

Report on the Interaction Program Regarding Preparation of Research Proposal for Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) organized by Human Resource Development Cell (HRDC) on March 1, 2025

The Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC) at Integral University, Lucknow, organized an interactive session on preparing research proposals for the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) on March 1, 2025, at the Central Auditorium. The session was delivered by Prof. Furqan Qamar, Chief Advisor to the Hon'ble Founder and Chancellor, and aimed to provide faculty members with critical insights into the ICSSR research grant application process, eligibility criteria, and best practices for securing funding. Additionally, it guided researchers and academicians on drafting effective research proposals to obtain financial assistance from ICSSR.



Prof. Furqan Qamar addressing the audience

During his address, Prof. Qamar provided a comprehensive overview of ICSSR research grants, highlighting various funding opportunities available for social science research. He emphasized the importance of selecting relevant and impactful research topics while briefing participants on eligibility criteria and the application process for both individual and institutional applicants. He also outlined key guidelines for preparing and submitting proposals in accordance

with ICSSR standards.

The session further delved into essential proposal-writing techniques, focusing on structuring a strong research proposal while avoiding common pitfalls. Prof. Qamar elaborated on the evaluation process, offering valuable insights into assessment criteria for grant approvals and strategies to enhance the chances of securing funding. The discussion covered best practices for research proposal development, ensuring alignment with ICSSR expectations.



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The interactive nature of the session proved highly beneficial for faculty members aspiring to secure ICSSR grants. Participants gained a deeper understanding of structuring competitive research proposals, evaluation parameters, and practical solutions to common challenges encountered in research funding.

The session was attended by 80 faculty members from various departments, including Humanities & Social

Sciences, Law, Education, Business Management, Commerce, Community Medicine (IIMSR), Languages, Environmental Science, and Civil Engineering.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Prof. Syed Aqeel Ahmad, Director, HRDC. He



Prof. Syed Aqeel Ahmad delivering the vote of thanks

expressed gratitude to the Hon'ble Founder and Chancellor, Syed Waseem Akhtar for his visionary leadership and unwavering support. He also extended appreciation to Prof. Furqan Qamar for his insightful, in-depth, and engaging address, as well as to the dignitaries and faculty members for their participation.

The event was a resounding success, equipping faculty members with essential guidance to enhance their research pursuits. Faculty members

were encouraged to apply for ICSSR research grants and contribute to impactful academic research that advances knowledge and societal development.