

PODCAST: REAL TALK

Podcast URL code: <https://anchor.fm/real-talk906>

ACTIVITY LOG:

My Podcast group included Lillian, Anastasia, Delaney and myself (Dharmi Dave). Lily, Anastasia and I made use of any free time and Thinking about Journalism seminars to brainstorm ideas and generate topics for our podcasts. A lot of it was just the 3 of us since Delaney was allotted to the group a lot later. We put our heads up together when we started our Podcast Presentation which was due on 15th November 2021. Most of our ideas were produced and initiated back in November when we planned our podcast presentation. We organised multiple meetings that aimed at either podcast presentation or the final podcast. The final podcast consists of 2 episodes which were recorded on 2 different days. The first episode was recorded on 6th December 2021 where all 4 group members were present. The second episode was recorded on 9th December 2021 when Delaney couldn't join the 3 of us. Lily, Anastasia and I proceeded with our recording and finished episode 2 together; Delaney sent us his individual recording on 11th December 2021, which was then edited and merged into our episode 2 recording. Initially, in October, when we were given a few topics, what stood out to me was diversity in journalism since we were a diverse student body itself. Lily from the United Kingdom, Anastasia from the United States of America and myself from India; I thought that we could clearly focus on how women are treated in the journalism industry in our respective countries. I thought that Delaney's addition to the group could be beneficial because he could include a male perspective on this topic. Moreover, I directed attention to an important point of why stories concerning women need more coverage. My major focus was to address the sexist and gender differences among male and female journalists in the Indian media. How women are casually mistreated for their work especially if they are female journalists of colour. I looked at how female journalists of colour are being trolled and pulled down which also have to do with patriarchal stereotypes. I made a WhatsApp group chat and added all the group members to coordinate and organise meetings, brainstorm topics and discuss our key techniques to make this podcast a success. I always initiated the conversation on the group chat regarding meets, developing ideas and organising a time and place according to everybody's schedule. I contacted my group members individually if they didn't respond on the group chat. I stuck to my podcast plan which was presented in the class on 15th November, however, Lily and Anastasia failed to do that and overlapped a lot of my topics which led me to compromise and cut down a lot of information. Their not being able to stick to their topics as mentioned in their presentation slides and changing to my topic really made it challenging and tricky for me, nonetheless, I managed. I used many lecture slides, reading list and other materials on Canvas to research about my topic and questions. However, my major source of information was the Internet i.e., the data already available online. I looked at recent, concerning and pressing

articles related to my topic which provided me with in-depth information, statistics and qualitative and quantitative data.

References – Harvard Style

Ay, C., (2018), How to Give Your Readers the Comment Sections They Want, *Smart Moderation*, [online] Available at: <https://www.smartmoderation.com/how-to-give-your-readers-the-comment-sections-they-want> (Accessed 5th December 2021).

[Gardiner](#), B., [Mansfield](#), M., [Anderson](#), I., [Holder](#), J., [Louter](#), D., and [Ulmanu](#), M., (2016), The dark side of Guardian comments, *The Guardian*, [online] Available at: <https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2016/apr/12/the-dark-side-of-guardian-comments> (Accessed 3rd December 2021).

Klaas, E., and Boukes, M., (2020), A woman's got to write what a woman's got to write: the effect of journalist's gender on the perceived credibility of news articles, *Feminist Media Studies*, DOI: [10.1080/14680777.2020.1838596](https://doi.org/10.1080/14680777.2020.1838596) (Accessed 5th December 2021).

Mantri, G., (2019), Less women in Indian newsrooms, men get to do more 'serious' news: Study finds, *The News Minute*, [online] Available at: <https://www.thenewsminute.com/article/less-women-indian-newsrooms-men-get-to-do-more-serious-news-study-finds-106584> (Accessed 29th October 2021).

Moosa, T., (2014), Comment sections are poison: handle with care or remove them, *The Guardian*, [online] Available at: <https://www.theguardian.com/science/brain-flapping/2014/sep/12/comment-sections-toxic-moderation> (Accessed 24th November 2021).

Patowary, H., (2014). Portrayal of Women in Indian Mass Media: An Investigation. 1. 84-92. [online] Available at: [https://www.researchgate.net/publication/333036807 Portrayal of Women in Indian Mass Media An Investigation](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/333036807_Portrayal_of_Women_in_Indian_Mass_Media_An_Investigation) (Accessed 5th December 2021).

Singh, S., (2021), Newsroom gender gap: Men get over 80% of TV panel slots, 75% of bylines, *newslaundry*, [online] Available at: <https://www.newslaundry.com/2021/07/13/newsroom-gender-gap-men-get-over-80-of-tv-panel-slots-75-of-bylines> (Accessed 27th November 2021).

Spring, M., (2021), I get abuse and threats online - why can't it be stopped?, *BBC*, [online] Available at: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-58924168> (Accessed 6th December 2021).

Sullivan, M., (2021), Online harassment of female journalists is real, and it's increasingly hard to endure, *The Washington Post*, [online] Available at: https://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/media/online-harassment-female-journalists/2021/03/13/ed24b0aa-82aa-11eb-ac37-4383f7709abe_story.html (Accessed 4th December 2021).

Tabassum, N. and Nayak, B. S. (2021) 'Gender Stereotypes and Their Impact on Women's Career Progressions from a Managerial Perspective', *IIM Kozhikode Society & Management Review*, 10(2), pp. 192–208. doi: [10.1177/2277975220975513](https://doi.org/10.1177/2277975220975513). (Accessed 4th December 2021).

Thadani, R., (2020), Why Indian Media Houses 'Must Fix Their Diversity Problem', *YKA*, [online] Available at: <https://www.youthkiawaaz.com/2020/08/the-death-of-diversity/> (Accessed 28th October 2021).