

APPLIED POLICY RESEARCH METHODS

► Objective of the programme

The Kenya Institute for Public Policy Research and Analysis (KIPPRA) is a public think tank with the mandate of developing capacities for policy formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation within National and County governments. KIPPRA also undertakes relevant and timely policy research and analysis, serves as a point of policy engagement and communication on public policy, and develops and maintains a reservoir of knowledge on public policy in contributing to the achievement of national development goals.

The applied policy research methods course is designed to build the capacity of private sector actors, civil society actors, and government officers at both county and national level in conducting effective research and analysis to inform decision making and policy development.

Mode of delivery ◀

The course takes ten (10) days of hands-on learning, practicals and modelling experiments. Attendants of the programme are advised to bring a laptop.

► Learning outcomes

The research methods course expects its learners to be able to demonstrate the following learning outcomes: -

- 1 Demonstrate understanding of different research methods.
- 2 Distinguish between policy research and academic research.
- 3 Knowledge of analytical tools for research.
- 4 Apply skills and knowledge acquired to analyze the various types of data and make relevant recommendations.
- 5 Communicate findings clearly and persuasively in written and oral forms.

Facilitation ◀

The training course will be administered by KIPPRA staff

▶ Who should participate?

The course targets researchers, policy analysts, program officers, public administrators, M&E professionals, and bureaucrats who would like to sharpen their skills in research.

Training sessions ◀

The course is designed to bring out key skills in research, data analysis and research report writing. They introduce concepts and analytical tools used in research, data collection and analysis and present topics which are relevant for national and county government officers to strengthen their skills and knowledge in research methods.

▶ Sessions

- 1 Introduction to Research Methods.
- 2 Ingredients of a good literature review and sources of literature.
- 3 Approaches to data collection and management.
- 4 Model Estimation Techniques, Interpretation and Discussion of Results:
- Cross sectional and Time series data.
- 5 Research report writing: - Concept note, proposal & report.

Capacity needs assessment ◀

To ensure that the capacity needs of participants are integrated into the course, KIPPRA conducts a training needs assessment before conducting the applied policy research methods course.

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