

**Report on Online Five-Day Interdisciplinary Faculty  
Development Program on ‘Research and Academic Writing’ Held  
on 26.04.2021- 30.04.2021**

<b>Date of Event</b>	<b>April 26-30, 2021</b>
<b>Name and Type of Event</b>	<b>Online Five-Day Interdisciplinary Faculty Development Program on ‘Research and Academic Writing’</b>
<b>Conducted by</b>	<b>School of Research (Dr. Sonia Riyat, Dr. Gurinder Kaur, Dr. Rupa Sarkar, Dr. Manoj Kumar Pathak)</b>
<b>No. Of Participant</b>	<b>59</b>

An Online Five-Day Interdisciplinary Faculty Development Program (FDP) on ‘Research and Academic Writing’ was organized by the School of Research, ARKA Jain University from 26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. The esteemed speakers dealt with a wide range of aspects related to research and academic writing with its techniques, facts and practices. Fifty-Nine Participants across the country participated in the program.

Day One of the FDP started with an inaugural session. The program began with a lamp – lighting ceremony followed by welcome note, presented by Dr. Pompe Das Sengupta, Program Coordinator, B.B.A. & B.A. (Eco.). The vice-chancellor of the university Prof. (Dr.) S. S. Razi presented the opening remarks of the program. In his address, he said that the approach of the researcher should be to find out the solutions to the real problems existing in the society.

The chief guest of session, Prof. (Dr.) Satish Verma, RBI Chair, Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development, Chandigarh said in his address that any research paper or thesis needs to be useful and factual for the readers. He said that research work is a co-ordination of many logical and theoretical elements and any research should be carried out with a scientific view and technical precision.

The guest of honour of the session, Prof. S. K. Sinha said that research helps in diagnosis and prevention of biases and develops many new procedures and products. Prof. Sinha described India's past as a pioneer in the field of research, but at the present time, India is found lagged behind in research and therefore, he warned new researchers that with honest resolution, we can take the place of our ancient glory of ‘Vishwa-guru’. He appealed that research should not be seen only for adding degrees, but as a necessary basis for observation and analysis. The inaugural session concluded with the vote of thanks presented by Dr. Rupa Sarkar.

The second session of Day One was dedicated to the topic ‘Selection of Research Area’; Dr. Neha Tiwari from Karim City College, Jamshedpur discussed extensively on the prospects of selecting a research area. She said that in the selection of research area, the researcher should move forward by understanding or examining the limitations of the previous researches. She emphasized to know the specifics of the research before selecting the research area and said that it is advisable to choose the research area that suits one's interest.

On the Second Day, Dr. Debalina Chakravarty from St. Xavier's University, Kolkata put forth her ideas on ‘Basic Concepts of manuscript Preparation’. Dr. Debalina in her lecture said that a manuscript or article is an original work that presents new knowledge. This new

knowledge can be conceptualized in many ways but it is important that it should be built upon already existing knowledge, that would add to the discipline and make a convincing case for its own acceptance. She further told that a well-written manuscript has the components that include: a clear title, abstract, introductory paragraph, methods and materials section, discussion of results, conclusion and a list of references.

Dr. Kriti Bhaswar Singh delivered on 'Review of Literature'. He delivered that literature review provides an overview of current knowledge, allowing one to identify relevant theories, methods, and gaps in the existing research. He suggested that literature reviews also must contain at least three basic elements: an introduction or background information section; the body of the review containing the discussion of sources; and, finally, a conclusion and/or recommendations section to end the paper.

On the third day, the facts of 'Questionnaire Designing' were revealed by Dr. Gurinder Kaur of ARKA JAIN University. Dr. Kaur conveyed that the design of the questionnaire is of utmost importance to ensure accurate data is collected so that the results are interpretable and generalisable. She made it clear that a good questionnaire should consist of a set of standardized questions with a fixed scheme, which specifies the exact wording and order of the questions, for gathering information from respondents.

In the second session of Day Three, Dr. Rahul Amin along with Dr. Rupa Sarkar made 'Writing Methodology' easier to understand. They focused on the matter that the specific procedures or techniques are used to identify, select, process, and analyse information about a topic. They further told that research methodology refers to the practical "how" of any given piece of research. More specifically, it's about how a researcher systematically designs a research.

On Day Fourth, 'Basic Understanding of Thesis Writing' was deliberated by Dr. Manoj Kumar Pathak. Dr. Pathak stated that the thesis is one of the most important concepts in expository writing. A thesis sentence focuses one's ideas for the research topic or; it's one's argument or insight or viewpoint crystallized into a single sentence that gives the reader the main idea. It is substantiated in a thesis form that requires extensive study and meticulous effort to give an organic structure of the research results or findings.

In the second session of Day Four, Dr. Sasikant Tripathy discussed on the factors of 'Publishing Articles'. Dr. Tripathy discussed on the various factors of getting a paper or article published in any research journal. He said that a researcher should be aware of the basic requirements of any journal and prepare the paper accordingly. He advised the researchers to be passionate about what they write and propagated that it is important to demonstrate that the researcher has a good grasp of the dominant debates and theories in his or her field.

On the Fifth Day, Dr. Sonia Riyat gave insights to 'References, Citation, Bibliography, Academic Integrity and Plagiarism'. Talking on citation Dr. Riyat said that it gives proper credit to the authors of the words or ideas that one incorporates into any paper. It allows those who are reading any research work to locate the sources, in order to learn more about the ideas that have been included in the paper or thesis. She made it clear that *plagiarism* is an act of academic dishonesty, a breach of academic ethics, and above all, a publishing crime.

A test was conducted for all the participants after the conclusion of the first session of Day Five.

In the Valedictory session Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of the University Prof. S. S. Razi while highlighting the importance of research said that research gives direction to human knowledge and develops and refines knowledge store.

On this occasion, Dr. Angad Tiwari, Dean, Students' Welfare, also addressed the participants and encouraged them to adhere to basic ethical values of research and contribute significantly to the field of new knowledge.

The participants were asked to provide feedback. At the end of the program, Dr. Sonia Riyat proposed the vote of thanks for the session.

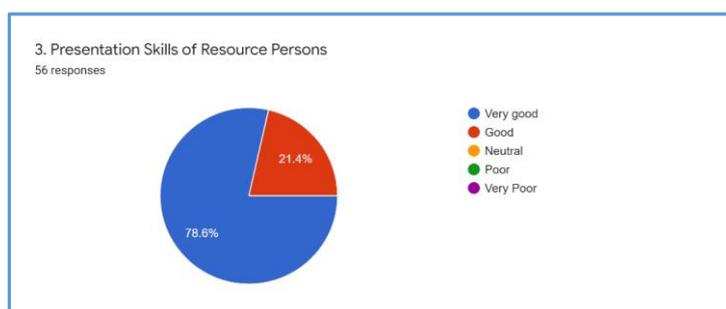
E-Certificates have been issued to all the participants who had participated in the program actively and had appeared in the test.

## Report on the Feedback received from the Participants

### I. Feedback on individual sessions of the FDP

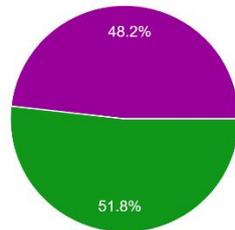
Topic of the sessions	Selection of Research Area	Basic Concepts of Manuscript Preparation	Review of Literature	Questionnaire Designing	Writing Methodology – Do's & Don'ts	Basic Understanding on Thesis Writing	Publishing Articles	References / Citation / Bibliography; Academic Integrity – Preventing Plagiarism
No. of Respondents	35	25	34	28	30	28	30	36
Statement	The instructor explained the topic clearly and used relevant examples							
Strognly Agree	45.70%	64.00%	47.10%	53.60%	53.30%	60.70%	40.00%	72.00%
Agree	48.60%	32.00%	44.10%	32.10%	46.70%	32.10%	53.30%	22.20%
Statement	The lecture was interactive and felt engaged							
Strognly Agree	37.10%	52.00%	38.20%	57.10%	50.00%	53.60%	40.00%	75.00%
Agree	48.60%	40.00%	44.10%	32.10%	46.70%	42.90%	60.00%	22.20%
Statement	The speaker has positively influenced my view towards the topic							
Strognly Agree	40.00%	48.00%	44.10%	42.90%	36.70%	57.10%	40.00%	72.20%
Agree	34.30%	36.00%	35.30%	39.30%	53.30%	35.70%	50.00%	19.40%

### II. Overall Feedback of the FDP



4. The FDP meet your expectations

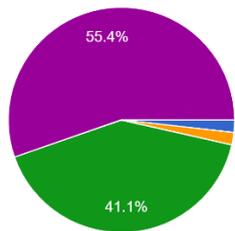
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- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neutral
- Agree
- Strongly agree

5. The content of the lectures were relevant to the theme of the FDP.

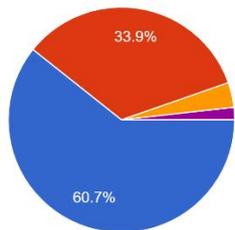
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- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neutral
- Agree
- Strongly agree

6. Significance of Faculty Development Program.

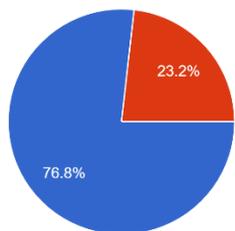
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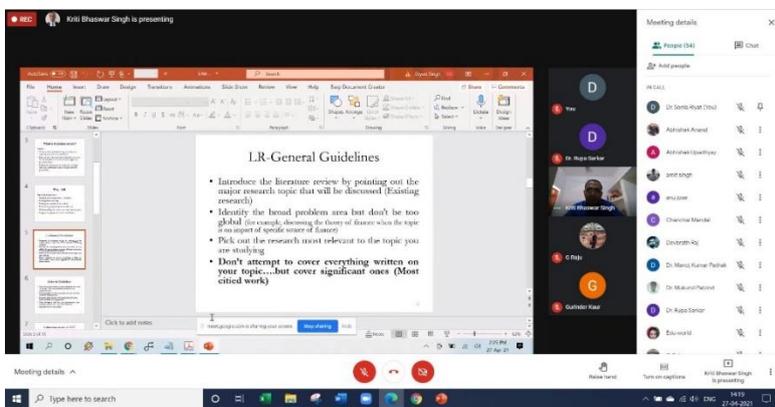
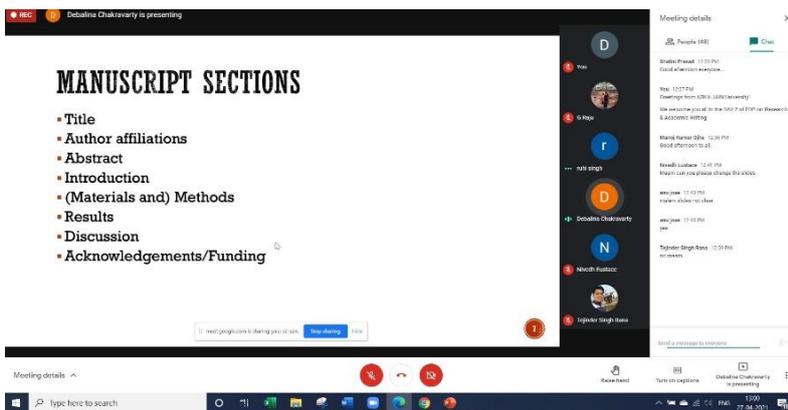
- Highly Significant
- Significant
- Neutral
- Insignificant
- Highly Insignificant

7. Organisation of the FDP.

56 responses



- Very Good
- Good
- Neutral
- Poor
- Very Poor





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**Chief Guest: Dr. Satish Verma**  
Professor, RBI Chair  
Centre for Research in Rural and  
Industrial Development,  
Chandigarh, India



**Guest of Honour: Prof. (Dr.) S. K. Sinha**  
Former Dean, Faculty of Humanities &  
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**Dr. Kriti Bhaswar Singh**  
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Mass Communication, Asst. Prof.,  
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Post-Doctorate, IIM, Calcutta  
Asst. Prof., Dept. of Economics,  
St. Xavier's University, Kolkata



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# भारत में कम रिसर्च होना खतरनाक संकेत

लाइफ रिपोर्टर जमशेदपुर

अरका जैन यूनिवर्सिटी के स्कूल ऑफ रिसर्च की ओर से 'रिसर्च एंड एकेडेमिक राइटिंग' विषय पर आयोजित पांच दिवसीय फैकल्टी डेवलपमेंट प्रोग्राम (एफडीपी) का समापन शुक्रवार को हुआ. उक्त एफडीपी में देश के विभिन्न राज्यों के शोधार्थियों व प्राध्यापकों ने हिस्सा लिया. इसमें शोध व एकेडेमिक लेखन के लिए आवश्यक विभिन्न आयामों पर दस तकनीकी सत्रों के माध्यम से विस्तार पूर्वक चर्चा व व्याख्या हुई.

उद्घाटन सत्र में मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में सेंटर फॉर रिसर्च इन रूल एंड इंडस्ट्रियल डेवलपमेंट के आरबीआई के चेयर प्रोफेसर डॉ सतीश वर्मा जबकि विशिष्ट अतिथि के रूप में कोल्लान विश्वविद्यालय के सेवानिवृत्त अग्रेस्री विभागाध्यक्ष प्रो एस के सिन्हा ने प्रतिभागियों को संबोधित किया. जिसमें प्रोफेसर डॉ सतीश वर्मा ने कहा कि शोध पत्र या ग्रंथ को पाठकों के लिए उपयोगी एवं तथ्यपरक होना आवश्यक है. उन्होंने कहा कि शोध कार्य कई तार्किक एवं सैद्धांतिक तत्वों का समन्वय है और किसी भी शोध को वैज्ञानिक दृष्टिकोण के साथ संपादित करना चाहिए. प्रो एस



के सिन्हा ने कहा कि शोध पूर्वार्थियों के निदान और निवारण में सहायक है. प्रो सिन्हा ने भारत के अतीत को शोध के क्षेत्र में अज्ञानी बताया, लेकिन वर्तमान समय में भारत को शोध में पीछे बताया और नये शोधार्थियों को बताया कि ईमानदार संकल्प के साथ हम अपनी पुरानी विध्वंस की जगह हासिल कर सकते हैं. उन्होंने अपील की कि शोध को सिर्फ डिग्री से जोड़कर नहीं देखा जाये. बल्कि अवलोकन व विफलता के लिए आवश्यक आधार के रूप में देखा जाये. समापन सत्र में विश्वविद्यालय के कुलपति प्रो एसएस रजी ने रिसर्च के महत्व पर प्रकाश डालते हुए कहा कि शोध मानव ज्ञान

को दिशा प्रदान करता है. डॉ मनोज पाठक ने पांच दिवसीय एफडीपी की रिपोर्ट प्रस्तुत की. समापन समारोह का संचालन डॉ गुरिंदर कौर ने जबकि डॉ सोनिया रियात ने धन्यवाद ज्ञापन दिया.

**तकनीकी सत्र में व्याख्यान के विषय व कला :** सिलेक्शन ऑफ रिसर्च एरिया: डॉ नेता तिवारी, बेसिक कॉन्सेप्ट्स ऑफ मैनुस्क्रिप्ट प्रिपैरेशन: डॉ देवलीना चक्रवर्ती, रिव्यू ऑफ लिटरेचर: डॉ कृति भास्कर सिंह,

**वधेयनियर डिजाइनिंग:** डॉ गुरिंदर कौर, राइटिंग मेथोडोलोजी: डॉ गहल आमीन व डॉ रूपा सक्कर, बेसिक अंडरस्टैंडिंग ऑफ थीसिस राइटिंग: डॉ मनोज कुमार पाठक, पब्लिशिंग आर्टिकल्स: डॉ शशिकांत त्रिपाठी, रेफरेंसेस, साइटेशन, बिबलियोग्राफी, एकेडेमिक इंटीग्रेटी एंड प्लेजियरिज्म: डॉ सोनिया रियात.