Privacy Policy Statement

Privacy Policy for [Dr. Aijaz's Website]

Introduction

Welcome to the personal academic website of Dr. Aijaz Ahmad Malla. As an Assistant Professor of Mathematics in the Higher Education Department, I am committed to protecting the privacy and security of my students and website visitors. This Privacy Policy outlines how I collect, use, and safeguard your personal information when you interact with this website, which includes pages for Home, Teaching Resources, Research Publications, a Student Feedback Portal, and a Contact portal.

Your use of this website signifies your understanding and agreement with the terms of this policy.

Information I Collect

I collect information in the following ways to enhance your experience and facilitate academic communication:

a) Information You Voluntarily Provide:

This is information you knowingly share with me through the interactive features of the website. This occurs primarily through:

- Student Feedback Portal: When you submit feedback, suggestions, or queries, I may collect your name, email address, feedback category, subject, message content, and selected priority level. Providing your name and email is optional but helps me respond to you directly.
- Contact Portal: When you use the contact form to reach out to me, I may collect your name, email address, subject, and the message you send.

b) Information Collected Automatically (Non-Personal Information):

Like most websites, my site may collect non-personally identifiable information to understand how visitors use the site and to improve its functionality. This may include:

- Log Data: Information such as your browser type, operating system, pages visited, time spent on pages, and access times. This data is aggregated and does not identify you personally.
- Cookies: This website may use "cookies" to enhance user experience. Cookies are small files placed on your device. They may be used to remember your preferences or to ensure the proper functioning of website features. You can instruct your browser to refuse all cookies or to indicate when a cookie is being sent. However, if you do not accept cookies, you may not be able to use some portions of the site.

How I Use Your Information

The information I collect is used exclusively for academic and professional purposes, including:

- To Respond to Your Inquiries: To answer questions, address feedback, or reply to suggestions submitted through the Feedback and Contact portals.
- To Improve My Teaching and Website: To analyze feedback and suggestions to enhance my course materials, teaching methods, and the overall functionality of this website.

I will never sell, rent, or lease your personal information to third parties. Your data is used solely for the purposes stated above.

Data Handling and Third-Party Services

This website uses **Formspree** (formspree.io) as a third-party service to process form submissions from the Feedback and Contact portals. When you submit a form, the information is sent to Formspree, which then forwards it to my professional email address.

- Formspree has its own privacy policy and security measures. I have chosen this service for its commitment to privacy and data protection.
- The data you submit is not stored permanently on this website's server. It is handled by Formspree for the purpose of email delivery.

Links to Other Websites

My website, particularly the "Research Publications" page, may contain links to external sites (e.g., academic journals, research databases). This Privacy Policy does not apply to those external sites. I encourage you to read the privacy policies of any third-party websites you visit.

Changes to This Privacy Policy

I may update this Privacy Policy from time to time to reflect changes in my practices or for other operational, legal, or regulatory reasons. Any changes will be posted on this page with an updated "Last Updated" date.

Contact Me

If you have any questions, concerns, or requests regarding this Privacy Policy or your personal information, please do not hesitate to contact me through the official contact portal on this website.