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**Issues of Contemporary Research in Social Science**

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# Introduction

- Social Researches study the socio-cultural implications of the social issues.
- In this regard, different scientific disciplines have influenced social research in terms of theorization as well as methods adopted in the pursuit of knowledge.
- For this, it embraces the conceptualization of the problem, theoretical debate, specification of research practices, analytical frameworks and epistemological presuppositions.
- It focuses upon Methodologies that are locally relevant, empowering and replicable offer a way forward for improved policy making and efficient resource governance in a globalised landscape of rapid change and scarce resources.

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- It is critical research – Where the researcher is prepared to abandon lines of thought which do not get beneath surface appearances.
- It involves a constant questioning of perspective and the analyses that the researcher is building up.

# Contemporary Research

- The organizational structures within such research is supported and performed have complex climate and have scientific temperament with prompt achievement.
- It is critical in nature.

# Features

- It addresses to common problem and current changes across the globe that put great impact on human & social life, social surrounding & environment.
- The Problem framed is contextualized to some event, programme or project that is initiated by authority to bring visible change.
- These type of research uses participatory method to observe change.
- The outcome of such researches must lead to the contribution of policy design.

# Tools of Contemporary Research

- It uses mainly Empirical Research
  - Which uses gamut of tools –
- Observation – both participant and non-participant
- Formal interviews with random samples;
- Semi structured and unstructured and in-depth interviewing;
- key informant testimonies;
- Analysis of personal and institutional documents;

# More Tools

- Mass media analysis Archives
- Searching Examination of official statistics and Reviews of published literatures.
- Uses wide variety of analytical techniques, Ethnographic interpretation, Historical reconstruction, Action Research,
- Multivariate Analysis, Structuralism deconstruction and semi-logical analysis.

# Some topics

- Gendered participation in community forest governance in India
- Community empowerment in changing environments: creating value through food security.
- Sustaining Natural Resources in Changing environment
- Scientific Impact of Music on Environment for sustainable Development.
- People and the state: 21<sup>st</sup> Century protest movements.
- Social Deaths.





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