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P R E F A C E

Research is a creative process and the topic of research methodology is complex and varied. This book “Glossary of Research Methodology” is designed to facilitate reader in understanding commonly used terms and concepts when reading, interpreting, and evaluating scholarly research in the social sciences, business, education, public health, and related disciplines. Also included are general words and phrases defined within the context of how they apply to research.

The basic premise for writing this book is that terms used in research methodology can be made clarify and learnt with ease to the students, teachers and professionals in easy understandable language as the terms explained in the text are the backbone of Research. The book is succinct and compact by design. The book is structured into 24 partitions denoting starting alphabet of the research and analysis. The book may be used as a reference book containing meaning and definition of technical terms used in research methods in the field of social sciences business, education, public health, and related disciplines as the target audience for this book includes students, junior researchers, and professors teaching courses on research methods, although senior researchers can also use this book as a handy and compact reference.

We are highly thankful to all our students & colleagues who encouraged us to come out with a book having the meaning and application of key terms for their better understanding of Research Methodology.

In the preparation of this text, we have consulted the work of various renowned authors for information subtle

issues and design of book with a reader friendly approach. We are highly thankful to them. We also urge the Academicians and Professionals to send us suggestions for further improvement in the book.

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How much my efforts achieve the objective would be known by the acceptability of this text among students, learned faculty members and research professionals. We welcome any feedback that would improve the book. We shall feel highly rewarded if the book fulfils the expectations of the various interest groups.

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TO
MY GRAND SON
MIRAAN

(P.K. Agarwal)

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