



Ten Days Refresher Training Programme

on

Social Science Research Methods & Statistical Software- Python

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Organised by

**Nabakrushna Choudhury Centre
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Link to apply

<https://forms.gle/RP4sKstKijjWnDcZ7>

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Registration fees: ₹500/-

To be paid after your application for participation gets accepted.

Information regarding the payments will be shared later.

Travel Grant: To and fro three-tier AC Fare will be provided to selected outside Odisha participants (no local travel expenses). Bus fare will be provided to the participants within the state. Food and Lodging will be provided to outstation participants.

Eligibility: PhD Scholars, Post-Doc Fellows, Early Career Researchers and college/university faculties

How to Apply: Apply through the google form link

Documents required-

- (i) Updated CV
- (ii) A write-up of not more than 300 words on the rationale for attending this workshop

Important Dates:

Last Date to Apply: **20th December, 2025**

Application Acceptance: **25th December, 2025**

Last Date for Registration Payment: **5th January, 2026**

Objective

A strong grounding in the **science and art of research** is essential for today's faculty members and research scholars. As social science research increasingly moves toward **interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary approaches**, researchers must be equipped with modern methods that go beyond their core training. From framing the right research question to analysing data and communicating findings, each step demands updated skills, sharper insights, and methodological confidence.

With the growing importance of **quantitative data** in research, policy, and planning, the ability to use statistical software and econometric tools has become indispensable. These analytical skills empower scholars to address emerging social, economic, and developmental challenges with precision and clarity.

In this context, NCDS is pleased to announce a **"Ten Days Refresher Training Programme on Social Science Research Methods and Statistical Software - Python."** Designed especially for university and college teachers, and research scholars. This programme blends **conceptual clarity** with **intensive hands-on training**. Participants will gain practical experience, enhance their analytical capabilities, and learn to apply state-of-the-art research techniques to real-world data.

This programme is ideal for those who wish to strengthen their research toolkit, stay updated with modern analytical approaches, and elevate the quality and impact of their academic work.

- ✚ To enhance skills in developing research proposals and understanding of qualitative and quantitative research methods.
- ✚ To familiarize the participants about the large-scale socioeconomic data sets for research.
- ✚ To provide hands-on training in data collection, analysis, and interpretation using advanced software.
- ✚ To provide an intensive introduction to data software (Python) in managing data and performing basic statistical/econometric analysis.
- ✚ To familiarize participants about writing research papers/articles in reputed journals.

Expected Outcome

- ✚ Enhanced conceptual and practical understanding of social science research.
- ✚ Improved capacity to supervise and conduct research.
- ✚ Skills to publish in reputed journals and contribute to policy-relevant research.

Resource Persons

Resource persons will be invited from reputed universities like JNU, ICSSR Institutes, state universities etc.

About the Institute

The Nabakrushna Choudhury Centre for Development Studies (NCDS) stands as one of Odisha's most respected and influential social science research institutions. Established in 1987, it is Odisha's only state supported socio-economic research and policy think tank. Jointly supported by the Government of Odisha and the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), NCDS has built

a strong reputation for producing high-quality research that speaks directly to the state's developmental priorities and national policy debates. With its interdisciplinary team of scholars, the Centre leads cutting-edge studies, provides policy guidance, and regularly organises training programmes to strengthen research capacity across academia and government. Renowned for its commitment to rigorous analysis and public relevance, NCDS continues to serve as a vibrant hub for knowledge creation, learning, and meaningful engagement with the challenges of development.

Location of the Institute:

It is situated approximately 4-5 km from Biju Patnaik International Airport, Bhubaneswar. The distance from Bhubaneswar Railway Station, Master Canteen is approximately 9 km. The Baramunda Inter-State Bus Terminal (ISBT), Bhubaneswar is approximately 10 km from the venue. Google map link is also mentioned below for your convenience:

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/HweznUPHza27FiUj8>