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#### **Abstract**

The current study aimed to examine the relationship between mobile phone overuse, sleep quality, and psychological well-being among university students. data were collected from undergraduate students and the sample consisted of 300 respondents. The study was cross sectional design with data gathered from university students of Rawalpindi and Islamabad. Data was collected by using three scales. smartphone addiction scales, sleep quality, psychological well-being scale. And the result of my study rejected my hypothesis and the remaining two are excepted the positive relationship between sleep quality and psychological well-being.

Keywords: Sleep Quality, Mobile Phone overuse, psychological well-being.

#### Introduction

Mobile phone overuse is one of the common problems among adults worldwide that is hailed as excessive phone use while engaging with others. Activities such as learning, driving, social gatherings, and even sleep. Addiction to the mobile phone is a serious problem that leads to one negative effect on the person's thoughts, behavior, and psychological well-being.

Mobile phone overuse implies a lack of control over to use of the mobile phone despite negative effects including poor psychological well being, poor sleep quality. 96% of young individuals between the ages of 18 and 29 who own a smartphone also own a mobile phone, according to Pew Research Center data from 2019. The accessibility of smartphones provides instant satisfaction, but at a cost. One survey found that students use their phones for about 9 hours each day, which is a significant amount of time for kids Roberts et al.,(2014). In actuality, increased phone use has been linked to lower grades, maybe in part because of students using their Mobile in class (Bjornsen & Archer,2015),(Jacobsen & Forste, 2011),(Lepp et al, 2014)

Student use of cell phones has an effect on both their physical and emotional well-being. Although it hasn't been studied, excessive cell phone use has been linked to headaches, irritability, poor focus, anxiety, poor sleep quality, and decreased life satisfaction (Fossum et al., 2014; Li et al., 2015). (Acharya et al., 2013). Many academics have proposed theories as to why students display symptoms of smartphone addiction.

The current study sought to investigate the connection between university students' psychological well-being, sleep quality, and mobile phone use. Griffiths (2003) suggested that anything that causes excitement causes addiction.

#### Mobile Phone overuse

Over the past two decades, smartphones have integrated functions from almost every possible area, be it navigation, performing complex calculations, socializing, commercial or educational purposes. The list is limitless and everything can be found at the touch of a button. Sleep Quality Baglioni et al. (2016) (2016). There is proof that smartphones reduce the quality of sleep (Christensen et al., 2016; Demirci et al., 2015). A meta-analysis published in 2019 indicated that the median prevalence of smartphone addiction in children and young adults was 23% and that the majority of research used the SAS-SV questionnaire. and a considerable lag in smartphone use is linked to poor sleep, depressive disorders, anxiety, tension, and impairment in day-to-day activities Sohn et al., (2019). The relationship between perceived stress and sleeping habits has been studied, but Dharmadhikari et al., (2019).

Sleep quality is a significant health indicator Aguirre, The pervasive behavioral changes and risky behaviors that students have adopted as a result of excessive smartphone use are less documented, despite the fact that research indicates that all addictive behaviors are predicted by emotional dysregulation.

#### Psychological Well-Being

The World Health Organization defines health as "a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not just the absence of disease or infirmity". Based on the such a definition, maintaining a favorable balance between physical, mental, and social states is necessary to ensure complete well-being. Acting on the choices a person makes throughout life has an important role in changing a person's well-being in a positive or negative way. Given that positively maintaining well-being makes individuals happy, researchers have begun to explore other potential factors that may affect happiness (Saygın & Arslan, 2009).

#### **Literature Review**

Studies among university students provide some evidence to suggest that The usage of mobile devices excessively can harm one's ability to sleep and mental wellness. Here is data that suggests frequent use of mobile devices may not be beneficial. on sleep quality and psychological well-being among university students. One study found that higher levels of mobile phone use were associated with reduced sleep quality, as well as increased symptoms of depression and anxiety. (K Demirci ,2015) Similarly, another study found that frequent use of smartphones was associated with poor psychological well-being outcomes, including increased stress and decreased levels of well-being. It's believed that the blue light emitted by mobile phone screens can interfere with the body's normal sleep-wake cycle, making it harder to get to sleep and stay asleep.

Additionally, constant notifications and the pressure to respond to messages can create a sense of urgency and lead to increased stress and anxiety. It is important for university students to be aware of the potential negative effects of frequent smartphone use and to take steps to manage their phone use in a healthy way. This may include setting limits on phone use, establishing designated times for phone-free activities, and finding other healthy ways to manage stress and improve sleep quality.

There have been few research studies conducted on the topic of the impact of mobile phone use and psychological well-being among university students. Here are a few examples of such studies: A study analyzed data from over 4,100 university students and found that mobile phone use was significantly associated with poor sleep quality and increased fatigue (Chen, et al., 2016). Another study found that university students who used their phones more frequently before bed reported lower sleep quality and increased fatigue (Drewes, et al., 2018). Another study found that higher levels of mobile phone use were associated with increased symptoms of anxiety and depression among university students (Elhaiet al., 2018).

According to Przybylski et al., (2019) university students who used their phones more frequently reported lower levels of well-being and higher levels of stress. These studies provide evidence to suggest that the overuse of mobile phones may have negative effects on sleep quality and psychological well-being among university students. However, it is important to note that more research is needed to fully understand this relationship and determine the precise nature and extent of these effects. Literature suggests that the overuse of mobile phones can have negative effects on the psychological well-being of university students.

According to one study, increased mobile phone use was linked to improved depression and anxiety symptoms as well as poor sleep. Another study discovered a similar relationship between excessive mobile phone use and poor psychological wellness outcomes, including increased stress and decreased feelings of well-being. It's believed that the blue light emitted by mobile phone screens can interfere with the body's normal sleep-wake cycle, making it harder to get to sleep and stay asleep. A sense of urgency can be created by continual notifications and the need to reply to messages, which can increase tension and anxiety. This can include setting rules on phone use, designating periods for phone-free activities, and discovering more healthy coping mechanisms for stress and poor sleep.

Here are some additional references that provide more information on the impact of mobile phone overuse on sleep quality and psychological well-being among university students: A study found that higher levels of mobile phone use were associated with reduced sleep quality and increased symptoms of depression and anxiety among university students

(Kwon, et al., 2013). A review of the study found that excessive use of mobile phones was associated with poor mental health outcomes, including increased stress and decreased levels of well-being among university students (Koufaris, 2014). A study found that mobile phone use was associated with poor sleep quality and increased fatigue among university students (Chen, et al., 2016). Another study found that mobile phone use before bed was associated with reduced sleep quality and increased fatigue among university students (Drewes, et al., 2018).

It is significant to emphasize that additional study is required in order to completely comprehend the association between mobile phone use. These findings do not go far enough. The ubiquity of cell phones provides instant gratification, but at a cost. One survey found that students use their phones for about 9 hours each day, which is a significant amount of time for kids (Roberts et al., 2014). In actuality, increased phone use has been linked to lower grades, maybe in part because of students using their phones in class (Bjornsen & Archer, 2015; Jacobsen & Forste, 2011) ,(Lepp et al., 2014),(Li et al., 2015).

Cell phone use has an effect on children's physical and emotional well-being. The link between excessive cell phone use and poor sleep quality is unclear to researchers (Fossum et al., 2014; Li et al., 2015). Increased anxiety levels, reduced life satisfaction, headaches, irritability, and poor focus are some of the side effects of mobile phone use (Lepp et al., 2014). Many academics have proposed theories as to why students display symptoms of smartphone addiction.

In a study of smartphone users, it was discovered that those who used their devices excessively had higher state anxiety levels, anxiety, and depression than those who used their devices normally (Hwang, Yoo & Cho, 2012). A significant public health issue in technologically advanced cultures is poor sleep quality (Cheung & Wong, 2011). Adolescents have been the main subject of most research that has looked at the relationship between using electronic media and sleeping. According to a survey, difficult Internet use has been associated with sleep problems like insomnia and poor sleep quality (Lam, 2014). Similarly to this, Song et al., (2010) hypothesized a link between depression and sleep issues in adolescents and Internet addiction.

Numerous studies from the past have demonstrated that a student who is attending university may suffer from poor sleep patterns and quality. Students these days are so interested in their smartphones that they are testing the limits of their independence, which affects their ability to get a good night's sleep. Additionally, it has been discovered that students experience a variety of sleep problems, which negatively impact their way of life. Another study conducted

by Abbey et al., (2015) indicated that while sleep duration is not a factor, certain characteristics of smartphone users are connected to sleep quality.

Recent studies have shown a strong correlation between these sleep disorders and a number of health issues and mobile phones. In a study conducted by Larry et al., (2010) Rosen Larry, and Carrier.M (2011), it was discovered that the cognitive and affective aspects that affect how much time people spend using technology had a significant impact on their ability to sleep. It was also observed that sleep issues are influenced by excessive reliance on mobile devices and late-night awakenings caused by spending endless hours on them.

#### **Theoretical Framework**

According to the self-regulation theory (SRT), we make an effort to control our thoughts, words, and actions in order to be the people we want to be in both immediate and long-term settings. Much of self-regulation is stopping us from acting in ways we know we shouldn't, including refraining from unkind criticism of others. Additionally necessary for promoting psychological well-being is self-control. According to Baumeister et al. (2007), there are four parts to self-regulation: 1) Expectations of desired behavior 2) Goal: To meet expectations. 3) Monitoring: Of circumstances and ideas that precede transgressions of standards. 4) Willpower: The capacity to restrain one's own impulses. According to selfregulation studies, adolescents who struggle with self-control are more likely to engage in compulsive smartphone behavior (Gökçearslan et al., 2016; van Deursen et al., 2015). Literature encourages a vibrant and fact-based discussion on the role of sleep quality in selfregulation from several angles. Anderson (2010), a sleep researcher, outlines the crucial elements that are most likely to have an impact on psychological and self-regulatory health. According to scientists, while the quantity and consistency of sleep combine to dramatically reduce psychological well-being over the course of a week, sleep quality does have an impact on this. (Wang, 2018). Impulse control and short-term desire management are both parts of self-regulation. Impulsive individuals have a tendency to act on their immediate wishes. This is one way for these people to end up using their phones excessively, which affects the quality of their sleep and their general health. 2017 (Wilmer).

#### Rationale

Smartphone use among university students is associated with delayed bedtime, reduced total sleep time, low psychological wellbeing and poor sleep quality. With the steady increase in media devices and internet usage among university students we examined the influence of smart phone overuse on sleep quality. One of the goals of the current study was to examine the link between frequent use of mobile phones and university students' sleep patterns and

psychological wellbeing. The effects of excessive mobile phone use on university students' sleep patterns and prospective effects on sleep quality have been studied in the literature. Research in this field is important because student life is now almost entirely dominated by mobile phone use, and its effects on individuals are only just starting to become apparent. The purpose of this study was to investigate the connection between university students' well-being, excessive usage of mobile devices, and sleep quality.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. To explore the association between mobile phone overuse and sleep quality among university students.
- **2.** To determine the association between mobile phone overuse and psychological wellbeing among university students.
- **3.** To explore the gender difference in mobile phone overuse, sleep quality, and psychological wellbeing among university students.

### **Hypotheses**

- 1. There will be a negative relationship between mobile phone overuse and sleep quality among university students.
- 2. There will be a negative relationship between mobile phone overuse and psychological well-being among university students.
- 3. There will be a positive relationship between sleep quality and psychological well-being among university students.
- 4. There will be a significant gender difference in mobile phone overuse, sleep quality, and psychological well-being among university students.

Chapter 2

#### Method

#### **Research Design**

This study utilized a correlational cross-sectional study design in which data was collected at one point by using the survey method.

### **Sampling And Sampling Technique**

In the present study, data was collected from university students, using a convenience sampling technique.

#### **Instruments**

#### Smartphone Addiction Short Scale (SAS)

Kwon developed the SAS to quantify smartphone addiction (2016). Six variables and 33 items make up the Likert scale for this scale, with 1 meaning "strongly disagree" and 6 denoting "strongly agree." Self-reported SAS data are used. The six criteria were daily life disruption, pleasurable anticipation, withdrawal, connection focused on the internet, overuse, and tolerance. The SAS has a Cronbach's alpha of 0.96. The scale of Sleeping Quality *Seep Quality Scale (SQS)* 

This scale was invented by Chol Shin in 2006. The 28-item SQS assesses six aspects of sleep quality: difficulty waking, daytime symptoms, recuperation after sleep, problems starting and maintaining sleep, and sleep satisfaction. The scale was developed with the goal of serving as an all-encompassing, practical instrument that could be used to assess sleep quality across a range of patient and research populations. Test-retest reliability is.81, and internal consistency is.92. Respondents rate the frequency of various sleep patterns using a four-point Likert scale (0 = "few," 1 = "sometimes," 2 = "frequently," and 3 = "nearly usually"). Prior to tally, the scores on the questions related to criteria 2 and 5 (restoration following sleep and pleasure with sleep) ratings vary from 0 to 84; higher values signify graver circumstances. serious sleep problems 28-item SQS: midday difficulty waking.

#### Psychological Wellbeing Scale (PWS) (Ryff & Keyes, 1995)

By Carol Ryff, a psychological wellbeing measure was created (1995). Based on 54 things, the scale. A 7-point Likert scale was used. Six subscales make up the PWB Scale. Reverse scoring is required for questions Q1, Q2, Q3, Q8, Q9, Q11, Q12, Q13, Q17, and Q18. Items that receive a reverse score have wording those contrasts with the scale's direction of measurement. RPWBS has a 0.82 test-retest reliability coefficient.

#### Procedure

The data was collected from 300 participants. The questionnaire was given to each participant. The questionnaires were provided in English. Participants were first asked to fill out the information to the best of their knowledge and belief, participants were also requested to complete the whole questionnaire.

#### **Ethical Considerations**

of participants and their agreement were obtained. Participants were also informed that they could choose not to participate and that this would have no effect on the outcome. Data from participants have been kept private, and after they provided informed consent, they were given the freedom to withdraw from the study at any time without consequences. It was ensured that participants did not experience any problems during their participation. The participant's data were stored without any identifiers attached to avoid identification of participants such as names etc.

#### Chapter 3

#### **Results**

The study explores a connection between mobile phone overuse, sleep quality, and psychological well-being among university students. Smartphone addiction is defined as the lack of control uses the effect include psychological financial and physical consequences for users. sleep quality is defined as an individual self-satisfaction with all the aspects of sleep latency, sleep duration, and waking after sleep onset. Psychological well-being is associated with flexible and creative thinking pro-social and good physical health. Mobile phone addiction scale, sleep quality scale, and well-being scale are used in this study. Data analysis executed through SPSS (statistical package for the social science) mean standard, deviation, bonfire, minimum, and maximum was found out by using descriptive statistics for determination of the one-way ANOVA and t-test used for determining the difference in the association between mobile phone addiction sleep quality and psychological wellbeing among university students.

The sample in the current study 300 sample was taken which include 87 males and 213 females taken from the city of Islamabad the data was collected through convenient sampling. For administration, the descriptive statistics of the scale, mean and standard deviation were calculated.

**Table 1**Frequency for Demographic Variables (N=300).

Characteristics	F	%
Gender		
Male	87	29.3
Female	213	71.3
<b>Educational level</b>		
BS	276	92.0
MS	23	7.8
PHD	1	.3
Family System		
Neutral	88	29.5
Join family	205	69.2

Table (1) exhibits the demographic variables and their frequency and percentage. These variables include gender, department, class, and semester. It shows that female (213) has a higher frequency than males (87), with a percentage of 28.3% and 38% respectively. The table also shows that the highest number of respondents who had a qualification of Master's above is 7.8%, then those with a Bachelor's degree at 92.0%, and the least number of Ph.D. degrees. .3%. The table shows the s that the frequency of the joint family system was higher as compared to the neutral family system.

**Table 2** *Mean standard deviation skewness kurtosis Kolmogorov Smirnov test and P value of mobile phone overuse psychological wellbeing and sleep quality.* 

Scale	N	a	M	Std.	Skewness	Kurtosis	K-S	p
PSPU	300	.801	109.8	26.75	249	244	.096	.003
PWB	300	.889	201.7	30.52	.204	.683	.067	.200*

SQ 300 .828 97.08 813.15 14.92 222.8 .513 .000

*Note:* M=Mean Score, SD=Standard Deviation, a= Chronach Alpha, K-S= Kolmogorov Smirnov=To Significant Levels SPU= Mobile Phone Overuse, PWB=Psychological Wellbeing, SQ= Sleep Quality.

As shown the result of descriptive statistics and normality testing for the scale shows that the scale is not normality distributed except for the psychological well-being scale (report as p > .05).

**Table 3**Spearman Correlation between mobile phone overuse, sleep quality, and psychological wellbeing (N=300).

Measure	1	2	3
1. MPOU		.46**	.053
2. PWB	-	-	.050
3. SQ			-

Note: MPOU=Mobile Phone Overuse, PWB= Psychological Well-being, SQ= Sleep Quality

As shown in the table, results show a significant relationship between mobile phone overuse and psychological well-being. A non-significant relationship was found between psychological well-being and sleep quality. Results also revel a non-significant relationship between mobile phone overuse and sleep quality.

#### Chapter 4

#### **Discussion**

The purpose of this study is to determine the relationship between excessive mobile phone use, sound sleep, and university students' psychological wellbeing. Data was collected by using three scales. Data was collected from university students. The sample of the present study was three hundred university students that male is 87 and female are 213. Three scales were used to measure variables for measuring mobile phone overuse, and sleep quality effect on psychological wellbeing. Scale was used statistically analyzed with the help of SPSS by using Pearson correlation and the other thing this was obtained it was also hypothesized that the mobile phone addiction, sleep quality and psychological wellbeing had a negative relationship with the sleep quality on psychological wellbeing. Moreover, the third demography is a marital status which also shows a significant difference in the result.

The result of descriptive statistics and normality testing for scale shows that scale is not normality distributed except for psychological wellbeing scale.

It was hypothesized in present study that there will be a negative relationship between mobile phone overuse and sleep quality among university students. This hypothesis is rejected in current study. The reason for this could be that overtime mobile use is very common among the young generation and it does not affect their sleep quality. 2<sup>nd</sup> hypothesis of the study was that there will be a negative relationship between mobile phone overuse and psychological wellbeing. Results show the significant connection between smart phone addiction and psychological wellbeing. Hypothesis is accepted in this study. Literature supports this finding. Elhai et al., (2017) discovered evidence that smartphone overuse can be negative to psychological wellbeing.

The third hypothesis of the study was that there will be positive relationship between sleep quality and psychological wellbeing. Non-significant positive relationship was found out between psychological wellbeing and sleep quality. The previous studies also suggest significant positive relationship between sleep quality and psychological wellbeing (Keyu, 2018). Literature also suggests a positive relationship between these two variables.

#### Conclusion

In recent years, there has been a lot of research on mobile phone overuse, with several studies examining the negative effects of excessive phone use on different ages of people. The linkage between mobile phone overuse, quality sleep, and psychological well-being has been found out in current study. Is research to explore the relationship between mobile overuse, sleep quality and psychological wellbeing among university students. Data was collected from twin cities Islamabad and Rawalpindi sampling technique for data collection was convenient sampling. The survey method was used in this research scale were used softer the permission of author. To conclude the of this present research it can be said there exists a positive relationship between sleep quality and psychological wellbeing. And there is a negative relationship between mobile phone overuse and psychological wellbeing among university students. It is concluded that by controlling mobile phone overuse students can enhance their sleep quality and psychological wellbeing.

#### **Limitations of Study**

The population will only be from Rawalpindi and Islamabad, if a different population from different areas was studied then study would yield better results.

#### **Implications**

This study will have theoretical and practice applications.

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## Appendices

A: Support letter

**B:** Consent form

**C:** Demographics

**D:** Mobile Phone Addiction

E: Sleep Quality

F: Psychological wellbeing

#### **Appendices A: Support letter**





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Capital University of Science and Technology (CUST) is a federally chartered university. The university is authorized by the Federal Government to award degrees at Bachelor's, Master's and Doctorate level for a wide variety of programs.

Mr. Baqir Hussain, registration number BSP191030 is a bona fide student in BS Psychology program at this University from Spring 2019 till date. In partial fulfillment of the degree, he is conducting research on "Relationship between Mobile Phone Overuse, Sleep Quality, and Psychological Well Being Among University Students". He is required to collect data from your institute.

Your cooperation is highly appreciated. Please feel free to contact undersigned, if you have any query in this regard.

Best Wishes,

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#### **Appendices B: Consent Form**

I am Baqir Hussain enrolled in BS Psychology in Capital University of Science and

Technology. I hereby invite you to take part in this study. The title of my research is

The Mobile phone addiction associate sleep quality and well-being among University

Students."

In order to participate in this research, you have to fill out the questionnaires given. Your identity will be kept confidential. Your name will not be used in the report. Your participation is voluntary. If you want to terminate your participation in this study you can do so with no questions being asked, but it would be a great contribution and help to this research if you participate and give your honest responses.

**Signature:** 

Date:

## **Appendices C: Demographic From**

#### **DIRECTIONS:** Please answer each question as accurately as possible.

I. Age:	

2. Gender: 1) Male 2) Female

3. Education Level: 1) BS 2) MS 3) PhD

4. University: 1) Private 2) Public

5. Family System: 1) Neutral family system 2) Joint family system

6. Birth order: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Do you have any job? 1) Yes 2) No

8. Do you have personal mobile phone: 1) Yes 2) No

9. No of sleep hours a) 2 to 4 b) 4 to 6 c)6 to 9

#### **Appendices D: Mobile Phone Addiction Scale**

The following set of statements deals with how much you use smartphone. Pick the number that best describes the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement. "1" (strongly disagree) "2" (Disagree) "3" (Disagree Slightly) "4" (Agree Slightly) "5" (Agree) "6" (strongly agree)

Items 1 2 3 4 5 6

- 1. Missing planned work due to smartphone use.
- 2. Having a hard time concentrating in class, while doing assignments, or while working due to smartphone use.
- 3. Experiencing lightheadedness or blurred vision due to excessive smartphone use.
- 4. Feeling pain in the wrists or at the back of the neck while using a smartphone.
- 5. Feeling tired and lacking adequate sleep due to excessive smartphone use.
- 6. Feeling calm or cozy while using a smartphone.
- 7. Feeling pleasant or excited while using a smartphone.
- 8. Feeling confident while using a smartphone.
- 9. Being able to get rid of stress with a smartphone.
- 10. There is nothing more fun to do than using my smartphone.
- 11. My life would be empty without my smartphone.
- 12. Feeling most liberal while using a smartphone.
- 13. Using a smartphone is the most fun thing to do.
- 14. Won't be able to stand not having a smartphone.
- 15. Feeling impatient and fretful when I am not holding my smartphone.

- 16. Having my smartphone in my mind even when I am not using it.
- 17. I will never give up using my smartphone even when my daily life is already greatly affected by it.
- 18. Getting irritated when bothered while using my smartphone.
- 19. Bringing my smartphone to the toilet even when I am in a hurry to get there.
- 20. Feeling great meeting more people via smartphone use.
- 21. Feeling that my relationships with my smartphone buddies are more intimate than my relationships with my real-life friends.
- 22. Not being able to use my smartphone would be as painful as losing a friend.
- 23. Feeling that my smartphone buddies understand me better than my real-life friends.
- 24. Constantly checking my smartphone so as not to miss conversations between other people on Twitter or Facebook.
- 25. Checking SNS (Social Networking Service) sites like Twitter or Facebook right after waking up.
- 26. Preferring talking with my smartphone buddies to hanging out with my real-life friends or with the other members of my family.
- 27. Preferring searching from my smartphone to asking other people.
- 28. My fully charged battery does not last for one whole day.
- 29. Using my smartphone longer than I had intended.
- 30. Feeling the urge to use my smartphone again right after I stopped using it.
- 31. Having tried time and again to shorten my smartphone use time, but failing all the time.
- 32. Always thinking that I should shorten my smartphone use time.
- 33. The people around me tell me that I use my smartphone too much.

#### **Appendices E: Psychological Wellbeing Scale**

The following set of statements deals with how you might feel about yourself and your life. Please remember that there are neither right nor wrong answers. Pick the number that best describes the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement. "1" (strongly disagree) "2" (Disagree) "3" (Disagree Slightly) "4" (Agree Slightly) "5" (Agree) "6" (strongly agree)

Items 1 2 3 4 5 6

- 1. Most people see me as loving and affectionate.
- 2. I am not afraid to voice my opinion, even when they are in opposition to the opinions of most people.
- 3. In general, I feel I am in charge of the situation in which I live.
- 4. I am not interested in activities that will expand my horizons.
- 5. I live life one day at a time and don't really think about the future.
- 6. When I look at the story of my life, I am pleased with how things have turned out.
- 7. Maintaining close relationships has been difficulty and frustrating for me.
- 8. My decisions are not usually influenced by what everyone else is doing.
- 9. The demands of everyday life often get me down.
- 10. I don't want to try new ways of doing things—my life is fine the way it is.
- 11. I tend to focus on the present, because the future always brings me problems.
- 12. In general, I feel confident and positive about myself.
- 13. I often feel lonely because I have few close friends with whom to share my concerns.
- 14. I tend to worry about what other people think of me

- 15. I do not fit very well with the people and the community around me.
- 16. I think it is important to have new experiences that challenge how you think about yourself and the world
- 17. My daily activities often seem trivial and unimportant to me.
- 18. I feel like many of the people I know have gotten more out of life than I have.
- 19. I enjoy personal and mutual conversations with family members or friends
- 20. Being happy with myself is more important to me than having others approve of me.
- 21. I am quite good at managing the many responsibilities of my daily life.
- 22. When I think about it, I haven't really improved much as a person over the years.
- 23. I don't have a good sense of what it is I'm trying to accomplish in my life.
- 24. I like most aspects of my personality.
- 25. I don't have many people who want to listen when I need to talk
- 26. I tend to be influenced by people with strong opinions.
- 27. I often feel overwhelmed by my responsibilities.
- 28. I have a sense that I have developed a lot as a person over time
- 29. I used to set goals for myself, but that now seems a waste of time.
- 30. I made some mistakes in the past, but I feel that all in all everything has worked out for the best.
- 31. It seems to me that most other people have more friends than I do.
- 32. I have confidence in my opinions, even if they are contrary to the general consensus
- 33. I generally do a good job of taking care of my personal finances and affairs
- 34. I do not enjoy being in new situations that require me to change my old familiar ways of doing things.
- 35. I enjoy making plans for the future and working to make them a reality
- 36. In many ways, I feel disappointed about my achievements in my life

- 37. People would describe me as a giving person, willing to share my time with others.
- 38. It's difficult for me to voice my own opinions on controversial matters.
- 39. I am good at juggling my time so that I can fit everything in that needs to be done.
- 40. For me, life has been a continuous process of learning, changing, and growth.
- 41. I am an active person in carrying out the plans I set for myself.
- 42. My attitude about myself is probably not as positive as most people feel about themselves.
- 43. I have not experienced many warm and trusting relationships with others.
- 44. I often change my mind about decisions if my friends or family disagree.
- 45. I have difficulty arranging my life in a way that is satisfying to me.
- 46. I gave up trying to make big improvements or change in my life a long time ago.
- 47. Some people wander aimlessly through life, but I am not one of them.
- 48. The past has its ups and downs, but in general, I wouldn't want to change it.
- 49. I know that I can trust my friends, and they know they can trust me.
- 50. I judge myself by what I think is important, not by the values of what others think is important.
- 51. I have been able to build a home and a lifestyle for myself that is much to my liking.
- 52. There is truth to the saying that you can't teach an old dog new tricks.
- 53. I sometimes feel as if I've done all there is to do in life.
- 54. When I compare myself to friends and acquaintances, it makes me feel good about who I

#### **Appendices F: Sleep Quality Scale**

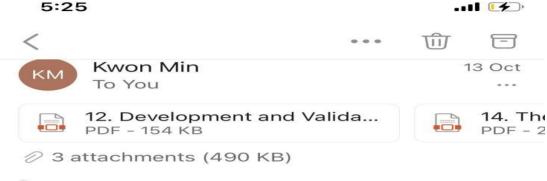
The following survey shows the quality of sleep you have in the last 1 month. Read the question carefully and pick an option. (0 = ``few,'' 1 = ``sometimes,'' 2 = ``often,'' and 3 = ``almost always'').

#### Items 0 1 2 3

- 1. I have difficulty falling asleep.
- 2. I fall into a deep sleep.
- 3. I wake up while sleeping.
- 4. I have difficulty in falling asleep once I wake up in the middle of the night.
- 5. I wake up easily because of noise.
- 6. I toss and turn.
- 7. I never go back to sleep after awaking during the sleep.
- 8. I feel refreshed after asleep.
- 9. I feel unlucky to sleep after asleep.
- 10. Poor sleep gives me headache.
- 11. Poor sleep makes me irritated.
- 12. I would like to sleep more after waking up.
- 13. My sleep hours are enough.
- 14. Poor sleep makes me feel I lost my appetite.
- 15. Poor sleep makes hard for me to think.
- 16. I feel vigorous after sleep.
- 17. Poor sleep makes me lose interest in work or others.
- 18. My fatigue is relived after sleep.

- 19. Poor sleep cause me to make mistakes at work.
- 20. I am satisfied with my sleep.
- 21. Poor sleep makes me forget things easily.
- 22. Poor sleep makes it hard to concentrate on work.
- 23. Sleepiness interferes with my daily life.
- 24. Poor sleep makes me lose desire in all things.
- 25. I have difficulty getting out of bed.
- 26. Poor sleep makes me easily tiered at work.
- 27. I have clear head after sleep.
- 28. Poor sleep makes my life painful.

#### **Appendices G: Permission Of Scale**



Dear,

I'm Min Kwon, first author of the SAS and SAS-SV.
Thank you for the interest in Smartphone Addiction Scale.

You can use my tools.

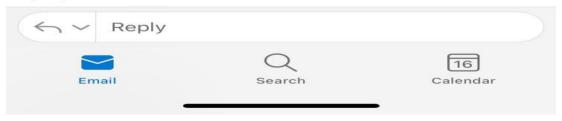
The SAS consists of 33 questions and is grouped into six subscales, all weighted equally on a 6-point scale.

The six subscales' scores are summed up to yield a total SAS score with a 33–198 range, where a higher score indicates more serious smartphone addiction.

Cut-off of the SAS has not been proven yet, and you can do the comparison on the smartphone addiction severity. The SAS-SV consists of 10 questions without subscales, and all weighted equally on a 6-point scale. And the scale is cut-off value of 31 in boys and cut-off value of 33 in girls.

I attach the material you ask me and you can review this information through to attach paper.

Please let me know about the results of future studies. Good luck for your study and keep me posted of your progress.



## **Appendix H- Plagiarism Report**

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