# FOUR DAYS ORIENTATION COURSE
# IN
# SOCIAL SCIENCES RESEARCH

(FOR M.PHIL./PH.D. /Post-Doctoral SCHOLARS AND FACULTY
BELONGING TO SCs, STs AND OTHER MARGINALIZED GROUPS)
**(ICSSR SPONSORED)**

**16 July to 19 July, 2019**



Organised by
**Centre for Social Studies (CSS)**
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## INTRODUCTION

Any of the Social Science discipline gets enriched with persistent research endeavours on various themes. And social science researcher has to be well-equipped and must have command over various aspects and tools of research. A research endeavour comprises of two components: A component consisting of well-defined and well-crafted concepts, theoretical formulations, research questions, and objectives pertaining to the study; and the second component of methodology for operationalization stage pertaining to data collection, data analysis and final output in the form of report or write-up.

In recognition of the need for reorienting and upgrading the research capabilities of research scholars as well as faculty members of social sciences, Centre for Social Studies, Surat is organising a **Four Days Orientation Course in Social Science Research preferably from SCs, STs and Other Marginalized Groups during 16 July – 19 July, 2019.**

The orientation Course will blend social science philosophy, theory and practical aspects keeping in focus research. Thus, the course will cover not only 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, data-analysis, report writing etc.

## OBJECTIVES OF THE ORIENTATION COURSE

The basic objective of this Orientation Course is to have discourse in relation to various aspects and components of social science research with M. Phil,Ph. D. and post-doctoral scholars as well as faculty members from colleges and post-graduate departments of various universities and research institutes. preferably belonging to SCs, STs and other marginalized groups. In addition to dealing with philosophical and theoretical aspects related with social science research, the course intends to deliberate on aspects of defining research problems, framing research questions, formulation of hypothesis, conducting review of literature, 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) Theoretical Issues and Philosophical Schools;
(2) Types of Research and Research Design;
(3) Types of Data, Methods and Tools of Data Collection;
(4) 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 groups. They should be working on their M.Phil/Ph.D/Post-Doctoral thesis or planning to carry out a research. Those who are working as faculty members in any of the social science department of colleges and post-graduate departments of universities and research institutes can also participate.
- Interested candidates are requested to send their application to the coordinator along with duly filled up Application – form (format enclosed) so as to reach us latest by **June 18, 2019**.
- Intimation pertaining to selection of applicant will reach the participants by **21 June, 2019.**
- Candidates are expected to submit a brief note of about 1000 words, delineating research questions, methodology and details on their on-going research and its current phase.
- As per ICSSR rules the selected participants will get to and fro second-class travel expenses besides being provided local hospitality.

## FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT:

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**AN ORIENTATION COURSE ON
SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH
(For M.Phil./PH.D./Post-Doctoral Scholars Preferably from
SCs/STs/Other Marginalized Groups)
(July 16-19, 2019)**

## APPLICATION FORM
(Form filled with all relevant details must reach us not later than **June 18, 2019**)

1.  Name  (in CAPITAL Letters)          :

2.  Date of Birth                       :

3.  Social Group (Kindly attach

    relevant document)*

4.  Address for communication           :

    (In Capital Letters)


    Mobile No.                          :
    Phone   (with STD code)
    Fax                                 :

    Email                               :

4.  Gender                              :

5.  Language Proficiency                :

6.  Institution/University              :

    (with full address)

7.  Present position/designation        :

8.  Qualifications                      :

9.  Discipline                          :

10. Topic/title of Research             :

11. 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, Attach separate sheet).

Receiving Fellowship (Yes/No)  :  [          ]

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

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

*Kindly mention specific caste/tribe/other group with social category and attach

relevant document.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Recommendation of the supervisor or department head:

Seal & Signature of Head:

Date: