

## **Advertisement**

**Council for Social Development, New Delhi,  
and G B Pant Social Science Institute, Prayagraj, A Constituent Institute of  
Allahabad University**

**Invite application for one week programme on**

**Qualitative Methods in Social Sciences: Ethnography, Narratives and Social Stories  
(28 November to 02 December 2022)**

**Last Date of Application: 20 November 2022**

**Duration:**One Week

**Venue:** Council for Social Development, New Delhi

**Eligible participants:** Students/ researchers/ faculty members in research institutions/ universities/ colleges, development professionals and government officers.

**Course contents:** Understanding specificities of Indian society; different methods of qualitative research; selecting the field; the question of outsider and insider; selection of respondents; family tree and biographical notes of respondents; retrieving the memories; semi structured and un-structured interviews (*Baat-se-baat* methodology); focused group discussions (FGDs) to validate the facts and fill in the incomplete stories; capturing the silence, murmuring, half sentences; inclusion of left out resources (proverbs, folk stories and songs); content analysis and discourse analysis; visual representation of qualitative data; writing social stories

**Course contribution:**Rs. 6000/- (inclusive of kit bag, course material, lunch & refreshments)  
Payment through online transfer/Crossed Cheque/ DD in favour of **Council for Social Development**, payable at Delhi or NEFT (A/c no. 600720100050048, Bank of India, IFSC Code BKID0006007)

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## **Objectives**

This workshop aims at providing a perspective on social science research on the Indian society that has been dominated by borrowed concept from western theories and practices, which if not applied carefully, often miss out the nuances of plurality, saliences of diversity and other unique features of the Indian society. This workshop is focused on qualitative methods and intends to provide a perspective on qualitative research in India's context. It aims at imparting training on the practical aspects of application of various qualitative methods and expose the participants towards the limitations of blind application of text book knowledge to the field, especially in India's settings.

## **Training Modules**

- 1:** Understanding qualitative research and Specificities of Indian society
- 2:** Preparing the researcher for qualitative research and introducing different methods
- 3:** Selecting the field: deconstructing the debate of own society vs. others societies
- 4:** Relating with field: blurring the boundaries of outsider and insider
- 5:** Field research: selection of respondents; family tree and biographical notes of respondents; retrieving the memories; semi structured and un-structured interviews (*Baat-se-baat* methodology); focused group discussions (FGDs) to validate the facts and fill in the incomplete stories; field diary, notes and queries of observations; capturing the silence, murmuring, half sentences
- 6:** Data analysis: transcription; reading the field notes; inclusion of left out resources (proverbs, folk stories and songs); content analysis and discourse analysis; understanding the caste-orality
- 7:** Visual representation of qualitative data
- 8:** How to write social stories