

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 {
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```
    // email not valid
```

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?>
```

- 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 = "Somewhere bairked";
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```
$URL = "www.xyz.com";
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```
if (!preg_match("/^[a-zA-Z]*$/", $name)) {  
    $errorName = "Only letters & spaces  
allowed";
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}  
if (preg_match("/^(?:(?:https?|ftp):\\/[\\w\\.\\:  
www\\.)(?:[-a-z0-9+&@#\\!%/?=~-!  
:~;]*[-a-z0-9+&@#\\!%~-]/i)",  
$URL)) {
```

```
} $urlError = "Invalid URL";
```

→ Conclusion :

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