

Report:
"Pre PhD Course"
- Academic Integrity & Research Ethics
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- **Date:** Saturday, 27th August 2022
- **Guest Speaker:**
 - Professor Syed Azharuddin, Head, Department of Commerce, Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad, Maharashtra
- **Topic:** "Academic Integrity & Research Ethics"
- **Points Covered:**
 1. **Research Concept:**
 - Professor Syed Azharuddin elucidated the fundamental concept of research, emphasizing the importance of clarity in defining research objectives and questions.
 2. **Research Methods:**
 - Various research methodologies were discussed, highlighting the significance of choosing the appropriate method based on the nature of the research.



3. Nuances of Topic Selection:

- The speaker delved into the intricacies of selecting a research topic, considering its relevance, feasibility, and potential contribution to the existing body of knowledge.

4. Bottleneck:

- Identified potential bottlenecks and challenges in the research process, providing insights on overcoming obstacles and ensuring a smooth progression.

5. Literature Review:

- Professor Azharuddin emphasized the critical role of a thorough literature review, guiding participants on the process of reviewing existing research to inform and shape their own work.

6. Styles (MLA, APA, etc.):

- Detailed insights were shared regarding different citation styles such as MLA and APA, underlining the importance of maintaining consistency and precision in citations.

7. Objective/Hypothesis:

- Clarification on formulating clear research objectives and hypotheses, essential components for guiding the research and ensuring focused outcomes.

8. Data Collection Type:

- Various data collection methods were explored, and their appropriateness in different research scenarios was discussed, offering participants a comprehensive understanding.



9. Ethical Issues in Research:

- Professor Azharuddin concluded by addressing ethical considerations in research, emphasizing the importance of maintaining integrity, honesty, and respect for participants' rights.

➤ Conclusion:

Professor Syed Azharuddin's session at the "Pre PhD Course" provided aspiring researchers with valuable insights into the ethical dimensions of academic research. The comprehensive coverage of research concepts, methods, and ethical considerations equipped participants with a strong foundation as they embark on their doctoral journeys. The interactive and engaging session facilitated a deeper understanding of the nuances involved in maintaining academic integrity throughout the research process.



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