

RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SUSTAINABLE EDUCATION CELL

Report 2022-23

About R.I.S.E. Cell:

The Research, Innovation and Sustainable Education Cell was entrenched as an undergraduate research cell at Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi in September 2020. R.I.S.E. was launched to provide a rostrum to the undergraduate students for their pluralistic research ideas to flourish under the mentorship of teachers of a plethora of departments who are equally willing and zealous to extend their support and contribute to the learning. The idea behind the evolution of the R.I.S.E. Cell was to help students to learn how to engage in research and to develop problem-solving, analytical thinking, resilience, and time management skills under the mentorship of our highly motivated and skilled faculty members. The cell provides a common platform through which students across disciplines share and discuss their ideas and concepts. It is emerging as a nodal point to connect and integrate research-based findings with both classroom and beyond classroom teachings. R.I.S.E. is inclusive of official guidelines for dissemination and publication.

R.I.S.E. Cell Team:

Teacher Convenor –

- Dr. Archana Prasad (Department of Sociology)

Teacher Coordinators –

- Dr. Sharmistha Mallick (Department of Sociology)
- Mr. Ajay Kumar (Department of Economics)
- Ms. Mahima Yadav (Department of Commerce)

Student Team –

- Bhumika Dixit (Student Convenor/President)
- Prathyusha Jagadeesh (Co-Convenor/Vice President)
- Saanvi Prakash (General Secretary)
- Neha Vashist (Joint Secretary)
- Shreya Maheshwary (Social Media Head)



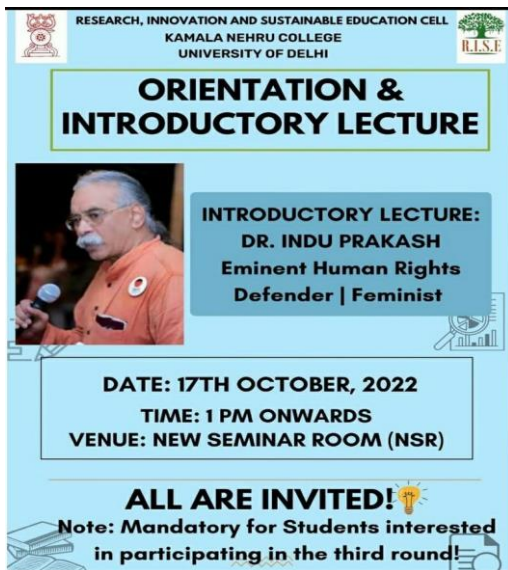
Events Organized

(July 2022 – June 2023)

1. Orientation and Introductory Lecture

The R.I.S.E. Cell commenced its third tenure, starting with an orientation programme felicitated by *Dr. Indu Prakash*, eminent human rights defender and feminist, on October 17, 2022.

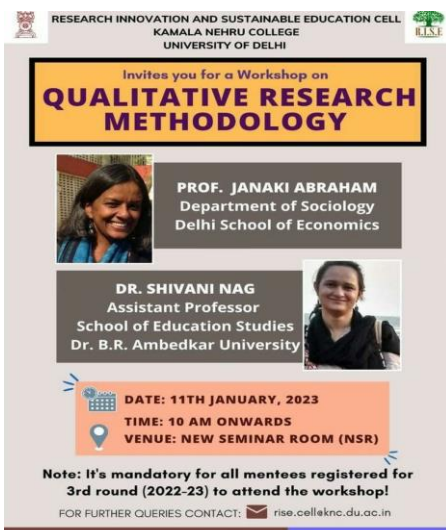
The guest speaker addressed and enlightened more than 100 attendees about the basics of research. He also gave an inspirational lecture on building skill assets and the need for participatory research.



2. Workshop on Qualitative Research Methodology

The Cell organised its first workshop of the third round on January 11, 2023, on ‘Qualitative Research Methodology’ by *Prof. Janaki Abraham*, Dept. of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, and *Dr. Shivani Nag*, Assistant Professor, School of Educational Studies, Ambedkar University.

The speakers gave an insightful lecture on research methodologies, fieldwork, and interview methods. They also talked about different tools and techniques of qualitative survey and research to help more than 50 mentees enhance their knowledge of research further.



3. Workshop on Academic Writing Skills

The team organised an interactive workshop on ‘Academic Writing Skills’ by *Dr Anjana Srivastava*, Associate Professor, Department of English, Kamala Nehru College, on February 22, 2023.

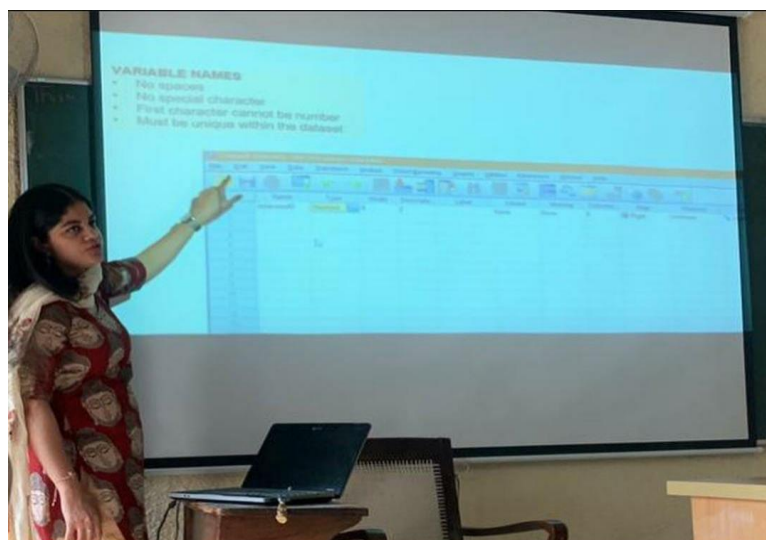
The workshop enabled mentees to write efficient research papers and actively focused on different forms of academic writing, the language of research papers, points to consider in academic writing, and the importance of citations to avoid plagiarism and academic misconduct. It was an insightful and interactive session. 40 students participated in this workshop.



4. Workshop on Quantitative Research Methodology

An interactive workshop was organised on the 15th of March, 2023 on ‘Quantitative Research Methodology.’ The workshop was facilitated by *Mahima Yadav*, Assistant professor, Department of Commerce, Kamala Nehru College. The Workshop mainly focused on the methods of quantifying the collection of data as well as the analysis of such data.

The workshop aided the attendees in numerous ways. Firstly, it shed some light on which method of research to use and when. Secondly, it focused on the type of variables used in the research papers, as well as the acceptable norms in the research world. Lastly, the speaker enlightened the attendees about the various types of statistical analysis and the SPSS (Statistical Package for the Social Sciences), also known as IBM SPSS Statistics Software, which helps for the same. Over 50 students attended this insightful session.



5. Mid-Term Presentation

The Cell organised a Mid-Term Presentation on the research done by the numerous interdisciplinary mentees group of the R.I.S.E Cell. Here, the mentees presented their progress of papers. There were twenty groups, covering a variety of topics, ranging from 'Fixed Theory Point: Algorithms and its Applications in the Real World' to 'Beauty and Neoliberalism.'

The session was inaugurated by the student convener, Bhumika Dixit. The papers were evaluated by two different panels of experts. The session included a presentation from each group for five to seven minutes, followed by a round of Q&A. Lastly, a round of suggestions and feedback from the panel of judges to help improve the quality and pace of the research carried out by the mentees.

50 student mentees and 19 faculty mentors participated in Mid-Term Presentation.



6. Workshop on Plagiarism in Research

The last workshop of the round centred on 'Plagiarism in Research' on 1st April 2023. The speaker of the workshop was *Dr. Sneha Tripathi*, Deputy Librarian, Central Library, Banaras Hindu University. The speaker clarified what are the DOs and DON'Ts of research, like how the 'copy and paste' of text or images are considered plagiarism. Basic ethics like citations and permission of copyright from the holder were also covered during the workshop.

The workshop was conducted online and had a total of 35 attendees and there were major takeaways from the workshop.

