Centre For Research

CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Delhi-NCR Campus

ACTIVITY REPORT

Workshop Report: Ethics in Research and Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methodologies

Date: 24 August, 2024

Location: Idea Lounge, CHRIST (Deemed to be University)

Organized by: Centre for Research

Number of Participants: 30

1. Introduction

On 24 August 2024, the Centre for Research at CHRIST (Deemed to be University) organized a workshop titled "Ethics in Research and Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methodologies" at the Idea Lounge. The workshop aimed to provide an indepth exploration of ethical considerations in research and to offer participants a comprehensive understanding of both quantitative and qualitative research methodologies.

The session began with a silent prayer, setting a reflective tone for the day's activities. Abhilasha, a Research Scholar at CHRIST, formally welcomed the participants and introduced the workshop's theme. She emphasized the importance of ethics in research, especially in an era where the integrity of research practices is increasingly scrutinized. Abhilasha then introduced the guest speaker, Dr Ravneet Singh Bhandari, Professor at Amity University, Noida, and a respected academic known for his expertise in research methodologies and ethical practices in research.

2. Objectives

The workshop was designed with three primary objectives in mind:

1. Research Ethics: To provide a thorough discussion of the ethical principles and guidelines that are essential for conducting responsible research. This objective aimed to ensure that participants understood the importance of maintaining integrity, confidentiality, and transparency in their research activities.

2. Quantitative Methodology: To equip participants with a solid foundation in quantitative research methods. This included an overview of statistical analysis, data interpretation, and the application of quantitative techniques in various research contexts. The goal was to enhance the participant's ability to design and execute robust quantitative research studies.

3. Qualitative Methodology: To explore qualitative research approaches, with a focus on data collection techniques such as interviews, focus groups, and thematic analysis. This objective

aimed to help participants understand the nuances of qualitative research and how it complements quantitative methods in producing comprehensive research findings.

3. Agenda

The workshop followed a well-structured agenda that facilitated both learning and interaction:

1. Opening Remarks: Abhilasha's welcoming address was followed by Dr. Ravneet Singh Bhandari's introduction of the workshop's purpose. Dr. Bhandari highlighted the critical role of ethics in research and the importance of understanding both quantitative and qualitative methodologies. He stressed that ethical research practices are fundamental to the credibility of any scholarly work.

2. Session on "Ethics in Research and Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methodologies": Dr. Bhandari led an indepth session on the ethical challenges researchers face and how these can be addressed. He also provided a detailed overview of quantitative and qualitative research methodologies, discussing their respective strengths and the scenarios in which each is most effective.

3. Q&A Session: Following the presentation, the floor was opened for questions. Participants actively engaged in the discussion, raising pertinent questions about the ethical dilemmas they might encounter in their research and seeking advice on methodological challenges. Dr. Bhandari provided insightful answers, drawing on his extensive experience in the field.

4. Key Takeaways

Participants left the workshop with several key insights:

Ethical Awareness: An enhanced understanding of the ethical responsibilities involved in conducting research, including issues related to consent, confidentiality, and the potential impact of research on participants and society.

Methodological Skills: Improved knowledge of quantitative research methods, including how to apply statistical tools effectively in research design and data analysis.

Qualitative Understanding: A deeper appreciation for qualitative research methods, particularly in how they can be used to explore complex social phenomena and provide contextual insights.

5. Conclusion

The workshop on "Ethics in Research and Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methodologies" was a resounding success. It achieved its objectives by providing participants with essential knowledge and skills that are critical for conducting ethical and methodologically sound research. The interactive sessions, led by Dr. Ravneet Singh Bhandari, were particularly wellreceived, offering participants both theoretical knowledge and practical guidance. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, and the workshop is expected to have a lasting impact on their future research endeavors. Future workshops could build on this success by incorporating additional case studies and extended

discussion sessions to further enhance the learning experience. The workshop was ended with a vote of Thanks.