



Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi

Shodhotsav 2025

Research and Development Division

Talk Series (curated by Centre for Research Methods)

September 2025

**Talk Series on Research Methods and Methodology
Concept Note**

Overview

The NEP 2020 envisions a comprehensive approach to transforming the quality and quantity of research at the universities. The Universities are mandated to move towards multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary settings to create a robust ecosystem for research. Given the interdisciplinary nature of our institution - programmes, faculty, and institutional setup, AUD has an advantage in terms of its diverse and vibrant community of scholars and students.

The Centre for Research Methods (CRM) is mandated to organize short courses, workshops, seminars, talks, and discussions on various themes related to research methodology for the students, researchers, and faculty of the University. This event aligns closely with the objectives of the *Shodhotsav*, which aims to promote research through interdisciplinary inquiry, methodological rigour, and academic dialogue. By focusing on foundational concepts such as the philosophical grounding of research, practical tool development for qualitative studies, and innovative historical methods, the event complements the *Shodhotsav's* goal of fostering critical thinking in research and methodological innovation.

About the event

The event will be a multidisciplinary lecture series focused on deepening understanding of research methodologies, particularly within the social sciences and humanities. It will cover the development of qualitative research tools like semi-structured interviews and open-ended questionnaires, including practical techniques and ethical considerations. The philosophical underpinnings of research—ontology, epistemology, and their influence on methodology—will also be explored; for instance, how historical research is increasingly engaging with material objects to narrate histories, raising questions about the meaning and significance of objects, or critically examining the often-blurred line between method and methodology, encouraging a more nuanced and reflective approach to research practices.

The Talk Series is planned across the four campuses of AUD, keeping in mind the location/specialization of schools. Each campus will have both an internal and external resource person, and will be spread over 3 weeks during Shodhotsav.

A total of 6 talks are planned as part of the ***Talk Series on Research Methods and Methodology*** across the four campuses of AUD. For more details, click on this link -https://aud.delhi.gov.in/sites/default/files/2025-09/talk_series_concept_note.docx.pdf

The following are the talks by experts scheduled during the 3 weeks of Shodhotsav 2025:

1. Dr. Shivani Nag - *Developing semi structured interview schedules, open ended questionnaires for qualitative* (Lodhi Road Campus, 08 Sept, 2:30 PM)
2. Prof. Aarti Srivistava - *Centenarians Institutional Biography: Through Heritage Research Lens* (Qutab Institutional Area Campus, 10 Sept, 2:00 PM)
3. Prof. P.C.Tandon - भारतीय ज्ञान परंपरा और अनुवाद (Kashmere Gate Campus, 12 Sept, 12 noon)
4. Dr. Yogesh Snehi - *Objects as History* (Kashmere Gate Campus, 18 Sept, 2:30 pm)
5. Prof. Lawrence Liang - *Technological tools in research* (Karampura Campus, 18 Sept, 2:30 pm)
6. Dr. Anand Burdhan - *Bhartiya Jnana Parampara: Need for Innovative Research* (Qutab Institutional Area Campus, 10 Sept, 2:00 PM)

Audience: BA, MA, PhD students, and AUD faculty members

Dates: September 08, 10, 12, 18, and 22.

Venue: All four campuses of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi

For registration: Click on this link - <https://forms.gle/FRW8riBechyzsLvL7>

Contact Information: For inquiries regarding registration or general information, please contact the organizing committee at mmanees@aud.ac.in