is constantly striving to innovate and stay relevant for professionals' in Psychology and allied fields. With digitalization of services on the rise in India, Pearson is providing a digital solution that gives easy access to our psychological tools for professionals and the vast communities of individuals they serve.

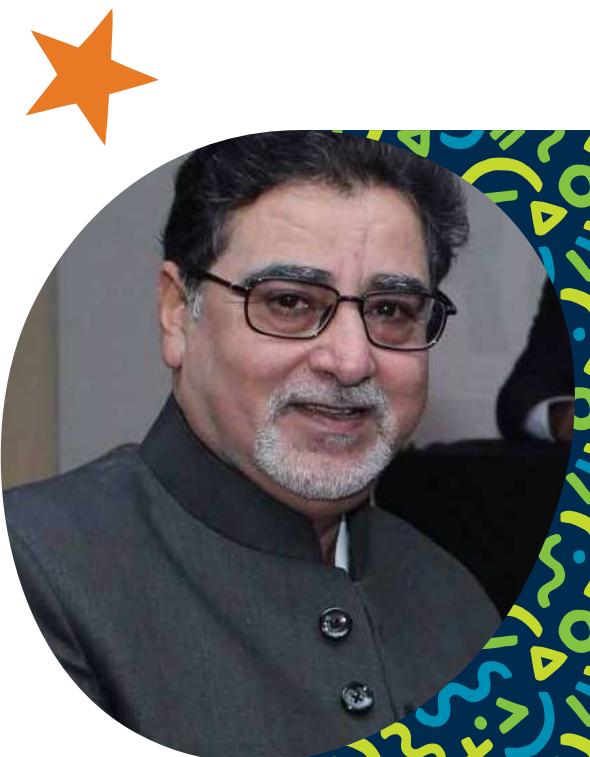
Q-global, our digital platform to administer, score and report Pearson assessments is a significant step in our commitment to the field of mental health care in this country. Q-global is changing the psychological assessment landscape of our country, in alignment with the vision of our Honorable Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi through the Digital India initiative.

As a cost-effective digital solution for both institutions and practicing individuals, Q-global gives professionals a wider geographical reach through its remote administration feature, besides being secure, time-saving and portable. It can be easily integrated with the clinical training that Departments of Psychology and allied fields offer to students, adopted in private and organizational clinical practice and used within governmental initiatives in mental health and education.

I look forward to hearing from you on how you have adopted Q-global and through it, our digital assessments, to help improve lives by creating better mental health in this country!



*Warm Regards
Philip Kurian
Director and Country Manager,
Pearson Clinical & Talent Assessment.*



Professional Of the Month

Prof. Rajeev Dogra

Prof. Rajeev Dogra is Head, Department of Clinical Psychology, Institute of Mental Health, Pt. Bhagwan Dayal Sharma PGIMS, University of Health Sciences, Rohtak, Haryana.

Prof. Dogra has been a part of the institute since 1985 and has worked extensively for the well-being of psychiatric patients in areas such as psychological assessment, psychological treatment and mental health research. Under his able leadership and expertise, the Department of Clinical Psychology has been offering M. PHIL degrees in Clinical Psychology and Psychiatric Social Work since 2011 that are recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI). The Department has been recognized as a Centre of Excellence that trains advanced students to become competent mental health professionals.

Prof. Dogra has several research publications to his credit, in prestigious national and International journals. He has also authored chapters in many books on mental health. Prof. Dogra is a member of the expert committee in RCI. He dedicates a significant part of his professional time guiding student dissertations and theses that contribute to the research output of the - Department.

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Department of Psychology, SNDT Women's University: Pioneering Higher Standards of Post-graduate Training in Psychology

SNDT Women's University (SNDT WU) established one of the 'younger' departments in the field of Psychology, with post-graduate training in Psychology offered much later than some of the larger universities in Maharashtra and India. This fact notwithstanding, the Department of Psychology has grown in prestige and reputation over the years, by creating and sustaining cutting-edge and professional training in post-graduate Psychology education in the state of Maharashtra.

Established by the visionary Maharishi Dhondo Keshav Karve, SNDT WU has pioneered women's' education in the country. The Department of Psychology upholds academic rigor in post-graduate and doctoral training in Psychology by ensuring current and updated syllabi and hands-on student training in internship settings, using state-of-the-art psychological assessments. The Department runs a counseling center for the university and Psychology students are an energetic and energizing component of its various mental health efforts.

Whether it is psychotherapy and counseling in clinical settings or workforce selection and development in corporate settings, the department firmly believes that a strong theoretical foundation and use of reliable and valid assessment tools are essential in understanding psychological attributes of an individual. The faculty at SNDT WU brings deep expertise in experimental design, using computerized interfaces to train students in cognitive and other variables, and in psychometric assessment in the areas of intelligence, memory, learning abilities, behavioral and developmental assessment. The Department of Psychology recognizes the need for professional use of assessments that are valid for Indian populations. SNDT Psychology faculty members have participated in collaborative studies with Pearson Clinical & Talent Assessment (PCTA) to develop India norms for tests such as Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children – Fourth Edition India (WISC-IV^{INDIA}). The faculty has conducted learning webinars for Pearson Academy India, the services arm of PCTA, on addressing emotional difficulties of school children using scientific assessments such as the Beck Youth Inventories – Second Edition, India, For Children and Adolescents (BYI-II^{INDIA})

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Psychology students of SNDT WU are trained in the India editions of the Wechsler series of tests from Pearson, such as the Wechsler Memory Scale – 3rd Edition, India (WMS – III^{INDIA}) and the Wechsler Abbreviated Scales of Intelligence, Second Edition, India (WASI – II^{INDIA}), respectively. Students are also trained on excellent measures of personality assessment such as the Millon Clinical Multiaxial Inventory - III (MCMI - III) and the Millon Adolescent Clinical Inventory (MACI). SNDT WU students specialize in one of three areas in the Master's program, viz. Clinical Psychology, Counseling Psychology and Industrial/Organizational Psychology, besides pursuing doctoral and post-doctoral work in these applied domains. They are accordingly exposed to a wide range of Pearson assessments such as those cited above, as well as assessments for measuring intellectual and developmental disabilities such as such as Vineland Adaptive Behavior Scales, Second Edition (Vineland - II), tools to assess attention deficits and other difficulties in the very young and career assessment tools. Students of the I/O program are exposed to scientific hiring and development solutions such as the Watson-Glaser Critical Thinking Appraisal (W-GCTA). Students also avail opportunities to participate in pilot studies for online recruitment tools that are being developed by faculty through consultancy projects.

The Department has been investing heavily over the last few years in building a strong base of new and research-based psychometric measures and values its association with PCTA in this effort. PCTA is helping bring about change in how advanced students in Psychology and allied fields are trained and how mental health professionals use assessments in India. The latest editions of its assessments with India norms make these assessments more accurate for use in the Indian context. PCTA has also made its assessments more affordable and accessible by offering many of its assessments online, on its digital assessment platform, Q-global. The Department of Psychology at SNDT WU acknowledges these initiatives as having the potential to change the mental health care landscape in India for the better and wishes Pearson Clinical & Talent Assessment all the best for the future.

Warm regards,

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Featured Institution

Center for Health Psychology, University of Hyderabad

The Centre for Health Psychology was established in 2007 and is the first Centre for Health Psychology in the country. Health Psychology is a holistic approach to health and well-being that shifts the emphasis of health from a biomedical to a bio-psycho-social model. The research focus of the Centre includes bio-psycho-social aspects of chronic illness, quality of life, neuropsychological studies, ICU trauma, reproductive health, psycho-oncology, disability studies, resilience studies, and peace studies. The Centre is equipped with an Experimental Laboratory, Counseling Laboratory, Behavior Technology Laboratory and Sleep Laboratory, and uses more than 250 standardized psychological tests to train students.

Courses offered: Integrated M.Sc. in Health Psychology, M.Sc. in Health Psychology and Ph. D in Psychology. Courses provide students with a strong theoretical foundation in Health Psychology, practical training & field exposure, and internship for students. The Centre offers innovative approaches to teaching that includes movies, novels and role play and is actively involved in outreach programs benefiting the community.



Raven's CPM/CVS^{HINDI}

Measure nonverbal and verbal aspects of general ability in Hindi-speaking children and use scientific Indian language translations for more accurate testing.

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- Bayley-III: Assessing Key Developmental Domains in Young Children

Training & certification webinars:

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- Read the signs: Suicide prevention training

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