Name of Course: Qualitative research methods

Course Lead: Dr Surekha Garimella (TGI)

Other course tutors: None

Team members: Jith JR, Inayat Singh Kakar, Shrutika Murthy

Course Calendar: July'23-December'23 (06 months)

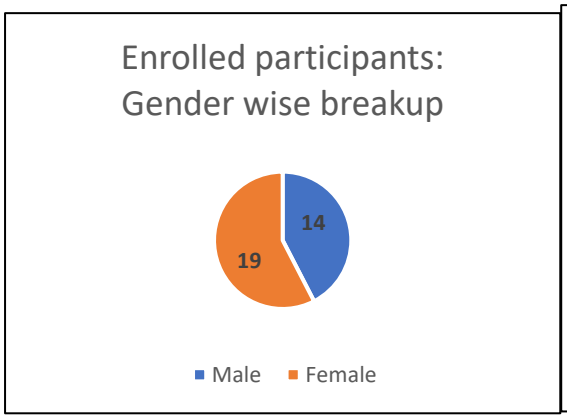
Course details: 8 live webinars (12.5 hrs), F2F sessions- 2 days (10 hrs)

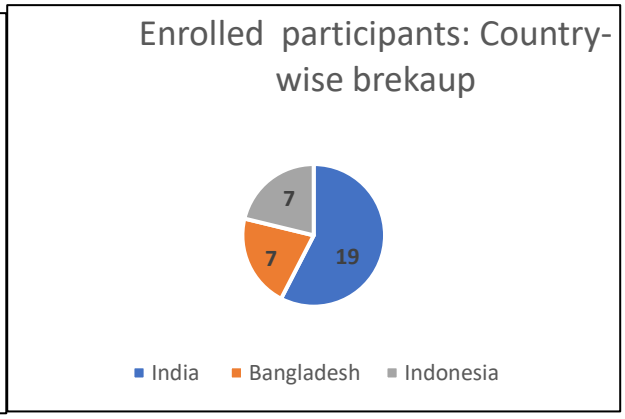
Assignment details- Submission of concept note qualitative research on a research question that they would like to explore

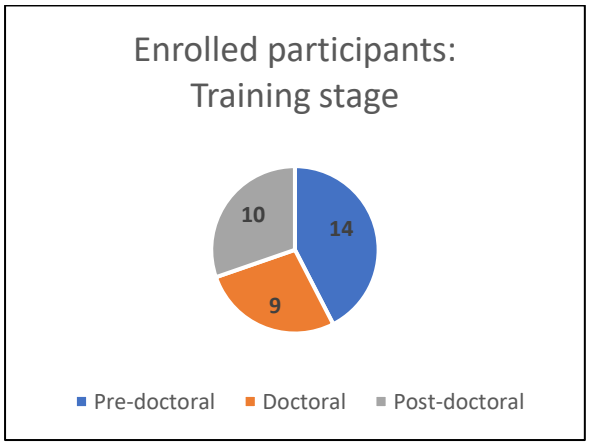
Total number enrolled: 33

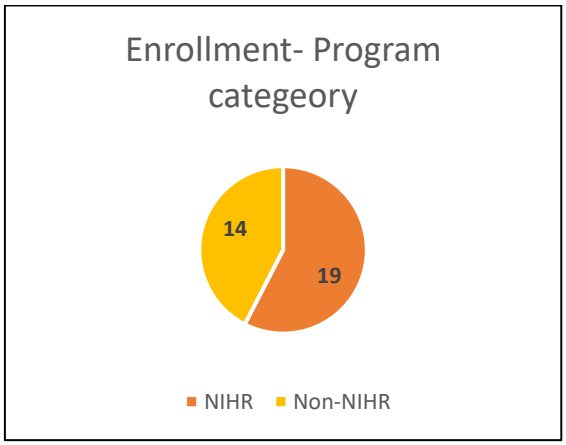
Number of participants who completed the course= 21

Participant details:

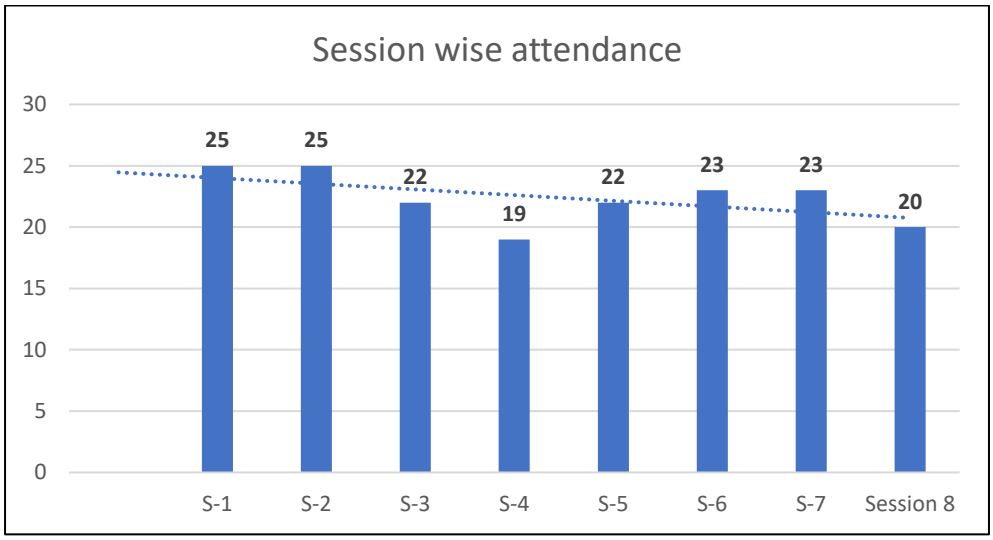




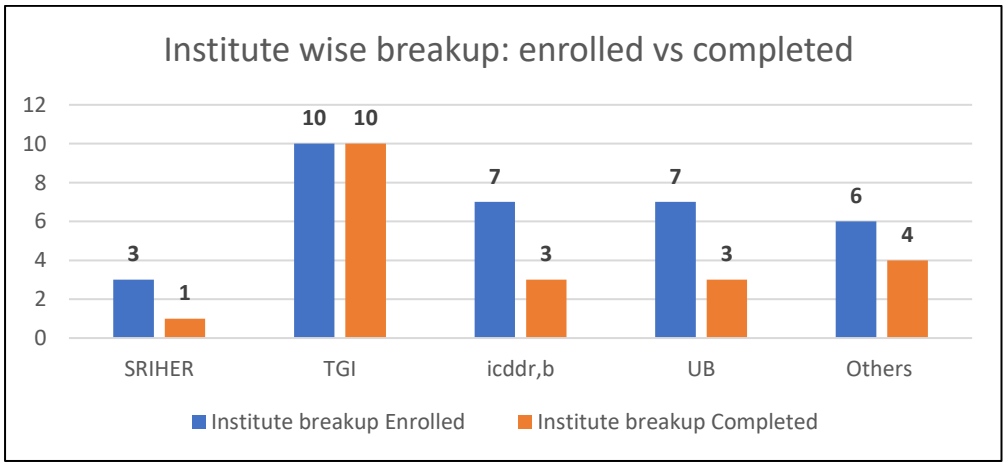




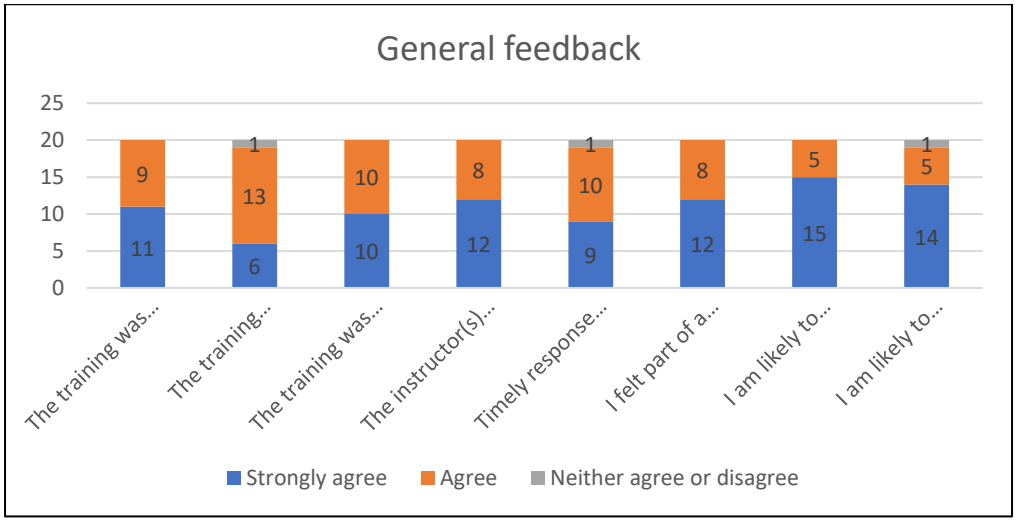
Session wise attendance for Live interactive sessions

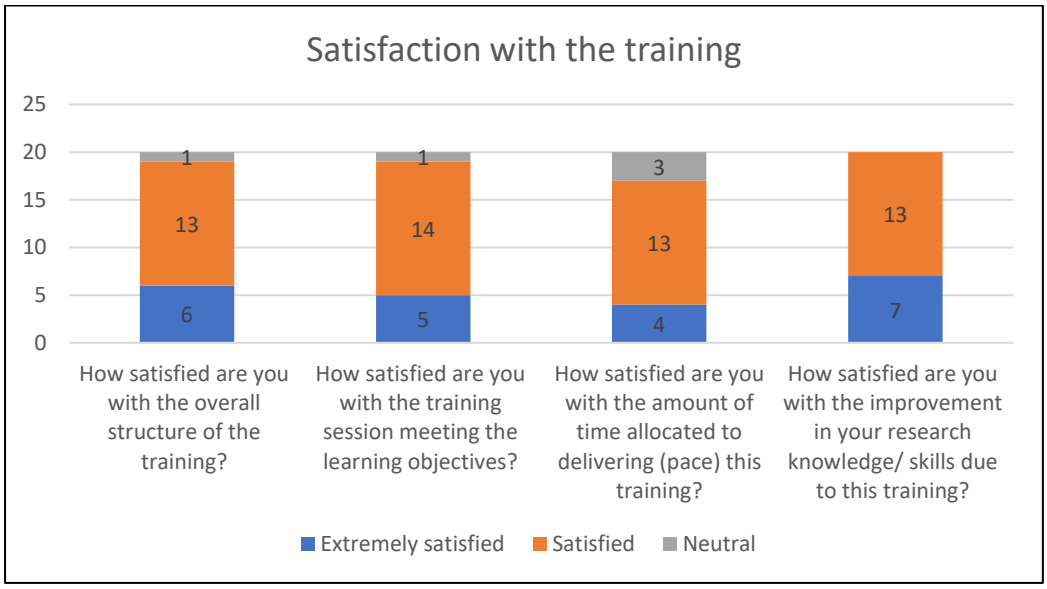


Institute wise breakup of participants enrolled vs participants who completed the course



Participant Feedback





Qualitative feedback

1. **What did you find most valuable about the training?**
   - *Conducting focus group discussion in the face-to-face workshop and getting feedback from the trainers*
   - *The hands-on training was very valuable*
   - *Most valuable would be the interactive sessions and the fact that it was not a didactic session*
   - *Scope of interaction and discussion, clarified concepts, included participatory sessions*
   - *The most valuable aspect of the training was its comprehensive coverage of all stages of qualitative research, from planning and design to analysis and presentation. The course equipped participants with a deep understanding of different research paradigms, core techniques, and strategies for enhancing the trustworthiness of qualitative research.*
   - *Research papers which were shared for pre, and post session reading were very helpful in understanding the session well*

2. **How would you apply this new knowledge and skills in your work?**
   - *helpful to design and implement in my research project*
   - *Will apply different methods and concepts learnt in my proposed phd work*
   - *This workshop will help me in developing appropriate qualitative tools, conducting qualitative data enquiries and interpreting the findings of the study.*
   - *Apply the learnings in the research*
   - *Since most of my research work is with the community and hence it will be useful in conducting qualitative studies*
   - *In designing new qualitative studies*
   - *I think the new knowledge about data collection will surely help me to improve the quality of my data collection in the future*

- *Our project involves qualitative and quantitative method, learning from this course will be used in project starting from designing the questionnaires*
- *It would help me in developing my ethnography proposal*

3. **Were there technical issues during the session**

- *I only attended half of the live meetings because my schedule clashed with my regular activities, but recording material was very helpful*
- *No technical issues*
- *Sessions were smooth*

4. **What aspects of the training can be improved? Please let us know if there were any topics that were not adequately covered, were confusing or difficult to understand**

- *This training does not discuss qualitative data analysis so this material needs to be made into a larger portion, perhaps it could be a suggestion for the next training*
- *Analysing and presenting qualitative data practically*
- *The training could have included use of software for data analysis.*
- *More interactive session*
- *More practical session*
- *Analysing qualitative data and mixed methods needed more focus*
- *The training could be improved by providing more hands-on exercises for data analysis tools. Additionally, offering optional modules for participants to explore specific topics in greater depth would enhance the learning experience*
- *he first few sessions that talk about history of qualitative study can be shortened*
- *Methodologies used in qualitative studies can be given more time with more examples, how to use appropriate approach in the study was difficult to understand fully.*
- *he part about research paradigm, methodologies, and planning qualitative research still a little bit confusing for me*

5. **Any other feedback or remark about the training**

- *Please provide further training, especially about qualitative data analysis and how to report the results*
- *Need a specific course for the qualitative research analysis methods. I think it is much needed one*
- *Very engaging and productive session*
- *hope for advanced training in qualitative research*
- *Want to learn and apply and get feedback from the team*
- *More practice on how analysing qualitative research data will be useful. More practice about observation in qualitative studies will also be useful*
- *raining course on analysis and writing the qualitative paper will be useful*
- *More sessions please*