



**Savitribai Phule Pune University**

**Department of Defence & Strategic Studies,**

**Department of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Studies, International Centre**

**&**

**Strategic Culture and Security Foundation Pune**

**Are Jointly Inviting Applications for**

**TWO WEEK**

**CAPACITY BUILDING TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR**

**SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH**

**Sponsored by**

**Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi**

**22<sup>nd</sup> February to 04<sup>th</sup> March, 2024**

## **ABOUT CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME**

The Department of Defence & Strategic Studies, Department of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Studies, International Centre, Savitribai Phule Pune University (SPPU) & Strategic Culture and Security Foundation Pune are jointly inviting applications for two-week Capacity Building Programme (CBP) on Research Methodology for young faculty in Social Sciences for the benefit of university, college teachers as well as faculty from social science research institutes from 22<sup>nd</sup> February to 04<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 (12 working days). This CBP, equivalent to a Refresher Course, aims to empower faculty members in social sciences to pursue research in their area of interest. Social science research, as we all know, is very dynamic and constantly reshaping our understanding of the world with new facts, interpretations and approaches. In it, the methodology of research plays a crucial role in building a repository of systematic knowledge which can be used for the benefit of the society at large. Research Methodology itself is a sort of a guiding manual or training for social scientists to conduct research using appropriate tools and processes to navigate the complex social landscape and arrive at logical and verifiable conclusions. This CBP will focus on the recent discourses on the philosophical foundations, skillful use of research methodologies and art of transformation of findings into academic publications. In short, this CBP would help young academicians to grasp the nuances of vast spectrum of the interdisciplinary academic research. This programme for faculty members in social sciences has been conceptualised as a comprehensive tool to address issues related to quality of research and teaching, policy formulation, institution building and so on. It calls for the establishment of conditions that allows individuals to be engaged in the process of collective learning and sharing of knowledge. The major goal of the CBP is to promote and emphasise on various theoretical and methodological issues and usages of research tools and techniques by the faculty members for conducting high quality and ethical research, which would facilitate improving the vitality of higher educational and research institutes and their excellence.

## **OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMME**

The aim of this programme is to give an exposure to the young faculty members in social science disciplines to the latest research trends and developments in their respective field and to enhance their capacity for high quality research and publications. The core objective of the programme would be to enable young faculties to conduct their research work in scientific and systematic manner and to turn their completed research into published materials in the form of books and articles in academic journals. Specifically, the objectives are to:

### **OBJECTIVES:**

- ❖ Develop critical thought process, conceptualisation, meaning and approaches to research.
- ❖ Enhance theoretical and methodological understanding along with quantitative and qualitative research methods in social science research;
- ❖ Enhance skills for preparing an appropriate research design, including conducting an overview of literature, formulating research questions and hypotheses, collection of information and analysis;
- ❖ Develop understanding of statistical tools, data handling and analysis;
- ❖ Enhance research publication skills;
- ❖ Capacity building for writing research grant applications; and,
- ❖ Guide participants for collaborative and multidisciplinary research in the areas of social science and allied disciplines.
- ❖ To impart knowledge on application of Information and Communication Technology for Social Science research and teaching;
- ❖ To strengthen abilities of participants in writing research proposal, research reports, scientific writing to

improve their publications.

### **Programme Outline:**

The programme has been designed to be conducted offline in a modular format with a special emphasis on interactive sessions, exercises and discussions on sample research proposals/papers prepared by the participants during the training. The broad overviews of the course are:

1. Fundamentals and meaning of research with focus on ontology, epistemology and methodology of doing social research.
2. Idea and approaches of research - nature, scope and theories; tenets of qualitative and quantitative research.
3. Research Design, usage of various tools and techniques, methods and processes of qualitative and quantitative data collection;
4. Application of statistical software for data processing and analysis;
5. Ethics in Social Science research;
6. Emerging trends and tenets of academic writing and publications.
7. Preparation of research proposal and avenues of funding opportunities.

**Duration of the Course:** Two Weeks (12 working days).

**Number of Seats:** Total 20 seats for participants (10 from within the state and 10 from outside state).

**Application and Selection Criteria:** This programme/course is intended to provide opportunity to young faculty members (not below the level of Assistant Professor) of any UGC recognised University/College/Institution (including ICSSR research institutes and reputed Social Science research institution engaged research) engaged in Social Science research. Selection criteria as laid down by the ICSSR shall be followed.

**Fee:** This CBP is sponsored by the ICSSR, New Delhi and therefore, **NO FEE shall be charged from the participants for attending the programme**

**Certification:** Participants will be issued certificates upon successful completion of the programme.

### **Important Dates**

- *Start date for Registration (via Google form): 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2024*
- *Last date for Registration (via Google form): 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024*
- *Confirmation of Participation by the selected candidates: 18<sup>th</sup> February 2024*

### **HOW TO APPLY FOR THE SHORT TERM COURSES**

Interested candidates can apply to the Course Director by filling up the registration form on or before **15<sup>th</sup> February 2024**. The registration form is appended below. The shortlisted participants will be informed by **18<sup>th</sup> February 2024**.

A duly filled soft copy of the registration form and required documents may please be sent through

**Registration link:** <https://forms.gle/yxuT3sw9Qx3TEpMi7> or Scan



**The following enclosures are to be uploaded in google link at the time of submission of application form:**

1. Application form.
2. Passport size Photograph.
3. Recommendation of the Forwarding Authority

**\*Applications received after the due date shall not be considered.**



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(Please fill the form in capital letters and tick mark whichever is applicable.)



1. Name: Mr./Ms./Dr. ....
2. Gender: Male/Female
3. Date of Birth: .....
4. Category: SC/ST/OBC/PH/Minority/General
5. Designation: .....
6. Department/Centre (if any): .....
7. Area of Teaching/Research Interest: .....
8. Teaching/Research Experience (in Years): .....
9. Familiarity with any Software Packages: .....
10. Phone/Mobile:.....Email ID:.....
11. Mailing/Correspondence Address:  
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12. Address of the College/University: .....
13. Whether attended any Capacity Building Program sponsored by ICSSR? If Yes, give details:  
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Date:    /    /

**Signature of the Applicant**

## **RECOMMENDATION FROM THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY**

I recommend Mr./Ms./Dr..... (Designation).....

Institution) .....

for the ICSSR Sponsored Capacity Building Programme for Social Science Faculty to be organised by Strategic Culture and Security Foundation Pune, India during 22<sup>nd</sup> February to 04<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.

She/ He will be relieved for the duration of programme and travel time required to participate in the Programme, if selected.

Date :    /    /

Place :

Signature of Director/Registrar/  
Principal/HoD  
(Seal)

**Note: Filled and scanned recommendation letter should be uploaded in Registration link.**