



ICSSR Supported One-day Workshop
on
From Manuscript to Publication: Navigating Publication Ethics
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Mode: Blended

No. of participants: 123 (faculties, research scholars and students)

The workshop commenced with the registration session from 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM, where participants assembled and completed the necessary formalities. The Inaugural Session began at 11:30 AM with a warm welcome address delivered by Prof. Anirban Ghosh, Professor & Director, School of Professional Studies, NSOU & Editor, NSOU-Open Journal. In his address, he warmly welcomed the distinguished speakers and participants and emphasized the growing importance of research and scholarly publication in academic and professional development. He also highlighted the role of the NSOU-Open Journal committee, in fostering a research-oriented environment and encouraging scholars to contribute to quality publications.

The Keynote Address was delivered by Dr. Santosh Panda, Former Professor of DE, IGNOU and Chief Editor, Journal of Learning for Development Commonwealth of Learning (COL), Vancouver on “*Publishing Research Paper.*” He provided a comprehensive overview of the research publication process, beginning with the identification of a research problem and extending to the final stages of publication. He elaborated on structuring a research paper effectively, maintaining clarity and coherence in writing, and adhering to the specific guidelines of reputed journals. He also stressed the importance of originality, avoiding plagiarism, and selecting appropriate journals indexed in recognized databases. Additionally, he shared practical tips on responding to reviewers’ comments and improving the chances of manuscript acceptance, making his session extremely insightful for researchers at all stages.



The Special Address by Dr. Kajal De, Professor of Mathematics, NSOU and Former Vice-Chancellor, Diamond Harbour Women’s University focused on the role of higher education

institutions in nurturing a strong research culture. She discussed the need for interdisciplinary approaches, collaboration among researchers, and continuous engagement with emerging areas of knowledge. She also encouraged young scholars to pursue research with dedication and integrity, highlighting that meaningful research contributes not only to academic advancement but also to societal development.

The Presidential Address was delivered by Dr. Uttam Kr. Dutta, Professor of Commerce, NSOU, who reflected on the overall theme of the workshop. He emphasized the significance of ethical practices in research and publication, noting that credibility and integrity are fundamental to scholarly work. He also spoke about the responsibility of institutions and mentors in guiding researchers and ensuring adherence to academic standards. His address inspired participants to maintain high-quality research practices and uphold ethical values in their academic pursuits.



The inaugural session concluded with a Vote of Thanks proposed by Mrs. Priyanthi Bagchi, Assistant Professor of Economics, who expressed sincere gratitude to the keynote speaker, distinguished guests, organizers, and participants for their valuable contributions and active participation.

Following a brief tea break, the next session began at 12:45 PM, which was chaired by Professor Arun Kumar Chakraborty, Department of Library and Information Science, NSOU. The first presentation was delivered by Dr. Subhasree Nag, Senior Business Solution Consultant & Research Director Clarivate on “*How to Get Your Research Published in a Reputable Journal: A Practical Guide for Researchers.*” She provided detailed guidance on selecting appropriate journals, understanding impact factors, preparing manuscripts, and avoiding predatory journals. She also discussed strategies for increasing visibility and citations of research work.



The final session was led by Dr. Monojit Garai, Assistant Professor of Social Work, NSOU, who explained the review process of the NSOU-Open Journal. He outlined the steps involved

in manuscript submission, peer review, revision, and final publication. His session provided clarity on how manuscripts are evaluated and the standards required for acceptance.

The workshop concluded with the distribution of certificates to participants. Overall, the workshop proved to be highly informative and enriching, equipping participants with valuable knowledge and practical insights into research writing, publication processes, and ethical practices.



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