



**SCHOOL OF CULTURAL STUDIES**

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**CENTRE FOR CURRICULUM RESEARCH POLICY AND  
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**PANDIT MADAN MOHAN MALAVIYA NATIONAL MISSION  
ON TEACHERS AND TEACHING (PMMMNTT)**

*Three Day National Level Workshop  
on*  
**DESIGNING RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**Date: 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

*Capital Centre, Central University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram*

## **Central University of Kerala**

The Central University of Kerala, Kasaragod, came into being in 2009 under the Central Universities Act 2009 (Parliament Act No. 25 of 2009), with the lofty vision of a “caring wisdom” that aims at sensitizing present and future generations to the need for the enrichment of the individuals, to the sustainable development of society, and to environmental harmony. The University is committed to the task of generating and disseminating knowledge in cutting edge areas of learning through innovative teaching/ learning methodologies which ensure the maturation of individuals through physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual growth. The University has 27 Departments under 12 Schools that offer regular UG, PG and PhD programmes.

## **School of Cultural Studies**

In an effort to strengthen research on Kerala, its culture, art, history and philosophical traditions a new school named the School of Cultural Studies was established by the Central University of Kerala. The Mahatma Ayyankali Centre for Kerala Studies, hosted at the Capital Centre, Thiruvananthapuram is an innovative research centre functioning under this school. Five National Seminars and a Memorial Lecture cum Cultural Event were conducted since the inception of the School in 2016. The centre has also published a book on social renaissance on Kerala titled “Keralanavodhanan: Dishayum Dishabodhavum” (ISBN: 978-81-940319-6-3) edited by Prof. (Dr.) K. Jayaprasad.

## **Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNMTT)**

Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNMTT) Scheme, launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the Swatantrata Bhawan in Banaras Hindu University, on 25<sup>th</sup> December 2014, is an umbrella project which will create synergies among the various on-going initiatives on teachers and teaching under the Union Ministry of HRD. Under this project the Govt. of India has set up 50 Centres of Excellence for Curriculum and Pedagogy. The Mission will provide an integrated platform for building synergies among all the existing initiatives, providing oversight to the current activities and also carry out new activities aimed at gap filling so that a comprehensive vehicle for Teacher/Faculty related programs and schemes are created. The Central University of Kerala is one among the recipients of this prestigious award.

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## About the Workshop

The three-day national level workshop ensures a platform for interaction among teachers from social science stream and to provide them an opportunity to hear from experts in the field of research. Participants will be trained in identifying the research problem and developing the same, review of literature and to prepare the research design. Ethics in research and knowledge of writing a good research proposal is also part of the thrust area. The areas covered under this workshop are Research Problem, Arriving at a Problem, Developing a Research Problem, Review of Literature, Theory in Social Science Research, Research Design, Ethics in Research and Writing a Good Research Proposal. There is no registration fee for the participants.

## Target Group

Teachers (Higher Secondary) and Assistant Professors from Social Science Stream (30 Participants). The Registration will be on First Come First Serve basis.

## Important Dates:

Last Date of Registration : 17<sup>th</sup> February 2020  
Intimation of Selection : 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020  
Date of Workshop : 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020

## Venue:

Capital Centre, Central University of Kerala, T.K. Divarakan Road, Marappalam, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram, PIN 695 004. (Contact Details: 0471 2544884)

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04-06 March 2020

## REGISTRATION FORM

Name : .....

Designation : .....

Aadhaar Number : .....

Age : ..... Sex: Male/ Female/ Others

Category : .....

Name and Address : .....

of the Institution : .....

: .....

Email ID : .....

Mobile No. : ..... Office No.: .....

\*Do you require Accommodation during the Workshop? : Yes/ No

- \* Accommodation will be provided in limited numbers for Outstation Participants on Prior Request.
- \*\* Duly filled in Registration Form must be sent to [keralastudies@cukerala.ac.in](mailto:keralastudies@cukerala.ac.in) with a copy to [reinganges@cukerala.ac.in](mailto:reinganges@cukerala.ac.in)



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CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF KERALA  
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Date: January, 2020

कार्यालय ज्ञापन/OFFICE MEMORANDUM

1. Sanction of the Vice-Chancellor is hereby conveyed for an amount of ₹2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh only) for conducting Three day National Level Workshop on Designing Research in Social Sciences" under PMMMNM/TT scheduled to be held from 04<sup>th</sup> to 06<sup>th</sup> March, 2020
2. Approval has been accorded to release the above amount in favour of Dr.Reinhart Philip, Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations and Politics subject to the final settlement as per existing rules.

उप कुलसचिव (प्रभारी)/Deputy Registrar i/c

सेवा में To:- Desk/1, Research and Project Cell- For release of fund

प्रतिलिपि/Copy to:

1. Dr.Reinhart Philip, Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations and Politics
2. Dean, School of Cultural Studies
3. The Head, PMMMNM/TT, department of Education
4. Office Copy
5. Guard File

No.CUK/ACA-I/PMMMNM/TT/WS/Trg./627/2018

Date: January, 2020

**SCHOOL OF CULTURAL STUDIES  
CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF KERALA**

Three-day National Level Workshop  
*on*  
**DESIGNING RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**REPORT**

The School of Cultural Studies in association with the Centre for Curriculum Research Policy and Educational Development, School of Education has organized a three-day National Level Workshop on *Designing Research in Social Sciences*, from 04-06 March 2020 at the Capital Centre, Thiruvananthapuram, under the *Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching*. The objective of the three-day national level workshop was to ensure a platform for interaction among teachers from social science stream and to provide them an opportunity to hear from experts in the field of research. The workshop that spanned over three days covered areas like Research Problem, Review of Literature, Research Questions, Research Design, Language of Research, Theory in Social Science Research and Plagiarism.

The Workshop was a venue for the participants to interact with experts in the field. The resource persons include Prof. (Dr.) G. Gopa Kumar, Prof. (Dr.) K. Jayaprasad, Prof. (Dr.) Simon G. Thattil, Prof. (Dr.) M.R Biju, Dr. Ravi Sankar S. Nair, Dr. Jayesh G, Ms. Maya Davi Chalisserry and Ms. Devika Jayssell. The workshop consisted of Seven Technical Sessions, Two Hands-on Training, One Interactive Session, One Group Activity and a One to One Interaction. Highlight of the workshop was the one-to-one interaction where the participants got the opportunity to interact with the resource persons, individually. The Workshop had the fulltime participation of 26 persons.

The first day of the Workshop had three technical sessions, an interactive session and hands on training session. Prof. Gabriel Simon Thatttil handled the first technical session on *Research Problem: Identification and Development*. This session went on until 11:30, which comprised of talks on the research problem followed by questions and doubts about the same. The session culminated with interactive session, which saw interesting questions and ideas from the candidates. The second technical session was on *Review of Literature* and Dr. Ravi Sankar S Nair was the resource person for the same. The session saw diverse discussions and interactions. The Lunch

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break was followed by the interactive session by Ms. Devika Jayssel on *Research and Social Change*. Ms. Devika being a Programme Officer for Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology & Environment (ATREE) talked about her experience in field. The session was enlightening and threw light on the difference between theory and practice in research. Then the workshop moved on to the final technical session on *Stepwise Approach to Research Questions* handled by Dr. Reinhart Philip. The session was informative and enlightening and the resource person took a lot of effort to clear all the doubts of the candidates and provided them an article from which they were asked to frame a number of Research Questions. The last session of the day was a hands-on training on Review of Literature. Ms. Maya Davi Chalissery handled this session. The resource person provided a comprehensive training on Literature Review. With the Hands-on Training session, we stopped for the day.

The second day of the Workshop had a group presentation, three technical sessions and a one on one interaction. The first course of action on the second day of the workshop was the group presentation in which the candidates presented about the research questions, which they have formulated on the article provided on the first day. Most of the candidates presented their research questions and got their mistakes corrected by Dr. Reinhart Philip. It was followed by the 4<sup>th</sup> technical session of the Workshop as Dr. Jayesh G. as the resource person. Dr. Jayesh talked about the *Research Design* and had healthy and informative discussions on the design part of the research. Dr. Jayesh approached the topic from a grass root level, made sure that all the doubts of the candidates, and provided support in formulating their research design. The fifth session was on the *Language of Research* handled by Ms. Maya Davi Chalissery. The resource person being an Oxford language trainer provided great insight into the mistakes made by the researchers and academicians alike. The resource person made the candidates do a small exercise on language correction and proof reading, which helped to understand the errors made by them. This session was followed by a group activity moderated by Prof. M.R. Biju. The resource person made the candidates look into their own ideas of research by providing them topic from which they were asked to formulate Research questions and objectives. This helped the candidates to understand more about the aspects of research questions and the related areas. This session was followed by a *one-to-one interactive session*. This session were handled by two resources persons- Dr. Reinhart Philip & Dr. Jayesh G. The candidates talked to the resource persons about their research areas and the doubts related to their research areas. This session provided a space for the candidates to

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clear their confusion about the step forward in research. With the interactive session, the workshop ended for the day.

The third and final day of the workshop had two technical sessions and a hands-on training session. The first and second technical sessions of the final day was on *Plagiarism*. Dr. Vinod V.M. handled these sessions. The resource person detailed all aspects of plagiarism, issues and solution. Dr. Vinod used his experience in teaching the problems caused by plagiarism and helped candidates understand how to avoid plagiarism and the basic mistakes made by researchers during formulation of the thesis. Dr. Vinod during the fag end of the session used his Orkund account to check plagiarism of some of the candidates and demonstrated the use of the same. The sessions allowed candidates to understand that plagiarism checks are important to every researcher and thus eliminating the confusion of the candidates on Plagiarism. It was followed by a *hands-on training session*, after the lunch break. Prof. M.R. Biju and Dr. Jayesh G. handled this session, which aimed at training candidates in framing Research Proposal and its various aspects like Research questions, research objectives and other aspects like compiling review and choosing methodology. This session helped candidates to apply all the knowledge imparted by the workshop in a real life situation. The candidates were very much satisfied with the session and were able to clear various aspects of the initial stages of the Research.

The workshop ended with the *valedictory session*. It started with the university anthem followed by a welcome address by Mr. Kailas Nath G, Research Scholar and Coordinator of the seminar. Prof. G. Gopa Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Kerala delivered the Valedictory address, which heavily revolved around the *Social Sciences Research in the 21<sup>st</sup> century*. A feedback session followed, where many candidates talked about their experience of the workshop. Most notable request among the feedback was the request to organize a series of workshops on various aspects of Research. They thanked the organizers and resource persons for the workshop and the knowledge they received. The workshop ended with a Vote of Thanks by Dr. Reinhart Philip, the Organizing Secretary of the Workshop and the National Anthem.

**Prof. (Dr.) K. Jayaprasad**  
**Dean, School of Cultural Studies**