

30-Day LinkedIn Posting Plan

Pashto, Urdu & English NLP

Practical, Educational & Engaging Content

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Overview

This 30-day content plan is designed to build awareness, skills, and engagement around Natural Language Processing (NLP) for low-resource languages, with a special focus on **Pashto and Urdu**. Each post combines theory, practical insight, and real-world relevance.

Week 1: Foundations & Basics

- **Day 1: What is NLP?**
Explain NLP in simple terms.
Post idea: Why NLP matters for low-resource languages.
- **Day 2: Challenges in Pashto & Urdu NLP**
Script issues, lack of datasets, dialect variation.
Post idea: Comparing Pashto/Urdu challenges with English.
- **Day 3: Tokenization**
Urdu/Pashto tokenization problems.
Post idea: Why whitespace tokenization fails.
- **Day 4: Normalization**
Unicode issues, diacritics, character unification.
Post idea: Why normalization is crucial for Urdu & Pashto.
- **Day 5: Stopwords**
Why stopword removal is harder in Urdu/Pashto.
Post idea: Examples of Urdu/Pashto stopwords.
- **Day 6: Stemming & Lemmatization**
Morphological complexity of Urdu/Pashto.
Post idea: Difference between stemmers and lemmatizers.

- **Day 7: Language Resources**

Libraries, corpora, and open datasets.

Post idea: Links to Pashto/Urdu NLP resources.

Week 2: Classical NLP Techniques

- **Day 8: Bag of Words (BoW)**

Basic text representation.

Post idea: Simple Urdu/Pashto sentence example.

- **Day 9: TF-IDF**

Importance weighting for documents.

Post idea: BoW vs TF-IDF comparison.

- **Day 10: N-grams**

Capturing local context.

Post idea: Why bigrams and trigrams matter in Urdu/Pashto.

- **Day 11: Part-of-Speech Tagging**

Tools and challenges for Urdu/Pashto.

Post idea: Why POS tagging is essential.

- **Day 12: Named Entity Recognition (NER)**

Identifying names, places, organizations.

Post idea: Use cases for Urdu/Pashto NER.

- **Day 13: Sentiment Analysis**

Polarity detection challenges.

Post idea: Why sentiment lexicons are lacking.

- **Day 14: Text Classification Pipeline**

End-to-end multilingual NLP workflow.

Post idea: Visual pipeline overview.

Week 3: Modern Machine Learning NLP

- **Day 15: Word Embeddings (Word2Vec, GloVe)**

Dense word representations.

Post idea: Urdu/Pashto embedding challenges.

- **Day 16: FastText for Low-resource Languages**

Subword modeling advantages.

Post idea: Why FastText suits morphologically rich languages.

- **Day 17: Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs)**
LSTMs and GRUs.
Post idea: Sequence modeling explanation.
- **Day 18: Seq2Seq Models**
Applications in translation and summarization.
Post idea: Encoder–decoder intuition.
- **Day 19: Machine Translation Issues**
Parallel corpus scarcity.
Post idea: Urdu/Pashto MT limitations.
- **Day 20: Language Models**
n-gram vs neural language models.
Post idea: Evolution of language modeling.
- **Day 21: Data Augmentation**
Back-translation, paraphrasing.
Post idea: Boosting low-resource datasets.

Week 4: Deep Learning & Transformers

- **Day 22: Transformer Architecture**
Attention-based models.
Post idea: Transformers explained simply.
- **Day 23: BERT**
Multilingual BERT for Urdu/Pashto.
Post idea: Strengths and limitations.
- **Day 24: XLM-RoBERTa**
Improved performance on low-resource languages.
Post idea: Why XLM-R works better.
- **Day 25: LLMs for Pashto & Urdu**
Challenges in building local LLMs.
Post idea: Data and compute barriers.
- **Day 26: Fine-tuning Models**
Fine-tuning mBERT/XLM-R.
Post idea: Step-by-step overview.
- **Day 27: Evaluation Metrics**
Accuracy, F1-score, BLEU.
Post idea: Choosing the right metric.

- **Day 28: Real-world Applications**
Education, media, governance.
Post idea: NLP impact in South Asia.
- **Day 29: Creating Pashto/Urdu Datasets**
Crowdsourcing and scraping.
Post idea: Ethical dataset creation.
- **Day 30: Future of NLP in South Asia**
LLMs, speech technology, dialect modeling.
Post idea: Roadmap for the next decade.