

Assignment 4

→ Aim :

Validate URL, Email , Required using
empty, preg-match , filter-var in PHP.

→ Objectives :

- 1. It gives an introduction to PHP
- 2. It gives understanding of how one can use PHP for form validation .
- 3. It gives an understanding of various web servers & server-side validation .

→ Theory :

- PHP == "Hypertext Processor"
- It is an open source , server-side scripting language .
- It is used to generate dynamic web-pages .
- In PHP to check whether an email is valid, we use filter_var() function . This function is used to validate & filter data coming from insecure sources , like user input .

Ex. <?php

```
$email = "example@abc.com";
if (filter_var($email, FILTER_VALIDATE_EMAIL)) {
    // email is valid
} else {
    // email not valid
?>
```

- The preg_match() function searches a string for pattern, returning true if pattern matches otherwise false.

Ex. //validating name & URL.

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$name = "Someshwar Gaikwad";
$url = "www.xyz.com";
if (!preg_match("/^[\w\-\_]+$/", $name)) {
    $errorName = "Only letters & spaces allowed";
}
if (!preg_match("/^http(s)?://(www\.)?[-\w\-\_]+\.[\w\-\_]+\.[\w\-\_]+$/i", $url)) {
    $errorURL = "Invalid URL";
```

→ Conclusion :

The various features of PHP is studied & used for ~~for~~ form validation.