



**A TEN - DAYS TRAINING COURSE
ON
RESEARCH METHODOLOGY IN SOCIAL SCIENCES**
(PREFERABLY FOR M.PHIL./PH.D. AND OTHER RESEARCH SCHOLARS OF
SC/ST/OTHER MARGINALISED AND MINORITY GROUPS AND FROM NORTH-
EAST AND JAMMU-KASHMIR STATES AND OTHER UNION TERRITORIES)
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OCTOBER 19 to 28, 2018



Organised by
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INTRODUCTION

Methodology is the central and most crucial component, element of any research endeavour in social sciences. Any researcher has to be well-equipped and must have command over this tool. Otherwise, however, well-defined and well-crafted the concepts, questions and objectives pertaining to the study may be, at operationalization stage it may not yield desired outcomes and hence, affects final output. Even otherwise, continuous and on-going discourse on methodology component of research in social sciences within fraternity of social scientists is vital exercise as there is always a scope of innovation in that sphere.

In recognition of the need for reorienting and upgrading the research skills of research scholars of social sciences, Centre for Social Studies, Surat is organising a **Ten Days Training Course on RESEARCH METHODOLOGY IN SOCIAL SCIENCES** (Preferably for M.Phil/Ph.D./research scholars of SC/ST/other marginalized and minority groups and from North-East and Jammu-Kashmir states and other UTs) **during 19 October – 28 October, 2018.**

The Training Course will blend social science philosophy, theory and practical aspects pertaining to research. Thus, the course will focus not only on the theoretical and philosophical dimensions as well as rationale upon which social research needs to be based but also varied practical aspects of research that one encounters during various stages of conducting research such as identifying research problem, proposal writing, literature review, selection of research methods, report writing etc.

OBJECTIVES OF THE TRAINING COURSE

The basic objective of this training course is to provide training in social science research methodology mainly to the M. Phil and Ph. D. students of colleges and post-graduate departments of various universities, **preferably belonging to SCs, STs, other marginalized and minority groups and from North-East and Jammu-Kashmir states and other Union Territories.** In addition to dealing with philosophical and theoretical aspects of social science research, the course proposes to impart training in defining research problems, framing research questions, formulation of hypothesis, exploring data sources, data collection methods, data analysis techniques and various aspects related with report writing. It is also envisaged to provide an orientation with relation to use of important

statistical methods in analyzing both qualitative and quantitative data. More specifically the Course aims to address the following objectives:

1. To orient the participants about role of social science research in developing societies.
2. To acquaint them on philosophical and theoretical dimensions of social science research.
3. To familiarise the participants with different types of data sources and ways and means of accessing them.
4. To deliberate on the aspects of formulating research questions and objectives, setting research design and other components of research proposal.
5. To equip the participants with various research methods and techniques of data collection and data-analysis and interpretation.
6. On giving final shape of research output in the form of research report/thesis/monograph.

COURSE CONTENT:

- (1) Research Methodology; Theoretical and Philosophical Issues and Different Schools;
- (2) Types of Research and Research Design;
- (3) Types of Data, Methods and Tools of Data Collection;
- (4) Sampling and Statistical Tools;
- (5) Statistical techniques and data analysis using SPSS (Statistical Package for the Social Sciences) package;
- (6) Various Methods of Qualitative Research;
- (7) Writing Report, Research Paper and Monograph.

ON CENTRE FOR SOCIAL STUDIES, SURAT

Centre for Social Studies, Surat (CSS) is an autonomous social science research institute. With a focus on understanding processes of development, CSS is dedicated to the study of Indian society with a firm belief that this can contribute to the social transformation. Founded by late Professor I.P. Desai in 1969 as the Centre for Regional Development Studies, CSS receives financial support from the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR, Government of India) and the Government of Gujarat. A multidisciplinary institute, CSS formulates ideas, undertakes empirical studies, theorizes and disseminates knowledge through training and publications in vernacular and English languages. Faculty at CSS represents disciplines like Sociology, Economics, Anthropology, History, Statistics, Human Geography and Social Work. With an emphasis on empirical research and Gujarat as its core research region, Centre also undertakes studies related to other parts of the country. The key areas of research in CSS include: migration, labour, land and credit markets, marginal communities, society and violence, public health, urban landscapes, culture and conflict, environment and resources, governance,

women and society, social justice and civil society. Theoretical contributions of CSS have been well recognized in the fields of social stratification, agrarian relations, social movements, sociology of education, dalits and tribes, and development studies.

GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPANTS:

- The applicants should preferably belong to SCs/STs/Other Marginalized and Minority groups and from North-East and Jammu-Kashmir states as well as Union Territories. They should be working on their M.Phil/Ph.D thesis or planning to carry out a research.
- Interested candidates are requested to send their application to the coordinators along with duly filled up Application – form (format enclosed) so as to reach us latest by **August 28, 2018**.
- For further information or to download the form, see our website at <http://css.ac.in> or write to us at: info@css.ac.in.
- Intimation pertaining to selection of applicant will reach the participants by **10th September, 2018**.
- Candidates are expected to submit a brief note of about 1000 words, delineating research questions, methodology and details on its on-going research and its current phase.
- Those selected will have to deposit Rs.500/- as earnest money to be sent by M.O. This amount is refundable only after full attendance in this course.
- As per ICSSR rules the selected participants will get to and fro second-class travel expenses besides providing local hospitality.

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APPLICATION FORM

(Form filled with all relevant details must reach us not later than August 28, 2018)

1. Name (in CAPITAL Letters) :
2. Date of Birth :
3. Mention Social group as per (*) :
above
4. Address for communication :
(In Capital Letters)
- Mobile No. :
- Phone (with STD code)
- Fax :
- Email :
5. Gender :
6. Language Proficiency :
7. Institution/University :
(with full address)
8. Present position/designation :
9. Qualifications :
10. Discipline :
11. Topic/title of Research :

12. Present Status of Research : (Stating in brief current stage of on-going research work, Ph.D or other, mentioning clearly and specifically at what stage research has reached in terms of proposal/ Reviewing Literature/ Methodology/Research tools/data collection/Analysis/ Report writing).

Receiving Fellowship (Yes/No) :

13. A Brief Note on Your Research :
Interests (Use extra sheet if needed)

14. Have you applied to such courses conducted by us earlier? Yes/No (If 'Yes' provide details)

Applicant's Signature: _____

Recommendation of the supervisor or department head:

Seal & Signature of Head:

Date: