

Course Structure for Masters of Philosophy in Tribal Studies

1 Semester Course work	Paper	Marks	Credits	Hours
Core Papers	TBS-611: Research Methodology	100	4	05 hpw
	TBS-612: Research and Publication Ethics	50	2	02 hpw
Elective Paper A	TBS-613: Fieldwork and Documentation	50	2	02 hpw
Elective Paper B (Optional)	TBS-614: Tribal Life and Institution in India	100	4	05 hpw
	TBS-615: Tribal Language, Folklore and Culture	100	4	05 hpw
M Phil Dissertation	Dissertation	200	8	
	Viva	100	4	

<p style="text-align: center;">Credits 4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TBS-611: Research Methodology</p>
<p>Objectives</p>	<p>The paper is aimed at understanding the social science research and theory building. It will enable the learners to identify research problems and apply various methods during the process of research.</p>
<p>Total Marks: 100</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 25 marks for internal assessment ➤ 75 marks for semester examination 	<p>Unit-I: Social Science Research and Methods</p> <p>Basics of Social Science Research: Nature scope and objectives of Social Science Research with reference to research in tribal studies; Tribal studies Approaches: Anthropological, Historical, Interdisciplinary, folklorists, ethno-linguistics, post-modernism, Orientalism, feminism, Marxism, etc.; theory building; Fieldwork tradition: what is field? Assess and role of researcher, rapport, field notes and field diary.</p> <p>Unit-II: Qualitative Research</p> <p>Qualitative Research: Nature, characteristics and design in qualitative research, Methods and Sources of data collection: Observation, Interview, focus group discussion, participatory and rapid assessment procedure- PRA; Audio-visual methods, Memory study, Oral narratives, questionnaire and schedule; Primary and Secondary sources; Qualitative data processing and Analysis: Coding and Memoing, Ethnomethodology, Case Study and Textual analysis- interpretive analysis, narrative and thematic, grounded theory, content analysis, semiotics, genealogical and life history.</p> <p>Unit-III: Quantitative Research</p> <p>Quantitative research: Nature, characteristics and design; Basic definitions- hypotheses, variables and its types, validity, reliability; Sample and Sampling techniques- probability and non-probability techniques, sample size and sampling errors. Quantitative data Analysis- classification, tabulation, processing, interpreting and analysis of data; Presentation of data- Graphs, Histogram, frequency polygon, Pie Chart and Tables; Measures of Central tendency, Score Testing, SPSS Analysis, Correlation and Variation, Scaling, etc.</p> <p>Unit-IV: Review of Literature, Thesis Writing and Computer application</p> <p>Meaning and purpose of review of literature, finding literature, area of literature, narrative and systematic review; format of thesis; referencing, bibliography style, citation, appendix, abstract, preparing first draft; Basic of Computer Application: Importance of computer application, internet and search engine, Introduction to MS Word, MS Excel, PPT and its applications in Social Science research.</p>

Essential Readings

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Credits 2	TBS-612: Research and Publication Ethics
Objectives	<p>This course has total 6 units focusing on basics of philosophy of science and ethics, research integrity, publication ethics. Hands-on-sessions are designed to identify research misconducts and predatory publications. Indexing and citation databases, open access publication, research metrics and plagiarism tools will be introduced in this course</p>
<p>Total marks: 50</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 10 marks for Internal assessment ➤ 20 marks for Practical ➤ 20 marks for semester examination 	<p>Unit –I : Theory</p> <p>a) Philosophy and Ethics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Introduction to philosophy: nature and scope, concept, branches ➤ Ethics: definition, moral philosophy, nature and moral judgment and reactions <p>b) Scientific Conduct</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ethics with respect to science and research ➤ Intellectual honesty and research integrity ➤ Scientific misconducts: Falsification, Fabrication and Plagiarism (FFP) ➤ Redundant publications: duplicate and overlapping publications, salami slicing ➤ Selective reporting and misrepresentation of data <p>c) Publication Ethics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Publication ethics; definition, introduction and importance ➤ Best practices/ standards setting initiatives and guidelines: COPE, WAME etc. ➤ Conflicts of interest ➤ Publication misconduct: Definition, concept, problems that lead to unethical behavior and vice-versa, types. ➤ Violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributorship ➤ Identification of publication misconduct, complaints and appeals ➤ Predatory publishers and journals <p>Unit –II : Practice</p> <p>a) Open Access publishing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Open access publications and initiatives ➤ SHERPA/RoMEO online resource to check publisher copyright & self-archiving policies ➤ Software tool to identify predatory publications developed by SPPU ➤ Journal finder/Journal suggestion tools viz. JANE, Elsevier Journal Finder, Springer Journal Suggester, etc. <p>b) Publication Misconduct</p> <p>C. Group Discussions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Subject specific ethical issues, FFP, authorship ➤ Conflicts of interest ➤ Complaints and appeals: examples and fraud from India and abroad. <p>D. Software tools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Use of plagiarism software like Turnitin, Urkund and other open source software tools <p>c) Data Bases and Research Metrics</p> <p>C. Data bases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Indexing data bases ➤ Citation databases: Web of Science , Scopus etc.

	<p>D. Research Metrics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Impact factor of journal as per Journal Citation Report, SNIP, SJR, IPP, Cita Score➤ Metrics: h-index, g index, i10 index, altmetrics.
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Credits 2	TBS-613: Fieldwork and Documentation
Objectives	The core essence of research in Tribal Studies is based on fieldwork and documentation among different communities in the natural socio-cultural context in order to understand the various aspects of the society. Therefore this course deals with significance and approaches of fieldwork and documentation.
Total Marks: 50 ➤ 10 marks for internal assessment ➤ 40 marks for semester examination	Unit I: Fieldwork Field Selection, Preparation and Doing Fieldwork: Importance of fieldwork, Selection of right field, Context, Pilot study, Contacts and Leads. Review of literature, Consultations, Logistic arrangements. Interpreters, field guides and key informants. Rapport building, Field sensitivity, Emic and etic approaches. Unit II: Documentation and Archiving Data Using systematic methods for data collection, Preparing Schedules, Questionnaires, interview, Observation, field notes and diaries etc. Use of Audio-visual equipments for documenting culture, language and folklore. Informed consent. Transcription, transliteration and translation. Cataloging, preservation, presentation and retrieval of data.

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Credits 4	TBS-614: Tribal Life and Institution in India
Objectives	The course is designed to provide the students a comprehensive idea of tribal life and institution in India. It will also enable students to critically understand the concept of tribe and related concepts. Further, the paper also aims at understanding identity formation in Northeast India.
Total Marks: 100 ➤ 25 marks for internal assessment ➤ 75 marks for semester examination	Unit I: Concept of tribe in context of India Scheduled Tribes; Non-Scheduled Tribe, De- Notified Tribal Communities, Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups Tribal groups, Indigenous people. Policies towards the tribes and relevant constitutional provisions. Unit II: Socio-demographic overview Habitats and distribution. Tribal worldview: Relationship with nature and IKS. Unit III: Tribal Life and culture Basic features of material culture, economy, social organisation, political life, religious life, Tribal folklore. Unit IV: Identity formulation and Ethnic movement in North east India Donyi-Polo movement, Naga movement, Bodo language movement.

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Credits 4	TBS-615: Tribal Language, Folklore and Culture
Objectives	The objective of the paper is to introduce students to the diverse and rich linguistic, folklore and cultural heritage of tribes of India with special reference to Arunachal Pradesh. This paper aims to develop and deepen the understanding of unique and complex issues pertaining to the tribal languages of India. This paper also gives the basic understanding on various concepts and genres of folklore studies and its linkage with language and culture.
Total Marks: 100 ➤ 25 marks for internal assessment ➤ 75 marks for semester examination	Unit-I: Tribal Languages of India Classification and distribution; linguistic and ethnic composition; status of tribal language – Oral and written, script, language and dialect; salient linguistics features; language policies and constitutional provision; Unit-II: Language Endangerment and Language Documentation Overview of endangered languages in India, Levels of language endangerment, Language maintenance and revival strategies for indigenous languages, language vitality, field linguistics, orthography. Unit-III: Introduction to Folklore Studies Definitions, classification, Scope and objectives of folklore studies. Text, texture and context. Linkage between folklore, language and culture, and its multidisciplinary approach. Unit-IV: Oral Literature, Customs and Practices Myths, proverbs, riddles, songs, tales, children’s folklore, etc. Rituals, belief systems, festivals, etc.

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