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Dr. Reneesh K R is an Assistant Professor in Forensic Science at Kristu Jayanti (Deemed-to-be University), Bengaluru. He holds a Ph.D. in Criminology from the University of Mysore, where he was a UGC-Senior Research Fellow. His doctoral work, conducted under an MoU with the University of Cincinnati, USA, focused on criminogenic needs and offender risk assessment. He also earned an M.Phil. in Criminology from Karnatak University, Dharwad, as a UGC-Junior Research Fellow. His research emphasizes reducing recidivism through evidence-based interventions, forensic risk assessment, and rehabilitation programs in correctional settings. He specializes in criminology, forensic psychology, juvenile justice, and applies the Risk-Need-Responsivity (RNR) and Good Lives models to strengthen rehabilitation and public safety in India's correctional system. He has extensive international experience with NATO-led missions, serving with the International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan (Swedish Armed Forces) and the Multinational Forces in Iraq (U.S. Army). He is a founding member of the Indian Criminology and Forensic Science Association and a member of the Australian and New Zealand Society of Criminology. He also contributes to academic governance through his roles on Boards of Studies, Doctoral Committees, and as an external examiner and question paper setter for various institutions.

Selected Publications:

1. **Reenesh K R**, Sree Ranjani S, M L Mohan Raju, and Jenoleena G. (2025). Advancements and Applications in Bloodstain Pattern Analysis: A Comprehensive Review. *International Journal of Latest Technology in Engineering Management & Applied Science*, 14(7), 1089–1100. <https://doi.org/10.51583/ijltemas.2025.1407000131>
2. **Reenesh K R** & D'Souza L (2018). Substance Abuse, Criminal Attitudes and Behavioural Patterns among First Time and Repeated Male Offenders. *International Journal of Indian Psychology*, Vol. 6, (1), <https://doi.org/10.25215/0601.064>
3. **Reenesh K R** & D'Souza L (2018).b Family and peer association among first time and repeated male offenders - A comparative study. *International journal of psychology and psychiatry*, <https://scienceon.kisti.re.kr/srch/selectPORSrchArticle.do?cn=NART92428841>