

GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE, MANGALKOTE
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

REPORT OF THE WEBINAR ORGANIZED
ON
03.10.2020
IN COLLABORATION WITH
INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL
GGDC, MANGALKOTE

Aims and objectives of the program

On 03.10.2020, the Department of Sociology in collaboration with IQAC, GGDC, Mangalkote, organized a webinar on Research Methodology, focusing particularly on Field Study Method. As such, Research Methodology is an integral component of the CBCS syllabus of the BA Sociology Honours and General programmes, where research methodology is taught as a core as well as skill enhancement course.

The objective of the webinar was to provide the students of the second and third year of the undergraduate programme a look into how research methods are deployed by researchers in real-life contexts of social and sociological research, the challenges they face while conducting field studies and the ways in which they negotiate the challenges. The resource person in the webinar was Mr. Debottam Saha, PhD Research Scholar, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi.

Proceedings of the program

The webinar began with a welcome address by Ms. Sanchari De, Assistant Professor in Sociology, GGDC, Mangalkote. This was followed by the inaugural speech by IQAC Coordinator, Dr. Pradipta Kumar Basu, Associate Professor in Chemistry, GGDC, Mangalkote. The lecture by the resource person provided a deep insight into the complexities of field studies in sociology and anthropology and delved into the ethical dimensions too. Based on the actual fieldwork on organic farming in West Bengal, specifically in Burdwan district, as part of his doctoral thesis, the resource person reflected how the conceptual itineraries of executing an ethnographic study and how ethnographic studies in general lead to conceptual rethinking. The lecture was followed by an enthusiastic discussion between the resource person, faculty members and students of the department. The lecture ended with a formal vote of thanks by Mr. Pinaki Roy, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Sociology, GGDC, Mangalkote.

Participants

All students and faculty members of the Department participated in the webinar with unprecedented enthusiasm, against the backdrop of a gloomy situation looming large due to the suspension of face-to-face classroom teaching and dialogues in the wake of Covid-19 pandemic.

Result of the program

The response from the students and the faculty members was tremendous. They not only praised the way in which the resource person communicated the crux of the matter of Field Studies with reference his own doctoral research work, but also invoked and engaged wider philosophical issues in research methodology. Considering the feedback by the students, the Department will organize more such webinars in the future to inspire students to pursue higher degrees and research careers.



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NOTICE

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Date: 01.10.2020

It is hereby notified that the Department of Sociology is going to organize a webinar on the topic '**Research Methodology and Field Research with Special Reference to Agrarian Sociology**' on **03.10.2020 (Saturday)** at **4 p.m.** Mr. Debottam Saha, PhD Research Scholar at the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Delhi, has kindly consented to deliver the online lecture.

The webinar will particularly benefit the students of **Semester III** who are currently learning a **Skill Enhancement Course on 'Framing Questionnaire and Conducting Interview'**, and **Semester V**, who are learning a **Core Course on 'Research Methodology'**. All students of the Department, including Semester I, are also asked to attend the webinar.

Further, all faculty members are cordially invited to attend the webinar and participate in the interactive session.

The link for the webinar is attached herewith: <https://meet.google.com/axc-iyiq-tpi>

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WEBINAR

ON THE TOPIC

FIELD STUDIES AS A RESEARCH METHOD

ON 03/10/2020 AT 5:00 PM

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