

ICSSR-Sponsored Ten Days Research Methodology Course

Institute of Development Studies Kolkata (IDSK) organised a Ten Days Research Methodology Course sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) during 25 March – 4 April 2019. Dr. Achin Chakraborty, Director and Professor of Economics, and Dr. Simantini Mukhopadhyay, Assistant Professor of Economics at IDSK served as the Course Director and Co-Director respectively. Eminent and senior social scientists from premier institutions were invited as resource persons. There was an adequate representation of participants with respect to gender and social group. 30 participants from diverse social science disciplines joined the course. While 18 of them were PhD scholars, 11 were MPhil students and one was pursuing post-doctoral research.

Providing an overview of mixed methods of research, the course focused on quantitative techniques, commonly used in social science research. Courses in Stata 13 and Eviews 7 were conducted to illustrate empirical applications of the techniques introduced. Scholars received a hands-on training in collection and analysis of primary data, using Statistical Softwares, such as CSPro 6.5 and Stata 13. Providing an extensive training in academic writing, the course also included sessions discussing and evaluating writing samples of participants.
