**Motivation in Research**

What makes people to undertake research is a question of fundamental importance. The possible motives for doing research may be either one or more of the following:

• Desire to get a research degree with its consequential benefits;

• Desire to face challenge in solving unsolved problems;

• Desire to get intellectual joy of doing more creative work;

• Desire to be of service to society; and

• Desire to get respectability (Kothari, 1990).

However, this is not an exhaustive list of factors motivating people to undertake research studies. There are any more factors such as:

* directives of government,
* employment conditions,
* curiosity about new things,
* desire to understand causal relationships, social thinking and awakening…etc. (ibid)

**Assignment 5:** What is your motivation for writing a research paper?