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Abstract:

The key to a successful research project lies in iteration, the process of returning again and again to the research question, methods, and data which leads to new ideas and improvements. It is easy to think of research as a step-by-step process. Research is a significant challenging task requires in depth knowledge of the subject matter, hard work and preparation. From the Researcher point of view this paper attempts to search the challenges that are faced by when they are script research projects. The Research tools of the study contain questionnaire and familiar interviews with researchers and teachers of the target groups. Without a doubt, the results from study show that more or less 70 percent of the researchers who are writing research or conducting research projects is one of the predominant challenges for them. The study explored different and general challenges during writing the research projects such as: lack of understanding of the subject, complicatedness in deciding the topic, lack of good quality knowledge of the methodology, inability of finding modern, specialized and interrelated references, , lack of moment in time, and research guiding. The study also attempts to give some suitable suggestions for developing the practice of writing research research projects.

Keywords:

The challenges of research writing, Suggestions for developing Projects.

Introduction:

Researchers face many challenges during a research process in all areas. The main reason for this practical project is to explore the common academic challenges facing experience internal limitations which includes motivation while for some it would be external, as in related to proficiency in understanding research methodology, experience, motivation. Since the research proposals and projects are in good proficiency and the good knowledge of the specialization helps much in writing good research proposals and projects. In this work, we investigate the issues that motivate the researcher in this stage to

do well in writing research proposals and projects and figure out the reasons that de-motivate them.

Problem faced by researcher:

Lack of technical Training:

The research method is not systematic. Many researchers undertake research work without having actual information of the research methods. They just look for similar studies and copy the methodologies listed in it. Even the research guides do not have a thorough knowledge of a variety of methodologies. This situation warrants the need for some sort of short-term preparation to be imparted to researchers prior to undertaking research actions.

Inadequate Interaction:

There is no proper interaction between researchers and the business establishments, government institutions, etc. This leads to a great deal of data going untapped. Interaction programs should be prepared between researchers and other institutions on a normal basis. This will show up what issues need to be researched, what data is necessary for conducting research, and how the study will be helpful.

Lack of self-confidence:

Most of the business establishments are of the view that, researchers can misuse the data provided by them. As such, they are reluctant to reveal details of their company. This affects the research studies for which that exacting data may be of utmost significance. Thus, confidence-building measures should be adopted, which will convince the business units that their data will be put to fruitful purposes, and will not be misused in any manner by the researcher.

Lack of Code of Conduct:

No exact code of conduct exists for the researchers, which leads to inter-departmental and inter-university rivalries.

Poor Assistance:

Researchers in India have to cope with the non-availability of adequate and timely office assistance, which affects the plan of their research study.

Improper documentation Management:

The libraries are not managed methodically. Much of the precious time of the researchers is spent in looking for books, reports, newspapers, etc. rather than searching related information from them.

High price of Publishing:

Once their research is finished, the researchers have to look for a means to publish it. Publishing in worldwide journals is highly costly.

Statement of the Problem:

Point of the study is to assess the perceptions of researchers about difficulties faced by new researchers during the process of research.

Objectives of the Study:

- To study about influencing factors of researcher in writing research projects
- To Identify the different problems faced by researcher in writing research projects
- To offer suitable suggestions for researcher in writing research projects

Research Methodology

The study has applied systematic empirical sampling technique for the data collection. Hundred respondents were selected as sample populations. Interviews of these women were conducted with the help of the tool prepared. The respondents were asked to document their opinions using Five point Scale Likert, the equilateral options were

Provided for selection, as follows:

1. Strongly Disagree
2. Disagree
3. Moderate
4. Agree
5. Strongly Agree

Sampling Method

The stratified random technique was applied.

Area of the Study

Coimbatore is selected as the sample for the conduct of this study

Review of Literature:

Bell (2000) and Pearce (2005) the following as some of the research-related challenges of their research projects.

Lack of time.

Lack of money.

Lack of library sources.

Lack of encouragement to do the research.

Scholar's failure to meet regularly with the Guide

Family commitments and difficult.

Kombo and Tromp (2011), and Repoa (2007) have consensus to find many crucial problems students face while they are writing their research proposals in Tanzania. Some common mistakes include writing broad titles with no clear and focused content in the introduction. The statements of the problems were not stated clearly to guide the readers and writers were not able to identify the correct research techniques. The literature reviews were not adequate and the research methodology including research questions were not formed well. It is shown that the results were not presented well

Results and Discussion: Table 1.1

Sl. No	Variables	No. of Respondents	Percentage
Age			
1.	21-30 years	6	20
2.	31-40 years	18	60
3.	41-50 years	4	13
4.	Above 50 years	2	7
	Total	30	100
Educational Status			
1.	College Level	10	33
2.	Professional Level	12	40
3.	Others	8	27
	Total	30	100
Qualification Status			
1.	Employed	15	50
2.	Business	4	13
3.	Professional	2	7
4.	Homemaker	9	30
	Total	30	100
Income			
1.	Upto 20000	9	30
2.	20001-30000	4	13
3.	30001-40000	2	7
4.	40001-50000	10	34
5.	Above 50,000	5	16
	Total	30	100

Interpretation:

The above table shows 60% of the respondents were age group between 31-40 years , 40% of the respondents were Professional Level, 50 % of the respondents were Employed persons and 34% of the respondents were monthly Income 40001-50000.

Table 1.2

S. No	Challenges Faced by Research Scholars	Mean Rank
1	Lack of training of Research or Research Methodology	4.47
2	Lack of Research Level Interaction with expertise in your discipline	4.31
3	Lack of Literature's availability and access	4.03
4	Lack of confidence doing research	2.74
5	Lack of code of conduct in Research / Research Process	3.43
6	Cost associated with Research Work & Research Publications	3.97
7	Time constraints and stress of workload	5.05

Interpretation:

From given Ranks Table it can be seen that the challenge offered to research scholar, “Time constraints and stress of workload” has a mean rank of 5.05, “Lack of training of Research or Research Methodology” has a mean rank of 4.47, “Lack of Research Level Interaction with expertise in your discipline” has a mean rank of 4.31, “Lack of Literature's availability and access” has a rank of 4.03, “Cost associated with Research Work & Research Publications” has a mean rank of 3.97, “Lack of code of conduct in Research / Research Process” has a rank of 3.43, “Lack of confidence doing research” has a rank of 2.74. Hence from table it can be seen that, “Time constraints and stress of workload” has a maximum mean rank that is 5.05 as compare to other challenges.

Conclusion

This study is specifically focused on the challenges or problems faced by researcher in writing research projects. The data analyses of the researchers are saying that they are facing challenges during their research. Above discussed data is a helpful view which reveals that

almost all researchers were agreed to the fact that the above mentioned difficulties were frequent to all researchers. There was an extreme need to sort out those issues so that researchers could focus on research work instead of solving these inconveniences.

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