Handling Research Project: A Kolb's Learning Cycle Story

1. Concrete Experience (What happened?)

I applied for a start-up research grant by the end of the year 2018 under the UGC-BSR scheme. Next year I received the UGC-BSR Research Start-Up grant of Rs. 10 Lakh from University Grants Commission, Government of India. Thereafter, I started the work and in the coming days when regular class pressure reached to pick beside other departmental responsibilities my projected target according to the research proposal became distant with respect to time. Particularly, due to the reason, I was not having any manpower under the sanctioned project. Altogether, I faced severe work pressure and a pretty hectic time in life.

2. Reflective Observation (What did you notice?)

I spent almost 15×7 working on my schedule but could not manage the overall task. I became anxious for manpower (project student and research scholar) to accomplish research for the project timely. Projected targets as expected with the assumption of smooth running of the project become far-reached. The anxiety and depression affected the overall wellbeing.

3. Abstract Conceptualization (What did you learn?)

Research projects must be undertaken with full planning and complete infrastructural support. In any research institute or university academic infrastructure is the most important part. Whenever any faculty is planning to submit a research proposal the most important part is manpower.

4. Active Experimentation (What will you do?)

I have sent a project proposal for funding with suitable manpower.