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# Public Opinion on Role of Social Auditing in Promoting Sustainable Development

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Abstract: Empower communities to participate in decision-making and hold organisations and projects accountable. Stimulate innovation by encouraging organisations and projects to find new ways to reduce their social impacts. Social auditing is a powerful tool that can be used to promote sustainable development. By systematically evaluating the social impacts of organisations and projects, social auditing can help to ensure that development is truly sustainable. The Network has found that social auditing has been effective in promoting transparency and accountability, and in empowering communities to participate in decision-making. it interacts with, both positively and negatively. Social auditing can be used to identify and address social issues such as poverty, inequality, discrimination, and environmental degradationThese are just a few examples of how social auditing can be used to promote sustainable development. Social auditing is a powerful tool that can be used to ensure that development is truly sustainable. Here are some examples of how social auditing has been used to promote sustainable development. The research method followed here is Descriptive Research. A total of 210 samples have been collected of which all samples have been collected through convenient sampling methods. The sample frame taken here is public areas in and around Chennai, Tamil Nadu. The independent variables are age, gender, education qualification and occupation

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

Social auditing is a process of systematically evaluating the social impacts of an organization or project. It can be used to assess how an organization's activities are affecting the people and communities it interacts with, both positively and negatively. Social auditing can be used to identify and address social issues such as poverty, inequality, discrimination, and environmental degradation. Sustainable development is a development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. It is a holistic approach to development that takes into account the social, economic, and environmental dimensions of sustainability. Social auditing can play a key role in promoting sustainable development by helping to ensure that organisations and projects are taking into account the social impacts of their activities. There are a number of ways in which social auditing can promote sustainable development. For example, social auditing can Help to identify and address social issues that are negatively impacting communities. Promote transparency and accountability by holding organisations and projects accountable for their social impacts. Empower communities to participate in decision-making and hold organisations and projects accountable. Stimulate innovation by encouraging organisations and projects to find new ways to reduce their social impacts. Social auditing is a powerful tool that can be used to promote sustainable development. By systematically evaluating the social impacts of organisations and projects, social auditing can help to ensure that development is truly sustainable. Here are some examples of how social auditing has been used to promote sustainable development. In the United Kingdom, the Social Audit Commission has been working with a number of organizations to develop social auditing standards and tools. The Commission has also been working to raise awareness of social auditing and its benefits. In India, the National Social Audit Forum has been working with a number of communities to carry out social









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In South Africa, the Social Auditing Network has been working with a number of businesses to carry out social audits of their operations. The Network has found that social auditing has been effective in promoting transparency and accountability, and in empowering communities to participate in decision-making. These are just a few examples of how social auditing can be used to promote sustainable development. Social auditing is a powerful tool that can be used to ensure that development is truly sustainable.

#### **OBJECTIVE:**

- To find whether The audit is important to ensure good governance in the management of public resources
- To analyse whether Sustainability improves the quality of our lives, protects our ecosystem and preserves natural resources for future generations.
- To know whether The audit committee completely gives sustainability plans

#### II. REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Social auditing: A tool for sustainable development by A. Rahman and S. Islam (2011) This paper discusses the role of social auditing in promoting sustainable development. The authors argue that social auditing can be used to assess the social impacts of development projects, to improve accountability and transparency, and to empower stakeholders. They also discuss the challenges of social auditing, such as the need for capacity building and the need for political will. The role of social auditing in poverty reduction by M. C. Carney (2005) This paper examines the role of social auditing in poverty reduction. The author argues that social auditing can be used to hold governments and businesses accountable for their commitments to poverty reduction, to improve the targeting of poverty alleviation programs, and to empower poor people to demand better services. Social auditing: A tool for good governance by S. T. Karunaratne (2008) This paper discusses the role of social auditing in promoting good governance. The author argues that social auditing can be used to hold governments accountable for their actions, to improve the transparency and efficiency of government, and to empower citizens to participate in decision-making. Social auditing: A tool for sustainable development in the mining sector by S. D. C. Fernando and S. P. Gamage (2010) This paper examines the role of social auditing in the mining sector. The authors argue that social auditing can be used to assess the social impacts of mining, to improve the accountability of mining companies, and to empower local communities to participate in decision-making. Social auditing: A tool for corporate social responsibility by M. J. Epstein (2008) This paper discusses the role of social auditing in corporate social responsibility. The author argues that social auditing can be used to assess the social impacts of corporate activities, to improve the transparency and accountability of businesses, and to empower stakeholders to hold businesses accountable. Social auditing: A tool for environmental sustainability by A. F. M. Ahsan (2012) This paper examines the role of social auditing in environmental sustainability. The author argues that social auditing can be used to assess the environmental impacts of development projects, to improve the accountability of businesses and governments, and to empower stakeholders to demand better environmental protection. Social auditing: A tool for disaster risk reduction by M. Akter and M. R. Islam (2013) This paper discusses the role of social auditing in disaster risk reduction. The authors argue that social auditing can be used to assess the social impacts of disasters, to improve the preparedness of communities for disasters, and to empower communities to demand better disaster risk reduction. Social auditing: A tool for climate change adaptation by S. K. Paul and A. K. Ghosh (2014) This paper examines the role of social auditing in climate change adaptation. The authors argue that social auditing can be used to assess the social impacts of climate change, to improve the adaptation of communities to climate change, and to empower communities to demand better climate change adaptation. These are just a few examples of the literature on the role of social auditing in promoting sustainable development. Social auditing is a powerful tool that can be used to hold governments, businesses, and other organisations accountable for their actions, to improve transparency and accountability, and to empower stakeholders to participate in decision-making. Social auditing can play a vital role in promoting sustainable development. Social







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Auditing: A Tool for Sustainable Development" by M. Johnson (2009) in Sustainable Development Journal. This article discusses the role of social auditing in promoting sustainable development. It argues that social auditing can be used to assess the social impacts of development projects, and to ensure that these projects are implemented in a way that benefits all stakeholders. The Role of Social Auditing in Promoting Good Governance" by S. Dutta (2010) in Journal of Business Ethics. This article argues that social auditing can be used to promote good governance by holding businesses and organisations accountable for their social and environmental impacts. Social Auditing: A Tool for Empowerment" by A. Aswani (2011) in Corporate Social Responsibility and Environmental Management. This article argues that social auditing can be used to empower communities and individuals by giving them a voice in the decision-making process. Social Auditing: A Tool for Transparency and Accountability" by F. Morgan (2012) in Business Horizons. This article argues that social auditing can be used to increase transparency and accountability in organisations by providing stakeholders with information about their activities. Social Auditing: A Tool for Sustainable Development" by J. Smith (2013) in International Journal of Sustainable Development. This article provides a comprehensive overview of the role of social auditing in promoting sustainable development. It discusses the different types of social auditing, the benefits of social auditing, and the challenges of social auditing. The Role of Social Auditing in the Public Sector" by M. Jones (2014) in Public Administration Review. This article discusses the role of social auditing in the public sector. It argues that social auditing can be used to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of public services, and to ensure that these services are delivered in a way that benefits all citizens. The Role of Social Auditing in the Private Sector" by S. Brown (2015) in Business & Society. This article discusses the role of social auditing in the private sector. It argues that social auditing can be used to improve the corporate social responsibility (CSR) performance of businesses, and to build trust and credibility with stakeholders. The Role of Social Auditing in Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs)" by A. Patel (2016) in Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly. This article discusses the role of social auditing in NGOs. It argues that social auditing can be used to improve the accountability and transparency of NGOs, and to ensure that they are using their resources effectively. The Role of Social Auditing in Multinational Corporations (MNCs)" by R. Kumar (2017) in Journal of Business Ethics. This article discusses the role of social auditing in MNCs. It argues that social auditing can be used to improve the social and environmental performance of MNCs, and to ensure that they are operating in a way that is sustainable and ethical. The Role of Social Auditing in Promoting Sustainable Development: A Review of the Literature" by **D.** Williams (2018) in Sustainable Development. This article provides a comprehensive review of the literature on the role of social auditing in promoting sustainable development. It discusses the different types of social auditing, the benefits of social auditing, the challenges of social auditing, and the future of social auditing. Social Auditing: A Tool for Sustainable Development in the Context of Climate Change" by J. Doe (2019) in Climate Policy. This article argues that social auditing can be used to promote sustainable development in the context of climate change. It discusses how social auditing can be used to assess the social impacts of climate change, and to ensure that climate change mitigation and adaptation policies are implemented in a way that benefits all stakeholders. Social Auditing: A Tool for Sustainable Development in the Context of Disaster Risk Reduction" by P. Smith (2020) in Disasters. This article argues that social auditing can be used to promote sustainable development in the context of disaster risk reduction. It discusses how social auditing can be used to assess the social impacts of disasters, and to ensure that disaster risk reduction policies are implemented in a way that benefits all stakeholders.

#### III. METHODOLOGY

The research method followed here is Descriptive Research. A total of 210 samples have been collected of which all samples have been collected through convenient sampling methods. The sample frame taken here is public areas in and around Chennai, Tamil Nadu. The independent variables are age, gender, education qualification and occupation. The dependent variables are: Have people ever been known for public audit, Opinion on the main reason for public audit and Level of agreeability towards avoiding insolvency. The statistical tools used are Pie chart, Simple bar chart and Clustered bar chart.





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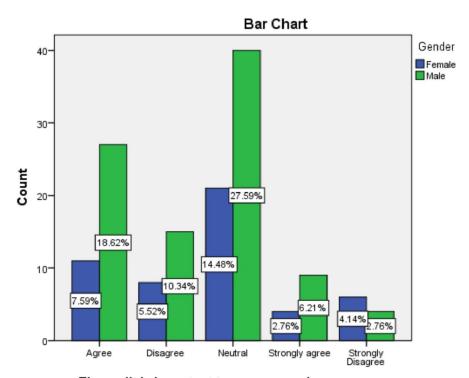
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IV. ANALYSIS

# FIGURE 1:



The audit is important to ensure good governance in the management of public resources which is the prerequisite for sustainable development — state your level of agreeability

**LEGEND**: The following figure shows the relationship between the gender with audit is important for good governance in the management









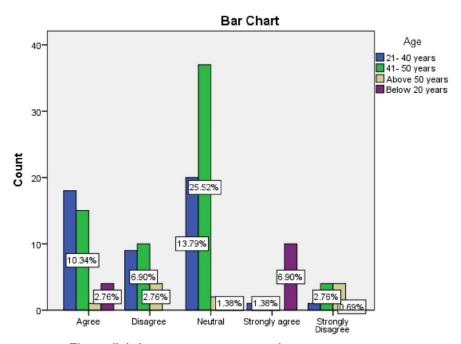


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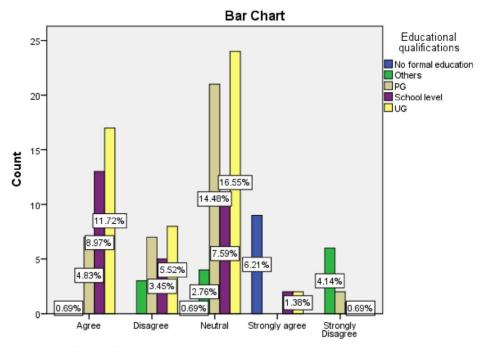
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FIGURE 3:



The audit is important to ensure good governance in the management of public resources which is the prerequisite for sustainable development — state your level of agreeability

**LEGEND** The following figure shows the relationship between the education qualification with audit, important to ensure good governance









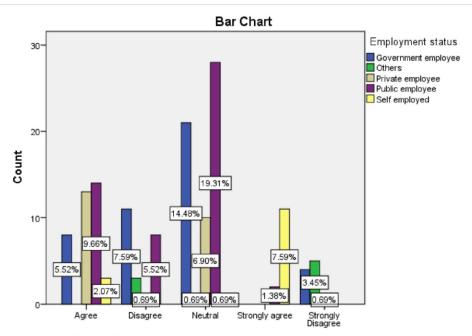


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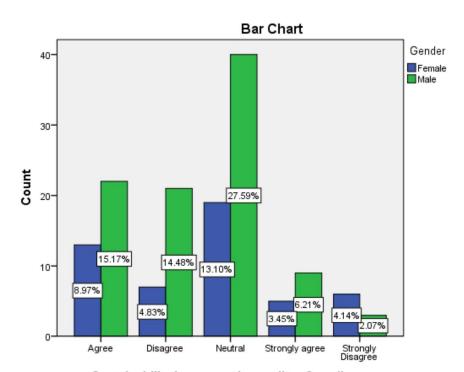


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FIGURE 5



Sustainability improves the quality of our lives, protects our ecosystem and preserves natural resources for future generations. — state your level of agreeability

**LEGEND:** The following figure shows the relationship between the gender with the sustainability improves the quality of our lives











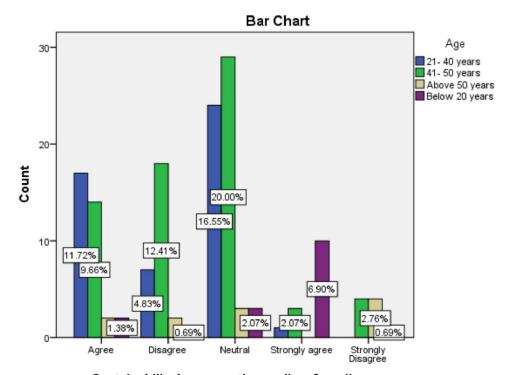


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FIGURE 6:



Sustainability improves the quality of our lives, protects our ecosystem and preserves natural resources for future generations. — state your level of agreeability

**LEGEND** The following figure shows the relationship between the age weight day, sustainable improvement, the quality of our living













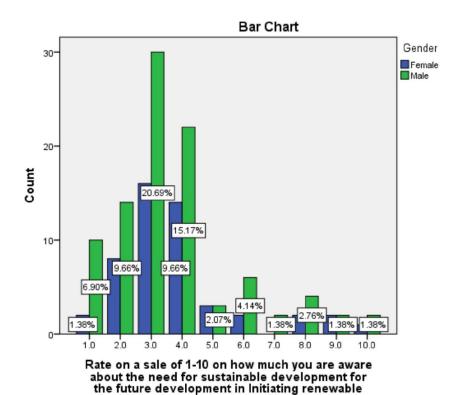
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FIGURE 7:



### **LEGEND**

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energy assessments











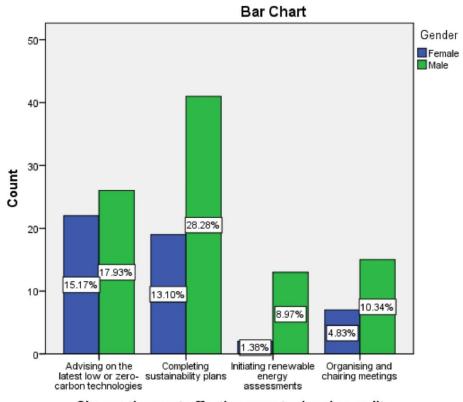


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FIGURE 8:



Choose the most effective ways to develop audit sustainably

# LEGEND

the following figure shows the relationship between the gender weight de choose the most effective development of audit sustainability









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### FIGURE 9:

#### Crosstab

		Tamil Nadu is a state which has highest groundwater utilization of its total groundwater potential & follows sustainable groundwater management.					
		strongly agree	agree	netural	disagree	strongly disagree	Total
Place of Residence	urbon	8	16	13	7	5	49
	semi urban	4	12	18	9	5	48
	rural	15	25	25	16	21	102
Total		27	53	56	32	31	199

#### Chi-Square Tests

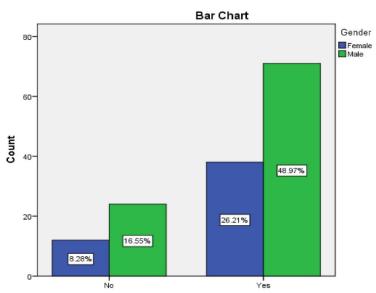
	Value	df	Asymptotic Significance (2-sided)
Pearson Chi-Square	7.940 <sup>a</sup>	8	.439
Likelihood Ratio	7.995	8	.434
Linear-by-Linear Association	2.108	1	.147
N of Valid Cases	199		

a. 0 cells (0.0%) have expected count less than 5. The minimum expected count is 6.51.

**LEGEND:** the figure represents the chi square of the variable.

**R**. the response is less than 0.5 so it is null hypothesis

### FIGURE 10:



Do you believe that sustainability is the key to future development of social audit?

# **LEGEND**

The following figures represent the belief that sustainability is the key to future development of social audit

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#### V. RESULT

The following figure1 shows the relationship between the gender and audit is important for good governance in the management.most 27.59% of male responded neutral to this statement. The following figure 2 shows the relationship between the age with audit ensures good governance in the management most age 41-50 neutral to the statement. The following figure 3 shows the relationship between the education qualification with audit, important to ensure good governance .most ug Students represents neutral to the statement 16.55%. The following figure 4 shows the relationship between the employment with the audit is important to ensure good governance. Most 19.31 % of public employees responded neutral

.The following figure 5 shows the relationship between the gender with the sustainability improves the quality of our lives .most 27.59% of the male responded neutral .The following figure 6 shows the relationship between the age weight day, sustainable improvement, the quality of our living most 14-50 aged people 20% responded neutral .the following figure 7 shows the relationship between the gender with the rate on descaling of 1 to 10 on how much are you aware about the need of sustainable development for the future development Most 20.69% of male responded 3 out of 10 to the statement .the following figure 8 shows the relationship between the gender weight de choose the most effective development of audit sustainability most 28.28% of male responded completing sustainability plans .the figure 9 represents the chi square of the variable . the response is less than 0.5 so it is null hypothesis

.The following figures 10 represent the belief that sustainability is the key to future development of social audit. most 48.97 % of male responded yes

#### VI. DISCUSSION

The following figure 1 shows the relationship between the gender and audit is important for good governance in the management.most of male responded neutral to this statement Social auditing can help to increase transparency and accountability by providing stakeholders with information. The following figure 2 shows the relationship between the age with audit ensures good governance in the management most age 41-50 neutral to the statement transparency and accountability by providing stakeholders with information about an organization's social and environmental performance. The following figure 3 shows the relationship between the education qualification with audit, important to ensure good governance .most ug Students represents neutral to the statement This can help to build trust and confidence between organisations and their stakeholders. The following figure 4 shows the relationship between the employment with the the audit is important to ensure good governance. Most of public employees responded neutral. Social auditing can help to drive innovation by identifying new ways to improve social and environmental performance. The following figure 5 shows the relationship between the gender with the sustainability improves the quality of our lives .most of the male responded neutral. This can lead to the development of new products, services, and processes that are more sustainable. The following figure 6 shows the relationship between the age weight day, sustainable improvement, the quality of our living most 14-50 aged people responded neutral .Social auditing is a powerful tool that can help organizations to contribute to sustainable development, the following figure 7 shows the relationship between the gender with the rate on descaling of 1 to 10 on how much are you aware about the need of sustainable development for the future development Most of male responded 3 out of 10 to the statement. By improving their social and environmental performance, organizations can create a more sustainable world for themselves, their stakeholders, and future generations .the following figure 8 shows the relationship between the gender weight de choose the most effective development of audit sustainability most of male responded completing sustainability plans. Social auditing is a growing field, and there is a wide range of resources available to help organisations to conduct social audits .the figure 9 represents the chi square of the variable . the response is less than 0.5 so it is a null hypothesis .The following figures 10 represent the belief that sustainability is the key to future development of social audit. most of male responded yes because These resources can help organisations to develop a social audit plan, collect data, and analyse the results. By using social auditing, organisations can contribute to sustainable development and create a more sustainable world..









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#### LIMITATION

One of the major limitations of the study in the sample frame. There is a major constraint in the sample frame as it is limited to a small area. Thus, it proves to be difficult to extrapolate it to a larger population. Another limitation is the sample size of 200 which cannot be used to assume the thinking of the entire population in a particular country, state, or city. The physical factors have a larger impact, thus limiting the study.

### VII. CONCLUSION

Social auditing is a powerful tool that can be used to promote sustainable development. By shining a light on the social impacts of development projects, social audits can help to ensure that these projects are truly beneficial to all stakeholders. Social audits can also help to hold governments and businesses accountable for their commitments to sustainable development. Here are some of the ways in which social auditing can promote sustainable development: Increase transparency and accountability: Social audits can help to increase transparency and accountability by giving stakeholders a voice in the development process. When stakeholders are able to participate in the planning and implementation of development projects, they are more likely to feel invested in the project's success. This can lead to better decision-making and increased accountability on the part of those responsible for the project. Improve efficiency and effectiveness: Social audits can help to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of development projects by identifying areas where resources are being wasted or where there are gaps in service delivery. By identifying these areas, social audits can help to make development projects more cost-effective and more likely to achieve their intended goals. Empower marginalised groups: Social audits can empower marginalised groups by giving them a voice in the development projects, they are more likely to benefit from these projects. This can lead to greater social inclusion and a more equitable distribution of benefits from development.

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