



An invited lecture on

Field work ethics and research design

Organised by: Department of Sociology
In association with IQAC, Surendranath College

Date: 30.06.2021. Time: 3.00 pm.

Platform- Google Meet

Speaker: Dr. Angshuman Sarkar

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Activity Report

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Number of Participants: 76

Summary:

Sociology claims to be a science. Hence research constitutes an integral part of sociology. To enlighten students on varied aspects of field work study, the Department of Sociology arranged a webinar on Basic Research Methodology by Prof. Angshuman Sarkar. The beneficial effect of the webinar can be revealed in the post Weberian series of project work done by students of the department. This Lecture has an intent to support students in developing their own comparative research project to explore the various research issues related to contemporary issues. It will give students an introduction to the qualitative research methods that social scientists have developed for their empirical investigations. Its main goals are first, to learn how to use research methods, primarily interviewing, participant observation and comparative analysis; and second, to encourage critical thinking about the research design and implementation. This helps the students in further applications on their research projects including matching methods to research questions, being aware of and managing our biases and assumptions, understanding how the research process and the identity of research participants influence the data we gather, and comprehending ethical dilemmas raised by fieldwork. This lecture will benefit students to Introduce students to the problematic power dynamics in research (academic research's histories of exploitation); and consider ethics and responsibilities in field research. Engage in non-individualistic modes of research and fieldwork support. Introduce students to research proposal formulation and writing.

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