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Book Name:	Current Progress in Arts and Social Studies Research
Manuscript Number:	Ms_BPR_3802
Title of the Manuscript:	Non-Traditional Research Methods and Regional Planning Needs in Developing Countries: Is there an Ideal Methodology?
Type of the Article	Book chapter

PART 1: Review Comments

<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Reviewer’s comment	Author’s Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The manuscript is an important contribution to the advancement of methods of research. It adds valuable insights to the deabate on qualitative vs quantitative research approaches.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Yes. The title clearly captures the content of the manuscript.	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	The abstract could be improved by defining its content from the start to remove ambiquities.The first sentence “ Methodologies with these characteristics.....” raises question “which characteristics? as none are mentioned earlier. It should also link the findings to the dependent variable-Regional Planning needs in developing countries. This is not brought out.	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	Yes.	
Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The manuscript is scientifically sound making significant contributions to research methodology. However the author(s) could improve it by clearly stating the problem it seeks to address. They have made a strong case for the independent variable but little on the dependent variable. What is the problem with regional planning in developing countries, how is this manifested? How can it be addressed by non-tradional research methods approaches?What conclusions can be drawn in few of the findings? Any recommendations?	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	All the references are too archaic yet this is an ongoing scientific debate that has led to evolution of research methods. The author(s) could better support the study with more recent publications. A few suggestions are as follows as mentioned in the general comments section.	

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PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
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