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Report on Short-Term Capacity Building Programme on Research Methodology

March 11, 2024 to March 16, 2024

Executive Summary

The Association of Indian Universities-Dayalbagh Educational Institute-Academic and Administrative Development Centre (AIU-DEI-AADC) in association with the Department of Applied Business Economics, Faculty of Commerce, DEI organized a Short-Term Capacity Building Programme on *Research Methodology*.

The programme aimed to assist budding researchers in both preparation and motivation for conducting their original research. Through the infusion of a scientific approach and the introduction of research tools and techniques, participants were trained to conduct thorough investigations. Additionally, the programme emphasized the ethical use of artificial intelligence. Interactive sessions and hands-on exercises were utilized to reinforce learning. The comprehensive course content featured twelve modules expertly crafted by eight resource persons. A total of forty-eight participants from diverse locations were able to attend the programme in a blended mode.

Resource Persons

Prof. M. Naved KhanDepartment of Management,
Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh



Prof. Pushpender Surya Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi, Delhi



Prof. Nidhi SharmaDepartment of Economics,
Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi



Dr. Rekha Handa University Business School, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar



Dr. Mange RamLibrarian,
Dayalbagh Educational Institute, Agra



Prof. Rupali Satsangi,Department of Economics,
Dayalbagh Educational Institute, Agra



Dr. Preet KumariDepartment of Psychology,
Dayalbagh Educational Institute, Agra



Dr. V. Prem PrakashDepartment of Electrical Engineering,
Dayalbagh Educational Institute, Agra



Programme Schedule

Date and Time	Topic/Module	Resource Persons
Mar 11 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM Break 2:15 PM – 4:00 PM	INAUGURAL CEREMONY (12:00 PM – 12:30 PM)	
	Module 1 Necessity and Stages of Research	Prof. M. Naved Khan
Mar 12 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM Break 2:15 PM to 4:00 PM	Module 2 Review of Literature Searching and Writing ROL Module 3	Prof. Pushpender Surya
	Process of Formulation of Hypotheses	
Mar 13 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM Break 2:15 PM to 4:00 PM	Module 4 Data Mining (Tools of Data Collection, Use of E-Resources, Drafting of Questionnaire and Schedules, Preparation for Interview and Survey)	Prof. Nidhi Sharma
	Module 5 Data Cleansing (Sorting and Filtering using MS-Excel)	
Mar 14 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM Break 2:15 PM to 4:00 PM	Module 6 Tools of Data Analysis (Parametric and Non-Parametric test)	Dr. Preet Kumari
	Module 7 Process of Testing of Hypotheses (Use of SPSS)	
Mar 15 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM Break 2:15 PM to 4:00 PM	Module 8 Report Writing and Presenting Research Findings	Dr. Rekha Handa
	Module 9 Identifying and Reducing Plagiarism (Use of Drillbit Software)	Dr. Mange Ram
	Module 10 Increasing Use of Artificial Intelligence in Research	Dr. V. Prem Prakash
Mar 16 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM Break 3:15 PM – 4:00 PM	Module 11 Drafting and Publishing of Research Paper (How to Write, Finance, Get Fees Waived and Publish a Research Paper in High-Impact Journals)	Prof. Rupali Satsangi
	Module 12 Preparation of Research Project Proposal (Target Funded Project)	
	CLOSING CEREMONY (3:15 PM to 4:00 PM)	

Inaugural Ceremony



The inaugural of the programme was organized on March 11, 2024. Prof. V. K. Gangal, the convener introduced the theme of the programme. Prof. N.P.S Chandel, Professor, Department of Foundations of Education, and Research Coordinator,

Faculty of Education, DEI was

the chief guest. He threw light on the need for and importance of research and its adequate methodology to carry out original research. Prof. M. Naved Khan, Professor, Department of Management, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh was the





Guest of Honour. Prof. Jyoti Gogia, the nodal officer of AIU-DEI-AADC highlighted the objective of the AADC and its successful execution of programs. Prof. L. N. Koli was joined as a distinguished guest. Faculty members and staff of DEI, participants, and volunteers were also present.

Programme Sessions

The six-day programme explored the philosophical roots of curiosity-driven research and its importance in everyday life from medicine to policy formulation in business and government affairs.





During the first day of the programme, Professor Naved Khan from the Department of Management at Aligarh Muslim University emphasized the *Necessity and Stages of Research*. His session provided a well-rounded learning experience for attendees, combining theoretical frameworks and real-life examples to cater to diverse research interests. Participants gained valuable insights into the research process, including navigating its intricacies and employing innovative data collection techniques. Professor Khan also fostered interactive dialogue, encouraging attendees to critically evaluate research paradigms and explore interdisciplinary approaches to tackle contemporary challenges.





During the second day of the programme, Professor Pushpendra Surya from Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi delivered a highly interactive session on the *Review of Literature* and the Process of Formulation of Hypotheses. He emphasized the importance of conducting

an extensive literature survey related to one's research problem and discussed the philosophical roots of curiosity-driven research. Professor Surya highlighted how this type of research is valuable in everyday life.





During the third day of the programme, Professor Nidhi Sharma, from the esteemed Department of Economics at Banaras Hindu University in Varanasi, enlightened the participants on the crucial processes of *Data Mining and Data Cleansing*. Attendees had the invaluable opportunity to engage in a hands-on practice session led by Professor Sharma, where they were trained on the utilization of AI-powered tools for various tasks such as literature reviews, hypothesis development, questionnaire design, data cleaning, and accurate data analysis. Additionally, the session also covered essential skills such as managing references and the preparation and presentation of reports.





The day after, Dr. Preet Kumari from the Department of Psychology at DEI delivered a lecture on the *Tools of Data Analysis and Testing Hypotheses*. She covered a range of parametric and non-parametric tools for data analysis, as well as the steps involved in hypothesis testing. Dr. Kumari provided hands-on training on various data analysis tools and techniques, including test, z-test, F-test, ANOVA, and chi-square test, using the Statistical Package for Social

Sciences (SPSS). Her guidance was instrumental in helping participants improve their data analysis and hypothesis testing skills.





During the fifth day of the programme, Dr. Rekha Handa from the University Business School at Guru Nanak Dev University in Amritsar provided insight into *Report Writing and Presenting Research Findings*. Her discussion covered various challenges that researchers may encounter, such as ethical concerns, resource limitations, and access restrictions when publishing their work in reputable journals. Dr. Handa emphasized the importance of effectively presenting research findings, which is just as crucial as other aspects of the research process. Later, Dr. Mange Ram, the Librarian at DEI, addressed the topic of *Plagiarism*. Participants were taught proper citation techniques to avoid plagiarism and were presented with real-life examples of issues related to plagiarism. Dr. Mange Ram encouraged participants to maintain academic ethics in their research endeavors.





On the same day, Dr. V. Prem Prakash, Department of Electrical Engineering at DEI discussed the Use of Artificial Intelligence in Research. This informative session emphasized how AI can revolutionize research by boosting efficiency and accuracy, allowing researchers to work with

vast datasets, extract valuable insights, and innovate at an unprecedented pace. Participants also explored the diverse applications of AI in research, including Natural Language Processing (NLP) and Large Language Model (LLM), and were provided with ethical guidelines for utilizing tools like ChatGPT. Additionally, hands-on practice sessions were conducted, enabling attendees to utilize AI tools for literature reviews, formulating hypotheses, designing questionnaires, cleaning data, conducting accurate data analysis, managing references, and preparing and presenting reports.





Finally, Prof. Rupali Satsangi, Department of Economics at DEI offered valuable insights on the art of *Drafting and Publishing Research Papers and Preparation of Research Proposals*. She enlightened the audience on different research platforms, peer-reviewed journals of repute, and their impact factors. Participants were guided on navigating potential obstacles while publishing research papers in esteemed journals. Her session aimed to empower participants to become proficient researchers, poised to contribute significantly in their respective fields.





During the Valedictory Session, Professor V.K. Gangal, the programme convener, presented the brief programme report, while both online and offline participants shared their feedback.

They commended the programme for being both informative and engaging, with highly interactive and practical sessions that equipped them with essential research skills.







Professor C. Patvardhan, Director of Dayalbagh Educational Institute (Deemed to be University), emphasized the importance of continually seeking innovative solutions to research problems rather than limiting investigations. He also recognized the contributions of participants, resource persons, and the organizing team by distributing participation certificates and mementos.





A gesture of gratitude was extended to the DEI and AIU Advisors, organizing committee members, technical staff, and students for their seamless teamwork. The programme concluded with the Institute Song. Overall, the workshop was a success, and attendees left with enhanced research acumen.

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