## **RESEARCH PROCESS**

Research process consists of series of actions or steps necessary to effectively carry out research. The research process consists of a number of closely related activities. But such activities overlap continuously rather than following a strictly prescribed sequence. At times, the first step determines the nature of the last step to be undertaken. If subsequent procedures have not been taken into account in the early stages, serious difficulties may arise which may even prevent the completion of the study. One should remember that neither various steps involved in a research process are mutually exclusive; nor they are separate and distinct. They do not necessarily follow each other in any specific order and the researcher has to be constantly anticipating at each step in the research process the requirement of the subsequent steps. However, the following chart shows the order concerning various steps provides a useful procedural guideline regarding the research process.

## **RESEARCH PROCESS FLOW CHART**

