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## My beloved colleagues Assalamu Alaikum,

## How to write your methodology for a PhD Proposal? Series 6

Methodology refers to the theoretical analysis of your research while method refers to a systematic and orderly arrangement and measuring of your research. The Method of a research designates that how you going to demeanour your research. It also leads you on how to advance with your research. Method is just like a tool utilized by a researcher to measure the activities of the study. Different methodologies are used with different studies. Thus, methodology indicates rational and idealistic postulation of your study while method refers to the how to do of it. For example: **Research on human feelings:** 

Methodology: Triangulation (Qualitative, Quantitative and Descriptive) mixed.

Method: Research design, population, sample, instrument, validity, reliability and result and so on.

## Some useful points when formulating your research methodology:

- 1. Choose your methodology based on the type of research you are conducting.
- 2. Institute a clear and concise affiliation between your study and your methodology.
- 3. Ask yourself whether this methodology answers your research questions?
- 4. Provide meaningful reason for choosing your methodology such as literature review.
- 5. Divide your method into research design, population, sample, instrument, validity, reliability, results and implementation phases.
- 6. Most importantly are you comfortable with it?

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