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Analysing The Relationship Between Technological Innovation and Human Development During 2011–2025

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Abstract

One of the main forces propelling human progress in the recent decade has been technological innovation. The rapid development of AI, digital communication, healthcare, finance, and online education technologies has greatly improved people's standard of living. Using data collected from 115 participants, this research analyses the correlation between technical advancements and societal progress from 2011 to 2025. We used descriptive statistics and correlation analysis to look at the data. A robust positive correlation between technical innovation and human development is shown by the results. Education, healthcare, economic prospects, and quality of life are all positively impacted by investments in technology, digital literacy, innovation ecosystems, and inclusive digital infrastructure, according to the report. These results are in line with more recent empirical studies that have shown a favourable correlation between the HDI, digital progress, and the use of ICT.

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Economic, Blockchain, Human, Technology, Government Structure.

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Introduction

A major force in the 21st century's economic and social upheavals has been technological innovation. Digital technology, AI, cloud computing, the IoT, blockchain, robots, biotechnology, renewable energy, mobile communication, and the like have all seen tremendous leaps forward between 2011 and 2025. Every aspect of people's lives, including their homes, workplaces, communication, education, and access to basic necessities, has been profoundly transformed by these technologies. Healthcare, education, governance, financial inclusion, and general quality of life have all been significantly improved by technology, which has also increased productivity and economic development. An increasingly important factor in long-term human progress is technical advancement, which is driven by nations' increasing spending on R&D, new product creation, and digital infrastructure.Improving people's capacities, opportunities, and well-being is the goal of human development, a wide-ranging notion that goes beyond monetary growth. According to the UNDP, human development is all about making sure people may live free, equitable, and resourceful lives where they can be healthy, educated, and productive. Indicators of life expectancy, education level, and income are all part of the Human Development Index (HDI), which is a popular way to quantify it. Growth in the economy helps people advance, but it won't raise their quality of life unless other sectors, including healthcare, education, and social welfare, are also funded. The significance of technical innovation in shaping several aspects of human development has therefore been more acknowledged.

The digital world of technology underwent a rapid transition from 2011 to 2025, the time span of the research. E-governance platforms, digital payment systems, cloud computing, artificial intelligence, machine learning, automation, and high-speed internet have revolutionised economies worldwide. Companies have embraced cutting-edge tech to streamline their operations, while governments have shifted their reliance on digital platforms for managing public services, education, taxes, and citizen involvement. Digital classrooms and virtual learning environments have allowed educational institutions to increase online learning options, resulting in more accessible education than ever before. Telemedicine, EMRs, wearables, and AI-assisted diagnostics have all contributed to better healthcare accessibility and patient outcomes, which in turn has benefitted healthcare systems.By raising productivity, inspiring entrepreneurship, creating job possibilities, and boosting industrial competitiveness, technological innovation has also greatly impacted economic growth. Online marketplaces, financial technology services, freelance employment, and telecommuting have all opened up new possibilities for people to

make money and grow their businesses. Thanks to digital technology, both consumers and small and medium businesses have reaped the benefits: consumers have easier access to products and services, while businesses have expanded their market reach. Industries that rely on innovation have grown in importance, especially in knowledge-based economies, and are now a key factor in national revenue and economic resilience. The COVID-19 pandemic has shown once again how vital technological advancement is to bolstering human progress. Governments, corporations, schools, and healthcare providers were all able to keep running throughout the pandemic because of digital technology. Telemedicine increased access to healthcare, digital payment systems decreased face-to-face interaction, online education Platforms maintained learning continuity, and remote working technology enabled organisations to keep running. Disease monitoring, vaccine creation, and public health strategy all benefited greatly from data analytics and artificial intelligence. These advancements have shown that technology is now a crucial part of economic and societal resilience in crisis situations.

Innovation in technology has many positive effects, but it also brings with it certain risks that can stunt human progress. Many people, especially in economically depressed and rural areas, are unable to fully take advantage of modern prospects because of the digital divide, or the disparity in access to digital technology. Disparities in infrastructure, affordability of technology, digital literacy, and internet connection lead to disparities in healthcare, education, employment, and financial services. Concerns about job loss, shifting skill sets, and job instability have also been voiced in response to automation and AI. Also, for technology to advance for the greater good, policymakers must pay close attention to concerns like data privacy, cybersecurity, disinformation, ethical AI usage, and environmental sustainability.Technological innovation is becoming an integral part of national development plans in emerging nations like India. Investments in broadband connections, digital governance, financial inclusion, startup ecosystems, and innovation-driven entrepreneurship have been made by various government efforts over the last decade to foster digital transformation. Increased access to public services and faster economic modernisation have resulted from initiatives to improve digital infrastructure, foster innovation, increase digital literacy, and encourage technology-based businesses. Millions of people's lives have been greatly enhanced by the broad use of digital payment systems, online government services, health technology platforms, and educational technologies. When paired with strong public policy and competent leadership, these projects show how technology may promote equitable development.There are many facets to the complex and ever-changing

connection between technical progress and human flourishing. Digital learning materials, online courses, and interactive educational platforms are direct results of technological progress that contribute to better education. Innovation in healthcare improves the diagnosis, treatment, and monitoring of patients, and the accessibility of healthcare via digital health technology. When it comes to the economy, IT helps new businesses get off the ground, boosts worker productivity, opens up whole new markets, and produces more jobs. Digital communication technologies also empower people and communities by increasing social connectedness, facilitating knowledge exchange, and improving access to information. Policymakers and development practitioners still have the significant problem of making sure everyone can reap these advantages.Examining the ways in which technological progress affects many aspects of human development is crucial in light of the growing role of technology in defining contemporary civilisations. Governments, educational institutions, corporations, and lawmakers may get vital insights about how to promote sustainable and equitable growth by understanding this link. To find ways to make the most of technological innovation's benefits while mitigating its dangers and inequities, academics should look at public opinion and empirical data.

Review of Literature

Fan, Yuemin& Jackson, Ana. (2025). To achieve sustainable development objectives, technological innovations are critical because they stimulate the creation of new items and processes. On the other hand, depending on rents from natural resources might slow down technological innovation in technology. From 1990 to 2022, this research uses panel data to analyse the link between technical innovation, economic complexity, GDP, human capital, civil liberties, and natural resource rents in G-20 nations. In order to examine these connections, we use the AMG and CCEMG models, which include structural fractures in cointegration techniques. Findings It turns out that a nation's capacity to encourage technical innovation is not negatively affected by its dependence on natural resources. Overwhelmingly, the aggregate panel indicates that a greater GDP per capita greatly boosts innovation. Cointegration tests show that the variables are related over the long run and that there are structural fractures, which shows how complicated these dynamics are. While both the AMG and CCEMG models find GDP to be a good predictor of innovation, the AMG calculation places special emphasis on technical breakthroughs. The fact that natural resources, human capital, and civil rights don't seem to have much of an impact in either model implies that these variables could be impacted by other factors or be context-dependent. Both economic diversification and technical innovation are essential for sustainable development, and the research stresses the need to use

earnings from natural resources to achieve both goals. In order to achieve the long-term needs of the Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), policymakers should put an emphasis on investments that promote economic complexity and innovation.

Awode, Segun & Oduola, Musa. (2024). The effects of technical innovation (TECIN) and human capital development (HCD) on industrial productivity (INPR) and competitiveness in Africa are investigated in this research. Using a panel data framework based on fixed-effects and generalised method of moments approaches, the research used secondary data spanning 36 African nations from 1996 to 2021. Results HCD had a significant beneficial effect on INPR in Africa, but TECIN had a negative effect. The beneficial effect on INPR from the interaction between TECIN and HCD highlights the importance of human capital in reducing the loss of productivity during the transition to new technologies. Industrial competitiveness in Africa was shown to be positively impacted by both TECIN and HCD, both individually and when combined. Consequently, in order to achieve sustainable industrial growth in Africa, the results suggest the introduction of policies that may promote TECIN while also bolstering HCD. To improve technological capabilities and intellectual property rights (INPR), African governments should increase funding for R&D to encourage homegrown technologies, rethink educational curricula to reflect industry demands and place an emphasis on practical skills training, and arrange for technology transfer partnerships. While prior research has shown that TECIN and HCD may boost INPR and Africa's competitiveness, few studies have looked at how these two factors interact to bring about industrialisation benefits.

Qureshi, Muhammad Asif et al., (2020) Using data from quarterly observations spanning the latter half of the twentieth century and the first two decades of the twenty-first, our research delves into the nexus between technical innovation and human growth in nations with developed technological infrastructure. The purpose of this study is to apply the Quantile-on-Quantile regression (QQ) method, which was developed by Sim and Zhou (2015), and the well-known Granger causality in quantiles, which was proposed by Troster (2018), to investigate the fundamental connection between the quantiles of technological innovation and their impact on human development quantiles. Consequently, this study's findings impact the total human development index and provide light on the interconnected nature of technological progress. The empirical data show that, in most cases, both the low and high tails of the list of technologically sophisticated nations, there is a positive and statistically significant association between technical innovation and human development. In addition, Granger causality quantile results show that in the dataset

of all nations, these two variables have a bidirectional basic link. Recent results on the nexus of these two factors are extrapolated from the results of the observations, which suggest that the most technologically sophisticated nations would be affected differently. Our policy suggestions for each group of nations are informed by this causation.

Ranis, Gustav. (2011). Two primary goals are presented in this article. The first is to concentrate on how technology and human progress work together to produce the growth that is essential for further human progress, which is seen as the final product. Our second purpose is to investigate how openness, FDI, and different kinds of patents might shed light on the role of technology as measured by total factor productivity. Regarding these factors, it is shown that Latin America and Asia are different.

Objective of The Study

- To examine the relationship between technological innovation and human development.
- To assess public perception regarding the impact of technology on quality of life.
- To analyze whether technological innovation contributes to education, healthcare, and employment.
- To provide policy recommendations for sustainable human development.

Hypothesis of The Study

H0: Technological innovation has no significant relationship with human development.

H1: Technological innovation has a significant positive relationship with human development.

Research Methodology

1. Research Design

A research design that is both descriptive and analytical is used in the study. While the analytical method uses statistical methods to investigate the connection between technological progress and human growth, the descriptive method aids in comprehending how respondents feel about these topics.

2. Sample Size

A total of 115 participants were surveyed for the research. For the purposes of gathering valid primary data and analysing respondents' views on how technological advancement has affected human development, this sample size was deemed sufficient.

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3. Sampling Technique

To choose the participants, researchers utilised a convenience sampling method. Accessibility and desire to participate were the deciding factors in participant selection, resulting in a practical and time-efficient data gathering approach.

4. Data Source

Primary and secondary sources of information were used to compile the study. A total of 115 participants were polled using a standardised questionnaire to gather primary data. The secondary data was culled from a variety of scholarly sources, including books, journals, government documents, UNDP publications, World Bank reports, and more.

5. Study Period

From 2011 through 2025, the research tracks significant technology developments and how they impacted different aspects of human progress.

6. Statistical Tools

Statistical methods such as percentage analysis, mean score analysis, and Pearson correlation were used to examine the gathered data. Summarising the replies with percentage analysis, measuring the general level of agreement with mean score analysis, and determining the strength and direction of the association between technical innovation and human growth with Pearson correlation were the three main methods used.

Data Analysis and Interpretations

Table 1: Gender of the Respondents

Gender	Frequency	Percentage (%)
Male	68	59.1
Female	47	40.9
Total	**115**	**100.0**

According to the data in the table, 47 out of 115 respondents (40.9%) were female and 68 out of 115 respondents (59.1%) were male. There are somewhat more men than women in the sample, although both sexes are represented. The link between technical progress and human flourishing is discussed from a variety of angles in this distribution.

Table 2: Age of the Respondents

Age Group (Years)	Frequency	Percentage (%)
18–25	35	30.4
26–35	42	36.5
36–45	24	20.9
Above 45	14	12.2
Total	**115**	**100.0**

According to the data in the table, 36.5% of the respondents were in the 26-35 age bracket, with 30.4% falling into the 18-25 age bracket. Of the total respondents, 20.9% were in the 36-45 age bracket, with 12.2% falling into the over-45 category. People in their twenties and thirties, who are more likely to have regular contact with and exposure to technology advancements, seem to make up the bulk of the study's sample.

Table 3: Respondents' Opinion on the Impact of Technological Innovation on Human Development

Response	Frequency	Percentage
Strongly Agree	48	41.7
Agree	39	33.9
Neutral	15	13.0
Disagree	9	7.8
Strongly Disagree	4	3.5
Total	115	100

Technological advancement has aided human progress, according to around 75.6% of those who agreed or strongly agreed. There was a generally good impression, as just 11.3% voiced disapproval.

Table 4: Correlation Between Technological Innovation and Human Development

Variables	Pearson Correlation (r)	Significance (p-value)	Result
Technological Innovation & Human Development	0.784	0.000	Significant Positive Relationship

There is a robust positive association between technological innovation and human development, as shown by the Pearson correlation coefficient (r = 0.784). With a p-value lower than 0.05, we may accept the alternative hypothesis and reject the null.

Conclusion

The study concludes that technological innovation has a positive impact on human development during the period 2011–2025. It improves education, healthcare, employment opportunities, and the overall quality of life. The findings indicate that respondents generally perceive technology as an important factor in enhancing human well-being and supporting sustainable development. The statistical analysis supports the acceptance of the alternative hypothesis (H0), confirming a significant positive relationship between technological innovation and human development, while the null hypothesis (H0) is rejected. Therefore, continued investment in innovation, digital infrastructure, and digital literacy is essential to achieve inclusive and sustainable human development.

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