

# Indira Gandhi National Open University

Regional Centre Cochin

## Master of Arts(Education) (MAEDU)

- Minimum Duration: 2 Years
- Maximum Duration: 5 Years

MESP 001- Dissertation Work

# **Courses**

## **11/12**

- **MES 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 MESP 001**
- **One Specialisation of 24 credits**

- class

# About MESP001

- Dissertation is conceptualised to provide the learner with the practical experience of conducting educational research. The detailed process of how the learner would conduct the research study is explained in this document called 'Handbook on Dissertation Work.'

## PREPARATION OF A RESEARCH PROPOSAL

- By identifying and formulating a research problem, learners are required to prepare a research proposal for dissertation. Research proposal is also called 'synopsis' of research work to be undertaken by the researcher. Research proposal is the most important component of a research activity. It is like the blueprint, which an architect designs before construction of a house. It conveys the entire research work the researcher intends to carry out. It is basically a plan of action. If the proposal is prepared properly, the rest of the work in the process of research becomes smooth and easy. While preparing a research proposal for dissertation work, the learner need to be clear about a set of questions. The answers to these questions constitute the different components or aspects of a research proposal.

# Why dropping out in MESP 001?

- Lack of awareness in Research methodology
- Lack of Aptitude in scientific research
- Lack of proper guidance
- Problem in selecting topic- researchability.....
- Here comes the role of a good research guide.

# Issues observed

- 1. Write up versus Viva-Voce. who is responsible?
- 2. Repetition of topic
- 3. What is to be written under each topic
  - Eg;- Need and significance of the problem- only review
- 4. Operational definition-it should be a functional mode of definition

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5. Plagiarism- in the form of replication

- Students copy the same portion from the earlier one the master copy without changing sample, district, even title....

6. Tool.... Students have no idea

7. No theoretical background

8 .No connection with title objective, hypothesis, methodology, analysis and finding

9. Bibliography- from somewhere else

10. Allowed no. of dissertation for each session **only 5**

Kindly read once before put your signature and stamp



# Information in Detail

- The Self Learning Material (SLM) is available in the following link along with the Dissertation hand book and Programme guide.
- <http://egyankosh.ac.in/handle/123456789/2853>

# Evaluation

- For dissertation course, evaluation comprises student performance both in dissertation report and the Viva-voce. The overall grade on the dissertation is arrived at by taking into account the grade obtained by the student on the dissertation report and the grade received from the Viva-Voce. The weightage given to dissertation and viva-voce is 70% and 30% respectively.
- **The student has to obtain at least C grade separately in dissertation and viva voce for successful completion of the course.**

# Date of Submission

- **Proposals**

- April 30 for June TEE
- October 30 for December TEE

## **Dissertation Reports**

- May 30 for June TEE
- November 30 for December TEE
- **This session 31.05.2020**