



Qualities of a Good Researcher in Urdu

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Abstract:

Research is an endeavor in which the factors of scientific discovery, verification and promotion are included. The process of research is bound by various regulations and limitations and certain qualities are also very important for the person carrying out this process, i. e. the researcher. Different critics and academicians have laid down different rules for the researcher. This article is about the qualities of a good researcher. Honesty is extremely important in the characteristics of the researcher. Research process requires selfless hard work and dedication. It is important to adopt a non-emotional approach to research. The researcher should avoid haste and impatience. The importance of curiosity in the characteristics of the researcher cannot be denied. Consistency is important in the content and arguments presented by researcher and it is also important to keep in mind the continuity under the topic. The researcher should have a scientific temperament, the ability to describe the facts with all the details and make precise decisions requires a scientific approach. Absent mind and weak memory have bad effects on the results of the research. Article concludes that a good researcher should have all the above qualities for better and serious research.

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The element of creed and quest are prominent motivators in the evolutionary journey of human mind. Under the influence of these motivations, man moves towards his ideal and this is the power that determines the degree of success of individuals. The proof of progress in all spheres of life is the development efforts that discover new avenues of science and art. Observations and experiments are the basic elements of research. In literary terms, research is a reliable understanding of literature and the status of a work of art is determined by research. The term research is the search for the ultimate truth and facts. It is a systematic search for relevant information on a subject. Professor Muhammad Hassan writes:

"تحقیق مخصوص حالات میں 'مخصوص شواہد اور روایات کی روشنی میں اس صداقت کی تلاش ہے جو محقق کی دسترس میں ہو یا اس کی دسترس میں ہو سکتی ہے۔" (1)

Research is an endeavor in which the factors of scientific discovery, verification and promotion are included. In order to access the true form of a process, it is necessary to know the exact situation. In this regard, the evidence and information should be such that they can be used for reasoning. Dr. M. Sultana Bakhsh writes:

"تحقیق کا فن بہت دشوار گزار اور محنت طلب ہے۔ اس راہ پر چلنے کے لیے صرف شوق ہی نہیں جنون درکار ہے لیکن حقیقت تک رسائی چاہنے والے دیوانے کو فرزانگی کی بھی ضرورت ہے تاکہ وہ سمندر کی تہہ سے صرف گوہر مقصود تلاش کر سکے۔" (2)

The process of research is bound by various regulations and limitations and certain qualities are also very important for the person carrying out this process, i. e. the researcher. Absence of these qualities makes the research process ineffective.

Different critics and academicians have laid down different rules for the researcher. It is necessary for a researcher to be rich in critical consciousness proves to be an obstacle in the way of recognition of important and unimportant. Research is a kind of creative process and in this sense it also requires creative qualities from the researcher. The presentation of research findings can be improved in the presence of research attributes According to. Qazi Abdulwadood, high morals are necessary for the researcher. According to him if the moral standards of the inhabitants of a country are low and they live far from work then the general quality of their research will be low.

It seems that character quality is very important to raise the quality of research. Honesty is extremely important in the characteristics of the researcher. Habits like lying and fabrication are against the research mood. The researcher should not be biased. In the presence of bias it is not possible to draw accurate results. It is important to adopt a non emotional approach to research. One should be completely neutral while discussing one's favorite and dislike writers, poets, critics and intellectuals. The importance of curiosity in the characteristics of the researcher cannot be denied. Curiosity in the form of a stimulus determines the researcher's action from moment to moment. Professor Abdulsitar Ridolvi writes:

"توضیح فکر بھی محقق کا ایک ضروری وصف ہے۔ ممکن ہے کہ بعض حالات میں کچھ الجھنیں اس درپیش ہوں لیکن مسلسل کوشش اور غور و فکر کے بعد اسے ان الجھنوں پر قابو حاصل کر لینا چاہیے۔" (3)

The aim of the researcher is to find out the facts, in this context, the pursuit of wealth and reward makes it difficult to get the right results. Each person chooses work according to his nature and temperament. Research process requires selfless hard work and dedication. Those who succeed in this field are those who work hard to achieve the goal regardless of difficulties and sufferings. The researcher should avoid haste and impatience. Imbalance moderation always leads to loss. Moderation is very important for the researcher. Exaggeration is a major hindrance to research, so one should never exaggerate anything. It is very important for a researcher to have the moral courage to speak the truth.

"محقق کا مطالعہ بہت وسیع ہونا چاہیے۔ اپنے مخصوص مضمون کے علاوہ اسے متعلقہ مضامین کا بھی مطالعہ کرنا چاہیے مثلاً اردو کے محقق کو فارسی لازمی طور پر جاننے کی ضرورت ہے۔ عربی جاننا بھی اس کے لیے مفید ثابت ہوگا۔ قدیم اردو سے متعلق اودھی، برج، ہریانی وغیرہ سے واقفیت کے بغیر تحقیق ناقص ہوگی۔" (4)

The researcher should avoid imitation. The mood for research and inquiry must be investigative. Therefore, the imitative attribute will not meet the criterion of research. The researcher should not be weak in faith because there is no place for dev mala, slanders and supernatural concepts in the research. The researcher should have a scientific temperament, the ability to describe the facts with all the details and make precise decisions requires a scientific

approach. Absent mind and weak memory have bad effects on the results of the research. The researcher must have a good memory. Otherwise there may be many obstacles in the research process. AbdulRazzaq Qureshi writes:

"تحقیق کے لیے شوق اور دلچسپی کے ساتھ ساتھ سخت محنت کی بھی ضرورت ہے۔ مواد کی گرد آوری میں نہ صرف کتابوں 'مخطوطوں وغیرہ کے اوراق الٹنا ہوتے ہیں بلکہ ہر قسم کی راحت کو قربان کرنا پڑتا ہے۔ حقیقت یہ ہے کہ تحقیق میں صبر آزما محنت کی ضرورت ہے" (5)

It is important to represent the literary taste in the style of writing and presentation of the researcher. Consistency is important in the content and arguments presented by researcher and it is also important to keep in mind the continuity under the topic. It is important to complete the research paper within the specified time frame otherwise the time lapse as well as the scholar's dishonesty are prominently exposed. Consistency in research topic and its sub-topics is also important and unnecessary interpretations should always be avoided. Researcher should show his/her research paper to the supervisor before going through the final stages so that no errors remain. Instead of a pile of incidents and references, a suitable selection of them should be presented. In encyclopedia Britannica research is a careful study: "Careful study that is done to find and report new knowledge about something." (6)

So researcher should be very careful regarding his research report and it should present something new about the topic. It is fact that any researcher can do justice to his subject only when he knows the background of problems and issues associated with the subject and also the factors that are responsible for creating this background. Without familiarity with Punjabi culture and history, research and criticism regarding Bulleh Shah and Sultan Bahu will not yield good results. With the historical study of Pakistan and India and knowledge of the Aligarh movement we can have a proper understanding of Musadas e Hali. A good researcher should have all the above qualities for better and serious research.

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