

## Research Fellows and Research Projects

### Department of Science and Technology (DST) – National Research Foundation (NRF) Centre in Indigenous Knowledge Systems (CIKS)

#### RESEARCH FOCUS AREA:



Community engagement



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**Country of Research:** On appendix 2 I was firstly introducing myself to the elderly in a meeting that wasn't meant only for my study, but I took opportunity to introduce my study and explain how this study is going to benefit the community. Majority of elderly knowledge holders never had chance to engage maybe because they were not familiar with my theme or topic. But I kept on explaining at their level of understanding. On appendix 3 the researcher managed to gather inside an indigenous court/ a house used for solving community problems and all challenges at the headman in the informal village Ha-Mavhunga within Vhembe district . Elderly and some of former teachers and novel authors expressed their views about as well as against my topic

**Research Topic:** learning of vhavenda people indigenous knowledge preservation and teaching strategies: a partnership approach

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**Research Supervisor:** Prof Netshandama Vo

### **Research Background/Summary**

My study aims to explore preservation and teaching strategies of Vhavenda Indigenous knowledge. It will includes integrations of scientific knowledge with indigenous knowledge's for an aimed purposes and objectives. Target population are mainly Vhavenda elderly and knowledge holders from Vhembe District. Indigenous Wholistic theory will be used for its inquiry strength that is relevant for this study, with appropriateness of the Appreciative inquiry model. This study will be conducted under Qualitative methodology, with the ethnography as the research design that will be used. Purposive sampling will be used. A descriptive analysis will be used.

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