



National Seminar

on



**Social Science Research Methods :Emerging Trends
and Challenges**

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Dear Sir/Madam

We take great pleasure in inviting you to participate in the National Seminar on the theme **Social Science Research Methods : Emerging Trends and Challenges** to be held on 11 February, 2017.

The essence of social sciences lies in their capacity to understand and solve human problems as well as provide some predictions. This requires a distinctive methodology for their research. Broadly social research is a methodical and systematic study of a subject with the aim to generate new information, verify the existing knowledge in that subject and reach a new understanding. There are two types of research: qualitative and quantitative researches. Quantitative and qualitative researches are not opposed. There has been an almost inexhaustible debate about the scientific status of quantitative research in opposition to the so called 'soft'(non scientific and subjective) qualitative research. Today, it is well known that we use quantitative techniques if our subject matter and the materials we have collected demand that treatment. We switch on to qualitative research if we intend to describe the reality as our respondents experience it and when we are dealing with 'immeasurable' aspects of social and cultural life. In fact, quantitative and qualitative aspects of phenomena can be integrated in research.

Today the whole world is undergoing transformation in social, cultural, political, economic and administrative aspects. Traditional standardized research methods and techniques may not be suitable to understand problems of the society and people today. New methods and techniques are regularly emerging and new problems are also posing challenges to the researchers in social sciences

in general and sociology in particular. The questions arise here are: can field work method provides a value free framework? Does quantification give the analysis of causal relationship? How to integrate both quantitative and qualitative aspects? What are the emerging trends in social science research? All these questions require an intellectual deliberation and contribution to advancement of social science research in India. In the light of above context the present national seminar is being organized.

Sub themes of the seminar

Sub themes of the seminar are as :

- 1. Research method and techniques.**
- 2. Quantitative and Qualitative Research**
- 3. An Interdisciplinary Approach in Social Sciences**
- 4. Emerging trends in Research**
- 5. Current challenges in Research**

Registration

All the participants have to pay the registration fee as per the following specifications :

S.No.	Nature of Delegates	Registration fee(Rs.)
1	For Academicians/Teachers	500
2	For Research Scholars/ Students	300
3	Spot Registration	800

Last date of the registration is 25th of January, 2017. After this date, registration will be done on the spot, i.e. 11th of February, 2017.

Presentation of papers

Original unpublished research papers on the main theme / subthemes are invited for presentation in the seminar. The full paper should be typed in English (Times new Roman) and In Hindi(Kruti Dev 10) must submit latest by 25 January,2017. We have plan to publish the selected papers in the form of book with ISBN No.

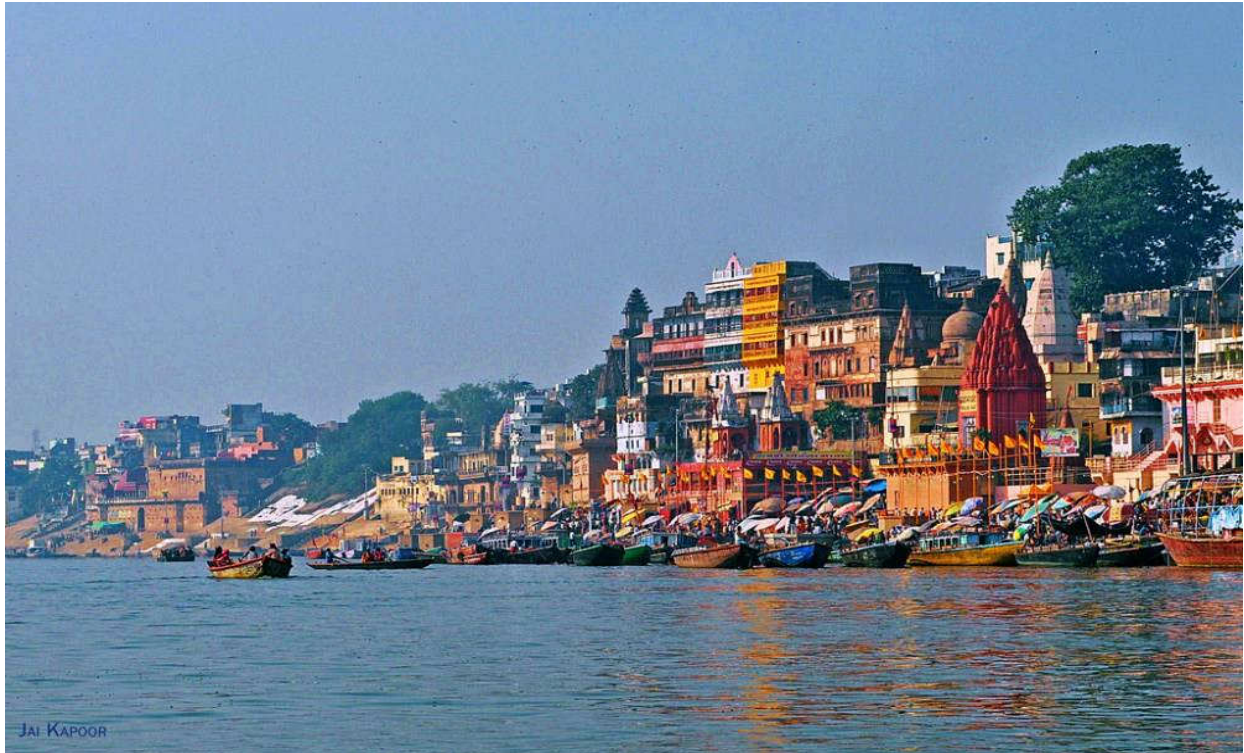
Duration and Venue

The seminar will be held at Mahatma Gandhi kashi Vidyapith, Varanasi on February 11, 2017.



Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapith is one of the prestigious State Universities of the Government of Uttar Pradesh approved by the University Grants Commission, Government of India. It is close to Varanasi Cantt Railway

Station. 400 colleges of six districts of U.P are affiliated with university. The Department of Sociology started in 1961, later became popular as the Kashi Vidyapith school of sociology with special reference to Indian social thoughts, the Indology. The Department has been enriched by the leadership of stalwarts in the field of sociology.



Varanasi, one of the world's oldest living cities, is rightly called the religious and spiritual capital of India. Also known as Banaras, this holy city is located in the south- eastern part of the state of Uttar Pradesh in Northern India. It situated on the left bank of the holy river Ganga and is on the several sacred spots for Hindu. Varanasi is often referred to as the city of temples, the holy city of India. It probably derived its name from the two rivers that border the city- Varuna in the North and Assi to the south.

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