



## **4<sup>th</sup> Edition Summer School Faculty Development Programme (FDP) 2026**

### **Two Weeks Capacity Building Programme (CBP) on Strengthening Research and Publication Capabilities**

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Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)

*Organised by*

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Centre for Policy Research and Analysis IIM Shillong

*In collaboration with*

Institute for Educational and Developmental Studies (IEDS)

## About Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Centre for Policy Research and Analysis, IIM Shillong:

IIM Shillong has been set up with a vision of expansion and mobilization of facilities for offering good quality management education and research in the North Eastern Region of India by the combined decision of the Union Minister of Human Resource Development along with the Chief Ministers of the North Eastern States. With the vision to become an internationally recognized management institute with a global outlook grounded in Indian values, IIM Shillong commenced its operations in 2008 with its goal of excellence in management education and research to evolve into a nationally and internationally recognized educational institution.

The Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Centre for Policy Research and Analysis was established on October 15, 2016, as a result of a tripartite agreement between the Indian Institute of Management, Shillong, the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, and the North Eastern Council. Prime Minister Narendra Modi conceived this Centre to honor the late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam. The Centre's aims at becoming a leading resource and Think Tank in North East India, facilitating states and agencies with project planning, innovation promotion, and policy formulation to promote sustainable development and a just, equitable social order. The mission of the Centre is to support growth through research and management intervention. Sincere efforts have been made by the Centre to foster development in the North East. This has been accomplished via the following five activities: Knowledge Dissemination, Policy Advocacy, Training & Development, Research & Consulting, Civic Engagements. In pursuit of enhancing organizational efficiency and promoting good governance, the Centre has been offering management training programs to officers as a crucial component of this initiative.

## About IEDS:

The Institute for Educational and Developmental Studies, Noida, is an independent research institute dedicated to advancing knowledge in the fields of education and development studies. Committed to academic excellence and societal impact, the Institute provides meaningful insights and pragmatic policy recommendations to address contemporary challenges. Emphasizing the crucial intersection of intellectual theory and real-world applications, we seek to transform ideas into actionable frameworks that drive positive change in society.

## About ICSSR:

The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) is the apex body of the Government of India for research in the social and human sciences. Founded in 1969, ICSSR operates under the aegis of the Ministry of Education, Government of India. ICSSR plays a pivotal role in advancing knowledge and understanding of various social issues and challenges, and providing research-based solutions to policymakers and

stakeholders in the development of the nation through initiatives and schemes such as research projects; doctoral, postdoctoral, senior fellowships, and national fellowships; research internships; training and capacity building of early career researchers; publication grants; national and international seminars, conferences and workshops; publication of cutting-edge research; national and international collaboration; promotion of social science and humanities research through research institutes, recognised institutes and regional centres. Documentation centre of ICSSR - National Social Science Documentation Centre (NASSDOC) - provides library and information support services to researchers in social sciences. ICSSR's mission is to shape the agenda of social science research across the nation and contribute to informed policymaking and societal development by promoting research excellence.

## Programme Overview

In today's academic environment, the ability to produce high-quality, publishable research is central to scholarly relevance and institutional credibility. However, a significant gap persists between research ideation and successful publication.

This Two Weeks Capacity Building Programme is designed to bridge that gap by offering a structured, immersive, and outcome-driven learning experience. The programme integrates research methodology, data analytics, design thinking, and AI-assisted writing tools, enabling participants to develop submission-ready manuscripts and book chapters.

The programme is uniquely positioned to enable participants to contribute not only to journal publications but also to edited volumes in collaboration with institutions such as Indian Council of Social Science Research, Taylor & Francis, and Springer.

## Thematic Area for Publication

The North Eastern Region (NER) of India is increasingly recognized as a strategic gateway to South East Asia, shaped by evolving dynamics of connectivity, culture, commerce, and cooperation.

Despite its significance, research on the region remains underrepresented in global academic discourse. This programme positions participants to contribute to this emerging knowledge space by producing rigorous, policy-relevant, and globally visible research.

## Programme Objectives

The programme aims to:

- Develop high-quality research manuscripts and book chapters
- Strengthen understanding of research design and analytical rigor

- Enable application of quantitative and qualitative methods
- Build capability in academic writing and journal positioning
- Provide insights into peer review and publication processes
- Promote ethical use of AI tools in research and writing

## Programme Structure

The programme is organized into four core modules:

- 01** | Research Foundations and Problem Framing
- 02** | Literature Review and Theoretical Positioning
- 03** | Research Methodology and Data Analytics
- 04** | Manuscript Development and Publication Strategy

Each module combines conceptual sessions, hands-on exercises, and mentoring support.

## Pedagogy

The programme adopts a participant - centric and application - oriented approach, including:

- Conceptual lectures and research frameworks
- Guided literature review and positioning exercises
- Data analytics workshops
- Manuscript development clinics
- Peer review simulations
- AI-assisted writing sessions

*N.B: Participants needs to bring their own system/ laptop*

## Programme Outcomes

At the end of the programme, participants will:

- Develop a submission-ready research paper or book chapter
- Gain clarity in research positioning and publication strategy
- Enhance academic writing and analytical capabilities
- Contribute to research on the NER–South East Asia interface

## Eligibility and Target Group

- In-service faculty members (Assistant/Associate Professors) with interest in publication
- Academicians from Management, Commerce, and Social Sciences

## Selection Process

Selection will be based on:

- Statement of Purpose (SoP)
- Relevance to programme theme
- Institutional nomination
- Regional representation (NER focus)

# Programme Details



## Duration

Two Weeks



## Dates

15<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2026

### Last date to apply:

10/06/2026 by 05:00 PM IST



## Venue

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam  
Centre for Policy Research  
and Analysis, IIM Shillong



## Target participants

30 nos.

## How to Apply?

To apply for this programme, complete the following steps:

1. Submit your application form by clicking the given link/ QR code. :

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2. Mail extended abstract aligning with the theme along with

3. Nomination letter issued by the head of the institute to [apjcentre@iimshillong.ac.in](mailto:apjcentre@iimshillong.ac.in).

## Collaborative and Publication Opportunity

Participants will have opportunities to contribute to:

- Journal publications
- Edited volumes with reputed publishers



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