Course Code 502: Research Methodology (School Level)
(This Course is Compulsory for the M Phill and Ph D students of RTSIL&CS)

UNIT I
(i) Nature and Scope of Research: Definition, characteristics, types of research
(ii) Methods of Research: Qualitative, Quantitative, Historical, Comparative, Interdisciplinary approach

UNIT II
(i) Formulating Research Proposal: identifying a research problem, literature review, statement of the problem, rationale, scope, objectives, hypotheses, research questions and limitations of study
(ii) Operational definition of terms, and hypotheses
(iii) Simple statistics and computer application in research, techniques of web searching

UNIT III
(i) Techniques of investigation: data collection, sampling, data analysis
(ii) Training and Fieldwork (wherever applicable): collecting and consulting relevant source materials

UNIT IV
(i) Preparation of research report: organization of the study
(ii) Techniques of referencing: Use of foot notes and end notes, citation of published works (Books, articles, journals, newspapers, interviews, historical records, etc), arranging bibliography
(iii) Techniques of web referencing: websites, blogs, youtube, etc

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