WORKSHOP REPORT

Five Days Workshop on 'A Hands-on Training of SPSS: Basics to Advanced Techniques'

Date: April, 26 - 30, 2023

Venue: International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai.

Organizers: IIPSAA & IIPS

The five-day workshop titled "A Hands-on Training of SPSS: Basics to Advanced" was organized by the International Institute for Population Sciences Alumni Association (IIPSAA) in collaboration with the International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS). The workshop aimed to provide comprehensive training on using SPSS software to individuals aged 35 and above. Individuals employed in the public or private sector, faculty members, professionals, independent researchers, and NGO workers. The primary objective was to introduce the basics of SPSS to working professionals interested in data analysis but needing additional computational and statistical analysis skills using the software. Additionally, the workshop sought to benefit faculty members, management executives, industry training professionals, and research scholars looking to enhance their understanding of this subject.

A total of 20 participants actively took part in the SPSS training program. The participants included individuals aged 35 and above from various professional backgrounds, such as the public and private sectors, academia, and NGOs. The diverse range of participants ensured a rich learning environment and facilitated knowledge exchange among individuals from different fields. The workshop covered a wide range of topics related to SPSS, including various statistical analysis techniques, data mining, and result interpretation. The participants were provided with practical learning opportunities through case studies, enabling them to apply the concepts learned during the workshop.

The workshop coordinators, Prof. Sayeed Unisa, Prof. R. Nagarajan, and Prof. Nandita Saikia, ensured that the training program encompassed both theoretical and hands-on aspects of SPSS, thus enhancing the participants' understanding and practical skills. The workshop featured esteemed resource persons with extensive knowledge and expertise in SPSS. The resource persons responsible for conducting the training sessions were Prof. C. P. Prakasam, Prof. Sulabha Parasuraman, Prof. Sayeed Unisa, Dr. Kunal Kesari, and Dr. Illias K. Sheikh. Their expertise in various SPSS and statistical analysis aspects gave participants valuable insights and guidance throughout the workshop.

The workshop commenced with an inauguration ceremony held at 10:00 AM on April 26, 2023, at the Indian Institute of Population Studies (IIPS) in Mumbai. Prof. R. Nagarajan, the Vice President of IIPSAA and one of the workshop coordinators, facilitated the guest resource persons, Prof. C. P. Prakasam and Sulabha Parasuraman, and delivered the welcome speech. Prof. Sayeed Unisa, also a Vice President of IIPSAA and workshop coordinator,

introduced the workshop's theme, emphasizing its relevance in the research context. An overview of the five-day workshop was presented to provide participants with a clear understanding of the program's objectives.

In the end, the valedictory function took place at 2:00 PM on April 30, 2023. Esteemed individuals were present at the event, including Rtd. Prof. C. P. Prakasam, Rtd. Prof. Sulabha Parasuraman, Prof. K.S. James (Director & Senior Prof, IIPS), Prof. Sayeed Unisa, Prof. R. Nagarajan, and Anjani Mishra (ICT Unit head). The certificates of participation were distributed to all the participants by these distinguished guests. Pankaj Kumar Patel (workshop volunteer) delivered the vote of thanks on behalf of the organizing committee, expressing gratitude to the resource persons, IIPS administration, ICT Unit, IIPSAA MC members, student volunteers, and participants.

Workshop Coordinators:

Prof. Sayeed Unisa

Prof. R. Nagarajan

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