

ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

The objective of this training programme is to impart training in social science research methodology to University/College Teachers, Research Scholars, and Faculty Members of research institutions of Social Science Discipline. This training programme is expected to benefit participants from Social Science discipline. By the end of the programme they are expected to get a sense of undertaking quality research and to write good research papers, Book & Project Reports. More specifically the aims of the proposed training programme are as follows.

- To enhance skills to prepare an appropriate research proposal: identification of central question, formulation of research question/hypothesis, data collection.
- To familiarize the participants about the large scale socioeconomic data set for research.
- To familiarize the participants about the statistical and econometric techniques for handling quantitative data.
- To provide an intensive introduction to software (STATA/SPSS/Appropriate software) useful in managing data and performing basic statistical/econometric analysis.
- To familiarize participants about writing research papers/articles in reputed journals.

WHO CAN APPLY?

The programme is organised for Faculty Members/Teachers and PhD Scholars who are associated with research institutions, Colleges and Universities. Those who are interested to attend the programme must submit their application in the prescribed format (enclosed) and statement of purpose for the programme (max. 200 words) to the institute's address (with the subject line: Ten Days Refresher Training) or email to aviralpandey.ansiss@gmail.com; copy to bipul.kumar216@gmail.com latest by 24th February, 2022.

SELECTION PROCESS

Intake of participants for the training programme will be restricted to 30-35. The selection of candidates will be done based on ICSSR/Institute's guidelines. Decision of the course Director in this regard will be final.

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

We are planning to conduct the programme in offline mode/hybrid mode (as per GoB's Guidelines). Only out-station participants will be paid TA as per the institute's rules. Local hospitality including lodging and boarding will be provided by the institute.

Application Form Submission last date:	24 th February
Intimation about acceptance	26 th February



Course Directors

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Ten Days Refresher Training Programme on Social Science Research Methods for University Teachers, Faculty in Research Institutions and Research Scholars

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Organised by

**A N Sinha
Institute of Social Studies
Patna**

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**Indian Council of Social Science
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BACKGROUND

The motto of the ICSSR's capacity building programme is to give an exposure to faculty members and research scholars of Social Science disciplines to the latest advances in their subjects and to enhance their general methodological and writing skills. Taking cue from this, the ANSISS proposes to organise a Ten Days Refresher Training programme in Social Science Research Methods for University and College teachers, faculty members in Research Institutions and Research Scholars.

It is widely accepted that a basic requirement for faculty and research scholars of social science discipline of higher educational institutions is the training in science and art of doing research. Also, faculties, research scholars engaged in social science need to familiarize themselves with the modern social science research methods of relevant subjects. A very thorough understanding is required from the stage of identifying central question to the ultimate reporting and publication of the findings. There are several aspects related to social science research methods in which researchers/faculty members have to improve and upgrade their skills.

In recent years use of quantitative data for social research and planning purpose is also widely recognised. Application of statistical packages and use of econometric techniques to analyse quantitative and qualitative data are playing important roles in addressing emerging challenges in the fields of social science research and planning. Unfortunately, the faculty/research scholars belonging to younger generation, particularly those who are imparting knowledge in the institutions established/functioning in rural and backward regions are yet to come up at par with their counterparts due to low skills and low technological knowledge. Hence they need training in this direction to augment their capabilities so that they can contribute significantly to the corpus of knowledge. In this background, the proposed "Ten days Refresher Training Programme" will familiarise the participants about the origin of social science research, identification of research problem, writing an effective concept note/synopsis/project proposal, conducting effective review of literature using new tools, sampling and data -

collection methods, Descriptive analysis, Hypothesis testing, Model identification, Good academic writing and engage with emerging policy discourse and research ethics & plagiarism.

OVERVIEW OF THE COURSE MODULE

1. **Methodological/Epistemological issues in social research:** Origin of social science research, different types of research inquires.
2. **Research/Project Proposal:** Selection of topics for research, review of literature, hypothesis formulation, conceptual framework, type of research design.
3. **Field Research:** Tools and methods of field work, interviews, ethnographic fieldwork.
4. **Designing a Primary Survey Based Research:** Tools for designing primary survey based research, Sampling Technique, Sample Size Selection, Questionnaire Designing, Data collection methods and Data cleaning.
5. **Analysis of Quantitative and Qualitative Data:** Descriptive analysis, Correlation analysis, Regression analysis, Hypothesis testing, ANOVA, Binominal Regression.
6. **Application of Computer Software:** Use of SPSS/STATA and Excel.
7. **Ethics in Research:** Ethics in research, IPR, Plagiarism.

ABOUT THE INSTITUTE

Anugrah Narayan Sinha Institute of Social Studies (ANSISS) was established by the Government of Bihar, in memory of Dr. Anugrah Narayan Sinha, an ardent follower of Mahatma Gandhi since the days of the Champaran Satyagraha Movement, first Deputy Chief Minister-cum-Finance Minister and one of the architects of modern Bihar. It was inaugurated on the 31st January, 1958, by Desh Ratna Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the First President of India. Later it was made a statutory autonomous body through legislation on the 8th October, 1964 under the A N Sinha Institute of Social Studies Act 1964 by the Government of Bihar. The Institute is governed by the Board of Control and funded by the Department of Education, Government of Bihar and Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) through the Ministry of Education, Government of India. The Institute is located in a sprawling campus situated on the southern bank of the river Ganga at a distance of 3 kms from Patna Railway Junction and in the North West end of the Gandhi Maidan on the Ashok Raj Path opposite the Divisional Commissioner's office. Even though located in the heart of the city, it boasts of a picturesque location with quiet surroundings.

