

CONTENT ANALYSIS OF SPECIAL ISSUES OF INDIAN JOURNAL OF SOCIAL WORK (1981-1990)

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Abstract: - *The present study is the content analysis of ten years of Special Issues of Indian Journal of Social Work Which is Pioneering publication of the social work profession in India by the Tata Institute of Social Work. Indian Journal of Social Work is a Quarterly Journal. The focus the journal is to “Literature for social Work” means literature needed for different social work functions. These functions are broadly conceptualized as practice, administration, research education and training. The Special Issues of Indian Journal of Social Work focus on different social problems*

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INTRODUCTION

Journals & Periodicals are most important medium of current Information in particular subject. Scholarly Journals are used by the scientist and professionals to share their ideas, thoughts, inventions, innovations and discoveries.

ABOUT THE JOURNAL

Indian Journal of Social Work is pioneering publication of the social profession in India by the Tata Institute of Social Sciences. The Journal published every January, April, July and October and brought out over sixty one Special focus Issues since 1940 to 2012. The main object

of Indian Journal of Social Work is to encourage original research on the part of Indian Social Workers to report significant advances in social field. The Indian Journal of Social Work focuses on multidisciplinary knowledge development relevant to the changing prospective of the social work profession.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

This study will be undertaken to analysis the following aspects.

1. To analyses the content of Special Issues of Indian Journal of Social Work.

2. To identify the number to contribution published during the 1981 to 1990.
3. To identify authorship pattern of contributions.
4. To study geographical distribution of articles.
5. To study Institution wise distribution of articles.
6. To identify gender wise distribution of contributors.

SCOPE AND LIMITATION OF THE STUDY

Published Special Issues of Indian Journal of Social Work since 1981 to 1990 and 8 volumes will be taken for the study content analysis of articles, book reviews and news events will be covered.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

All the Special Issues of Indian Journal of Social Work from 1981 to 1990 volumes will be studied to collect the data. The methodology adopted in this study. The method of research in content analysis i.e. quantitative (or descriptive) and inferential methods will be used for evaluating the data.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

For the study and research some review of related literature as follows

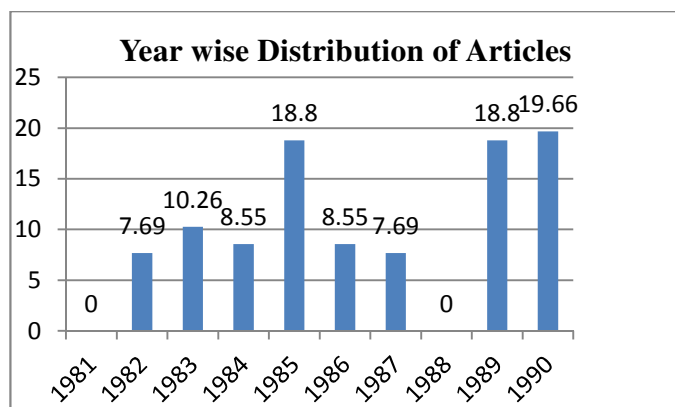
Rahul S. Lokhande studies the content analysis of open access LIS Journals “ALIS” (2002-2011) by analyzing articles, author and LIS subject covered in the articles the conclusion part was useful for study another study by **Satarkar, S. P.** and **Dharmapuriker, K.G.** has undertaken content analysis with a view to study the

communication content of the University News and to study it quality of communication the analysis part was found useful for the research work **Shalini R. Lihitkar** and **Namita Patil** analyzed ‘Content Analysis of Library Herold 2008-2011’ based on the study in authorship pattern, State wise and Institution wise distribution of contributions. It is also analysis of features. **Manoj Kumar and Moorthy A. L.** Bibliometric Analysis of DESIDOC Journal of Library and Information Technology during 2001-2010. DESIDOC Journal of Library & Information Science being published in India. The analysis covers various parameters like growth pattern, content coverage, authorship pattern, of articles etc.

ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

Table 1 Year wise Distribution of Special Issues of IJSW Articles

Sr. No.	Year	Volume No.	No. of Articles	Percentage %
1	1981	--	00	00.00
2	1982	42	09	07.69
3	1983	43	12	10.26
4	1984	45	10	08.55
5	1985	45&46	22	18.80
6	1986	47	10	08.55
7	1987	48	09	07.69
8	1988	--	00	00.00
9	1989	50	22	18.80
10	1990	51	23	19.66
Total			117	100.00



maximum articles 23(19.66) followed by 22(18.80) articles in 1985 and 1989. The minimum number of articles 09(07.69) reported in the year 1982 and 1987.

During the analysis observed that 117 valuable articles were published. In the year 1990 included

Table 2 Authorship Pattern of Contributions.

Sr. No.	Year	Volume No.	Contribution Of Authorship Pattern In each Issue			No. Of Article	Percentage (%)
			Single Author	Joint Author	Three Author		
1	1981	--	00	00	00	00	00.00
2	1982	42	09	00	00	09	07.69
3	1983	43	09	03	00	12	10.26
4	1984	45	10	00	00	10	08.55
5	1985	45&46	19	02	01	22	18.80
6	1986	47	08	02	00	10	08.55
7	1987	48	06	03	00	09	07.69
8	1988	--	00	00	00	00	00.00
9	1989	50	22	00	00	22	18.80
10	1990	51	23	00	00	23	19.66
Total			106	10	01	117	100

Table 3 Analysis of Authorship pattern of Articles.

Sr. No.	Pattern of Authors	No. of Articles	Percentage %
1	Single Author	106	90.60
2	Joint Author	10	08.55
3	Three Author	01	00.85
		117	100.00

The above table2 and 3 shows that out of 117 contributions 106 (90.60%) have been contributed by single author, 10 (08.55%) by joint author, 1(0.85%) by three authors.

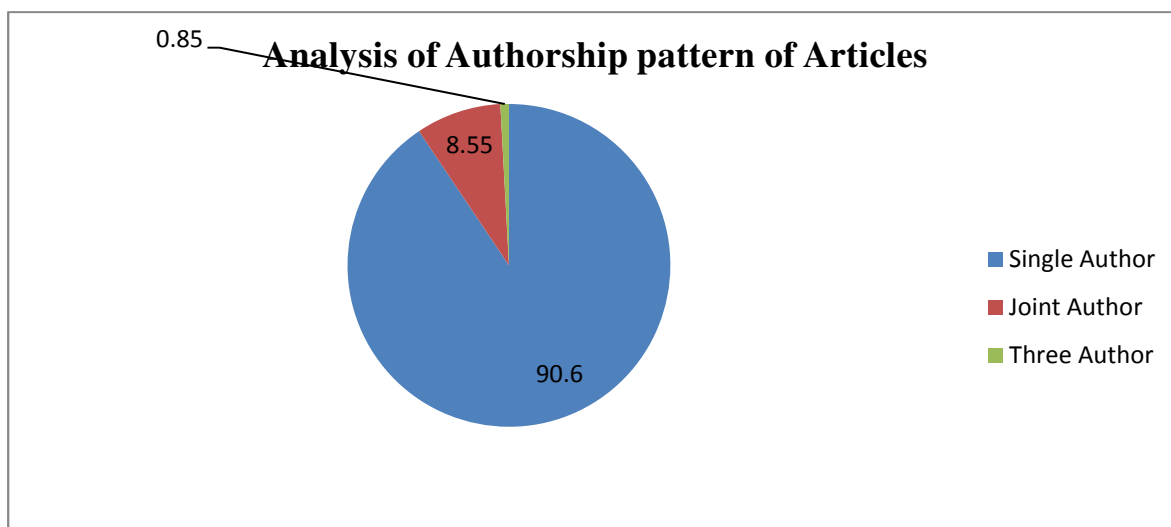
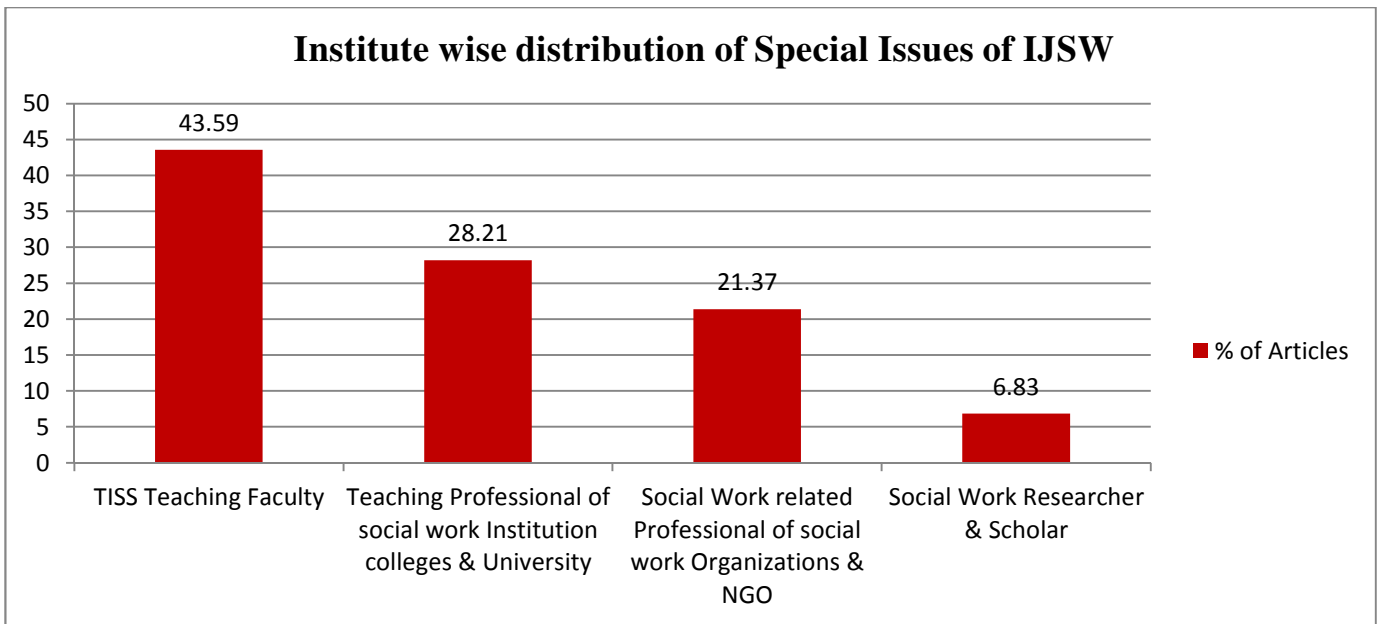


Table 4 Geographical Distribution of Special Issues of IJSW Article

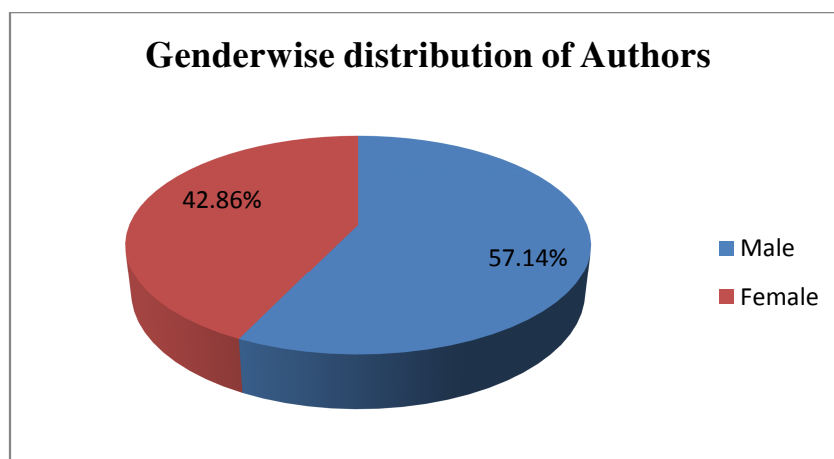
Sr. No.	Name of State/City	No. of Contributions	Percentage (%)
1	Mumbai	76	64.96
2	New Delhi	8	6.84
3	Hyderabad	2	1.71
4	Baroda	1	0.85
5	Ahmedabad	1	0.85
6	Gazipur	1	0.85
7	Lucknow	1	0.85
8	Chennai	1	0.85
9	Mysore	1	0.85
10	Calcutta	1	0.85
11	Varanasi	1	0.85
12	Ludhiana	1	0.85
13	Chandigarh	1	0.85
14	Pune	2	1.71
15	Kanpur	1	0.85
16	Thane	1	0.85
17	Tirupati	1	0.85
18	Bangalore	3	2.56
19	Bhopal	1	0.85
20	England	1	0.85
21	Canada	2	1.71
22	U.S.A.	3	2.56
23	U.K.	1	0.85
24	London	1	0.85
25	Thailand	1	0.85
26	Washington	1	0.85
27	Japan	1	0.85
28	Mixed	1	0.85
	Total	117	99.99



The above table indicates Institution wise distribution in Special Issues of IJSW out of 117 contributions, the highest number is 51(43.59%) has been contributed by TISS Teaching Faculty. 33(28.21%) articles contributed by Teaching Professional of social work Institution, Colleges and Universities. 25(21.37%) articles contributed by Social Work related Professional of social work Organizations and NGO’s. 8(6.83%) articles by social work research scholar.

Table 6 Gender wise distribution of Authors

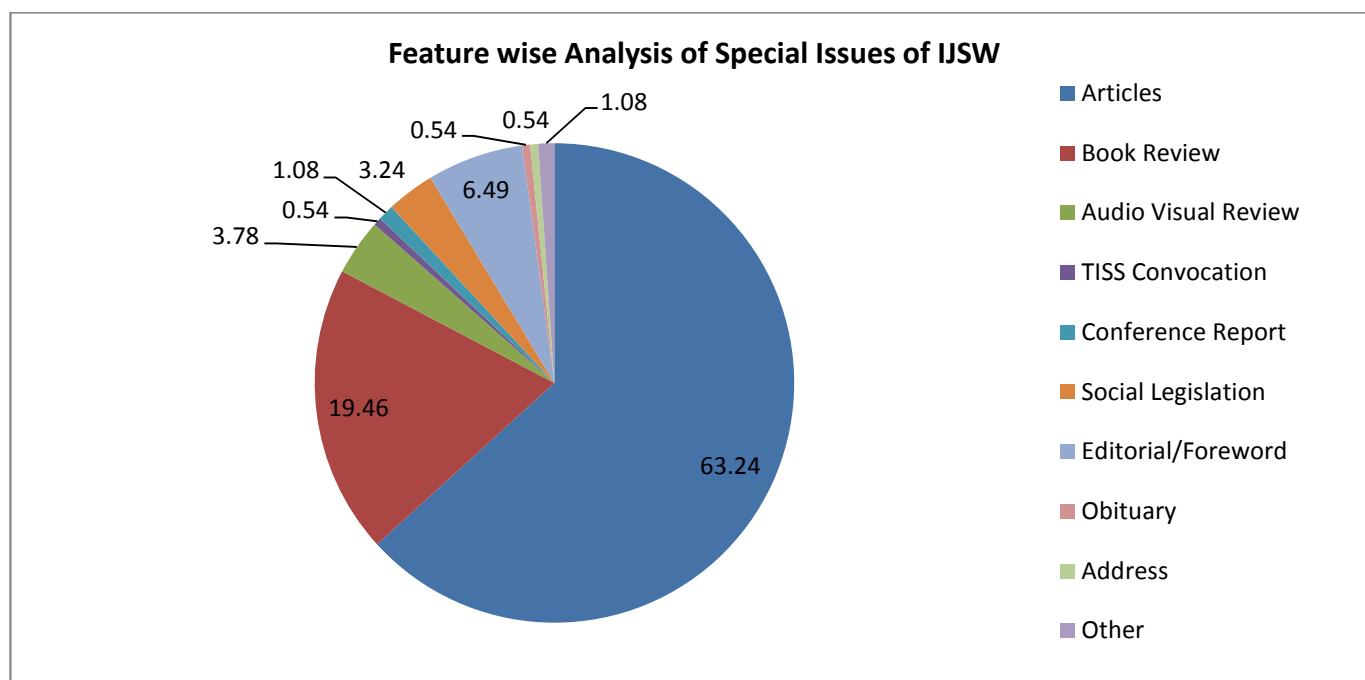
Sr. No.	Gender	No. Of Authors	Percentage (%)
1	Male	64	57.14
2	Female	48	42.86
	Total	112	100.00



The table shows gender wise distribution of author it is observed that the total number of authors of Special Issues of IJSW during the period 1981 to 1990 is 112. In comparison to male authors contribution of female author is 48(42.86%) whereas contribution made by male authors is 64 (57.14%)

Table 7 Feature wise analysis of Special Issues of IJSW (1981 to 1990)

Sr. No.	Name of Feature	Total No.	Percentage %
1	Articles	117	63.24
2	Book Review	36	19.46
3	Audio Visual Review	07	3.78
4	TISS Convocation	01	0.54
5	Conference Report	02	1.08
6	Social Legislation	06	3.24
7	Editorial/Foreword	12	6.49
8	Obituary	01	0.54
9	Address	01	0.54
10	Other	02	1.08
	Total	185	99.99



The above table shows the feature wise analysis of Special Issues of IJSW (1981 to 1990). It is observed that highest number of 117 articles was published, followed by 36 book review was published and minimum 1 feature of TISS Convocation, Obituary and Address published during 1981 to 1990.

FINDINGS

- ❖ Special Issues of Indian Journal of Social Work covers articles, book review, editorial, audio visual review, reports, TISS convocation, obituary, address, social legislation etc. in the field of social work.

- ❖ Most of the contributions in this Special Issues of IJSW from TISS Teaching faculty.
- ❖ Study of authorship pattern in Special Issues of IJSW revealed that the major contribution was by single author.
- ❖ Geographical distribution of articles showed that highest number of articles contributed by Mumbai.

- ❖ Study of Gender wise distribution of articles is observed that male authors are more contributed.
- ❖ Most of special Issues of IJSW contains articles, book review and most of the books have been reviewed by authorities in social work field.

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CONCLUSION

The Special Issues of Indian Journal of Social work has based on Special current Issues and Subject of that particular period. Indian Journal of Social work plays a major role in making social policies and social phenomena. This is very good research communication platform for social work researcher.

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