



**A TEN - DAYS TRAINING COURSE  
ON  
RESEARCH METHODOLOGY IN SOCIAL SCIENCES  
(FOR M.PHIL./PH.D. AND OTHER RESEARCH SCHOLARS)  
(ICSSR SPONSORED)**

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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 organ. Otherwise, however, well-defined and finely-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, methodology needs modifications with changing social contexts.

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** (For M.Phil/Ph.D./other research scholars) **during 2 January – 11 January, 2020.**

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. scholars of colleges and post-graduate departments of various universities as well as research institutes. 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 in general and research in particular.
  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 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 **November 11, 2019**.
- 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](mailto:info@css.ac.in).
- Intimation pertaining to selection of applicant will reach the participants by **18th November, 2019**.
- 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.
- 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 November 11, 2019)

1. Name (in CAPITAL Letters) :
2. Date of Birth :
3. Mention Social group (\*) :
4. Address for communication and Residential address (with name of State) (In Capital Letters) :
  
- Mobile No. :
- Whatsapp No. :
- 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 :

\* Please mention whether you are belonging to categories of SCs/ STs/ OBCs / Minorities/ (with specification)

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/ attended to such courses conducted by us/ other institutes earlier? Yes/No (If 'Yes' provide details)

# You are requested to attach your research proposal along with delineation of status of research in detail. Kindly note that during the course your proposals and research interest will be deliberated in the special sessions.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommendation of the supervisor or department head:

Seal & Signature of Head:

Date: