Orientation Programme on Developing Research Skill: 1. Main Report

School of Regional Studies & Research (a department of Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur) and State Resource Centre (Adult & Continuing Education), Raipur (Supported by Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India) jointly organized one two-day on Developing Research Skill for the benefit of staff of State Resource Centre, Chhattisgarh. It took place at the Seminar Hall of School of Regional Studies & Research, from 12th to 13th August, 2015.Dr. Ravindra Nath Pati, (Associate Professor) eminent social anthropologist of Institute of Paleo Environment and Heritage Conservation, Mekelle University, Ethiopia, conducted this orientation programme.

First Day, 12th August, 2015.

Inaugural Session:

The inaugural session began with the welcome address of the host Prof. Mitashree Mitra, (Coordinator of this Orientation Programme) who happens to be an eminent Anthropologist as well as the Head, School of Regional Studies. Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur. After presenting a bouquet to the chief speaker, she introduced Dr. R N Pati to the audience. She also elaborated on his present assignment as Associate Professor, at Institute of Paleo Environment and Heritage Conservation, Mekelle University, Ethiopia, on his editorship of research journals like those on corporate sector and Anthropology and his role in implementing the MoU with Mekelle University regarding reproductive health and child health of young mothers and that of adolescent girls.

It was followed by the address of the other host, Mr. Tuhin Deb, Director, State Resource Centre (SRC), Chhattisgarh. He gave an overview of SRC including what short of researches, in the field of non-formal education, done by them till now and the felt-need of this orientation of research skill and scientific method for his team.

Technical Session:

Thereafter, Dr, R N Pati began his session with an excellent power point presentation of the theme named 'Guidelines of Conducting Research'. Apart from the hosts and the chief guest, it was attended by research scholars, assistant professors, 10 officers of SRC as well as one Dy. Director of India CSR.

What is research? According to Dr. Pati, 'It is the quest for new facts in any field of knowledge, but in a logical manner'. Thus, it might be verification of an established theory in the light of the new facts, hitherto unknown; or it might be constructing a new hypothesis logically and its

subsequent empirical verification. Therefore, a research must start with a good planning and focus. Otherwise, it would lose track in the wilderness of vast data accumulated without any proper planning and direction.

He emphasized that the researcher must have some clarity about why a particular research has been undertaken, who are the objects or target groups and who are the sponsors or mentors. It would determine the selection of subject, choice of the topic and framing the objective. Again, it would also help in selecting methodology and technique—quantitative and qualitative – and the suitable mix of the two. He clarified that in social sector research, participatory mode (a variant of qualitative technique) is more preferable. Under this method, questions would necessarily be open ended while in quantitative method most of the questions of multiple choice would be close ended.

Research Methodology means the procedure by which researchers go about the work describing how a representative sample has been chosen from a universe. It also specifies how the 'research problem' is formulated, what sort of data to be collected and by what method. It also provides justification of preferring a particular technique to others. It is to be noted that the quantitative tools are amenable to statistical and mathematical analysis while non-numerical data cannot be graphed but helps in interpreting many human behavior and cultural parameters.

He also explained about various methodologies of surveying and their applications. He guided the participants about the formulation of questionnaire and schedule. He explained the importance of forming a hypothesis and how to analyze the primary and secondary data. Both Dr Pati and Prof. Mitra emphasized the need of cross-validation of data before arriving at preconceived bias conclusions. At this stage, observation, comparison and analysis are very important. That's why good documentation and recording of focused group discussion (FGD tool) and interviews are necessary pre-conditions. Finally, it is the nature and need of recommendations and how that had to be necessarily determined by the sponsors, donors or the very purpose of the undertaking a particular research assignment. A recommendation while providing solution to a problem must state its limitations and whether it is sustainable and replicable.

For the trainees, he graphically explained the stages of research thus:

- I. Selection of Topic.
- II. Defining the problem.
- III. Collection of Literature, old Survey Report and References.
- IV. Assessment of the current status of the topic.
- V. Formulation of Hypothesis.
- VI. Research Design.
- VII. Actual Investigation.
- VIII. Data Analysis.
- IX. Interpretation of Result.
- X. Report Writing.

Then he asserted that the defining and the formulating the problem is more important than the solution itself. In the process one has to state the assumptions made and it would have to be formed in an un-ambiguous manner. It is also to be seen whether the topic is of importance to government or scientific community or the public at large.

He also cautioned the would-be researchers about some common errors, such as:

- a) Selective Observation.
- b) Inaccurate Data.
- c) Over-generalization.
- d) Made-up information.
- e) Illogical Reasoning.
- f) Ex- post facto hypothesizing.
- g) Ego involvement in understanding.
- h) Premature closure of enquiry.

Researchers should also ask themselves:

- i. Whether the accumulated quantitative and qualitative data are sufficient for drawing conclusion?
- ii. Are they very general or representative in nature?
- iii. Are the evidence collected adequate for supporting the conclusion arrived at?

The pre-lunch session ended with Prof. Mitashree Mitra explaining the ethical issues in social science researches and its growing importance in this age of electronic and digital communication and media revolution. She cautioned the would be researchers to obtain prior consent from the subject persons before disclosing their names or displaying photographs. She discussed the issues in relation to the researches like prevalence of Obstructive Sleep Apnea (OSA) among human population of Chhattisgarh and affirmed that it had been an age and gender function.

Regarding dealing with human subjects in research, she cautioned about tagging an individual (say sickle cell or HIV syndrome), coercing the person to provide data or alluring the subject with money or false promise of accruing benefits. It is desired that the researchers should reveal their identities, the objective of research. In case of institutional research, obtaining clearance certificate from the Ethical Committee is a must.

During the post lunch session, Dr R N Pati elaborated and gave tips on how to conduct a survey, how to get rid of bias on the part of both the surveyor and those surveyed. He also explained the difference and utilities of 'Open-ended' and 'Close-ended' questions.

Open-ended questions are flexible, non-structured, amenable to 'content analysis' and preferable in micro-level research and exploring new domain, while Close-ended questionnaires are easy to collect, amenable to statistical and mathematical analysis and preferable in a macro study.

Additional cautions in surveying:

- Sequencing of questions is a factor.
- Hallo-effect and influence of multi-variants in an unreasonable manner.
- Response set, search for consistency, use of reverse-scaling.
- Gender and Ethnicity of researcher/respondent.
- Median of interview, whether face to face, telephonic or e-mail, can influence the response.
- Fatigue.
- Phrasing of questions.
- Avoid vague and nebulous questions.
- Avoid lengthy one, keep them short and succinct.
- Developing rapport with the respondent is of prime importance.
- Better make the interview/survey a participatory one.
- Surveyor should also observe the surroundings and non-verbal cues.
- Questions should be neutral, non-negative and devoid of slang, local jargons and ambiguity.
- Questions should not contain answers within themselves.
- Avoid directly evaluative questioning.
- Be cautious of respondents' intentional misrepresentation of facts and their possible social desirability bias.

He also differentiated type of surveys in terms of cooperation of respondent, cost, advantages and disadvantages. The session ended with meaningful questions and answers with eager participants like Mr. Vinod, Mrs. Chandrika, and Shabana from SRC, Raipur and Mr. Dayanand Awasthi from India CSR. Regarding the above conversation, Dr. R N Pati and Prof. Mitra emphasized the need of cross-validation to avoid respondent's bias.

The last session was conducted by Dr Shailendra Kumar Verma, Assistant Professor, School of Regional Studies & Research. He explained the difference between research methodology and techniques and how to choose the appropriate ones. He also informed that quantitative method reveals the impact but not the cause and effect relationship while qualitative method ascertains cause and effect syndrome. He explained how content analysis should necessarily have to satisfy the three attributes--- validity, credibility and objectivity.

The day ended with a frank and open Q & A sessions in which all the participants and the faculty members took part.

Second Day, 13th August, 2015.

The second day began with a long session of Dr. R N Pati explaining in detail the best rapid assessment method named Focused Group Discussion or FGD method. He patiently clarified the roles of Moderator and his assistant, their do's and don'ts, funnel type of questioning, noting the observations from both verbal and non- verbal response, keeping audio records and going for transcription to be followed by cause and effect analysis within 24 hours. For the benefit of the trainees he gave a live demonstration and conducted a mock FGD involving all the trainees. He showed how to draw meaningful conclusions from FGD findings after cross validation.

In response to the query what is to be 'focused'? He replied -- focus has to be on a) the respondent group, b) on topic, c) on method, d) on understanding, e) on reasoning (cause and effect), f) on mindset, g) how do the group describe and explain, h) how do they, themselves, seek the solution of the instant problem etc.

Regarding the successful functioning of FGD he put the following conditions:

- i. Group members should be of homogenous socio-economic and ethnic background.
- ii. The number may vary from 5 to 14; but ideal is 10.
- iii. The moderator and his assistant should invite the group to a pre-decided venue.
- iv. The sitting arrangement should be circular.
- v. The moderator should ask the questions in a funnel mode,-- general and peripherial in the beginning, the key questions at the fag end.
- vi. These questions should be answered by all to minimize the individual bias.
- vii. The assistant has to take notes, record the proceeding (audio and video) and transcribe and analyze them within 24 hours.
- viii. Two to three groups can also be engaged for cross-validation. Ultimately, triangulation will follow
- ix. Be cautious about language and communication problems (linear/circular, procedural/formal) etc.
- x. The concept of triangulation can be illustrated by following diagram:

	Theory	
	Investigation	
Sources		Method

- xi) Summarize entire discussion and get it approved from the Group regarding its order, content, sequence of questions, and the replies obtained.
- xii) Maintain eye-contact with the respondent throughout the proceeding, be respectful to them and utter a polite 'thank you' before taking leave of them.

The session ended with a mock FGD with participants playing the roles of moderator, assistant and the adolescent village girls. After this involved exercise, Dr. Pati demonstrated what sort of conclusions can be drawn from the instant FGD.

Afterwards, Prof. Mitashree Mitra conducted an important session with a power point presentation on Assessment of Health Indicators emphasizing the risk levels of children, pregnant mothers and adolescent girls. She explained how the protein and carbohydrate requirements of a person depend on age, gender and occupation factors. Citing Article 47 of Directive Principles laid down in the Constitution of India, she emphasized that it has been the responsibility of the government to maintain the health of its citizen. According to her, problem of malnutrition is not the function of poverty or income alone. Low income group suffers from protein deficiency while High income group suffers from vitamin deficiency. She stated that the appropriate protein and carbohydrate intake of a person would vary in accordance with his life style (say, whether he/she does manual or intellectual labor). She introduced the participants with the concept of BMI (Body Mass Index) as Weight (kg)/ Height (mxm) whereas model measure should be between 18.5 to 24.5. She also told them about CED or Chronic Energy Deficiency measure, Cycle of Malnutrition. She ended the session while discussing two types of Nutritional and Health Assesment—Direct (Individual) and Indirect (Community wise).

Another session on technique and methods of computation and analysis of collected data was conducted by Dr. Sahilendra Kumar Verma and Mr. Praveen Soni. They explained how in excel sheet the surveyed data could be posted and interpreted with economy of labor and time.

The last session was conducted by Dr. Ashok Kumar Pradhan, Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology. Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur with the help of a power point presentation he explained the art of Report Writing. He delivered a structured design of research. It was as follows:

- I. Thinking, ii. Selection of Problem, iii. Review of Literature, iv. Formulation of Hypothesis, v. Preparation of Research Design, vi. Method—Sample or Census, vii Tools & Techniques, viii Primary Data, ix. Secondary Data, x. Classification/Tabulation, xi. Analysis, xii. Testing of Hypothesis, xiii. Generalization or interpretation of Data, xiv. Preparation or Writing of Report.
- II. Thereafter he clarified the order of the Report itself. They are:
 - a) Title page, b) Letter of Authorization, c) Preface, d) Content, e) List of Tables & Figures.

- III. How to design the content writing, the soul of the research report? Dr. Pradhan answers thus:
 - i. Introduction:
 - a) Subject, b) Area, c) Review of Literature, d) Objective.
 - ii. Methodology:
 - a) Census or Sample Method,b) Sample size (n) and the population (N),c) Tools and technique, [Design-experimental or descriptive, Significance of the choice, interview schedule].
 - iii. Data Analysis & Discussion:
 - a) Tables, b) Statistical Tools, c) Comparison, d) Diagrams & Graphs, e) Brief results and findings.
 - iv. Conclusion.
 - v. Recommendations.
 - vi. Limitations of the study.

Dr. Pradhan concluded his session with an intensive Q & A. He explained that Census Method does not require any Test of Significance or Chi-square test, whereas Sample Method with maulti-variates require T or Z tests. In case of non- parametric data only Chi-square test would suffice. Otherwise, Correlation method will be enough. In case of test of significance 5% margin of error is acceptable.

For descriptive simple socio-economic analysis, percentage (%) comparison is the best statistical tool. It can be supported with diagrams and graphs as these are easily be understood by public at large.

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The orientation programme was attended by 10 of SRC officers and five research scholars.

2. Annexure

a. Programme Schedule

"Orientation Programme towards Developing Research Skill"

August 12-13, 2015 Jointly Organized by

School of Regional Studies & Research

Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur (Chhattisgarh)

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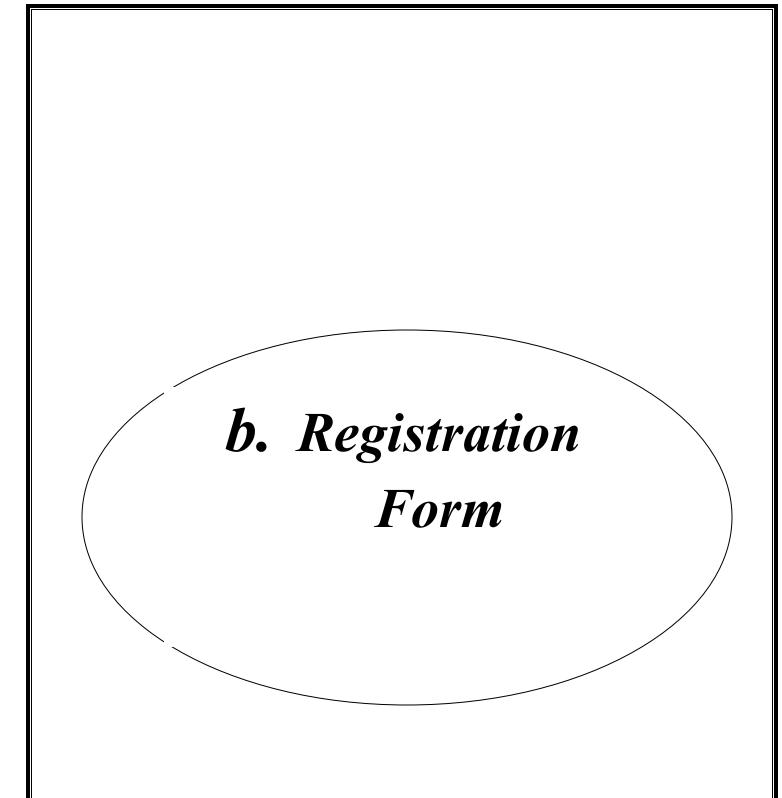
Programme

Date: 12.08.2015 (Wednesday)				
Session	Time		Venue	
Registration	10.30 am to 11.00 am			
Inaugural function	11.00 am to 11.30 am		Regional Studies & Research University Painur (Chhattisgarh)	
Tea Break	11.30 am to 11.45 am	Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur (Chhattisgarh)		
Technical		Topic Speaker		
Session- I	11.45 am - 12.45 pm	Guidelines For Conducting Research	Dr. R.N.Pati Associate Professor Department of Anthropology Institute of Paleo Environment and Heritage Conservation Mekelle University, Mekelle, Ethiopia	
	12.45 pm - 1.30 pm	Overview of State Resource Centre & Need for Orientation of Research Skill	Dr. Tuhin Deb Director State Resource Centre [Adult & Continue Education] (Supported by Ministry of Human	

	1.30 pm - 2.15pm	Ethical Issue in Social Science	Resource Development Government of India) Prof. Mitashree Mitra Professor of Anthropology & Head, School of Regional Studies
			Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh
Lunch Break	2.15 pm - 2.45 pm		
Technical Session- II	2.45 pm - 3.45pm	How to Conduct Survey	Dr. R.N.Pati Associate Professor Department of Anthropology Institute of Paleo Environment and Heritage Conservation Mekelle University, Mekelle, Ethiopia
Tea Break	3.45 pm- 4.00 pm		
	4.00 pm – 4.45 pm	Quantitative and Qualitative Method	Dr. Shailendra Kumar Verma Assistant Professor (Contract) School of Regional Studies & Research Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University Raipur, Chhattisgarh
	4.45 pm- 5.30 pm	Group Discussions	

Date: 13.08.2015				
Session	Time	Topic	Speaker	
Technical	10.30 am -	FGD : Best Rapid	Dr. R.N.Pati	
Session- III	11.30 pm	Assessment Method	Associate Professor	
			Department of Anthropology	
			Institute of Paleo Environment and Heritage Conservation	
			Mekelle University, Mekelle, Ethiopia	
	11.30.am –	Assessment of Health	Prof. Mitashree Mitra	
	12.30 am	Indicators	Professor of Anthropology &	
			Head, School of Regional Studies	
			Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh	
Tea Break	12.30 pm- 12.45 pm			
Lunch Break	12.45 pm - 1. 45 pm	Vocational Education and Training (VET): Relevance for Educational Reform	Dr. R.N.Pati Associate Professor Department of Anthropology Institute of Paleo Environment and Heritage Conservation Mekelle University, Mekelle, Ethiopia	
Lunch Dreak	2.30 pm			
Technical Session -IV	2.30 pm- 3.15 pm	Research Report Writing	Dr. Ashok Kumar Pradhan Associated Professor School of Studies in Anthropology	
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			Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University,
			Raipur, Chhattisgarh
	3.15 pm –	Data Coding and in	Shri Praveen Kumar Soni
	4.30 pm	Computer Analysis	Guest Lecturer
			School of Regional Studies & Research
			Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh
Valedictory	4.30 pm -	Seminar Hall, School of	Regional Studies & Research
function	5.00 pm		University, Raipur (Chhattisgarh





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Venue: Auditorium of School of Regional studies & Research

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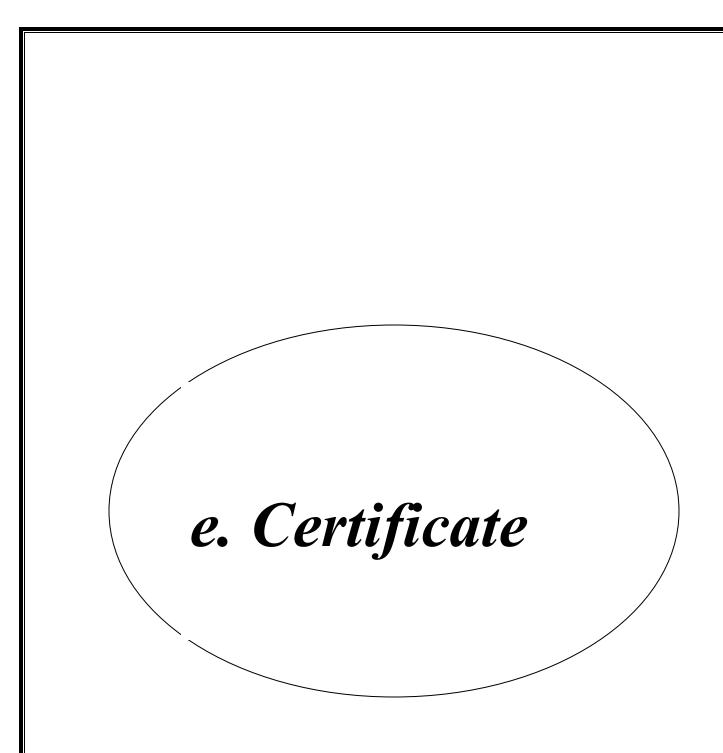
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Orientation programme for staff of State Resource Centre conducted



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■ Staff Reporter RAIPUR, Aug 21

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The training session was organised at seminar hall of School of Regional Studies and Research, Pandit Ravishankar Shukla University. The training programme was jointly organised by School of Regional Studies & Research and State Resource Centre (Adult and Continuing Education), Raipur.

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रायपुर, 21 अगस्त। प. रविशंकर शुक्त विश्वविद्यालय के स्कूल ऑफ रीजनल स्टडीज एंड रिसर्च विभाग एवं राज्य संसाधन केन्द्र (प्रीट एवं सतत शिक्षा) छत्तीसगढ़ के संयुक्त तत्वावधान में शोध कौशल विकास पर दो दिवसीय उन्मुखीकरण सह प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया। इस दो दिवसीय कार्यशाला का आयोजन स्कल ऑफ रीजनल स्टडीज एवं रिसर्च के सभागार में सम्पन हुआ। कार्यक्रम के मुख्य अतिथि मैंकेले विवि इथियोपिया के प्रो. डॉ. आर.एन पति थे। उन्होंने अनुसंधान पर चर्चा करते हुए बताया कि शोध का उद्देश्य स्पष्ट होना चाहिए। शोध क्यों और किसके लिए किया जा रहा है। समृह को ध्यान एउना जरूरी है व सदैव विषय पर केन्द्रित हो। शोध के दौरान संख्यात्म व गुणात्मक दोनों तरीकों का उपयोग करना चाहिय। सर्वेक्षण की विभिन्न पद्धतियों व उनके उपयोग पर विस्तार से चर्चा करते हुए प्रश्नोत्तरी व सूची निर्धारित के तरीकों की जानकारी दी।

g. Selected Photographs

































































