#### 'What is Research Work'

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### What is Research?

#### **Etymological Origin of the Term 'Research':**

Recerche (French: Search closely) > Resercher (Fr.: to go about searching) > Research (English: investigate thoroughly)

#### principles of Research:

- I- Every subject has a philosophical foundation
- II- Research is a form of disinterested pursuit of knowledge
- III- Systematic investigation to know the underlying truth
- IV- Research is a substantial addition to the existing bulk of knowledge. Scientific attitude, objectivity, & honesty required
  - 1- Assess something
  - 2- Explain or interpret knowledge
  - 3- Challenge or Revoke views
  - 4- Theorize observation, opinion, phenomenon
  - 5- Measure applicability or efficacy of certain principle
  - 6- Enhance knowledge

## **Basic Types of Research**

- 1- Scientific Research (Chiefly carried out with experiments in science laboratories)
- 2- Social Research (Chiefly carried out by means of interviews, questionnaires, Various statistical procedures)
- 3- Interpretive Research (Chiefly carried out in literature, philosophy, aesthetics)

## **Important Steps in Research Work**

- 1- Choice of Subject
- 2- Data Collection
- 3- Review of Literature
- 4- Formulation of Hypothesis
- 5- Scheme of Chapterization
- 6- Writing of References & Bibliography
- 7- Writing & Typing of the Research Project
- 8- Submission of the Research Thesis

## Recapitulation

- 1- Research is a substantial addition to the existing bulk of knowledge. Scientific attitude, objectivity, & honesty required
- 2- In Faculty of Arts 'Interpretive Method' & 'Art Repertoire Techniques' are followed
- 3- In all types of research the steps of research work are common
- 4- Procedure of research begins with identification of problem .. Formulation of research questions .. Setting of research objectives .. Formulation of research hypothesis