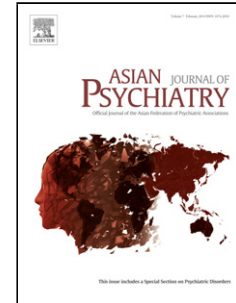


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**HIGHLIGHTS**

- Social Anxiety Disorder (SAD) has a 7.8% prevalence in Indian undergraduates.
- Socially anxious individuals report stronger Facebook usage patterns and attitudes.
- Social Media may be a tool for compensatory socialization in such individuals.
- Internet-based intervention strategies may have wider appeal in such individuals.

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