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## ABOUT THE COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

For over five decades, the Council for Social Development (CSD) has functioned as a non-profit, non-partisan, vibrant research and advocacy institution engaged in issues of social development, especially the welfare of the marginalised. In 1962, CSD began its journey as an informal study group at the India International Centre, New Delhi. Prominent social workers and social scientists, under the leadership of the legendary freedom fighter and social worker Durgabai Deshmukh, were part of this group. The Council was registered as a society in 1970 with C. D. Deshmukh as President and Durgabai Deshmukh as Executive Chairperson and Honorary Director. Currently, the distinguished diplomat and educationist Professor Muchkund Dubey is the President and Professor Biswajit Dhar, an economist, is the Vice President of CSD. Professor Nitya Nanda, an economist, currently leads the institution as the Director.

A Southern Regional Centre (SRC) of CSD was set up in Hyderabad in 1967. It is currently funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) and the government of Telangana. The SRC is governed by a managing committee and presently the eminent educationist and child rights expert Professor Shantha Sinha is the Chairperson. Professor Sujit Kumar Mishra, an economist who has specialised in development economics, currently leads the team as Regional Director.

Eminent educationists and representatives of public institutions constitute the CSD society, which guides its programmes. The Delhi and Hyderabad offices include about 40 academic/research professionals and 20 administrative/support staff. The CSD academic staff consists of a good mix of experienced and young researchers, and most of them have a doctorate degree. The CSD team has members from different parts of India, and about 40 per cent are women. The organisation also welcomes foreign scholars as visiting faculty and foreign students as interns.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK



After a dreadful second year of the COVID-19 pandemic, it was a year when we moved towards normalcy. For all our seminars, workshops, training programmes and other events, we shifted from the online to in-person or hybrid mode. We undertook studies where intensive fieldwork was carried out. Hence, we looked at the year with hope and optimism. Yet, challenges posed by the two years of pandemic continued to affect us in many direct and indirect ways as the disruptions caused had long-term implications.

We completed 11 projects—eight in Delhi and three in Hyderabad. At the end of the year, 15 projects were ongoing—two in Delhi and 13 in Hyderabad. The completed projects in Delhi focussed on themes such as ‘Effect of Natural Disasters on Children’s Health, Education and Protection,’ ‘Status and Pathways for Portability in Cash and In-Kind Transfers in India,’ covering social protection schemes viz. Public Distribution System (PDS), Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY), Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), and the three national-level pension schemes for widows, the aged and the disabled; Study of the Assam State Initiative: Addressing Concerns of Out-of-School Children; and Impact of COVID-19 on Safe and Secure Secondary Education of Adolescent Girls in India. Completed projects in Hyderabad included topics such as COVID-19, Online Education and Children with Disabilities in Telangana; Evaluation of Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) in the State of Telangana; Statistical Bulletin on Incidence of Child Marriage in South India, which investigated the prevalence of such marriages in 120 districts in South India.

The CSD Delhi office is currently working on a project on concurrent evaluation of implementation of the National Food Security Act. It is also implementing grassroots level projects on advocacy for strengthening girls’ education in Bihar, building girl activists’ capacity to contribute to girls’ education, and completion of secondary education through education of girls. It is also preparing for a ‘Global Conclave on Education 2023: Schools for the Future,’ sponsored by Kyra Global, Dubai (UAE), aimed to focus on the thematic areas of education, and to bring together educational stakeholders to deliberate on the educational issues and concerns, and identify the next steps.

The ongoing projects of the CSD Hyderabad office engage a variety of development issues ranging from status of women in India’s extractive industry, ICTs and livelihoods, multidimensional poverty measurements and SDGs, and child development. They also cover topics such as Land Alienation Process of Tribal People in the Agency Region of Andhra Pradesh; Adolescent Girls’ Education; Status of Informal Employment; Willingness to Pay for GI Tagged Products in India; Platform Economy and Economic Empowerment; Marine Fisheries in Tamil Nadu and Kerala; Health and Nutrition of Women and Children in Tamil

Nadu; Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Special Development Fund in Telangana; and Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme.

Our annual flagship events like the Durgabai Deshmukh Memorial Lecture and C. D. Deshmukh Memorial Lecture, that were held online last year, were held in-person this time. It was a matter of great pleasure that we could meet our colleagues and friends in-person on these occasions. However, another important event, the *Social Change* Golden Jubilee Lecture had to be held online this time also.

In the end, we hope and look forward to a better and more productive year in partnership with our collaborators, and also look forward to in-person meetings with friends more frequently.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2022–23, post-COVID-19, as the Council for Social Development (CSD) limped back to normalcy, it attempted to explore new research opportunities and expand its reach to a larger number of marginalised communities. The Council continued with its mission of conducting research that puts equality and justice at the core of social development, and aims to evolve advocacy strategies that promote the rights, interests, and needs of the marginalised and the disempowered.

This year, CSD covered a gamut of research projects examining a variety of issues ranging from witch-hunting in the Northeast states, effect of natural disasters on children's health, education and protection, challenges of portability in cash and in-kind transfers in India, and evaluation of Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) in states like Telangana. Through its research lens the Council also examined the impact of COVID-19 on various communities and their education, safety, health, and employment. Particularly, in Telangana, a study was undertaken to assess the challenges of online education for children with disabilities. The pandemic impacted young girls significantly, with nearly 10 million secondary school level girls in India dropping out of school. They became more vulnerable to early marriage, early pregnancy, poverty, trafficking, and violence. At CSD, the research team responded to this development by initiating a project to study these vulnerabilities among young girls in Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Bihar, and Delhi and identifying measures that can mitigate the crisis caused due to the pandemic.

In southern India, CSD began a study on the incidence of child marriages and their connection to the pandemic crisis. Equally engaging was our initiative to study the status of women in India's extractive industry; and exploring the public's willingness to pay for GI-tagged products in India. Two very interesting researches are being led by CSD's Hyderabad team—(i) Can platform economy drive economic empowerment and social inclusion; and, (ii) Comparative study of marine fisheries in Tamil Nadu and Kerala regarding Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) and livelihoods.

The organisation made efforts to expand its partner base and regional reach. It engaged with international and national organisations and was able to make deeper forays in the north-eastern states of India with the agenda of advocacy research.



## CSD Delhi

*This year the CSD Delhi office completed 8 projects and continued to make progress in 2 projects. Amongst the completed projects, 4 addressed critical issues of precarity, gender-related aspects, and technological accessibility of government schemes and transactions.*

## THEMES

### Education, Gender & Health

In this thematic area, one project, ‘Effect of Natural Disasters on Children’s Health, Education and Protection,’ sponsored by **Sir Dorabji Tata Trusts and ChildFund India**, moved away from the ‘death-accident factors’ and *focussed on health and nutrition, education, and child protection, which have a higher impact on the development and well-being of children.* It also explored the socio-economic, geographic, and institutional determinants of vulnerability to natural disasters. The project was undertaken in 3 states: Odisha, Karnataka, and Uttar Pradesh. This research found statistically significant difference between health and education-related factors between affected and non-affected areas and an increased risk of vector-borne and diarrhoeal diseases, reduced probability of required breastfeeding and food consumption diversity, and increased probability of stunting, higher percentage of out-of-school children (statistically significant), and lower Anganwadi enrolment in disaster-affected areas.



In another project, ‘Culture, Capital and Witch-Hunts in Meghalaya and Nagaland,’ supported by **Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung (RLS) South Asia**, CSD *examined belief systems that support violence against women, like witch-hunting and ritual attacks in northeastern states of Meghalaya and Nagaland; and explored their nexus with capitalist trajectories.* Field surveys were conducted at 4 sites in Meghalaya and Nagaland, which included 6 villages. The research team found that our understanding of various local beliefs is limited. The state and the central government need to institute universal forms of social security,

such as provision for education (including higher and technical education), healthcare, and nutrition, as well as means to fight gender-based violence.

### Poverty & Development

This year CSD also examined the reach and the effect of government schemes meant for the poor. In the project, ‘Status and Pathways for Portability in Cash and In-kind Transfers in India,’ sponsored by **KfW Development Bank, Germany**, CSD *explored the existing portability in India’s social protection schemes* and suggested changes to introduce or enhance portability in 6 social protection schemes viz. Public Distribution System (PDS), Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY), Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), and the 3 national level pension schemes for widows, the aged, and the disabled. The study analysed available database on these 6 schemes and findings drawn from a field survey of 3,200 households in 4 Indian states: Two labour-sending states of Madhya Pradesh (MP) and Rajasthan; and two labour-receiving states of Kerala and Uttar Pradesh (UP, region adjoining Delhi). Two districts in each of the states were selected for the field survey, and Health and Human services (HHs) were sampled on the basis of purposive sampling.



The project, ‘Impact Assessment Study of the Assam State Initiative: Addressing Concerns of Out-of-School Children in Assam’ supported by **Centre for Microfinance & Livelihood (CML): An Initiative of Tata Trusts**, assessed the impact of the Assam State Initiative (ASI), an education programme for the out-of-school children that was implemented by the CML. The study also aimed to evaluate remedial support for children in schools, the strengthening of school management committees and mothers’ group; and capacity building of teachers.

COVID-19 disrupted development progress in a major way. The project, ‘Impact of COVID-19 on Safe and Secure Secondary Education of Adolescent Girls in India: A Rapid Survey,’ addressed some of the challenges the pandemic posed in remote areas of the country. The



**Rise Up** supported schools (age-group of 15–18 years) were surveyed for this study to assess *how COVID-19 has impacted girls more than boys*, putting them at risk of early marriage, early pregnancy, poverty, trafficking and violence. The socio-economic status of the surveyed girls suggests that secondary education of at least one parent reduced pre-COVID out-of-school status, whereas higher education of at least one parent reduced both, pre-COVID out-of-school as well as post-COVID school attendance-related vulnerability.

*For CSD, engagement with international partners was an enriching and rewarding experience. It assured CSD's role as a stakeholder in the global education scenario.*

### Social Justice

The 'Global Conclave on Education 2023: Schools for the Future', sponsored by **Kyra Global, Dubai (UAE)**, aimed to focus on the thematic areas of education while bringing together educational stakeholders to deliberate on educational issues and concerns, and identifying the next steps. It explored solutions to questions such as how would we transform the schools of the present to meet the demands of the future world of work and learning? What would the shape of such learning spaces be? The main discussions from the conclave have been compiled into a comprehensive report that has been shared globally. Key insights shall be compiled into a book for dissemination in the future. The education conclave is intended as an annual event.

Our association with the **Malala Fund** that sponsored a project aimed to sustain the *learning process of marginalised girls* in the identified villages of Hamirpur district (UP) after closure of schools through home delivery learning kits as per state government guidelines, was an enriching experience. The project aimed to ensure marginalised girls re-enrol in school, and can make up for missed learning through a community-led "Back to School" campaign. The project engaged not only with the government stakeholders but also community leaders and parents of young girls to create awareness and advocate the importance of an equitable education system.

### CSD–SRC Hyderabad

*This year the CSD Hyderabad office completed 3 projects and continued to make progress in 13 other projects. The completed projects addressed critical issues of impact of online education on disabled children, progress of Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programmes (SVEPs), and statistical bulletin on incidence of child marriage in South India.*

### Education for the Disabled

A critical project, 'Including the Excluded: COVID-19, Online Education and Children with Disabilities in Telangana,' was completed this year. Sponsored by the **Department of Planning, Government of Telangana**, it examined the *learning challenges of children with*

*disabilities during the pandemic*, especially after online education became the primary mode. The research highlighted the obstacles of online education for disabled children, including disruptions in internet connectivity, inadequate data to stream videos, and lack of gadgets within households. The CSD Hyderabad research team also undertook ‘Evaluation of Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) in the State of Telangana,’ a study sponsored by the **Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, Department of Rural Development, Government of Telangana**. The study covered 3 blocks – Amangal, Narayankhed, and Eturunagaram from 3 districts – Rangareddy, Narayankhed, and Mulugu respectively. *The study confirmed that household income has improved, and dependency on moneylenders has significantly declined*. There is progress in the health and education of household members, and in accessing many government social security schemes and other programmes using SHGs and SHG federations as platforms.

### **Child Marriages & Rural Development**

According to the National Family Health Survey (NFHS)-5 (2019–2021), the state of Andhra Pradesh tops the list of five states in South India in child marriages. The state of Telangana appears second. The Hyderabad team carried out a study, ‘Statistical Bulletin on Incidence of Child Marriage in South India,’ investigating the prevalence of such marriages in 120 districts in South India. Supported by the Department of Planning, Government of Telangana, this study examined factors that resulted in some states like Kerala having the least incidence of child marriages.

*The ongoing projects engage a variety of development issues ranging from status of women in India’s extractive industry, ICTs and livelihoods, poverty measurements and SDGs, and child development. These ongoing projects at a glance are:*

- (i) Political Geography and Structural Change: Status of Women in India Extractive Industry;
- (ii) Land and Tribes: A Critical Study of Land Alienation Process in the Agency Region of Andhra Pradesh;
- (iii) Intervention on Adolescent Girls’ Education: A Study of MVF;
- (iv) Multidimensional Poverty Measurement in Telangana;
- (v) Status of Informal Employment: Survival Strategies and Policy Implications in Telangana and Odisha;
- (vi) Willingness to Pay for GI Tagged Products in India: The Case of Select Products from South India;
- (vii) Sustainable Development Goals and Child Well-Being in Telangana;
- (viii) Can Platform Economy Be a Driver of Economic Empowerment and Social Inclusion? A Study of Hyderabad;
- (ix) Information and Communication Technology and Livelihoods: A Comparative Study of Marine Fisheries in Tamil Nadu and Kerala;
- (x) State-Led Empowerment or Employment? A Study of Female Bus Conductors in Telangana;

- (xi) The Status of “Health and Nutrition of Women and Children in Tamil Nadu” for the State Social Development Report of Tamil Nadu;
- (xii) A Study on Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Special Development Fund in Telangana;
- (xiii) Evaluation of Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) Blocks in the State of Telangana (Chandrugonda, Bijinepally, Makthal, and Devarakonda).

### **Achievements of the RTE Cell**

Under the aegis of the Right to Education (RTE) Cell, a collective of national education networks, teachers’ organisations, and educationists working towards systemic reform in education since 2010, critical interventions were made in the field. The Cell organised several important conferences, seminars, and workshops. Our research, advocacy, and training activities attempted to contribute to the formulation of policies and programmes that make primary education accessible to the most neglected and marginalised. In one of our projects this year, ‘National Advocacy for Strengthening Girls’ Education With Bihar as Focus State,’ the RTE Cell *focussed on engagements with MPs (leveraging the connections already made) by submitting questions, special mentions and encouraging debates to create a buzz in the Parliament on extension of the RTE Act*. It also organised round table meetings of the parliamentarians at regular intervals to sensitise and mobilise them to become advocates for RTE extension.



The Cell, further, reached out to children with learning challenges, examining specifically how online education had impacted their progress. It was also able to identify how out-of-school children, especially young girls, can be brought back into the learning cycle and

eventually return to school. It engaged with community leaders and parents of young girls to create awareness and voice the importance of an equitable education system. The safety and social protection of girls is essential to make the universalisation of education for girls possible. It is equally necessary, the Cell's findings indicate, to democratise educational structures in order to counter status quo, social norms, and impart student-centred education. The Cell's efforts have resulted in *Shiksha Saheli (Youth Girls Forum) being active in 90 per cent villages where the project is working*. Teachers' federations have been formed at the district level in some states.

## **Publications**

The CSD Delhi office published 2 Project Reports, namely:

- (i) Status and Pathways for Portability of Cash and In-Kind Transfers in India (November, 2022), with Prof. Nitya Nanda (Project Director), funded by KfW German Financial Cooperation, Council for Social Development, New Delhi.
- (ii) Culture, Capital, and Witch Hunts in Meghalaya and Nagaland (December, 2022), by Prof. Govind Kelkar, sponsored by Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung, South Asia and Council for Social Development, New Delhi.

A book, titled, *Private Sector Participation in Public Services – Civic Amenities*, edited by Prof. K. B. Saxena (Aakar Books, New Delhi) was also published on 1 February 2023. In addition to this, the Fifth *Social Change* Annual Lecture, 'Ecosystem People, Biosphere People, Ecological Refugees,' delivered by Prof. Madhav Gadgil on 23 January, 2023 was also published this year.

Further, 4 Issues of *Social Change*, CSD's quarterly journal published by SAGE India were released this year. The biennial social science journal in Hindi, *Samajik Vimarsh*, was also published by CSD in collaboration with Sage.

The CSD Hyderabad office published the following papers:

- (i) 'Placemaking Efforts in the Urban Space: Case Study of Rejuvenated (Beautified) Lakes Under Mission Kakatiya Programme of Telangana State,' by Dr. Pullanna Vidyapogu (WP No. 001/2022), May 2022.
- (ii) 'Role of Social, and Cultural Capital and Aspirations Towards Education: A Study of Muslims in Telangana,' by Dr. Ramshin Rahiman (WP No. 002/2022), May 2022.
- (iii) 'Understanding the Layered Effects of Covid-19: A Study on the Unorganised Workforce in Telangana (Preliminary Findings),' by Dr. Raj K. Kattulla (WP No. 003/2022), May 2022.
- (iv) 'Impact of Covid-19 on Rural Livelihoods and Health in India,' by Dr. Sunkari Satyam (WP No. 004/2002), August 2022.

It also published the *Statistical Bulletin on Incidence of Child Marriage in South India* (CSD Bulletin No. 2 – 2022), sponsored by Planning Department, Government of Telangana by Mohammad Sajid, Soumya Vinayan and Sujit Kumar Mishra.



## Key Events & Activities

*A slew of events, ranging from public lectures, workshops, to trainings were organised in this year to take the social justice agenda forward. Eminent scholars, activists, and thinkers shared their insights at the different events organised by CSD.*

### Public Lectures

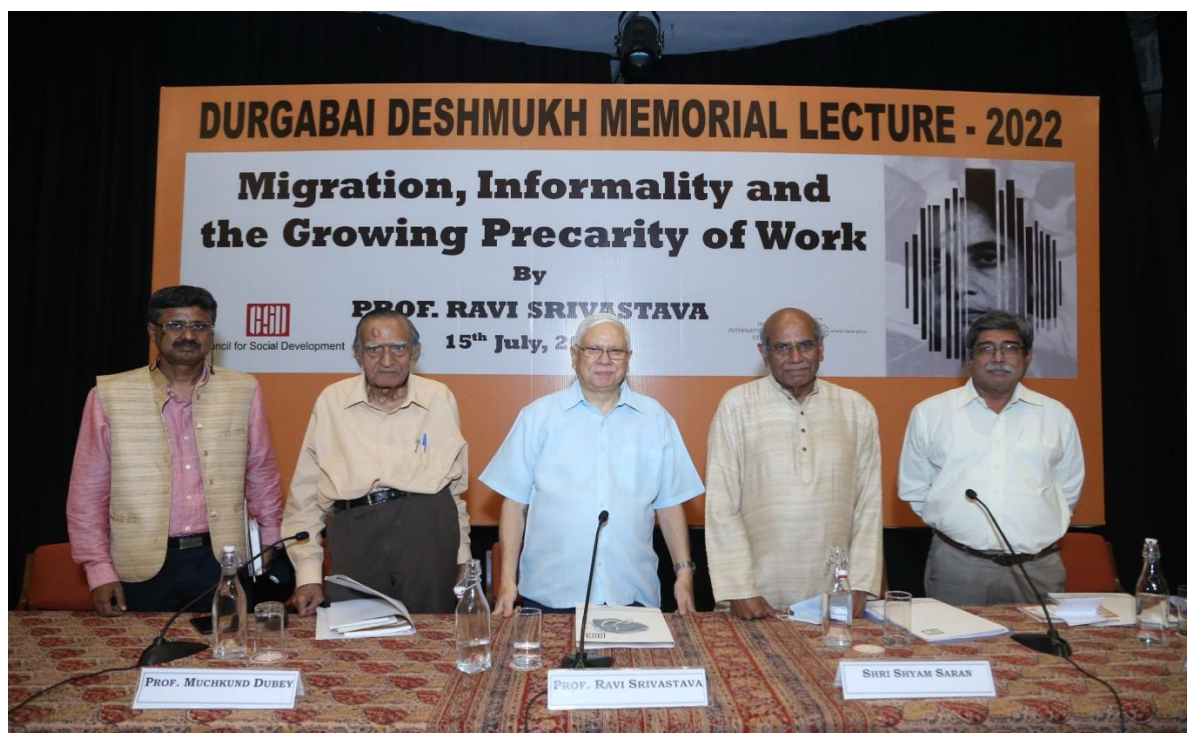
#### *Durgabai Deshmukh Memorial Lecture 2022*

##### **Migration, Informality, and the Growing Precarity of Work**

**Speaker: Prof. Ravi Srivastava**, Director, Centre for Employment Studies, Institute for Human Development, Delhi, and Former Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

**Date:** 15 July 2022

**Lecture Abstract:** How have three decades of rapid growth and structural change in India impacted on the lives of the working poor in India? The lockdown in 2020 and the ensuing crisis exposed the vulnerability of the informal workers, particularly the circular migrants, and resulted in the largest ever urban exodus of migrants.



The lecture was held in collaboration with the India International Centre (IIC). Each year the Council organises this lecture to commemorate its founder Durgabai Deshmukh on her birth anniversary.

### Social Change Golden Jubilee Lecture 2022



## **Ecosystem People, Biosphere People and Ecological Refugees**

**Speaker: Prof. Madhav Gadgil**, Former Professor, Indian Institute of Science

**Date:** 23 January 2023

**Lecture Abstract:** One may assign people to three broad categories from an ecological perspective. Ecosystem people meet the bulk of their resource requirements from a limited area near their habitation through gathering or low-input agriculture and animal husbandry. Biosphere people enjoy access to resources garnered from the entire biosphere while ecological refugees are people that have lost access to their traditional base of natural resources.

The *Social Change* Golden Jubilee Lecture 2023 was delivered by Prof. Madhav Gadgil in virtual mode.

## **CSD–SRC Hyderabad**

### ***C. D. Deshmukh Memorial Lecture***

**Speaker: Prof. S. Mahendra Dev**, Distinguished Professor, ICFAI Business School, Hyderabad.

**Date:** 18 January 2023

**Lecture Abstract:** Equity in quality education is the key to raise human development and reduction in inequalities in the labour market. Raising women's human capital and participation rates can improve the overall economic growth of the country.

The C.D. Deshmukh Memorial Lecture was delivered by Prof. S. Mahendra Dev, and Prof. Shantha Sinha, Chairperson, Managing Committee, CSD, Hyderabad chaired the lecture.

## **Seminar/Workshops**

### **CSD Delhi**

Some of the seminars/workshops organised in Delhi include:

- (i) **Dissemination cum Consultation Workshop for the Project 'Status and Pathways for Portability in Cash and In-kind Transfers in India'**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** KfW Development Bank

**Date:** 5 December 2022

**Workshop Co-ordinator:** Dr. Akhil Alha

**Objective/s:** To disseminate the findings of the study done by CSD and to elaborate upon the future course of action for enhancing portability in social protections schemes, and to highlight the state-specific experiences for tackling the challenges in developing a portable and resilient social protection system.

**(ii) Right Based Approach to Development: A Training Workshop**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Council for Social Development

**Date:** 18–20 January 2023

**Workshop Co-Coordinators:** Prof. Zoya Hassan, Prof. Manoranjan Mohanty, and Prof. K.B. Saxena

**Workshop Co-Coordinator:** Ms. Jaya Lekshmi Nair

**Objective:** To provide a detailed discussion on the process of formulation, provisions, and implementation, and the contributions to social development of the country of the five important laws – *The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act 2005, The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, Forest Rights Act, 2006, National Food Security Act, 2013 and Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013.*

**(iii) Workshop on Capacity Building for Resettlement and Rehabilitation of Project Displaced People**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Council for Social Development

**Dates:** 27–28 February 2023

**Venue:** IIC, New Delhi

**Workshop Co-ordinator:** Prof. Ashok Pankaj

**Workshop Co-Coordinator:** Dr. Nivedita Sharma

**Objective/s:** To familiarise the participants with the complex issues surrounding land acquisition and resettlement; to develop among them the ability to do Social Impact Assessment and resettlement planning; and, to enhance their implementation and monitoring skills.

**Social Development Forum**

*Through various Social Development Forum engagements, CSD endeavours to disseminate ideas that matter in influencing policy formulation and design, thereby strengthening social development programmes and giving a voice to the marginalised on critical social development issues of education, health, rural development, and human rights.*

*The following were some of the key activities of the forum:*

**1. Minority Women's Movements and Struggles Against Gender Unjust Religious Personal Laws in India and Bangladesh**

**Speaker:** Dr. Maitree Devi

**Date:** 8 March 2023

**2. Budget Seminar 2023: Decoding the Union Budget 2023–2024**



**Speakers:** Prof. C P Chandrasekhar, Dr. Satyaki Roy (ISID), Prof. Muchkund Dubey (President, CSD), Dr. Pritam Datta (NIPFP), Prof. Vikas Rawal (JNU), Mr. Harvir Singh (Eminent Journalist), Prof. K. B. Saxena (Distinguished Professor, CSD), and, Prof. Nitya Nanda (Director, CSD New Delhi).

**Date:** 6 February 2023

**3. Women's Labour and Welfare in the Extractive Industries: A Comparative Analysis of Coal and Iron Mining in India, 1941–2015**

**Speaker:** Dr. Dheeraj Nite, Assistant Professor, Ambedkar University Delhi

**Date:** 30 January 2023

**4. Dharavi: Dealing With the Spectre of Redevelopment in the Throes of a Pandemic**

**Speaker:** Dr. Pradeep Shinde, Assistant Professor, CISLS, JNU, Delhi

**Date:** 22 December 2022

**5. The Caste Question in Hindi Cinema: Where are Dalits in Bollywood?**

**Speaker:** Dr. Akhil Alha, Assistant Professor, CSD, New Delhi

**Date:** 25 November 2022

**6. Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Urban India**

**Speaker:** Dr. Rita Jalali

**Date:** 8 July 2022

**7. Migration as an Agent of Rural Transformation**

**Speaker:** Dr. Bhaswati Das, Associate Professor, Centre for the Study of Regional Development, JNU

**Date:** 5 May 2022

**1. Online Workshop on Sustainable Development Goals and Disability**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** ICSSR, New Delhi (OH-31 Grant)

**Date:** July 13 -15, 2022

**Venue:** CSD, Hyderabad

**Workshop Co-ordinator:** Dr. Soumya Vinayan & Dr. Deepthi Krishna T

**Objective/s:** The main objective of the workshop was to introduce the participants engaged in the disability sector, to understand the importance of accomplishing these SDGs in ensuring full citizenship to persons with disabilities.

**2. Capacity Building Programme on Quantitative Data Management and Analytical Writing in Labour Research**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Organised in collaboration with V. V. Giri National Labour Institute, Noida

**Venue:** Online Programme

**Date:** 9–13 January 2023

**Programme Co-ordinator:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

**3. Seventh Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association (TEA)**

**Sponsoring Agency:** Department of Planning, Government of Telangana & ICSSR, New Delhi

**Venue:** CSD, Hyderabad

**Date:** 10–11 February 2023

**Seminar Co-ordinator:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

**Objective/s:** The objective of the conference was to deliberate on 3 broad themes – Economic History of Telangana, Crop Diversification in Telangana State (Issues and Challenges), and Maternal, Child Health and Nutrition in India, with a focus on Telangana.

**4. Two-Day National Seminar on ‘Listening to Freedom Fighters’ Under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** ICSSR, New Delhi

**Venue:** CSD, Hyderabad

**Date:** 21–22 February 2023

**Seminar Co-ordinator:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

**Objective/s:** The objective of the seminar was to attempt to identify the lesser-known freedom fighters of India by employing the methods of oral history, and to collect and

document their journey and contribution to nation-building by listening and engaging in in-depth conversation about India's freedom fighters.

## **Trainings**

### **CSD Delhi**

#### **1. Workshop on Social Science Writings in Hindi**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Self-Financed

**Date:** 16–17 May 2022

**Objective/s:** *Samajik Vimarsh* in collaboration with *Samajiki*, a Hindi journal of Govind Ballabh Pant Social Science Institute, Prayagraj, organised a two-day workshop in New Delhi, for promoting social science writings in Hindi. 25 participants from various parts of the country participated in this workshop.

#### **2. Qualitative Methods in Social Sciences: Ethnography, Narratives and Social Stories (A Joint Workshop of CSD & G. B. Pant Institute of Social Sciences, Allahabad)**

**Sponsoring Agency:** Self-Financed

**Date:** 28 November–2 December

**Venue:** CSD, New Delhi

**Workshop Co-ordinators:** Prof. Ashok Pankaj, Prof. Badri Narayan & Dr. Archana Singh

**Workshop Co-Coordinator:** Ms. Jaya Lekshmi Nair

**Objective:** To provide a perspective on social science research on India that has been dominated by western theories and practices, which, if not applied carefully, often miss out the nuances of plurality, saliences of diversity and other unique features of the Indian society. This workshop was focused on qualitative methods and their tools.

### **CSD Hyderabad**

#### **1. Online Research Methodology Course for PhD Scholars in Social Sciences**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** ICSSR, New Delhi [Under OH-31Grant]

**Dates:** September 12–24 2022

**Objectives:** Capacity building among research scholars on the fundamentals of social science research. Also, to provide an understanding on the use of the qualitative and quantitative research tools, techniques and perspectives, and support training on practical application of methods, and selection of appropriate tools for research.



## 2. Research Methodology Course for Research Scholars in Social Sciences

**Sponsoring Agency:** Jointly Organised With ICSSR & SRC, Hyderabad

**Venue:** CSD, Hyderabad

**Date:** 8–18 November 2022

**Course Co-ordinator/s:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra & Dr. Soumya Vinayan

**Objectives:** Build capacity of young scholars on the fundamentals of social science research, equipping them with the use of the qualitative and quantitative research tools, techniques and perspectives, and training them in application of methods, while creating familiarity in the selection of appropriate tools and techniques, and in writing of thesis/dissertation/research reports.

### Other Activities at a Glance

#### CSD Delhi

##### ➤ CSD-ISID-IIC's Book Discussion on *India's Industrial Policy and Performance*

CSD-ISID-IIC's Book Discussion on *India's Industrial Policy and Performance* by Prof. Nitya Nanda, was held on 12 May 2022. The discussion revolved around questions such as: What implications did the post-1991 shift towards a 'no policy is the best policy' have for India's industries and their performance? How best to undertake a comprehensive policy analysis, and what would such an analysis throw up as suggestions for India's industrial policy?

#### CSD Hyderabad

##### ➤ International Day of Yoga

International Day of Yoga was celebrated at CSD, Hyderabad on 21 June 21 2022. On this occasion, the following programmes were organised:

- (a) Invited lecture on 'Effect of Sahaja Yoga Meditation in Reducing Anxiety of Students Towards English as Second Language' by Ms. Rojina Prusty, Department of Education, Osmania University, Hyderabad.
- (b) Practice Session of Sahaja Yoga – The CSD Hyderabad staff was walked through the different steps of meditation, and they performed the guided meditation led by the Sahaja Yoga teacher and practitioner. The activity lasted 15–20 minutes.

➤ **Activities Under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav**

Elocution competition for 8th, 9th, and 10th standard students of Adarsh Vidyalaya High School, Rajendra Nagar was held on 11 August 2022, on the theme of Freedom@75.

➤ **Bulletin Release**

Ms. Divya Devarajan (Special Secretary, Department of Women and Child Development, Government of Telangana), released the ‘Statistical Bulletin on Overweight/Obese Women in the Southern States of India’ by Mohammad Sajid, Dr. Soumya Vinayan, and Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra, published by CSD, Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad on 8 September 2022.

➤ **Book Discussion**

A discussion on the book, *A Haunting Tragedy: Gender, Caste and Class in 1866 Famine in Orissa* (Manohar/Routledge, 2022), by Prof. Bidyut Mohanty was held on 24 February 2023. The panelists were Dr. Soumya Vinayan (CSD, Hyderabad), Dr. Pratyusna Patnaik (NIRD & PR), and Dr. Amrita Datta (IIT, Hyderabad). The session was chaired by Prof. Sheela Prasad from University of Hyderabad.

➤ **Project Specific Consultation Workshops**

Consultation Workshop on the project titled, ‘Socio-Economic Status of Migrants in Telangana’ (Project Director: Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra), organised on 16 June 2022.

➤ **Public Lecture**

‘In Search of Justice in Coal Transition in India,’ by Prof. Kuntala Lahiri-Dutt, Crawford School of Public Policy, Australian National University on 29 July 2022. Sri Chandra Bhushan, President & Founder – CEO, International Forum for Environment, Sustainability & Technology (iFOREST), New Delhi chaired the lecture.

## RESEARCH

The Council's research activities fundamentally aim at influencing government policies and designing programmes that address critical development issues. The organisation's core commitment is towards the marginalised and the disempowered. It believes that through research and advocacy it can contribute to the agenda of social justice. The pandemic pushed the research team to examine new areas of vulnerabilities among the poor. This year also CSD's research projects attempted to include the marginalised communities in the decision-making processes that impact them in areas of education, gender, access to government schemes, and issues of safety and protection. The research initiatives also support inclusive participation by constructing strategies to build equity across communities.

### CSD Delhi

#### Completed Projects

##### 1. Effect of Natural Disasters on Children's Health, Education and Protection

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Dorabji Tata Trusts and Allied Trusts and Child Fund India

**Project Director:** Dr. Susmita Mitra

**Co-Directors:** Dr. Sourindra Mohan Ghosh, Dr. Sudipta Kumar Mishra (Associate Professor, G. D. Goenka University, *Involved in Non-Financial Terms*)

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. Dhiman Debsarma, Ms. Jaya Lekshmi Nair, Mr. Gitesh Sinha, and Prof. Nitya Nanda (Project Advisor)

**Objective/s:** The objective of this study was to move away from the 'death-accident factors' and focus on health and nutrition, education, and child protection, which have a higher impact on the development and well-being of children. It also explored the socio-economic, geographic, and institutional determinants of vulnerability to natural disasters. Two blocks each were selected in the states of Odisha, Karnataka, and Uttar Pradesh, which are otherwise socio-economically similar. One state (Odisha) was affected by some form of natural disaster while others were not. A total of 1,200 households were surveyed having Anganwadi age group (0–5 years) and school age group (6–18 years) children. Our research found statistically significant difference between health and education-related factors between affected and non-affected areas.

**Findings and Recommendations:** We found increased risk of vector-borne and diarrhoeal diseases, reduced probability of required breastfeeding and food consumption diversity, and increased probability of stunting, higher percentage of out-of-school children (statistically significant), and lower Anganwadi enrolment in disaster affected areas. Our primary data suggested that women of different ages are impacted

in various ways, yet there is a paucity of evidence-based interventions. Thus, further research for gender-sensitive interventions is recommended.

## 2. Culture, Capital and Witch Hunts in Meghalaya and Nagaland

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** RLS, South Asia

**Project Director/s:** Prof. Govind Kelkar

**Associated Academic Staff:** Dr. Jagritree Ghosh and Ms. Gazania

**Objective/s:** This project examined belief systems that support violence against women in the form of witch hunts and ritual attacks in Meghalaya, Nagaland and some other regions in Northeast India, and explored their nexus with capitalist trajectories. Fieldwork was conducted in four areas: East Khasi Hills, Garo Hills — in the matrilineal society of Meghalaya, and Angami and Sema — in the patrilineal society of Nagaland. The Council's earlier studies in Assam, Jharkhand and Meghalaya were used to explore the background of the study areas. In the period from August to October 2022, field surveys were conducted in the four sites of Meghalaya and Nagaland, spanning across 6 villages.

**Findings and Recommendations:** The research team found that our understanding of various local beliefs is limited. The state and the central governments need to institute universal forms of social security, such as provision for education (including higher and technical education), healthcare and nutrition, as well as freedom from gender-based violence within the domestic sphere, workplaces, and in public spaces.

## 3. Status and Pathways for Portability in Cash and In-Kind Transfers in India

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** KfW Development Bank, Germany

**Project Director/s:** Prof. Nitya Nanda

**Associated Academic Staff:** Dr. Akhil Alha (Team Leader), Dr. Ankita Goyal, Dr. Poornima M., Dr. Susmita Mitra, Mr. Gitesh Sinha, Ms. Ramandeep Kaur, Dr. Sourindra Mohan Ghosh, Dr. Nivedita Sharma, Ms. Jaya Lekshmi Nair

**Objective/s:** The project aimed to explore the existing portability in India's social protection architecture, and suggest changes to introduce or enhance portability in 6 social protection schemes viz. Public Distribution System (PDS), Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY), Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), and the three national level pension schemes for widows, the aged and the disabled. The study analysed available database on the 6 schemes and findings drawn from a field survey of 3,200 households in 4 Indian states — two labour-sending states of Madhya Pradesh (MP) and Rajasthan; and two labour-receiving states of Kerala and Uttar Pradesh (UP, region adjoining Delhi). 2 districts in each of the states were selected for the field survey and health and human services were sampled on the basis of purposive sampling.



**Findings and Recommendations:** The One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) scheme, also called Umang, is potentially a game changer in enhancing portability in PDS but operational bottlenecks like poor internet connectivity, outdated machines working on 2G/3G networks, discriminatory attitude of FPS dealers need to be eradicated for realising the full potential of ONORC. Portability in Ujjawala scheme can be enhanced by making some minor changes in the guidelines of the scheme.

#### 4. **Impact Assessment Study of Assam State Initiative: Addressing Concerns of Out-of-School Children in Assam**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Centre for Microfinance & Livelihood (CML): An Initiative of TATA TRUSTS

**Project Director/s:** Dr. Poornima M., Dr. Susmita Mitra & Dr. Sourindra Mohan Ghosh

**Associated Academic Staff:** Ms. Ramandeep Kaur, Ms. Jaya Lekshmi Nair, Mr. Gitesh Sinha & Ms. Maitree Devi

This study assessed the impact of the Assam State Initiative (ASI), an education programme for out-of-school children (OoSC) implemented by the CML–Tata Trusts. The study also aimed to evaluate remedial support for children in schools; the strengthening of school management committees and mothers’ groups; and capacity building of teachers.

Mixed methods were used for collecting both qualitative and quantitative information, and both structured and semi-structured survey schedules and focus group discussions were conducted with parents, children, education facilitators, SMCs and mothers’ group members. The survey was conducted in 4 districts: Baksa, Bongaigaon, Goalpara and Nalbari with a total of 743 households interviewed.





**Findings and Recommendations:** The study pointed towards irregular school attendance largely due to economic hardships. Family out-migration and poverty led to non-retention of some children in the camps organised. Further, the conduct of remedial classes during regular school hours disrupted the flow of both remedial and regular classes. The study recommended advocacy with the Assam government for conditional cash transfers to incentivise education of the underprivileged children till the age of 18. Our research also recommended remedial classes post-school hours, prioritising grade-specific competencies and the use of customised worksheets and foundational literacy/numeracy. The idea of counselling fathers' groups for attitudinal shift toward children's education also emerged from the research analysis.

## 5. **Global Conclave on Education 2023: Schools for the Future**

**Sponsoring Agency:** Kyra Global, Dubai, UAE

**Project Coordinator/s:** Prof. R Govinda & Dr. Poornima M.

**Associated Academic Staff:** Ms. Ramandeep Kaur

The Global Conclave aimed to focus on the thematic areas of education, and on bringing together educational stakeholders, to deliberate on the educational issues and concerns and identify the next steps. It aimed to explore the solutions for questions like, how would we transform the schools of the present to meet the demands of the future world of work and learning? What would the shape of such learning spaces be?

**Findings and Recommendations:** The main discussions from the conclave have been compiled into a comprehensive report that has been shared globally. The post-conclave discussions and interactions will persist and the insightful debates and presentations will be compiled into a widely disseminated book. The education conclave is intended as an annual event.

## **Completed Projects Under RTE**

### 6. **Impact of Covid-19 on Safe and Secure Secondary Education of Adolescent Girls in India: A Rapid Survey**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Rise UP

**Project Director/s:** Dr. Shaheen Ansari

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. Mitra Ranjan, Mr. Sanjeev Sinha, Ms. Srijita Majumdar and Mr. Badre Alam

In India nearly 40 per cent girls in the age-group of 15–18 years remain out of school. The COVID-19 pandemic has only heightened the existing patterns, disproportionately impacting girls more than boys. According to estimates, nearly 10 million secondary school girls in India could drop out of school due to the pandemic, putting them at risk of early marriage, early pregnancy, poverty, trafficking and violence. In the first year of the project, there was increased visibility and demand on the need to remove specific barriers for girls in accessing secondary education through a national campaign in 6 focussed states engaging at least 10 civil society organisations and increased media mentions, to enable girls to complete their secondary education.

**Findings and Recommendations:** Among our total sample of 1,120 adolescent girls across 6 states of India, we found that more than 6 per cent girls were out of school even before the pandemic struck. The situation was worst in Uttar Pradesh (24 per cent) followed by Bihar (8 per cent).

The socio-economic status of the surveyed girls suggests that secondary education of at least one parent reduced pre-pandemic out-of-school status, whereas higher education of at least one parent reduced both, pre-pandemic out-of-school as well as post-pandemic school attendance-related vulnerability.

## 7. National Advocacy for Strengthening Girls' Education With Bihar as Focus State

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Malala Fund

**Project Director/s:** Dr. Shaheen Ansari

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Sinha & Ms. Aarshbhi Sharma

Girls' education in India presents a skewed picture, particularly at secondary and higher secondary levels, as gender parity still remains a distant goal. Despite significant emphasis on the participation of young girls and women in education through gender-responsive conventions, and frameworks, the existing gender inequities in education highlight the missed opportunities for not just girls, but also their families, communities, and the wider society. The RTE Cell primarily focussed on engagements with MPs (leveraging the connections already made) by submitting questions, special mentions and encouraging debates to create a buzz in the Parliament on extension of RTE Act.



**Findings and Recommendations:** A holistic empowerment framework is needed that looks at the multi-level concerns of girls' education existing in the family, community, and society at large. Covid-19 responses should to be based on a similar multi-pronged holistic approach. The safety and social protection of girls are important to make universalisation of education for girls possible. Efficiency merit, as echoed strongly in the NPE 2020, has left the three strategies of the human rights approach largely untouched. It is important to rebuild a narrative of equity and quality through a people-centred education system.



## 8. **Building Girls Activists' Capacity to Contribute to a Movement Where Youth Leaders Are the Voice of Girls' Education (COVID-19 Initiative)**

**Sponsoring Agency:** Malala Fund

**Project Director/s:** Ambarish Rai/ Dr. Shaheen Ansari

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. Mitra Ranjan & Ms. Srijita Majumdar

Nearly 40 per cent girls in the age-group of 15–18 years remain out of school in India. The COVID-19 pandemic has only heightened the existing patterns, disproportionately impacting girls more than boys. This project primarily aimed to sustain the learning process of marginalised girls in the identified villages of Hamirpur (UP) after closure of schools through home delivery learning kits as per state government guidelines. The project also aimed to ensure marginalised girls re-enrol in school and can catch up on missed learning through a community led 'Back to School' campaign. Collaboration with local self-governing bodies for this campaign was an avenue that was explored and 10 learning centres were set up in clusters of Hamirpur. A part time teacher, a graduate, was appointed for each learning centre from amongst the community. The project also provided resource material to enable quality, gender sensitive education. To achieve this objective, approx. 100 teachers from the identified 30 villages of Hamirpur were trained through workshops to deliver gender-sensitive quality education and psycho-social support. The teachers also monitored attendance of the girls, conducted household visits in case of non-enrolment or absenteeism.

**Findings and Recommendations:** The Shiksha Saheli (Youth Girls Forum) became active in 90 per cent of the villages we worked in. School Management Committees (SMCs) have been regularised and are sensitised on girls' education. Teachers' Federation has been formed at district level.

**CSD Delhi**

### **Ongoing Projects**

#### 1. **Witch-Hunts and Ritual Attacks: Culture and Capital in Northeast India**

**Sponsoring Agency:** Rosa Luxemburg Foundation

**Project Director:** Prof. Govind Kelkar

**Associated Academic Staff:** Dr. Poornima M.

Amidst escalating gender inequality and human rights violation, this study seeks to examine the culture, capital and witch persecutions in the 5 states of Northeast India — Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Sikkim, and Tripura. The project aimed to understand the belief systems in these states that experience witch-hunting and ritual attacks against women, and to explore the specific directions of change in these belief

systems at the nexus of patriarchal culture and capitalist trajectories. Field work was conducted among 5 communities in these states. The project aimed to work on 25 case studies of women survivors of witch-hunt violence.

**Work Progress:** Field work has been completed in Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, and Tripura, while literature review and field work in the remaining states are currently in progress.

## 2. Concurrent Evaluation of the National Food Security Act, 2013 (Phase – 2)

**Sponsoring Agency/Organization:** Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution, Government of India

**Project Director:** Dr. Ankita Goyal

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. Gitesh Sinha

The Council is conducting Phase II (2020–2023) of the Concurrent Evaluation of Implementation of National Food Security Act (NFSA) 2013, in Delhi and Haryana. For Haryana and Delhi, bi-annual and annual reports respectively will be submitted. This project aims to assess the progress of implementation of NFSA (2013) across the country and monitor the change it has initiated at the systemic level and beneficiary level. Each year, 2 districts of Haryana and 1 district of Delhi need to be studied based on round-wise themes. In all the rounds, 15 sample beneficiary households will be selected, segregated into NFSA and non-NFSA households as per the thematic area. In each evaluation round one FPS shop per village/ward will also be covered. Godowns and vigilance committees are also surveyed as per requirements of the theme.



**Findings and Recommendations:** Findings for the four rounds covering eight districts of Haryana and two districts of Delhi suggest various district level initiatives being



taken to streamline distribution. The main role of the district food departments is to ensure timely availability of food grains at the FPS and monitoring of distribution.

## CSD–SRC Hyderabad

### Completed Projects

The CSD–SRC continued to focus on how the pandemic impacted livelihoods, labour markets and barriers, access to health and education, gender equity, social location, and issues pertaining to disability. The organisation’s research fostered debates on socially relevant issues focussing on themes such as sustainable development, intersections of marginality, informal sector, and child protection and safety.

#### **1. Including the Excluded: COVID-19, Online Education and Children with Disabilities in Telangana**

Sponsoring Agency/Organisation: Department of Planning, Govt. of Telangana  
Project Director: Dr. Soumya Vinayan  
Associated Academic Staff: Dr. Md. Wasim Akhtar

COVID-19 brought drastic changes in every sector of social and economic life, and the realm of school education is no exception. The move to online classes was swift but access to online classes brought forth its own challenges. Access was dependent on availability of technology, electricity, internet, as well as spaces (physical and otherwise) within homes both for students and the providers (teachers/schools). Against this backdrop, there was a need to look at challenges children with disabilities encountered for learning. This research attempted to address basic questions about how shift to online education during the pandemic affected their access to education. It also aimed to address the issue of online education exacerbating the marginalities and impacting intersectionalities that children with disabilities encounter. The research also explored how online education could be made more inclusive for children with disabilities.

**Findings and Recommendations:** In the case of some children with disabilities, online interaction was not possible. Teachers, whenever possible, especially after the lockdown, used to visit the homes and interact, and also train the care-givers/parents about the activities to be undertaken. In case of visually impaired children, sensory engagements like touch and feeling objects while learning was essential. In the online mode these were not possible. Lip reading is an important aspect of teaching for hearing and speech impaired students. This was also severely impacted with the online-mode of education. The disruptions in internet connectivity, inadequate data to stream videos, lack or inadequate number of gadgets were also highlighted by teachers and parents as major challenges and obstacles for online-mode of education.

2. **Evaluation of Start-Up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) Blocks in the State of Telangana (Amangal, Narayankhed and Eturnagaram)**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, Department of Rural Development, Govt. of Telangana

**Project Director/s:** Dr. Sunkari Satyam

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. D. Sunder Raj & Mr. B. Srinivasa Reddy

Government of Telangana has initiated the Start-Up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP), a sub-scheme of the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana — National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM) of the Ministry of Rural Development. The GoI approved SVEP budget in May 2015 as a sub-scheme under the NRLM and the guidelines were issued on 15 June 2015 (SVEP 2022). The Govt. of Telangana launched the scheme in 2016 as part of first phase of programme in two blocks — Bijinepally and Eturnagaram of districts Nagarkurnul and Mulugu respectively. The following blocks — Amangal of Rangareddy district, Chandrugonda of Bhadradi Kottagudem district, Devarakonda of Nalgonda district, Makthal of Mahabubnagar district, and Narayankhed block in Narayankhed district, were part of phase two process of implementation. The first phase period was reported to be between 2016 and 2019, and second phase was between 2020 and 2023.



**Findings and Recommendations:** The SVEPs have brought a significant change in the lives of beneficiaries at individual, household, group and community levels. In terms of confidence levels, mobility, access and control over the household resources, decision-making, and gender, there is an enormous progress in the socio-economic conditions of women who are running the SVEP unit. There is progress in the health and education of household members and in accessing many government social security and other programmes using SHGs and SHG federations as platforms.

### 3. Statistical Bulletin on Incidence of Child Marriage in South India

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Department of Planning, Govt. of Telangana

**Project Director:** Mr. Mohammad Sajid

**Associated Academic Staff:** Dr. Soumya Vinayan & Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

Child marriage is a violation of fundamental human rights. Despite international and national legal commitments, child marriages take place due to the improper implementation of policies and laws on the ground and the predominance of social customs and beliefs. The Council undertook a study aimed at examining the socio-economic and geographic dimensions of child marriage among women in southern states of India. This study was carried out using National Family Health Survey (NFHS)-5 (2019–2021) keeping the view that women aged 20–24 reported that they were married before the age of 18. The performance of 120 districts in South India was tabulated for the study.

**Findings and Recommendations:** Among south Indian states, Andhra Pradesh (29.3 per cent) and Telangana (23.5 per cent – marginally higher) had higher incidence of child marriage than the national level. Out of all the southern states, Kerala stood out as the best performer with 6.3 per cent. The incidence of child marriage is high in the poorest and poorer wealth quintiles across the states and at national level. In terms of educational attainment, it was evident that 12 or more years of completed education clearly indicated an impact.

## CSD–SRC Hyderabad

### Ongoing Projects

#### 1. Political Geography and Structural Change: Status of Women in India's Extractive Industry

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Institute of Eminence, University of Hyderabad

**Project Director/s:** Dr. Prajna Paramita Mishra (University of Hyderabad)

**Co-Project Director/s:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. Ch. Sravan Xavier (University of Hyderabad)

The overall development of the Indian economy owes much to the benevolence of its extractive industries (direct and derived), not because it is used as a direct indicator of Gross Domestic Product (GDP), but also the core industries use it as the raw material for their growth and development. Mining gives opportunities to mineral rich states/districts to achieve growth through mineral production. Conversely, several studies indicate that resource extraction is often associated with a large number of negative impacts in the form of externalities, violent conflicts and poor economic performance. This project takes a focused approach to understanding the key

relationship between resource extraction and issues related to women. The fieldwork covers Mahanadi Coal Field Limited, and Basundhara Site of Sundargarh District of Odisha. A multi-pronged methodological approach has been adopted for this study. In the first stage, detailed unstructured interviews with women across different age cohorts are underway to understand the impact that the opening of a mine has on women, with the abrupt societal changes that come into play.

**Work Progress:** Preliminary visits have been conducted, and different group discussions with women have been held, where they identified a series of issues – sexual harassment, domestic violence, issues related to alcohol consumption, infertility, rape and murder. Socio-economic base line study is under progress in 10 mining villages.

## 2. **Land and Tribes: A Critical Study of Land Alienation Process in the Agency Region of Andhra Pradesh**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisations:** ICSSR Senior Fellowship

**Project Director/s:** Dr. Pachinulu Raghupathi Under the Supervision of Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

In general, the scheduled tribes (STs) live in contiguous areas unlike other communities. However, a few tribes have become gradually accustomed to residing in plain areas as well. Therefore, not all tribal groups are now residing in the agency region. In order to protect the interests of the STs with regard to land alienation and other social factors, provisions of ‘Fifth Schedule’ and ‘Sixth Schedule,’ have been enshrined in the Constitution. As a welfare measure, Andhra Pradesh Scheduled Areas Land Transfer Regulation 1969, and Andhra Pradesh Scheduled Areas Debt Relief Regulation II of 1960, and I of 1970 Acts have been enacted in order to protect the rights of tribal. Despite these, a large extent of agricultural land is eroded by both government and the non-tribe landlords. The main aim of this study is to identify plausible recommendations in order to mitigate the problems of small and marginal farmers who belong to a new category called ‘landowners become landless.’

**Work Progress:** An exploratory study was conducted, which will enable undertaking final preparations towards the study’s instruments. Secondary data was collected from the tribal department for which Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam offices were visited. Preparation of questionnaire and secondary data analysis is under progress.

## 3. **Intervention on Adolescent Girls’ Education: A Study of MVF**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** CSD Core

**Project Director/s:** Dr. Raj Kumar Kattula

**Co-Project Director/s:** Mr. R. Venkat Reddy

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. J. Bhaskar Goud, Ms. Vastavai Lalitha & Ms. Silamkiti Nagamani

The M. Venkatarangaiya Foundation (MVF), a voluntary organisation has implemented in the last 5 years a programme to achieve universal education among young girls and boys up to Class 10, and to ultimately reduce child marriages in the state of Telangana. In this context, impact evaluation of the programme has been taken up. The major aim of the CSD study is to assess the impact of COVID-19 on the durability of gender and education norms that have been so painstakingly changed by MVF in the last 5 years. In order to measure the impact that the MVF initiative has brought, a comparative study is considered. For this purpose, villages from 3 districts i.e., Suryapet, Rangareddy, and Vikarabad in Telangana where MVF has been working to enable adolescent girls to pursue their education, and also in the villages of the same districts where the MVF is not working were considered. A total of 500 samples will be collected both, from inside and outside of the MVF working areas for comparison. Besides, the impact will also be measured against the project set goals and timelines.

#### 4. **Multidimensional Poverty Measurement in Telangana**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Dept. of Planning, Govt. of Telangana

**Project Director/s:** Dr. Sivakumar Danyasi

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. D. Sammaiah

Poverty elimination has remained a major concern, and lies at the core of India's national development agenda. Majority of the studies have used monetary aspects based on NSSO data to measure MPI. The limitations of the measurement of poverty based on monetary metrics stressed the need to develop the multidimensional poverty. The study on multidimensional poverty and deprivations at the regional level of a newly formed state like Telangana is of utmost importance. The district level study would be important in the context of a largely dispersed state like Telangana. This project describes the procedure to measure the MPI that includes selected indicators and weights for Telangana's MPI, justification of MPI indicators, specifications for deprivation cut-off and procedure to compute the MPI. Using the Alkire and Foster (2011) methodology, the present study will scrutinise the situation of multidimensional poverty for 32 districts of Telangana based on 10 indicators grouped into 3 dimensions — health, education, and standard of living.

**Work Progress:** A questionnaire has been developed. After taking the second opinion on sampling methods from statistical expert, sampling methodology has been slightly modified. The survey has been initiated in May 2023.



5. **Status of Informal Employment: Survival Strategies and Policy Implications in Telangana and Odisha**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** ICSSR, New Delhi under OH-31 grant

**Project Director/s:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

**Co-Project Director/s:** Dr. Sunkari Satyam

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. Gujjeti Anudeep

The unorganised labour market is the largest provider of employment and livelihoods in India. It has been observed that people engaged in the informal sector, work throughout the year. Their socio-economic vulnerability is compounded by a lack of social security; a mild economic shock can snowball into deep, long-lasting poverty. The main attempt of the study is to analyse 2 kinds of informal livelihoods that are driven by different factors — and present different illustrations of the role of worker-mobilisation in the informal sector, which will be extracted from 3 very diverse case-studies of 2 states — Telangana and Odisha — that is the group dynamics of (a) Beach Livelihood Earners in Odisha; (b) Dalit Drum Beaters in Telangana and Odisha; and, (c) Background Dancers of Tollywood Industry of Telangana. The focus is on the plight of unorganised workers, and within this context, the study tries to focus on the ‘understanding of adaptation decision-making’ of the workers, whose striking feature is the way they plan their response and do so in a distinct sequence. Primary field visits have been conducted so far in 2 study areas – Bargarh district of Odisha and Kamareddy district of Telangana.

**Work Progress:** We have completed the exploratory visits in 2 case study areas — Drum Beaters in Odisha, and Background Dancers in Hyderabad. Complete field notes were prepared, and the review of literature on marginality of livelihoods is under process. The review helped in restructuring the next phase of field study which will be initiated in the month of January 2023. The study has already captured the migration behaviour of the drum beaters of Odisha to Chhattisgarh by undertaking an extensive fieldwork.

6. **Willingness to Pay for GI Tagged Products in India: The Case of Select Products From South India**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** ICSSR, New Delhi [Under OH-31 Grant]

**Project Director/s:** Dr. Soumya Vinayan

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. Fahin Faras V.

Awareness about Geographical Indications (GI) tagged products is increasing in India. The origin labelling of products pre-dates the current legal framework. Since 2003, 370 products have been registered under the GI framework, which includes agricultural products, handicrafts, handlooms, food items and manufactured agricultural products. The nomenclature of various products such as ‘Darjeeling Tea’, ‘Pochampally Saris,’

‘Basmati Rice,’ ‘Kondapalli Toys,’ etc., suggest that the origin of the product is the key driver behind customer preference. In view of this, the present study tries to determine and estimate the ‘Willingness to Pay’ (WTP) among consumers for GI products. The experimental auction method is used to estimate the WTP in 2 products from the states of Telangana (Cheriyal Paintings) and Andhra Pradesh (Bandar Laddu). To elicit customers’ WTP for GI products, the current study employs survey design, statistical experimental design, experimental economics theory, and the random n<sup>th</sup> price auction.

**Work Progress:** The Advisory Committee has been finalised and approved by the ICSSR, which consists of Prof. N. Lalitha, Prof. S. K. Soam, and Prof. Sujoy Chakravarty. The first meeting of the Committee was conducted on 23 January 2023. The pre- and post-auction questionnaire and the information booklet which included GI information were shared with the committee and were approved.

## 7. Sustainable Development Goals and Child Well-Being in Telangana

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Department of Planning, Govt. of Telangana

**Project Director/s:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

**Associated Academic Staff:** Dr. Soumya Vinayan, Dr. Pullanna Vidyapogu, Mr. Mohammad Sajid, & Ms. Langa Dolma Samuel

The study attempts to analyse how health is reflected in other SDG and to understand the important targets and measures required to achieve it with particular emphasis on child well-being. It aims to examine the status of the indicators identified under each focus area of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) related to child (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, and 16) in Telangana.

**Work Progress:** Review of literature is ongoing. The team has also listed the indicators related to SDG2 (focus on nutrition and related indicators such as wasting and stunting), and SDG3 (focus on maternal health and related indicators such as institutional delivery), and is in the process of finalising a draft working paper with special reference to the state of Telangana.

## 8. Can Platform Economy Be a Driver of Economic Empowerment and Social Inclusion?: A Study of Hyderabad

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** RBI Corpus Fund – Research Grant

**Project Director/s:** Prof. Sunny Jose

**Associated Academic Staff:** Dr. Satyam Sunkari & Mr. D. Sunder Raj

Platform economy has witnessed a tremendous growth in recent years. It has disrupted the existing sectors and is pervading almost all aspects of economy and society. It is expected to grow further in the coming years. It is in this context, that the study seeks to map the presence and influence of platform economy, its impacts and implications.

Approached from the dual aspects of economic empowerment and social inclusion, it seeks to examine the socio-economic impacts of *platform economy*—Application-led service provisions and delivery in an urban setting in India. It aims to ascertain whether platform economy offers better employment opportunities in the urban informal sector, who primarily takes advantage of them, and what can be done to make the opportunities economically empowering and socially inclusive. Employing a novel ‘time-space probability sampling’ approach, the fieldwork would cover two leading types of platform economy in these cities, such as *ridesharing* (Uber and Ola) and *food delivery* (Zomato and Swiggy).

9. **Information and Communication Technology and Livelihoods: A Comparative Study of Marine Fisheries in Tamil Nadu and Kerala**

**Sponsoring Agency:** RBI Corpus Fund – Research Grant

**Project Director:** Prof. Sunny Jose

Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) play an important role in correcting information asymmetries and inefficiencies in accessing the markets for livelihoods-based occupations. Specifically, it is being argued that ICTs in general and smartphones in particular help address the information asymmetries and enable poor individuals to earn higher income. This study assesses the empirical validity of this claim, taking marine fisheries in Tamil Nadu and Kerala as a case study. It will employ a mixed methods approach, involving primary survey of 300 fisherfolk and detailed focus groups discussions (FGDs) with various stakeholders who work across the range of fishing supply chain like wholesale and retail merchants, small-scale vendors, export agents, among others in Kanyakumari district in Tamil Nadu and Thiruvananthapuram district in Kerala.

10. **State-Led Empowerment or Employment?: A Study of Female Bus Conductors in Telangana**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Department of Planning, Govt. of Telangana

**Project Director/s:** Prof. Sunny Jose

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. D. Sunder Raj

Women’s labour force participation remains quite low in India, especially so in urban India. Additionally, a significant proportion of women who enter the labour market in urban India are forced to take up informal, low-paid jobs without any social security. Herein, Telangana government’s policy of reserving 33 per cent of conductor jobs assumes significance. While the policy, which has been in existence for long, not only guarantees employment in formal sector, but also tends to break the gender stereotyping as conductor jobs are traditionally perceived as male jobs. The study attempts to understand how the policy has benefitted and empowered women. Specifically, it seeks to examine whether the state-led provision for female bus conductors has led to any

significant enhancement in dimensions of empowerment in women's lives. Further, it tries to identify the dimensions of empowerment in which this policy has brought in the most and the least improvement, and ascertain their causes and consequences.

11. **The Status of 'Health and Nutrition of Women and Children in Tamil Nadu' for the State Social Development Report of Tamil Nadu**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** State Planning Commission of Tamil Nadu  
**Project Director/s:** Prof. Sunny Jose

Tamil Nadu continues to be one of the best performers in terms of human development. However, the overall human development has not benefitted all the socio-economic groups equally. In this context, the study seeks to identify the socio-economic disparities and propose means to bridge the gaps. The analysis will constitute a chapter in the forthcoming 'State Social Development Report of Tamil Nadu,' commissioned and co-ordinated by the State Planning Commission of Tamil Nadu. The asseses whether the state has made any significant strides in dimensions of health and nutrition, and whether such progress has benefitted all the socio-economic groups, and identifies aspects and groups where improvements are required.

By employing a comparative and intersectional approach, the study will analyse the available secondary data sources, such as NFHS data, National Sample Survey data, and National Human Development Survey data, among others.

12. **A Study on Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Special Development Fund in Telangana**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Department of Planning, Govt. of Telangana  
**Project Director/s:** Dr. Sunkari Satyam  
**Associated Academic Staff:** Ms. Kalpana Kolli

The Scheduled Castes (SCs), along with the Scheduled Tribes (STs), represent the poorest and the most vulnerable and marginalised social groups in the state. In contrast to Adivasis who are mostly confined to certain geographical areas, the SCs have been part of the mainstream social system. As a result, the SCs, being at the bottom of the social hierarchy, have experienced segregation, discrimination and exclusion, which deprived them of equitable access to productive assets, education, health, and basic infrastructural facilities, and governance structures. The study discusses the development paradigms of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Special Development Fund in Telangana in view of the existing approach and strategies. The major objectives of the study are: (a) To examine whether the programmes are suitable to the needs and desires of people; (b) To identify the problems underlying the functioning of institutional mechanisms; (c) To understand the depth of socio-economic desires of people; and, (d) To find out the gaps between people's desires and approach of interventions of the government through special development fund as a policy.

**Work Progress:** Collection of secondary data on allocations and expenditure on development of SCs and STs is completed. Based on secondary data and pilot study data, the questionnaire is being revised, and the methodology is being developed for more in-depth analysis.

13. **Evaluation of Start-Up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) Blocks in the State of Telangana (Chandrugonda, Bijinepally, Makthal and Devarakonda)**

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, Department of Rural Development, Govt. of Telangana

**Project Director/s:** Dr. Sunkari Satyam

**Associated Academic Staff:** Mr. D. Sunder Raj & Mr. B. Srinivasa Reddy

Government of Telangana has initiated the Start-Up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP), a sub-scheme of the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM) of the Ministry of Rural Development. The Govt. of India has announced the SVEP scheme, a budget announced scheme, which was approved in May 2015 as a sub-scheme under the NRLM, with the guidelines issued on 15 June 2015 (SVEP 2022). The Govt. of Telangana has launched the scheme in 2016 as part of first of programme in 2 blocks — Bijinepally and Eturnagaram of Nagarkurnul and Mulugu districts respectively. The following blocks — Amangal of Rangareddy district, Chandrugonda of Bhadradi Kottagudem district, Devarakonda of Nalgonda district, Makthal of Mahabubnagar district and Narayankhed block in the district of Narayankhed, were part of phase II process of implementation. The first phase period was reported to be between 2016 and 2019, and second phase between 2020 and 2023. The study covers 4 blocks — Devarakonda, Bijinepally, Makthal, and Chandrugonda from 4 districts — Nalgonda, Nagarkurnool, Narayanpet, and Bhadradi Kottagudem respectively.

**Work Progress:** Data analysis is completed, and report writing is under progress.



## SEMINARS/ WORKSHOPS/ SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM

### CSD Delhi

#### 1. Dissemination cum Consultation Workshop for the Project 'Status and Pathways for Portability in Cash and In-Kind Transfers in India'

Sponsoring Agency/Organisation: KfW Development Bank

Date: 5 December 2022

Venue: Hotel Claridges, New Delhi

Workshop Co-ordinator: Dr. Akhil Alha

Workshop Co-coordinators: Dr. Poornima M., Ms. Jaya Lekshmi Nair and Ms. Ramandeep Kaur

**Objective/s:** To disseminate the findings of the study done by CSD and to elaborate upon the future course of action for enhancing portability in social protections schemes, and to highlight the state specific experiences for tackling the challenges in developing a portable and resilient social protection system.



#### Recommendation/Conclusion/s:

- One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) is potentially a game changer in enhancing portability in PDS but operational bottlenecks like poor internet connectivity, outdated machines working on 2G/3G networks, discriminatory attitude of FPS dealers, need to be eradicated for realising the full potential of ONORC.
- Portability in Ujjawala scheme can be enhanced by making some minor changes in its guidelines.

- The existing IT infrastructure in the country is equipped to enhance or introduce portability in social protection schemes, and a better co-ordination between the Union and state governments can be instrumental in fully harnessing the IT infrastructure.

**Important Resource Persons:**

- Prof. Amitabh Kundu, Retd. Professor, JNU, New Delhi
- Shri. Sita Ram Swaroop, Joint Director, Jan Aadhaar Authority, Govt of Rajasthan
- Dr. D. Sajith Babu, IAS, Commissioner, Civil Supplies Dept., Govt. of Kerala
- Shri. Sunil Jain, National Informatics Centre, Delhi
- Mr. Amaresh Kumar, Gen. Manager Vigilance, Food Corporation of India
- Ms. Rukmini Parthasarathy, Deputy Country Director, KfW India
- Shri. Abhishek Singh, President and CEO, National e-Governance Division, MeitY
- Dr. Apurv Mishra, Consultant at the PM's Economic Advisory Council
- Prof. Nitya Nanda, Director, CSD

**Participants:** 50 participants attended the workshop.

## 2. Workshop on Capacity Building for Resettlement and Rehabilitation of Project Displaced People

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Council for Social Development

**Dates:** 27–28 February 2023

**Venue:** IIC, New Delhi

**Workshop Co-ordinator/s:** Prof. Ashok Pankaj

**Workshop Co- Coordinator/s:** Dr. Nivedita Sharma

**Objective/s:** To familiarise the participants with the complex issues surrounding land acquisition and resettlement; to develop among them the ability to do Social Impact Assessment and resettlement planning; and, to enhance their implementation and monitoring skills.

**Resource Person/s:**

- Prof. K. B. Saxena, Distinguished Professor, CSD
- Dr. Hukum Singh Meena, Additional Secretary, Land Resource, Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India
- Shri Nagendra Nath Sinha, Secretary, Ministry of Steel, Govt. of India
- Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra, Director, CSD Hyderabad
- Dr. Sekhar Bonu, Former Director General, Development, Monitoring & Evaluation Office, Niti Aayog
- Prof. Darshini Mahadevia, School of Arts and Science, Ahmedabad University
- Mr. Amitabh Behar, CEO, Oxfam
- Dr. Syamal Sarkar, Senior Director, TERI
- Prof. Asmita Kabra, Ambedkar University, Delhi



**Participants:** Total 15 participants, 6 research scholars from various universities such as DU, Ambedkar University, TISS Hyderabad, IIT Kanpur, and IGNOU, 5 Government Officers — Assistant Collector from Odisha, Revenue Officer and Head Surveyor from Sikkim, 2 Officers from Karnataka Administrative Services and 4 from NGOs attended the workshop.

### **Social Development Forum (SDF) Discussions**

#### **1. Minority Women's Movements and Struggles Against Gender Unjust Religious Personal Laws in India and Bangladesh**

**Date:** 8 March 2023

**Speaker:** Dr. Maitree Devi

**Abstract:** The discussion examines the voices of Muslim women in India and Hindu women in Bangladesh against the unequal clauses of the respective Muslim and Hindu Personal Laws and customary practices, as well as against state and community-level repression located through law and policies. It specifically explores Mumbai-based organisations, including Majlis, Bharatiya Muslim Mahila Andolan (BMMA), Bebaak Collective, Aawaaz-e-Niswaan (A-e-N) and CORO for Literacy, in India. In Bangladesh, the organisations and NGOs were Ain o Salish Kendra (ASK), Bangladesh Mahila Parishad, and Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust (BLAST), Manusher Jonno Foundation (MJF), and Hindu Buddhist Christian Unity Council (HBCUC). The discussion confirms that providing a productive space for litigation and effective solutions to grass-root level Muslim and Hindu women have presented a challenge to well-entrenched religious groups in the community traditionally seen as the sole leadership and decision makers.

## 2. Budget Seminar 2023: Decoding the Union Budget 2023–24



**Date:** 6 February 2023

**Speakers:** Prof. C. P. Chandrasekhar, Dr. Satyaki Roy (ISID), Prof. Muchkund Dubey (President, CSD), Dr. Pritam Datta (NIPFP), Prof. Vikas Rawal (JNU), Mr. Harvir Singh (Eminent Journalist), Prof. K. B. Saxena (Distinguished Professor at CSD), and Prof. Nitya Nanda (Director, CSD, New Delhi).

## 3. Women's Labour and Welfare in the Extractive Industries: A Comparative Analysis of Coal and Iron Mining in India, 1941–2015

**Date:** 30 January 2023

**Speaker/s:** Dr. Dheeraj Nite (Assistant Professor, Ambedkar University Delhi)

**Abstract:** The discussion explains the welfare condition of working women in the extractive industries of India during 1942–2015. Despite the expansion of coal and iron ore mining sector in terms of output and employment and increasing formalisation, the share of women's employment shrank over the years. The fall in women's employment correlates with technological growth from 1970s onwards but not before that, which points to the role of penetration of patriarchal norms and introduction of a number of acts in restructuring women's labour in extractive industries. The precarity of women's labour was further intensified with higher percentage of women being recruited as marginal workers rather than main workers. Moreover, the socially disadvantaged groups, like Adivasi and Dalit women were largely concentrated in the marginal workforce of the mines.

## 4. Dharavi: Dealing With the Spectre of Redevelopment in the Throes of a Pandemic

**Date:** 22 December 2022



**Speaker/s:** Dr. Pradeep Shinde (Assistant Professor, CISLS, JNU, New Delhi)

**Abstract:** During the pandemic period, the state-driven discourse peddled by media pundits, health experts, and urban policy makers raised heckles ad nauseum that slums being overcrowded, insanitary conditions would spell disaster posing a great deal of threat to the well-being of the city dwellers. Little did we know that this alarmist narrative after the containment of the pandemic would find its echo in the recent announcement of a redevelopment project of Mumbai's Dharavi slum. Purportedly hand in glove with capital, the Indian state has reportedly contracted out the Dharavi redevelopment project to India's new billionaire, Adani. Such state-driven projects to evict the inner-city poor are not unprecedented. History is replete with such examples. The discussion offers a critical reading of the same.

## 5. The Caste Question in Hindi Cinema: Where are Dalits in Bollywood?

**Date:** 25 November 2022

**Speaker/s:** Dr. Akhil Alha (Assistant Professor, CSD, New Delhi)

**Abstract:** Much of the literature on Dalits in Bollywood cinema is centred on cinematic representations of Dalits, the focus on their vulnerabilities in social and economic domains and their lack of agency. However, the issue of minimal or almost non-existent presence of Dalits in on-screen and off-screen roles in the cinema industry has not garnered sufficient attention in scholarly and journalistic writings. The discussion, derived from an ongoing work and based on interviews with Dalit film directors, documentary film makers, lyricists and other artists, argues that the cinema industry in general and Bollywood in particular has been monopolised by upper caste individuals, often those from elite backgrounds.

## 6. Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Urban India

**Date:** 8 July 2022

**Speaker:** Dr. Rita Jalali

**Abstract:** The discussion highlighted the problems women face due to absence of water and sanitation facilities. This not only affects their health and well-being, but often hurt their dignity and even safety.

## 7. Migration as an Agent of Rural Transformation

**Date:** 5 May 2022

**Speaker:** Dr. Bhaswati Das (Associate Professor, Centre for the Study of Regional Development, JNU, New Delhi)



Migration, especially labour migration occupies a centre stage in migration study. The overarching emphasis on the economics of migration often failed to highlight the changes brought out by the migrants in different other domains of life. The discussion was based on a study that was the outcome of a major project titled ‘Consequences of Male Selective Migration From Rural West Bengal,’ sponsored by ICSSR-IMPRESS.

## CSD–SRC Hyderabad

### 1. Online Workshop on Sustainable Development Goals and Disability

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** ICSSR, New Delhi [OH-31 Grant]  
**Date:** 13–15 July 2022  
**Venue:** CSD, Hyderabad  
**Seminar Co-ordinator/s:** Dr. Soumya Vinayan & Dr. Deepthi Krishna T.

**Objective/s:** The main objective of the workshop is to introduce the participants engaged in the disability sector to an understanding of the importance of accomplishing these SDGs in ensuring full citizenship to persons with disabilities. The goal of the training programme is also to link the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and SDGs.

**Recommendation/Conclusion/s:** Disability is oft-ignored in participating in everyday living, politics, and laws. The right to decent and dignified living is denied to many persons with disabilities, curtailing them from having families and personal choices of living. The stakeholders who participated in the workshop are equipped to make a difference by advocating and raising awareness about the inclusion of disabilities. Disability is mentioned 7 times and 11 times in SDG targets and indicators, respectively. Hence SDGs provide conceivable opportunities for disability-inclusive progress. There is a need to recognise the existing policies and laws related to SDG disability indicators as well as the gaps with the disability policy and legal frameworks.

**Participants:** There were 52 applications for the programme of which 48 were selected. They belonged to different backgrounds — researchers, research scholars, NGO representatives from and outside the disability sector.

### 2. Seventh Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association (TEA)

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Department of Planning, Govt. of Telangana and ICSSR, New Delhi  
**Venue:** CSD, Hyderabad  
**Date:** 10-11 February 2023  
**Seminar Co-ordinator/s:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

**Objective/s:** The objective of the conference was to deliberate on 3 broad themes — Economic History of Telangana; Crop Diversification in Telangana State: Issues and Challenges; and, Maternal, Child Health and Nutrition in India, with focus on Telangana.

**Recommendation/s:** As a young state, the importance of documenting the economic history of the state was highlighted. This is important to understand the current challenges and issues in both agricultural and health care sectors. Safe motherhood is an important policy objective for the state and it emerged from the conference that there are certain key challenges such as age at marriage, maternal nutrition, and safe pregnancy. These were deliberated upon in detail during the event, which has policy ramifications.

**Participants:** 35 participants took part in the conference from different parts of Telangana — CESS, Hyderabad, Osmania University, University of Hyderabad, Kakatiya University, CSD, Hyderabad, Telangana University, Nizamabad, Degree College, Khammam, Dr. B R Ambedkar Open University, and Nalla Malla Reddy Institute.

### 3. Two-Day National Seminar on ‘Listening To Freedom Fighters’ Under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** ICSSR, New Delhi

**Venue:** CSD, Hyderabad

**Date:** 21–22 February 2023

**Seminar Co-ordinator/s:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

**Objective/s:** The objective of the seminar is to attempt to identify the lesser-known freedom fighters of India by employing the methods of oral history, to collect and document their journey and contribution to nation-building by listening and engaging in an in-depth conversation about them.

**Recommendations/Conclusions:** The seminar also contributed to the existing body of research by highlighting the importance of oral narrations in preserving history. Oral narrations played a crucial role in transmitting information about the freedom struggle from one generation to the next. The seminar emphasised the importance of oral histories in filling the gaps in the written records of the freedom struggle.

**Participants:** 13 participants took part from different parts of the country — IIM, Sambalpur, NIT, Rourkela, University of Hyderabad, University of Rajasthan Jaipur, CSD, Hyderabad, Central University of Jharkhand, Ranchi, Dept. of Anthropology, Allahabad University, Dept. of History, Khariar Autonomous College, Khariar, Odisha, North Lakhimpur College, Assam, and Tribal Cultural Research and Training Mission, Tribal Welfare Dept., Visakhapatnam

## TRAININGS

### CSD Delhi

#### 1. Workshop on Social Science Writings in Hindi

Sponsoring Agency/Organisation: Self-Funded  
Date: 16–17 May 2022

**Objective/s:** *Samajik Vimarsh* in collaboration with *Samajiki* a Hindi journal of Govind Ballabh Pant Social Science Institute, Prayagraj, organised a two-day workshop at New Delhi, for promoting Social Science writings in Hindi. 25 participants from various parts of the country took part in this workshop.

**Resources Person/s:** Prof. Muchkund Dubey, Prof. K. L. Sharma, Prof. Badrinarayan, Prof. Ashok Pankaj, and Dr. Archana Singh

**Valedictory Address:** Shri Ashok Vajpayee

#### 3. Qualitative Methods in Social Sciences: Ethnography, Narratives and Social Stories [A Joint Workshop of CSD and G. B. Pant Institute of Social Sciences, Allahabad]

Sponsoring Agency/Organisation: Self-Funded

Date: 28 November–2 December

Venue: CSD, New Delhi

Workshop Co-ordinators: Prof. Ashok Pankaj, Prof. Badri Narayan & Dr. Archana Singh

Workshop Co-Coordinator: Ms. Jaya Lekshmi Nair



**Objective/s:** To provide a perspective on social science research on India that has been dominated by western theories and practices, which if not applied carefully, often miss

out the nuances of plurality, saliences of diversity and other unique features of the Indian society. This workshop was focused on qualitative methods and their tools. It also exposed the participants to the limitations of blind application of text book knowledge to the field, especially in India's settings.

**Resource Person/s:** Prof. T. V.Kattimani (Vice-Chancellor, Andhra Pradesh Central Tribal University), Prof. T. K. Oommen (Formerly at C.S.S.S., JNU, New Delhi), Prof. K. L. Sharma (Formerly at C.S.S.S., JNU, New Delhi), Prof. Subhadra Mitra Channa (Formerly at Dept. of Anthropology, DU), Prof. Ashok Pankaj (Professor, CSD, New Delhi), Prof. Badri Narayan (Director, G. B. Pant Institute of Social Science, Prayagraj), Dr. Archana Singh (Associate Professor, G. B. Pant Institute of Social Science, Prayagraj), Dr. Susmita Mitra (Assistant Professor, CSD, New Delhi).



**Participants:** A total of 22 participants including one international participant, attended the workshop. The participants came from various universities such as University of Delhi, Jawaharlal Nehru University, University of Hyderabad, University of Allahabad, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tamil Nadu, IIT Delhi, IIT Palakkad, IIT Patna, Department of Architecture, SPA, New Delhi, International Institute of Population Studies, Mumbai, Symbiosis School of Economics, Pune, G. B. Pant Social Science Institute, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences (CSSS), Calcutta and Institute of Philosophy, Czech Academy of Sciences, Czechia.



#### 4. Rights Based Approach to Development: A Training Workshop

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation: Council for Social Development**

**Date: 18–20 January 2023**

**Venue: CSD, New Delhi**

**Workshop Co-ordinator/s: Prof. Zoya Hassan, Prof. Manoranjan Mohanty, and Prof. K. B. Saxena**

**Workshop Co-Coordinator: Ms. Jaya Lekshmi Nair**

**Objective/s:** To provide a detailed discussion on the process of formulation, provisions and implementation, and their contributions to the social development of the country of the five important laws – *The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act 2005, The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, Forest Rights Act, 2006, National Food Security Act, 2013 and and Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013.*

**Important Resource Person/s:** Prof. Muchkund Dubey (President, CSD, New Delhi), Prof. Biswajit Dhar (Vice-President, CSD, New Delhi), Prof. Manoranjan Mohanty (Distinguished Professor, CSD), Prof. K. B. Saxena (Distinguished Professor, CSD, New Delhi), Dr. Hukum Singh Meena (Additional Secretary, Land Resource, Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India), Dr. Dipa Sinha (Ambedkar University Delhi, New Delhi), Prof. Ashok Pankaj (Professor, CSD, New Delhi).

**Participants:** A total of 13 participants attended the workshop. The participants came from various universities and institutes such as University of Delhi, University of Hyderabad, Ambedkar University Delhi, TISS Mumbai, Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, TERI School of Advanced Studies, New Delhi, and National eGovernance Division, MEITY, Govt. of India.

#### CSD–SRC Hyderabad

##### 1. Title: Online Research Methodology Course for Ph.D. Scholars in Social Sciences

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation: ICSSR, New Delhi [Under OH-31Grant]**

**Dates: 12–24 September 2022**

**Objective/s:** Capacity building among research scholars on the fundamentals of social science research; to provide an understanding of the use of the qualitative and quantitative research tools, techniques and perspectives; to provide a training on practical application of methods, selection of appropriate tools and techniques for research as well as to equip them to write thesis/ dissertation/ research reports.

**Important Resource Person/s:** Prof. V. Usha Kiran (Senior Professor & Dean, Faculty of Commerce, Osmania University, Hyderabad & Honorary Director, ICSSR–SRC,



Hyderabad), Prof. Saudamini Das (Professor, Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi), Dr. Dhananjay Tripathi (Associate Professor, South Asian University (SAU), New Delhi), Dr. Motilal Mahamallik (Assistant Professor, Institute of Development Studies, Jaipur), Dr. Gauri Hardikar (Secretary, Indian Association of Life Skills Education Chennai), Mr. Ashok R. Chandran (Freelance Editor, Formerly Senior Commissioning Editor (Sage) & Publications Officer, MIDS, Chennai).

**Participants:** 34 participants from different universities participated in the Training Programme.

## 2. Research Methodology Course for Research Scholars in Social Sciences

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Jointly Organized with ICSSR, Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad

**Venue:** CSD, Hyderabad

**Date:** 8–18 November 2022

**Seminar Co-ordinator/s:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra, Dr. Soumya Vinayan

**Objective/s:** To build capacity of young scholars on the fundamentals of social science research; to equip them with the use of the qualitative and quantitative research tools, techniques and perspectives. To train them in application of methods, to create familiarity in the selection of appropriate tools and techniques, and to aid them with the writing of thesis/ dissertation/ research reports.

**Recommendations/Conclusions:** According to the participants, the duration of the programme should be longer and should also include special classes on academic writing and statistical analysis.

**Participants:** 29 participants from Osmania University, Andhra University, Yogi Vemana University, University of Hyderabad, Central University, Kasargod, University of Mysore, NIMHANS, Bharathidasan University, MANUU, Hyderabad took part.

## 3. Capacity Building Programme on Quantitative Data Management and Analytical Writing in Labour Research

**Sponsoring Agency/Organisation:** Organised In Collaboration With V. V. Giri National Labour Institute, NOIDA

**Venue:** Online Programme

**Date:** 9–13 January 2023

**Seminar Coordinator/s:** Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra

**Objectives:** To acquaint the participants with tools and techniques that are required for data management in labour studies — data extraction/ collection, validation of data, and analytical writing; to equip the participants with the use of quantitative research tools, techniques, and perspectives; and also to train them in the application of methods;

impart familiarity in the selection of appropriate tools and techniques and writing of reports.

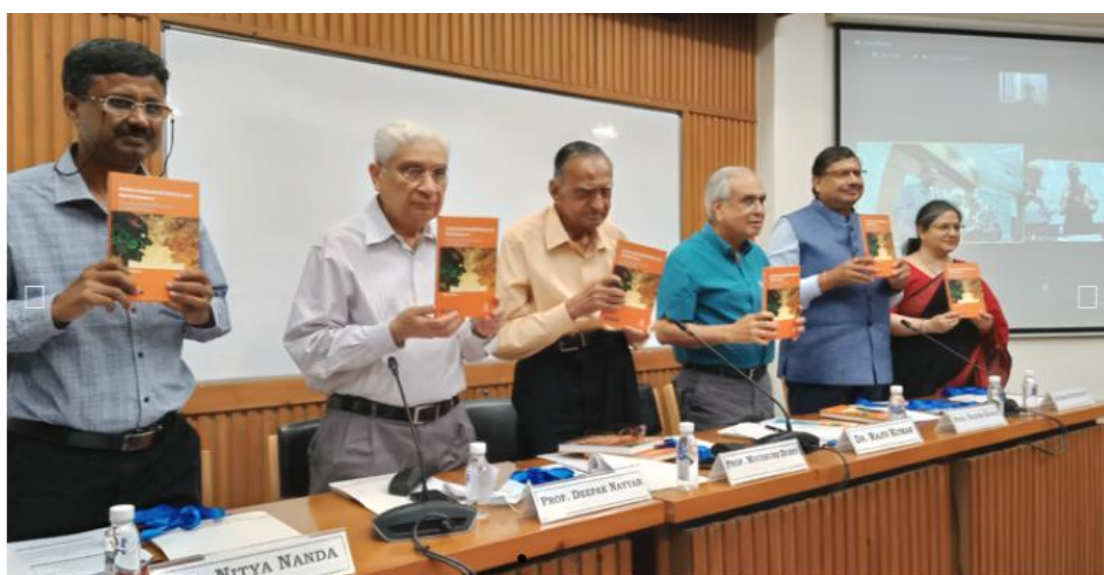
**Participants:** Participants from JNU, New Delhi, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, National Institute of Technology Patna, Lucknow University, Central University of Gujarat, NIT Rourkela, Manav Rachna University Faridabad, Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai, International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai, Alagappa University, Tamil Nadu Open University, Osmania University, Fakir Mohan University, Mizoram University (A Central University), ICFAI University Hyderabad, Diu College, Diu (Daman & Diu), Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Sambalpur University, University of Hyderabad, Annamalai University, Lovely Professional University, KIIT University, Bhubaneswar, took part in this programme.

## Other Academic Activities

### CSD Delhi

#### ➤ CSD-ISID-IIC's Book Discussion on *India's Industrial Policy and Performance*

CSD-ISID-IIC's Book Discussion on *India's Industrial Policy and Performance* by Nitya Nanda, 12 May 2022, enquired —What implications have the post-1991 shift towards a 'no policy is the best policy' had for India's industries and their performance? How best to undertake a comprehensive policy analysis and what would such an analysis throw up as suggestions for India's industrial policy?



The event was co-organised by CSD, New Delhi, Institute for Studies in Industrial Development (ISID) Delhi, and India International Centre (IIC). Moderated by Prof.

Nagesh Kumar (Director, ISID), the event began with the book's author, Prof. Nitya Nanda (Director, CSD), explaining the importance of a comprehensive policy analysis — not just of India's industrial policy but also of trade and investment policies and other development incentives — to understand India's industrial policies and the performance of India's industries.

The panellists in the discussion were Prof. Muchkund Dubey (President, CSD), Prof. Deepak Nayyar (Professor Emeritus, JNU), and Prof. R Nagaraj (Visiting Professor, CDS Trivandrum).

### CSD–SRC Hyderabad

#### ➤ **International Day of Yoga**

International Day of Yoga was celebrated at CSD, Hyderabad on 21 June 2022. On this occasion, the following programmes were organised:

- Invited lecture on 'Effect of Sahaja Yoga Meditation in Reducing Anxiety of Students Towards English as Second Language,' by Ms. Rojina Prusty, Dept. of Education, Osmania University, Hyderabad.
- Practice Session of Sahaja Yoga – The staff at CSD, Hyderabad was walked through the different steps of meditation. The guided meditation by the Sahaja Yoga teacher and practitioner was performed by them, and the activity lasted 15–20 minutes.

#### ➤ **Activities under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav**

Elocution competition for 8th, 9th and 10th standard students of Adarsh Vidyalaya High School, Rajendranagar on 11 August 2022 on the theme 'Freedom @75.'

#### ➤ **Bulletin Release**

Ms. Divya Devarajan, Special Secretary, Dept. of Women and Child Development, Govt. of Telangana released the 'Statistical Bulletin on Overweight/Obese Women in the Southern States of India,' by Mohammad Sajid, Dr. Soumya Vinayan, and Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra, published by CSD–SRC, Hyderabad, on 8 September 2022.

#### ➤ **Book Discussion**

A Book Discussion on *A Haunting Tragedy: Gender, Caste and Class in 1866 Famine in Orissa* (2022, Manohar/Routledge), authored by Prof. Bidyut Mohanty, was conducted on 24 February 2023. The panellists were Dr. Soumya Vinayan (CSD, Hyderabad), Dr. Pratyusna Patnaik (NIRD & PR), and Dr. Amrita Datta (IIT, Hyderabad). Prof. Sheela Prasad from University of Hyderabad chaired the session.

➤ **Project-Specific Consultation Workshops**

- Consultation Workshop on ‘Socio-Economic Status of Migrants in Telangana’ (Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra, Project Director), was organised on 16 June 2022. Prof. R. B. Bhagat (Dept. of Migration and Urban Studies, International Institute for Population Sciences (IPS)), Dr. Ruchi Singh (Welingkar Institute of Management, Bangalore), and Dr. Anand Mehar (Public Health Foundation of India, Bhubaneswar), were the experts who participated in the workshop.

➤ **Public Lecture**

- The lecture, ‘In Search of Justice in Coal Transition in India’ was delivered by Prof. Kuntala Lahiri-Dutt (Crawford School of Public Policy, Australian National University) on 29 July 2022. Sri Chandra Bhushan (President & Founder — CEO, International Forum for Environment, Sustainability & Technology (iFOREST), New Delhi) chaired the session.

## SPECIAL LECTURES AND EVENTS

CSD New Delhi

### *Durgabai Deshmukh Memorial Lecture 2022*

**Speaker:** Prof. Ravi Srivastava

**Date:** 15 July 2022



In collaboration with the India International Centre (IIC), CSD organises the Durgabai Deshmukh Memorial Lecture on the 15th of July each year to commemorate its founder, Durgabai Deshmukh, on her birth anniversary. This year the lecture was delivered by Prof. Ravi Srivastava, Director, Centre for Employment Studies, Institute for Human Development, Delhi, and Former Professor, JNU, New Delhi. Prof. Srivastava delivered this lecture on ‘Migration, Informality, and the Growing Precarity of Work.’





**Lecture Abstract:** How have three decades of rapid growth and structural change in India impacted on the lives of the working poor? The lockdown in 2020, and the ensuing crisis exposed the vulnerability of the informal workers, particularly the circular migrants, and resulted in the largest ever urban exodus of migrants. The crisis was a result of changes that had systematically increased the magnitude and scope of informal employment in the industrial and service sectors, creating a cheap, flexible, and pliable workforce. The circular migrants, a product of uneven regional development, form an ever-growing segment of this flexible, informal workforce. Largely excluded from urban citizenship and civic rights, they lead a precarious existence, oscillating between town and country, carrying out tasks that preserve gender and social hierarchies. An outcome of inequality, they reinforce it further, with negative consequences for sustainable growth and equity.

### *Social Change Golden Jubilee Lecture 2022*

**Speaker:** Prof. Madhav Gadgil

**Date:** 23 January 2023

The *Social Change* Golden Jubilee Lecture 2023 was delivered in virtual mode by Prof. Madhav Gadgil, Former Professor, Indian Institute of Science, on the topic, ‘Ecosystem People, Biosphere People and Ecological Refugees.’

**Lecture Abstract:** One may assign people to three broad categories from an ecological perspective. Ecosystem people meet the bulk of their resource requirements from a limited area near their habitation through gathering or low-input agriculture and animal husbandry. Biosphere people enjoy access to resources garnered from the entire biosphere, made available through markets, while ecological refugees are people that have lost access to their traditional base of natural resources, and yet have very limited access to resources through markets. In India today the ever-growing pressure of biosphere people is converting an increasingly large proportion of ecosystem people into ecological refugees.

### *CSD–SRC Hyderabad*

#### *Eighteenth C. D. Deshmukh Memorial Lecture*

**Speaker:** Prof. S. Mahendra Dev

**Date:** 18 January 2023

CSD–SRC, Hyderabad organised the 19<sup>th</sup> C. D. Deshmukh Memorial Lecture on ‘Inclusive Development in India: Agriculture, Employment and Social Sector.’ The lecture was delivered by Prof. S. Mahendra Dev, Distinguished Professor, ICFAI Business School, Hyderabad, and Former Vice-Chancellor, Indira Gandhi Institute of

Development Research, Mumbai. The lecture was chaired by Prof. Shantha Sinha, Chairperson, Managing Committee, CSD, Hyderabad.

**Lecture Abstract:** Equity in quality education is the key to raising human development and reducing inequalities in the labour market. Raising women's human capital and participation rates can improve the overall economic growth of the country.

## PUBLICATIONS

### CSD Delhi

#### Project Reports

- (i) Status and Pathways for Portability of Cash and In-Kind Transfers in India (November 2022; CSD, New Delhi)  
Project Director: Prof. Nitya Nanda  
Sponsoring Agency/Organisation: KfW German Financial Cooperation
- (ii) Culture, Capital, and Witch Hunts in Meghalaya and Nagaland (December 2022, New Delhi)  
Project Head: Prof. Govind Kelkar  
Sponsoring Agency/Organization: Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung, South Asia, & CSD, New Delhi

#### Book/s

*Private Sector Participation in Public Services: Civic Amenities*, by Prof. K. B. Saxena (Editor), published on 1 February 2023, by Aakar Book, New Delhi.

#### Lecture/s

5<sup>th</sup> *Social Change* Annual Lecture, titled ‘Ecosystem People, Biosphere People, Ecological Refugee,’ delivered by Prof. Madhav Gadgil on 23 January 2023.

### CSD–SRC Hyderabad

#### Working Paper/s

- (i) ‘Place making Efforts in the Urban Space: Case Study of Rejuvenated (Beautified) Lakes Under Mission Kakatiya Program of Telangana State’ by Dr. Pullanna Vidyapogu (WP No. 001/2022), May 2022.
- (ii) Role of Social, and Cultural Capital and Aspirations Towards Education: A Study of Muslims in Telangana,’ by Dr. Ramshin Rahiman (WP No. 002/2022), May 2022.
- (iii) ‘Understanding the Layered Effects of Covid-19: A Study on the Unorganised Workforce in Telangana (Preliminary Findings)’ by Dr. Raj K. Kattulla (WP No. 003/2022), May 2022.
- (iv) ‘Impact of Covid-19 on Rural Livelihoods and Health in India’ by Dr. Sunkari Satyam (WP No. 004/2022), August 2022.

In addition to these, the *Statistical Bulletin on Incidence of Child Marriage in South India*, (CSD Bulletin No. 2 – 2002), sponsored by Planning Department, Government of Telangana, was released by Mohammad Sajid, Soumya Vinayan, and Sujit Kumar Mishra.

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Sunkari Satyam is involved in various research projects funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), and core projects of CSD. He received his PhD from the University of Hyderabad. Dr. Satyam has authored books on topics of development policies, and development and practice of democracy among rural and tribal communities. He has published more than thirty papers in journals, edited volumes, and newspapers. He has successfully conducted research methodology workshops, and was involved in several research projects. He was also the recipient of the ICAS-MP fellowship in 2019, a collaborative research initiative between six Indian and German institutions funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF).

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### **Mr. KUMAR PASUNOORI**

Assistant Programmer & Admin (In-Charge)

Pasunoori Kumar is responsible for IT Management and Computer Applications at CSD. A Post Graduate Diploma holder in Computer Methods and Programming, he has been with CSD since 1998. Apart from overseeing IT efficiency on a daily basis, Mr. Kumar has also been actively providing vital technical support for ongoing research projects. He is part of the team responsible for preparation of training materials on data collection tools and processing for ICSSR courses conducted at CSD for doctoral research scholars. In addition to his regular duties, he also oversees administrative matters, and is presently acting as the Information Officer in CSD.

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### **Dr. SIVA KUMAR DANYASI**

Project Fellow

Siva Kumar Danyasi has completed his PhD from the University of Hyderabad. He received his Post-Doctoral Fellowship from CSD, Hyderabad, funded by ICSSR, New Delhi. He handles unit-level NSSO data using the statistical software programmes, STATA and SPSS.

His research areas cover a wide range of issues relating to health, education, labour, poverty, gender, and disability, with special reference to marginalised sections. He has published articles in two journals and one edited volume.

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### **Dr. PULLANNA VIDYAPOGU**

#### **Project Fellow**

Pullanna Vidyapogu has a PhD in Regional Studies (with a specialisation in Urban Ecology) from the University of Hyderabad, and around 6 years of work experience in teaching and research in the fields of Urban Studies, Environmental Studies, Cultural Studies, and Gender Studies. Dr. Vidyapogu has published articles, prepared annual and quarterly project reports, developed methodologies, and participated in national and international workshops, conferences, and played a key role in various institutional responsibilities as a student representative, co-ordinator, and member in the grievance committee in the University of Hyderabad.

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### **Dr. RAJ KUMAR KATTULA**

#### **Project Fellow**

Raj Kumar Kattula completed his PhD in Social Anthropology from the University of Hyderabad with the support of an ICSSR doctoral fellowship. He has qualified UGC-NET, published research articles, and presented his work in conferences. He has 6 years of working experience (academic research and industry) across various institutions, including in institutions of national importance such as the National Institute for Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (NIRD & PR) and the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy (SVP-NPA). Dr. Kattula has also worked as a social and livelihood expert in the Centre for Management and Social Research (CMSR), and was Team Leader for various projects including Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E), Baseline Survey, Social Impact Assessment (SIA), and Livelihood Enhancement Plan (LEP). Some of these are projects that were funded by ADB, AIIB, EIB, IFC, and JICA.

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### **Dr. RAMSHIN RAHIMAN**

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Ramshin Rahiman earned her doctoral degree from the Department of Sociology, University of Hyderabad, with the support of an ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship. She has served as Senior Research Associate in the Department of Sociology, University of Johannesburg. She has worked at various premier institutes (both academic and research) such as the National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD & PR), Hyderabad, Pondicherry Central University, Pondicherry Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Chennai, and Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University, Kerala. Dr. Rahiman has

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### **Dr. DEEPTHI KRISHNA THOTA**

Project Fellow

Deepthi Krishna Thota has worked as an Assistant Professor at the St. Francis College for Women, and as a Lecturer at the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism, Royal Thimphu College, Thimphu, Bhutan. Her research interests are Film Studies, Media and Popular Culture Studies, and Urban Studies. She successfully defended her doctoral thesis, titled *Representing Urban Exclusions: A Study of Films on Hyderabad*. She has also acted in and co-written a play, a feminist reading of bodies devised from a workshop called 'ANTIBODIES.' In addition to these, she scripted two children's plays.

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### **Ms. DIVYA JYOTHI**

Consultant, Health & Nutrition

Divya Jyothi is a young nutritionist, with over 9 years of experience in the nutrition industry. She completed her Masters in Nutrition from the reputed School of Health Sciences, Pondicherry Central University, Pondicherry, and has an MPhil in Food Science and Nutrition from IGNOU. Her research interests include community nutrition, public health nutrition, and clinical nutrition, which allow her to perform cutting edge research on new discoveries in nutrition science through to translation into evidence-based nutrition best practice within health care.

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### **Mr. SUNDER RAJ**

Research Associate

Sunder Raj has been associated with the Council since 1997 in the capacity of a Research Associate. He holds a Master's degree in Economics from Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati. He has actively participated in the Council's research activities, gaining rich experience in handling fieldwork assignments independently. He has published over 30 research articles and papers in journals and edited volumes. He has published the following edited books: *Advancement of India: Attainments and Alternatives* (Kanishka Publishers, 2010), *Development Initiatives in India* (Serial Publications, 2008), and *Empowering Rural India: Experiments and Experiences* (Kanishka Publishers, 2006). His areas of interest include participatory rural development, poverty alleviation, people's participation, development and displacement, and women's education and empowerment.

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**Mr. B. SRINIVASA REDDY**

Research Associate

Srinivasa Reddy is with CSD since June 2015. He holds a Master's degree in Economics from Sri Krishna Devaraya University, Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh. His areas of interest are rural development, poverty alleviation, and women's empowerment through capacity building, and human resources development at various levels. He has worked extensively on areas of health (especially maternal and child health), microfinance and self-help groups. He has attended various national workshops and training programmes, and has much experience in third-party monitoring and valuation studies.

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**Mr. ANUDEEP GUJJETI**

Research Associate

Anudeep Gujjeti completed his MPhil in Political Science from the University of Hyderabad and is currently pursuing a PhD from the Department of Political Science, University of Hyderabad. He has earlier worked on democratic transitions in South Asia, and is currently working on India–Japan relations.

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**Dr. TAJUDDIN MD.**

Post-Doctoral Fellow

Tajuddin Md. is Research Associate at CSD, Hyderabad. He was an institutional Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Council during 2017–2020. He has a Master's degree in Political Science, and an MPhil and a PhD in Regional Studies from the University of Hyderabad. His areas of interest are in the domain of public policy and development, focussing on food security, migration, and education. He was also a member in two Joint Review Missions (5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>) on Midday Meal Scheme by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, GoI, and as a member representing Supreme Court Commissioners in the Right to Food case. He has published papers in peer-reviewed journals and in edited books.

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**Mr. MOHAMMAD SAJID**

Research Associate

Mr. Mohammad Sajid holds an MA and MPhil in Population Studies from the International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai. Currently, he is pursuing a PhD from the Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Hyderabad. Before joining the CSD team in September 2021, he worked as a data analyst with UN-Women, Ministry of Women and Child Development, National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), and TISS Mumbai. His research expertise lies in population and development, specifically in areas such as migration, demography of religion, politics of demographic data and health.

In addition to his research contributions, Mohammad Sajid has actively participated in funded projects, working closely with the Planning Department of Telangana and ICSSR. He has demonstrated a strong ability to bridge the gap between theory and practice, offering valuable insights and recommendations on social issues, their policy relevance, and implementation. He has contributed significantly to various projects, including research on topics like human trafficking in India, attitudes of Muslims towards higher education, violence against women, overweight/obesity, child marriage and child sex ratio, maternal and child health care etc.  
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### **Ms. KALPANA KOLLI**

**Data & Information Manager**

As a Data and Information Manager, Kalpana Kolli manages information-related matters of the institute and supports organising workshops, seminars, training programmes, lectures, and other academic programmes. She has a rich experience in handling large datasets. She is also involved in documentation activities in collaboration with the administration. Before joining CSD, Ms. Kolli gained vast experience in managerial and administrative positions in the corporate sector. She holds a post-graduate degree in Chemistry and a Bachelor's in Education.

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### **Dr. MD. WASIM AKHTAR**

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Md. Wasim Akhtar has a doctoral degree from the Department of Management, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Hyderabad. A recipient of UGC Maulana Azad National Fellowship, Dr. Akhtar completed his MPhil from CSSEIP, and completed Master of Business Administration (with Marketing as major, and Human Resource Management as minor subjects) from MANUU, Hyderabad. He has worked as Research Associate in an ICSSR project at the Department of Economics, MANUU, Hyderabad. Dr. Akhtar has recently been engaged in an ICSSR-funded research project on 'COVID-19 Induced Vulnerabilities and Coping Strategies of Small Producers.' He has presented papers in international and national conferences, and published works in various journals of national and international repute. He has been invited as an expert in different seminars and conferences organised by various management institutes.

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### **Ms. LANGA DOLMA SAMUEL**

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Langa Dolma Samuel, is a young researcher with MSW (specialisation in Medical and Psychiatry) from St. Joseph's College, Bangalore. She participated in teaching a Foundation Course to Undergraduate Students at St. Joseph's College. She is involved in various projects and all other academic activities.

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**Mr. DHURGAM SAMMAIAH**

Research Assistant

Dhurgam Sammaiah holds a Master's degree in Applied Linguistics from the University of Hyderabad. He is actively involved in the Council's research assignments, and has experience in collecting field-level data. He has also independently handled the task of collecting data from different stakeholders. While pursuing his post-graduation, Mr. Sammaiah worked as a student coordinator for the National Service Scheme (NSS) at the University of Hyderabad.  
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**Ms. J. AMRUTHA**

Research Assistant

J. Amrutha engages in data collection of secondary resources at CSD. She is involved in the institute's research projects, and keeps abreast of current publications related to the institute's research areas. She collects data and prepares data documentation. Before joining CSD, Ms. Amrutha worked in the Defense Standardization Cell (DSC-DLRL) for 5 years as a data entry operator. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Science.  
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## **Administration & Finance**

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## FACULTY CONTRIBUTIONS

### CSD Delhi

#### PROF. NITYA NANDA

##### Non-CSD Publications

##### Article/s

- Nanda, Nitya. (2022). ‘Glasgow Commitments: Implications for India,’ *National Security*, 5(2), 181–197.
- Nanda, Nitya. (2022, July 18). ‘Wheels of Change,’ *The Telegraph*.

##### Book Chapter/s

- Nanda, Nitya. (2022). ‘Global Regime for Agricultural Trade – Is It Benefitting Indian Farmers?,’ in D. Roy & B. Roy (Eds.), *India’s Agriculture Exports: Opportunities and Challenges*. New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing.
- Nanda, Nitya. (2023). ‘India ASEAN Cooperation for an Equitable Global Economic Order,’ in P. De (Ed.), *Thirty Years of ASEAN-India Relations: Towards Indo-Pacific*. New Delhi: KW Publishers.
- Nanda, Nitya. (2022). ‘India and Vietnam: Emerging Linkages,’ in G. Bailey, P. Das, P. K. Biswas, & M. K. Sanyal (Eds.), *Diversity and Transition in South and South-East Asia: Essays in Honour of Professor Antonia Marika Vicziany*. New Delhi: Steps Books.

##### Lecture/s Delivered/Paper/s Presented

- **Title:** Relevance of PhD Research at National and Local Context  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Madhya Pradesh PhD Colloquium for Young PhD Scholars, Atal Vihari Institute for Good Governance & Policy Analysis, Bhopal, 28–29 April, 2022.  
**Date:** 28 April 2022
- **Title:** Sessions on “Ethics in Research” and “Translating Research into Policy”  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Research Methodology Workshop at Atal Vihari Institute for Good Governance & Policy Analysis, Bhopal, 22 August–2 September 2022.  
**Date:** 27 August 2022

##### Webinars

- Nanda, Nitya. (2022, August). ‘G20 and ASEAN-India Cooperation for Equitable Global Sustainable Development,’ AIC Commentary, No. 32, RIS.

- Panellist in the session on ‘Sustainable Supply Chains in Forest and Agri-Linked Commodities’ (4 November 2022), at CRB’s Annual Sustainability Conference — ‘India & Sustainability Standards,’ 2–4 November 2022, Eros Hotel, New Delhi.
- Panellist in a webinar, ‘G-20: Converging Interests Between ASEAN and India,’ (19 September 2022), RIS, New Delhi.
- Moderator for ICRIER webinar on ‘Energy Cooperation In BIMSTEC,’ (2 November 2022), ICRIER.
- Made a presentation on ‘COP27: Issues for South Asia,’ in webinar on ‘COP27: Issues, Agenda and Expectations,’ SAWTEE, Kathmandu.
- ‘Why Economic Reforms Produced Different Outcomes in India and China?’ (11 February 2023), 4th Annual Conference in Economics and Finance, Department of Economics and Finance, BITS-Pilani, Hyderabad Campus.
- ‘Global Economic Trajectory: Prospects for Developing Countries,’ at a seminar on ‘India — Way of Reaching Out to the World,’ Hoa Sen University, Vietnam (23 March 2023), & Tien Giang University, Vietnam (24 March 2023).

### Membership/s

- Social Sector Consultative Group, NITI Aayog (Since June 2021).

## PROF. K. B. SAXENA

### CSD Publications

- Saxena, K. B. (Ed.). (2022). *Private Sector Participation in Public Services: Education*. New Delhi: Aakar Books.
- Saxena, K. B. (Ed.). (2022). *Private Sector Participation in Public Services: Health*. New Delhi: Aakar Books.
- Saxena, K. B. (Ed.). (2022). *Private Sector Participation in Public Services: Civic Amenities*. New Delhi: Aakar Books.

### Journal Article/s

- ‘Pandemic Induced Multiple Crisis and the Government’s Response: Courting the Corporates and Abandoning the Poor.’ *Revolutionary Democracy*, 2022, April..
- ‘The Finance Commission Report and Action Taken By Central Government.’ *Revolutionary Democracy*, 2022, April.
- ‘Inequalities, The Budget and the Marginalised Groups,’ *Revolutionary Democracy* 1(2), 2022, September.
- ‘Disappearing Ethics in Contemporary Governance’ *Social Change*, 52(4), 582–594, 2022.

### Lecture/s Delivered

- **Title:** Methodological Issues in Research on Marginalized Communities

- Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Qualitative Methods in Social Sciences: Ethnography, Narratives and Social Stories Workshop, organised by CSD, New Delhi, 28 November–2 December 2022.  
**Date:** 28 November–2 December 2022
- **Title:** Forest Rights Act  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Right Based Approach to Development Workshop, organised by CSD, New Delhi, 18 January 2022.  
**Date:** 18 January 2022
  - **Title:** The Budget and the Marginalized Groups  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Union Budget Discussion, organised by CSD, New Delhi, 7 February 2023.  
**Date:** 7 February 2023
  - **Title:** Land Acquisition and Rehabilitation – Addressing Resettlement Issues in Private Sector Projects  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Capacity Building for Resettlement and Rehabilitation of Project Displaced People workshop, organised by CSD, New Delhi, 28 February 2023.  
**Date:** 28 February 2023

## PROF. ATUL SARMA

### Article/s

- ‘NPA Write-Offs: Eight Questions That Beg for Answers’ (with Santosh Das), *Policy Circle*, 2022, November 29.
- ‘Yoginder K. Alagh As I Knew,.’ *Anvesak*, 52, 2022, July–December.
- ‘Budget 2023–24: Continuity With Change’ (with Shyam Sundar), *Main Stream Weekly*, 2023, February 10.
- ‘Decarbonisation Pathways for the Indian Automobile Sector,’ *National Security*, 5(4), 2022, December 7.
- ‘Teachers’ Post Abolition and NEP 2020’ (with Ashok Pankaj), *Assam Tribune*, 2022, December 7.
- ‘Challenges, Policy Options For Growth,’ *Assam Tribune*, 2023, February 8.
- ‘Legitimate Versus Distortionary Freebies’ (with A. K. Sarma), *Economic and Political Weekly*, 57(43), 17–20, 2022, October 22.

### Lecture/s Delivered

- **Title:** Inaugural Lecture  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Role of Educational Leaders in the Context of NEP 2020, organised by NIEPA, at Gauhati University.  
**Date:** 2023, March 20



### Other Academic Activities

- Address as Guest of Eminence (2022, December 27), at the 105<sup>th</sup> Indian Economic Association in Balasore, Odisha, December 27–29 2022.
- Panellist in panel discussion on ‘Union Budget 2023–24,’ at Rachna Institute of Research and Studies, Faridabad, 20 February 2023.
- Chaired the symposium on ‘Creating Decent Employment and Livelihood Opportunities in the Hill Economies of Northeast India’ (2023, March 1), as part of the 63<sup>rd</sup> e-Annual Conference of Indian Society of Labour Economics at RGU, Itanagar, 1–3 March 2023.
- Participated in a seminar on ‘Union Budget 2023–24,’ at NCAER, 6 February 2023.
- Participated in the meetings of the Academic Council of NIEPA, on 15 March 2023.
- Chaired the Finance Committee meetings of IHD, on 24 September & 24 November 2022.
- Participated in the meetings of Doctoral Research Committee of IGONU, on 24 September 2022S

### PROF. JANDHYALA B. G. TILAK

#### Article/s

- ‘Social Responsibility of Higher Education [8th Diplai Sinha Memorial Lecture],’ *Social Change* 52(4), pp. 478–490, 2022, December.
- ‘Policy Changes in Global Higher Education: What Lessons Do We Learn From the COVID-19 Pandemic?’ (with Amruth Kumar; Ka Ho Mok, Ed.), *Higher Education Policy*, 35(3), pp. 610–628, 2022, September.

#### Book Chapter/s

- ‘Engineering Education in India’ (Chapter 8) (with P. K. Choudhury), in S. Chattopadhyay, S. Marginson, & N. V. Varghese (Eds.), *Changing Higher Education in India* (pp. 187–210). London: Bloomsbury, 2022.
- ‘Improving Quality in Education: Issues and Challenges for Teacher Education in India’ (with Madhumita Bandyopadhyay), in Y. Wang, G. Haálsz, A. Guberman, A. Baghdady, & O. Mcdossi, *Research, Policymaking and Innovation* pp. 209–246. Singapore: Springer/National Institute of Education Sciences, 2023, April.
- ‘Policies and Practices of Financing Higher Education in Asia-Pacific Countries’ (with P. K. Choudhury), in W. O. Lee et al. (Eds.), *Springer International Handbook of Education Development in Asia Pacific*, [Online First] 2022.
- ‘Changing Face of Higher Education and Development in Asia-Pacific’ (with Pradeep K Choudhury), in W. O. Lee et al. (Eds.), *Springer International Handbook of Education Development in Asia Pacific*, [Online First] 2022, November.
- ‘Globalisation and Political Economy of Education Development in South Asia’ (with Pushkarni Panchamukhi), in R. Tierney, F. Rizvi, & K. Erkican (Editors-in-Chief), *International Encyclopedia of Education* (4th ed.) (pp. 425–446):, Elsevier, 2023.

- ‘On Reforming Higher Education in India,’ in P. Mattei, X. Dumay, E. Mangez, & J. Behrend (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook on Globalization and Education*, Oxford University Press, (forthcoming, 2023).

### **Book Review/s**

- ‘Smaller Children (Krishna Kumar),’ *Indian Journal of Human Development* 16(1), 2022, April, pp. 202–205.
- ‘Global Higher Education During and Beyond COVID-19 (C. Raj Kumar et al., Eds.),’ *The Developing Economies* 61(2), 2023, June.
- ‘Revisiting the Educational Heritage in India (S. Singh),’ *Journal of International Cooperation in Education* (Hiroshima University), No. 25(1), 2023, pp. 157–162.
- ‘Becoming Great Universities: Small Steps for Sustained Excellence (R. J. Light & A. Jegla),’ *Journal of Asia Pacific Education*, (forthcoming, 2023).
- ‘Japan’s International Cooperation in Education: History and Prospects (N. Kayashima et al.),’ *Global Comparative Education: Journal of the WCCES*, 6(2), 2022, December 2022, pp. 114–116.
- ‘The Political Economy of Education in South Asia: Fighting Poverty, Inequality, and Exclusion (J. Richards et al.),’ *Journal of Social and Economic Development*, 24(2), 2022, December, pp. 578–581.

### **Lecture/s Delivered**

- Delivered the Keynote Address at the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Conference of Bangiya Arthaniti Parishad (West Bengal Economic Association, Kolkata), 18–19 March 2023.
- Delivered a lecture, ‘Fundamentals of Public Policy’ [Web Policy Learning] (IMPRI, New Delhi) on 11 March 2023.
- Delivered a thematic Keynote Address at the Second International Conference on ‘Best Innovative Teaching Strategies,’ organised by Birla Institute of Technology and Sciences, Pilani), 9–11 February 2023.
- Delivered a lecture in the webinar on ‘Intersections of India’s Education Policy and Rural Development,’ hosted by the National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad & New Delhi, on 22 Dec 2022.
- Delivered a the 8<sup>th</sup> Dipali Sinha Roy Memorial Lecture, at Revenshaw College, Cuttack (Odisha), on 2 April 2022.

### **Seminars/Conferences & Workshops**

- Presented a paper at the International Conference on ‘Socio-Economic Inequalities in India,’ organised by Centre de Sciences Humaines, New Delhi on 30–31 March 2023.
- Chaired a session and delivered as speech at Chintan Shibir, Kishore Bharati (Indian Institute of Science Education Research, Pune), 25–26 March 2023.

- Participated as a panellist on Higher Education at the Global Investors' Summit: Advantage Andhra Pradesh (, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Visakha Patnam), 3–4 March 2023.
- Participated as a panellist in the Brain Storming Session on Academic Leadership (Institute of Academic Excellence, Hyderabad), on 9 January 2023.
- Participated as a panellist in the workshop on 'Political Economy of Higher Education in India,' organised by Indian Institute of Dalit Studies, New Delhi, on 18 Feb 2023.

### **Consultancy [Advisory Service for the Government & Other Bodies in India] & Membership/s in Official Committees**

- Member (2023—), National Advisory Board, Centre for Vedic Research & Education — Sri Sathya Sai Vaidika Adhyayana Evam Anusandhan Antarrashtriya Kendra (Sri Sathya Sai VAAK), Rishikesh, Uttarakhand.
- Member (2022—), Research Advisory Committee, Dept. of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Roorkee.
- Member (2022—), Research Advisory Committee, Inter University Centre for Tecaheer Education, Varanasi.

## **PROF. ASHOK PANKAJ**

### **Book/s**

- *Inclusive Development Through Guaranteed Employment: India's MGNREGA Experiences* (Springer Nature, Singapore).
- Paperback edition of *Social Sector Development in North-East India* (2023, Aakar Books, Delhi).

### **Article/s**

'Teachers' Post Abolition and NEP 2020' [with Prof. Atul Sarma], *Assam Tribune*, 2022, December 7.

### **Book Chapter/s**

'Public Versus Private Provisioning of Elementary Education in India: A Trend in Privatization' (with Poornima M.), in K. B. Saxena (Ed.), *Private Sector Participation in Public Services: Education* (pp. 102–126). Aakar Books..

### **Book Review/s**

- *Political Economy of Caste in India* (2020, Sage Publications, New Delhi) by K. S. Chalam, *Contemporary Voice of Dalit*, 14(1), 2022, May, pp. 122–124.
- **Reviewed 3 Book Manuscripts—**
  1. Routledge, Delhi
  2. Springer, Singapore
  3. Primus Books

### PhD Thesis Evaluation

- University of Delhi

### Foreword to Book/s

1. *Human Rights of Women in Pakistan* by Rajbir Singh (Amba International Publishers and Distributors, Faridabad).
2. *Sustainable Development in India: Progress and Transition*, J. V. Arun & A. Premkumar (Eds.) (Kalpaz Publications).
3. *Abolishing Caste System* by Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia.

### Samajik Vimarsh

1. Organised a workshop, in collaboration with G. B. Pant Social Science Institute, for promising Hindi writers in Social Sciences, 16–17 May 2022.
2. Translated an article on Planning Commission, written by Prof. Atul Sarma, for publication in *Samajik Vimarsh*, 2022.
3. Cleared backlog of heavy submissions of articles to *Samajik Vimarsh*.
4. Edited Special Issue of *Samajik Vimarsh* on ‘75 Years of Independence.’

### Organisation of Training Programmes

- One week training program on ‘Qualitative Methods in Social Sciences: Ethnography, Narratives and Social Stories,’ 28 November–2 December 2022.
- Two-day workshop on ‘Capacity Building for Resettlement and Rehabilitation of Project Displaced People,’ at India International Centre, New Delhi, 27–28 February 2023.

### Lecture/s Delivered

- Special Lecture on ‘MGNREGA to Phase-III Mid-Career Training Programme’ for IAS Officers at Lal Bahadur Shastri Academy of Administration, Mussoorie, on 27 December 2022.
- Special Lecture on ‘Socialism of Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia’ at the Dept. of Sociology, Lucknow University, on 23 March 2023.

### Membership/ Official Mission/s

1. Appointed by the Ministry of Rural Development to examine variations in utilization of MGNREGA fund across the states, especially the governance issue related to low utilization of funds by backward states
2. Member of the Governing Board, G B Pant Social Science Institute, Allahabad.
3. Member Administrative Committee, G B Pant Social Science Institute, Allahabad.

## DR. AKHIL ALHA

### Paper/s Presented

- **Title:** Agrarian Distress Induced Rural Transformation: A Study of Bundelkhand Region in Central India

**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of Indian Society of Labour Economics, Rajeev Gandhi University, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh.

**Date:** 1–3 March 2023

- **Title:** Persistent Social Inequalities and Their Impact on the Ownership of Private Enterprises in India With a Particular Focus on Scheduled Caste Entrepreneurship

**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on ‘Frontiers in Discourse Studies,’ Shanghai University, China [Online].

**Date:** 24 September 2022

## DR. SUSMITA MITRA

### Article/s

- Mitra, Susmita, Mishra, Sudipta Kumar, & Abhay, Rajesh Kumar. (2023). ‘Out-of-School Girls in India: A Study of Socioeconomic-Spatial Disparities,’ *GeoJournal* 88(1), pp. 341–357.
- Nanda, Nitya, and Mitra, Susmita. (2023). ‘Environment and Sustainable Development in South Asia,’ *The Routledge Handbook of South Asia* (pp. 276–292). Routledge India.

### Lecture/s Delivered/ Paper/s Presented

- **Title:** System Dynamics: How Engineers Can Play a Big Role in Social Development  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Civil Engineering Dept., G. D. Goenka University.  
**Date:** 8 December 2022
- **Title:** Literature Review through Memory Mapping  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Qualitative Methods in Social Sciences: Ethnography, Narratives and Social Stories Workshop, CSD, New Delhi.  
**Date:** 1 December 2022
- **Title:** Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Children in Four States  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** TATA Trusts Research and Implementation Team Across India [Online].  
Date: 17 November 2022 (with Dr. Poornima M. & Ms. Ramandeep Kaur)
- **Title:** Effects of Natural Disasters on Children’s Health, Education and Protection  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Research and Implementation Teams of TATA Trusts and CFI-India [Online]  
**Date:** 27 November 2022
- **Title:** Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Children in Four States  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** DDML Hall, CSD, New Delhi  
**Date:** 26 May 2022 (with Dr. Poornima M.)



### ***Social Change***

- Cleared backlog of book reviews and started the system of monthly tracking of Book Reviews update for the *Social Change* editorial team.
- Worked in the team to organise the *Social Change* Annual Lecture (2023).

## **DR. ANKITA GOYAL**

### **Article/s**

‘Access to Institutional Credit by Farmers in Eastern India’ [with Dr. T. Haque], *Journal of Asian Development Research* [Online Publication].

### **Media Article/s**

Sharma, Nivedita, and Goyal, Ankita. (2022, May 28). ‘How Absence of Govt. Procurement Agencies is Shrinking Delhi’s Agrarian Economy,’ *The Wire*. <https://thewire.in/agriculture/how-absence-of-govt-procurement-agencies-is-shrinking-delhis-agrarian-economy>

### **Presentation/s**

**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Conference to share 2<sup>nd</sup> year findings of the Concurrent Evaluation of the Implementation of NFSA, Phase II, organised by Dept. of Food and Public Distribution, Govt. of India.

**Date:** 22 December 2022

### **Other Academic Activities**

Participated as a Resource Person at the Concurrent Evaluation of the Implementation of NFSA in Haryana and Delhi, done in the districts Jind, Panipat, Sonapat, and Kaithal of Haryana and Central Delhi, of Delhi NCR.

## **DR. NIVEDITA SHARMA**

### **Non-CSD Publications**

### **Article/s**

- Sharma, Nivedita, & Goyal, Ankita. (2022). ‘How Absence of Govt. Procurement Agencies is Shrinking Delhi’s Agrarian Economy,’ *The Wire*. <https://thewire.in/agriculture/how-absence-of-govt-procurement-agencies-is-shrinking-delhis-agrarian-economy>
- Sharma, Nivedita, & Singh, Gurpreet. (2022). Contract Farming is Yet to Make a Mark in Punjab: Here is Why,’ *Down to Earth*. <https://www.downtoearth.org.in/blog/agriculture/contract-farming-is-yet-to-make-a-mark-in-punjab-here-is-why-83454>
- Sharma, Nivedita, & Singh, Gurpreet. (2023, May). What Does Cluster Development Programme Mean to India’s Small Farmers?,’ *Down to Earth*.

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/test/blog/what-does-cluster-development-programme-mean-to-india-s-small-farmers--89281>

### Administrative Responsibilities

- Chairperson of Purchase Committee at CSD since October 2021.
- Faculty Member of Research and Publication Committee (RPC) at CSD since November 2022.

### Event/s Organised

Co-ordinated KfW Dissemination Workshop on ‘Status and Pathways for Portability of Cash and In-Kind Transfers in India,’ held in Hotel Claridges, New Delhi, on 5 December 2022.

## DR. POORNIMA M.

### Book Chapter/s

Pankaj, Ashok & M. Poornima. (2022). ‘Public versus Private Provisioning of Elementary Education in India: A Trend in Privatisation,’ in K. B. Saxena (Ed.), *Private Sector Participation in Public Services: Education* (pp. 102–126). New Delhi: Aakar Books.

### Others

- Kyra Global, AUE & CSD. (2023). *Global Conclave on Education 2023: Schools for the Future [Background Note]*, Dubai: Kyra Global & American University in the Emirates.
- M. Poornima, & Kaur, Ramandeep. (2023). *Global Conclave on Education 2023: Schools for the Future [Conclave Report]*. New Delhi: CSD.

### Event/s Organised

- Co-ordinated KfW Dissemination Workshop on ‘Status and Pathways for Portability of Cash and In-Kind Transfers in India,’ held in Hotel Claridges, New Delhi, on 5 December 2023 (with Dr. Akhil Alha, Ms. Ramandeep Kaur, and Ms. Jaya Nair).
- Co-ordinated a Global Conclave on ‘Education: Schools for the Future,’ in collaboration with Kyra Global, Dubai, UAE and American University in the Emirates, Dubai, UAE, held in Doubletree Hilton by M Square, Dubai on 19 January 2023 (with Prof. R. Govinda).

### Presentation/s

- **Title:** Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic On Children in Four States  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** TATA Trusts Research and Implementation Team Across India [Online].  
**Date:** 17 November 2022 (with Dr. Susmita Mitra & Ms. Ramandeep Kaur)
- **Title:** Schools For the Future: Conclave Programme  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Global Conclave on Schools for the Future, in Doubletree by Hilton M Square, Dubai, UAE, organised by

Kyra Global in association with American University in the Emirates, Dubai, and CSD, New Delhi.

**Date:** 19 January 2023

- **Title:** Impact Assessment of Assam State Initiative  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Presentation before CML-Tata Trusts Group of Employees during Entry Conference in CML Office, Goalpara, Assam.  
**Date:** 6 February 2023 (with Ms. Ramandeep Kaur, Ms. Jaya Nair, & Mr. Gitesh Sinha)

### **Ms. RAMANDEEP KAUR**

#### **Seminar Report**

M. Poornima, & Kaur, Ramandeep. (2023). *Global Conclave on Education 2023: Schools for the Future [Conclave Report]*. New Delhi: CSD.

#### **Event/s Organised**

- Co-ordinated KfW Dissemination Workshop on ‘Status and Pathways for Portability of Cash and In-Kind Transfers in India,’ held in Hotel Claridges, New Delhi, on 5 December 2023. Co-ordinated the Global Conclave on ‘Education: Schools for the Future,’ in Doubletree by Hilton M Square, Dubai, UAE, in collaboration with Kyra Global, Dubai, UAE, and in association with American University in the Emirates, Dubai, UAE, and CSD, New Delhi.

#### **Presentation/s**

- **Title:** Impact Assessment of Assam State Initiative (with Dr. Poornima M., Ms. Jaya Nair, & Mr. Gitesh Sinha)  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Presentation before CML-Tata Trusts Group of Employees during Entry Conference in CML Office, Goalpara, Assam.  
**Date:** 6 February 2023
- **Title:** Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Children in Four States  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** TATA Trusts Research and Implementation Team Across India [Online].  
**Date:** 17 November 2022 (with Dr. Poornima M. & Dr. Susmita Mitra)

### **Ms. JAYA LEKSHMI NAIR**

#### **Event/s Organised [As Co-coordinator]**

1. Dissemination cum Consultation Workshop for the project, ‘Status and Pathways for Portability in Cash and In-kind Transfers in India,’ on 5 December 2022, at Hotel Claridges, New Delhi.

2. A Training Workshop on ‘Right Based Approach to Development,’ at CSD, New Delhi, from 18–20 January 2023.
3. Training on ‘Qualitative Methods in Social Sciences: Ethnography, Narratives and Social Stories’ [A Joint Workshop of CSD and G. B. Pant Institute of Social Sciences, Allahabad], at CSD, New Delhi, from 28 November–2 December 2023.

## MR. SOURINDRA MOHAN GHOSH

### Paper/s Presented

- **Title:** Impact of Publicly Financed Health Insurances on Characteristics of In-Patient Treatments in India  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Shifting Narratives, University College London, University of Greenwich, Azim Premji University.  
**Date:** 29 June 2022  
**Venue:** London, U.K./Online
- **Title:** Undercurrents of Political and Scientific Logic Behind India’s Policy for Food Security  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Federalism & Public Health in India Conference, Thakur Family Foundation.  
**Date:** 23 April 2022  
**Venue:** Bangalore, Karnataka
- **Title:** Health and Social Protection for Workers: Estimating the Impact of Illness on Earnings in India  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** 62<sup>nd</sup> ISLE Annual Conference, Indian Society of Labour Economics and IIT Roorkee.  
**Date:** 12 April 2022

## DR. SURAJIT DEB

### Work at CSD

Submission of the full chapter of Social Development Index–2022 for inclusion in *Social Development Report 2022*.

### Journal Article/s

- ‘Indian Women’s Unpaid and Unrecognised Work: Results From Time Use Data,’ *Social Change*, 52(3), 2022, September.
- ‘Intimate Partner Violence and Help-Seeking Behavior in India,’ *Social Change*, 52(4), 2022, December.
- Nutritional Status in States of India, *Social Change*, 53(1), 2023, March.

### Seminars/Workshops Attended

- Organised and Chaired a session titled, ‘Understanding the Child Well-Being Impacts of the Pandemic’ [Session 3.1], on 24 August 2022, at the International Association for

Research in Income and Wealth (IARIW) 37<sup>th</sup> General Conference, held in Luxembourg, 22–26 August 2022.

- Presented a paper titled, ‘Some Observations on the Rising Self Employment in India, [Session 4B-1], on 24 August 24 2022, at the International Association for Research in Income and Wealth (IARIW) 37<sup>th</sup> General Conference, held in Luxembourg, 22–26 August 2022.
- Presented a paper titled, ‘Terms of Trade Inquiry for the Resource Rich Sub-Saharan African Countries,’ in the session Natural Resources [Concurrent Session 6B], on 12 November 2022, at the Tanzania National Bureau of Statistics (TNBS) Conference on ‘Measuring Income, Wealth and Well-Being in Africa,’ held in Arusha, Tanzania, 11–13 November 2022.
- Presented a paper titled, ‘Higher Education in India: Aspects of Access, Diversity and Social Inclusion,’ in Plenary Session 2, at the International Conference: Diversity and Inclusion in Higher Education,, organised by CPRHE (NIEPA) and British Council, 16–17 February 2023.

## **CSD–SRC Hyderabad**

### **PROF. SUJIT KUMAR MISHRA**

#### **Faculty Activities**

- Keynote Speaker, ‘Doing Qualitative Research in Social Science,’ in the Realpolitik Pedagogical Discussion, Sambalpur University, 5 June 2022.

#### **CSD Publications**

- ‘Overweight/ Obese Women in the Southern States of India’ (Co-Authors: Mohammad Sajid, & Soumya Vinayan), *CSD Statistical Bulletin* (No.1), 2022, August. Hyderabad: CSD.
- ‘Incidence of Child Marriage in South India’ (Co-Authors: Mohammad Sajid and Soumya Vinayan), *CSD Statistical Bulletin* (No. 02), 2022.

#### **Article/s**

- ‘Thenga Pali — Forest Vigilance and Traditional Customs’ (Co-Author: Soumya Vinayan), *Economic and Political Weekly*, LVII(24), pp. 73–74, 2022.
- ‘Submergence Lost Space in Kalira Atita’ (Co-Author: Mohanty, S), *Economic and Political Weekly*, LVII(6), pp. 71–72, 2022.
- ‘The Pandemic of Hunger: Testing Times in Bhoko’ (Co-Author: Sourav Mohanty), *Economic and Political Weekly*, 58(4), pp. 65–66, 2023.
- ‘Research During COVID-19: Precision Versus Indication’ (Co-Author: G. Anudeep), *Social Change*, 53(1), pp. 124–130, 2023.

#### **Magazine Article/s**



- ‘Nowhere to Go: How Exposure to Coal Dust has Impacted Lives in Odisha’s Mining Villages’ (Co-Authors: Prajna Paramita Mishra & Ch. Sravan), *Down to Earth*, , 2 January 2023.
- ‘Tribal Economy and Social Justice: Reflections on Adim Bichar, a Sambalpuri Film,’ *Smaranika*, pp. 133–135, 2023.

### Book Review/s

- Review of *Land and Livelihoods in Neoliberal India* (2020, Singapore: Palgrave Macmillan), Deepak K. Mishra and Pradeep Nayak (Eds.), *The Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, 2022. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s41027-022-00358-w>

### Seminar/Workshop/s Attended

- ‘Gender in the Indian Mining Sector: The Perpetual Curbing of Women Empowerment’ (with Prajna Paramita Mishra & Ch. Sravan Xavier), at the International Conference on Women 2022, International Relations Dept., Parahyangan Catholic University, Indonesia, 20–21 August 2022 [Virtual].
- ‘An Assessment of Nutritional Status and Health Outcomes in Telangana: Evidence from National Family Health Survey’ (with Mohammad Sajid), at the National Conference on Understanding and Addressing Food and Nutrition Security Issues Among the Vulnerable Groups: An Interdisciplinary Study in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, School of Economics, University of Hyderabad, 14 October 2022.

### Paper/s Presented

- **Title:** A Methodological Understanding of Research during COVID-19
- **Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Gitam Annual Conference of Economics 2022–23 on ‘Multi-Pronged Responses and Resilience to the Pandemic-Driven Crisis from Socio-Economic Spheres in the Indian Context’ held in Gitam University, Hyderabad, 24–25 November 2022.  
**Date:** 24–25 November 2022
- **Title:** Just transition: Incentivizing Women as Key Participants towards Carbon Neutrality  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** International Conference on ‘Justice in the Transition Away from Coal: Planning for a De-Carbonised India,’ IIIT Hyderabad, 11–12 January 2023.  
**Date:** 11–12 January 2023 (Co-Authors: Prajna Paramita Mishra & Chennuru Sravan)
- **Title:** Institutional Interventions for Maternal Care and Safe Motherhood in Telangana State: Status and Way Forward  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association.  
**Date:** 11–12 February (Co-Authors: L. Divya Jyothi, Mohammad Sajid & Langa Dolma Samuel)

### Seminar/Workshop/s Organised

- Online Research Methodology Course for PhD Scholars in Social Sciences, sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi [Under OH-31 Grant], 12–24 September 12-24 2022.
- Course Co-coordinator, Research Methodology Course, in collaboration with ICSSR Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad, 8–18 November 2022, at CSD, Hyderabad.
- Local Organizing Secretary, 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association, organised by CSD, Hyderabad, on 11–12 February, 2023.
- Convener, Two-Day National Seminar on ‘Listening to Freedom Fighters,’ 21–22 February 2023, sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi, CSD, Hyderabad.

### Newspaper Article/s

- ‘Age at Marriage in Odisha – A Data Point,’ *OrissaPost*, 2022, October 9.
- ‘March of Migrant Workers’ (Co-Author Gujjeti Anudeep), *Rewind Page, Telangana Today*, 2023, March 5.

### Lectures Delivered

1. **Title:** ‘Gender Sensitive Development for Achieving Socially Secured and Socially Just Villages’ (Targets–17, 18, & 25),’ in the Training of State Level Master Trainers Programmes on ‘Theme 7: Socially Secured & Socially Just Village’  
**Date:** 2 August 2022  
**Venue:** National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Hyderabad
2. **Title:** ‘Doing Qualitative Research in Social Science’ [Keynote Speaker], in the Realpolitik Pedagogical Discussion.  
**Date:** 5 June 2022  
**Venue:** Sambalpur University, Odisha
3. **Title:** ‘Conducting Field Survey: Some Experiences,’ in the Refresher Course on Research Methodology.  
**Date:** 21 May 2022  
**Venue:** Pondicherry University
4. **Title:** ‘Tribal and Gender Issues in Resettlement Projects,’ in the workshop on ‘Capacity Building for Resettlement and Rehabilitation of Project Displaced People in India.’  
**Date:** 27 February 2023  
**Venue:** CSD, New Delhi
5. **Title:** [Inaugural Address] in the Capacity Building Programme on

‘Quantitative Data Management and Analytical Writing in Labour Research.’

**Date:** 9 January 2023

**Venue:** CSD, Hyderabad [In Collaboration With V. V. Giri National Labour Institute, Noida]

### Other Academic Activities

1. Attended Short Duration Research Project Committee, at ICSSR–SRC Guest House, Osmania University, Hyderabad, 1 October 2022.
2. Subject Expert in the Selection Committee Meeting for the faculty promotions under Career Advancement Scheme (Dept. of Economics – Promotion of Teacher from Associate Professor to Professor) of Yogi Vemana University, Kadapa, 29 September 2022.
3. Subject Expert in the Training Quality Improvements Measures Committee of Workshop/Seminar/Training Programmes for Centre for Equity and Social Development, National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD & PR), 2 August 2022.
4. PhD Examiner of Mr. Tarun Shyam (11 July 2022), and Member of Board of Examiners for Open Viva-Voce Examinations (12 August 2022), School of Management Studies, Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT), Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
5. Attended the Board of Studies Meeting, Dept. of Economics, Yogi Vemana University, Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh, 2 July 2022.
6. Member of the Committee on Short Duration Research Projects and Publication of the ICSSR, Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad, 25 May 2022.
7. Resource Person, The Technical Quality Improvement Measures Committee for the TOT Programme on ‘Healthy Panchayat,’ sponsored by Dept. of Panchayati Raj, Govt. of Bihar, conducted by NIRD & PR, on 16 September 2022.
8. External Examiner for PhD Thesis (Review) of Ms. M. Sangeetha on her thesis titled, ‘Interlinkage of Labour and Credit Market in India: Case Study of Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh,’ Centre for Study of Regional Development, JNU, New Delhi (17 November 2022).
9. Appointed as a Member of Programme Committee of the ICSSR, Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad for a period of 2 years on 9 January 2023.
10. External Examiner for PhD Thesis (Review) of Mr. Vipindas P. on his thesis titled, ‘Livelihood Changes and Health Status of Paniyan of Wayanad,’ Dept. of Rural and Tribal Sociology, Kannur University, Wayanad, 14 January 2023.
11. Nominated by ICSSR, New Delhi as an Expert to evaluate the Research Projects (Major and Minor) received for the year 2022–23 (23–25 January, 2023).
12. External Examiner for PhD Thesis (Review and Viva) of Mr. Basheer, K. K. on his thesis titled, ‘Adaptation Practices to Climate Change by Paddy Farmers: A Study of Wayanad and Palakkad Districts in Kerala,’ School of Economics, University of Hyderabad (30 January 2023).

13. Attended the Programme Committee Meeting of ICSSR–SRC, held on 15 February 2023 at ICSSR–SRC, Osmania University Campus, Hyderabad.
14. External Examiner for PhD Thesis (Review and Viva) of Mr. Prasanta Moharaj on his thesis titled, ‘Vulnerability to Climate Change Induced Drought and Sustainable Livelihoods: A Study of Farm Households in Three Villages of Balangir District, Odisha,’ Dept. of Sociology, University of Hyderabad (10 March 2023).
15. External Examiner for PhD Thesis (Review and Viva) of Ms. Surabhi Sethi on her thesis titled, ‘Technology-Enabled Blended Learning: The Changing Canvas of Higher Education in Post-Covid India,’ Dept. of Humanities and Social Sciences, Malaviya National Institute of Technology Jaipur (23 March 2023).

## PROF. SUNNY JOSE

### Journal Article/s

‘EWS Quota: A Policy Against Evidence’ (Co-Author/s: Reddy A. et al.), *Social Change*, 53(1), pp. 117–123, 2023.

### Media Article/s

- ‘EWS Are Well Represented in Higher Education,’ *The Hindu*, 2022, November 30.
- ‘A Village By the Sea,’ *The Indian Express*, 2022, October 8.
- ‘Is TN’s Breakfast Scheme Populist or Pertinent?,’ *The Hindu*, 2022, October 4.
- ‘The Way to End Child Marriage’ (Co-Author: Mohd. Imran Khan), *The Hindu*, 2022, June 15.

### Lectures Delivered

1.     **Title:**     Human Right to Food and Nutrition Security  
          **Date:**     24 June 2022  
          **Venue:**  National Human Rights Commission of India
  
2.     **Title:**     The Impact of Covid-19 On Education: A Case Study of Urban  
                           Telangana  
          **Date:**     15 March 2023  
          **Venue:**  Madras Institute of Development Studies

### Other Academic Activities

Chaired a session on ‘Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition,’ in 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Telangana Economic Association (TEA), organised by CSD, Hyderabad, 11–12 February 2023.

### **CSD Publications**

‘Incidence of Child Marriage in South India’ (Co-Authors: Mohammad Sajid & Sujit Kumar Mishra) (No. 02), *CSD Statistical Bulletin*, 2022..

### **Non-CSD Publications**

#### **Journal Article/s**

- ‘Travails of a Handloom Weaver: Mallesham and Technological Innovation,’ *Economic and Political Weekly*, 57(41), pp. 64–65, 2022.
- ‘Institutional Strengthening of Farmer Producer Organizations and Empowerment of Small Farmers in India: Evidence from a Case study in Maharashtra’ [Co-Author], *Millennial Asia*, [First Published] 2022, June 29. <https://doi.org/10.1177%2F09763996221098216>
- ‘Thenga Pali: Forest Vigilance and Traditional Customs’ [Co-Author: Sujit Kumar Mishra], *Economic and Political Weekly*, 57(24), pp. 73–74, 2022.

#### **CSD-Bulletin**

Overweight/ Obese Women in the Southern States of India’ (Co-Authors: Sajid, M & Sujit Kumar Mishra), *CSD Statistical Bulletin* (No.1), 2022, August. Hyderabad: CSD.

#### **Paper/s Presented**

- Presented a co-authored paper titled, ‘Farmer Collectives in the Era of Pandemic: Evidence From Two Horticultural Hubs of Gujarat, India’ [Online], at the ASFS/AFHVS Conference – Cultivating Connections, organised by University of Georgia, Athens, USA, 18–21 May 2022.
- Presented a paper titled, ‘Covid-19 and Online Education’ (24 November 2022), at the GITAM Annual Conference on Economics 2022–23, organised by GITAM School of Humanities and Social Sciences, in collaboration with CSD, Hyderabad, 23–24 November 2022.
- Presented a co-authored paper titled, ‘Rural Public Health Systems During Covid-19 — A Policy Perspective,’ in the 7th Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association (TEA), held at CSD, Hyderabad, 10–11 February 2023.

#### **Seminar/Workshop/Conference/s Attended**

- Co-authored a paper titled, ‘A SWOT Analysis of the GI Registered Agricultural Products from India — Evidence from Select Case Studies’ [Presented by Prof. N. Lalitha], at ‘Worldwide Perspectives on Geographical Indications: An International Conference for Researchers, Policymakers and Practitioners,’ organised by CIRAD at Montpellier, France, 5–8 July 2022.



### Seminar/Workshop/s Organised

- Online workshop on ‘Sustainable Development Goals and Disability,’ sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi [Under OH-31 Grant], from 13–15 July 2022.
- Online Research Methodology Course for PhD Scholars in Social Sciences, sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi [Under OH-31 Grant], from 12–24 September 2022.

### Other Academic Activities

- Panellist, Learning Workshop on ‘Life Skill Education for Adolescents With Disabilities,’ organised by Kalinga School of Social Sciences, Bhubaneswar, and UNFPA, at Bhubaneswar, 17 August 2022.
- External Expert, Committee for JRF to SRF Conversion of PhD student, Ms. Iswarya J. Priya, Dept. of Liberal Arts, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Hyderabad, 18 August 2022.
- Panellist in the Book Discussion on *A Haunting Tragedy: Gender, Caste and Class in 1866 Famine in Orissa*, organised in CSD, Hyderabad, in February 2023.
- Co-Coordinator, Online Research Methodology Workshop, sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi, organised by CSD, Hyderabad, 12–23 September 2022.
- Co-ordinator, Online Workshop on ‘Sustainable Development Goals and Disability,’ sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi, organised by CSD, Hyderabad, 13–15 July 2022.
- Supervised Intern, Ms. Annanya Sardar (Birla Global University, Noida) from 26 July to 25 August 2022.
- Co-Coordinator, Research Methodology Course for PhD Scholars in Social Sciences, sponsored by ICSSR-Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad, organised by CSD, Hyderabad, from 8–18 November 2022.
- Reviewer, SN Applied Sciences. d

### Lecture/s Delivered

- Title:** Geographical Indications and Biodiversity [Online] (for the participants of the Contact Class of Diploma in Technology Management in Agriculture).  
**Date:** 24 January 2023  
**Venue:** National Academy of Agricultural Research and Management (NAARM), Hyderabad, 23–25 January 2023.
- Title:** Sustainable Development Goals and Disability: Covid-19, Online Education and Children with Disabilities  
**Date:** 23 November 2022  
**Venue:** Weekly Seminar Series at the Department of Liberal Arts, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Hyderabad.
- Title:** IPR and Livelihoods: Geographical Indications of India  
**Date:** 17 September 2022  
**Venue:** Online National Webinar, organised by IQAC & Research Committee,

## **DR. SUNKARI SATYAM**

### **Book Chapter/s**

- 'Panchayat Elections and Political Communication: A Study from Gram Panchayats of Telangana State,' in Yatindra Singh Sisodia, Pratip Chattopadhyay (Eds.), *Political Communication in Contemporary India: Locating Democracy and Governance*, 2022. New Delhi: Routledge India.
- 'Inter-State Water Disputes: Andhra Pradesh and Telangana,' in A. Dubey (Ed.), *Sustainable Climate Action and Water Management*, 2022. Springer.

### **Paper/s Presented**

- Presented a paper on 'Challenges and Prospects of Rural Entrepreneurship: A Pragmatic Policy Discourse, National Virtual Conference on Revving Up the Rural Non-Farm Economy: Potential and Strategies,' organised by Gujarat Institute of Development Research, Ahmedabad, 14–15 October 2022.
- Presented a paper titled, 'Rural Public Health System: A Study in the State of Telangana,' at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association, organised by CSD–SRC, Hyderabad, on 12 February 2023.
- Presented a paper titled, 'Oral Narration of Unpenning Marginal Heroes of Independence Struggle of India,' at a Two-Day National Seminar on 'Listening To the Freedom Fighters,' sponsored by the ICSSR, New Delhi, and organised by CSD, Hyderabad, on 21 February 2023.

### **Working Paper/s**

- 'Covid-19 and Its Impact Rural Livelihoods and Health in India,' CSD, Hyderabad, August 2022.

### **Lecture/s Delivered**

- 'Development Interventions for Addressing Challenges of Rural Lives' (27 May 2022), COVA Peace Network, Summer Activism Program, Birla Open Minds International School, Hyderabad, 20 May–2 June 2022.
- 'Understanding Chenchu Children's Schooling from Nallamala Forest Area: Methods in Constructing a Narrative' (16 September 2022), an Online Research Methodology Course for Research Scholars, sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi, CSD, Hyderabad, 12–24 September 2022.
- 'Anticipating Dispossession: Construction of a Narrative,' Research Methodology Course for Research Scholars in Social Sciences, jointly organised by CSD, Hyderabad and ICSSR–SRC, Hyderabad, on 15 November 2022.
- 'Field Research — Importance and Techniques in Social Science Research' (17 January 2023), Research Methodology Course for PhD Scholars in Social Sciences on

- ‘Application of Innovative Tools and Techniques for Qualitative and Quantitative Research,’ organised by Institute of Public Enterprise, Hyderabad, 16–27 January 2023.
- ‘Ethnography — Importance and Techniques in Social Science Research’ (17 January 2023), Research Methodology Course for PhD Scholars in Social Sciences on ‘Application of Innovative Tools and Techniques for Qualitative and Quantitative Research,’ organised by Institute of Public Enterprise, Hyderabad, 16–27 January 2023.
- ‘Introduction to Basic Methods of Social Science,’ as part of the ‘Compassionate Citizenship Program,’ COVA Peace Network, in Collaboration with SCERT (Telangana State), organised at Charminar Girls-I School, Chandrayangutta, Hyderabad, on 7 January 2023.
- ‘Introduction to Basic Methods of Social Science,’ as part of the ‘Compassionate Citizenship Program,’ COVA Peace Network, in collaboration with SCERT (Telangana State), organised at Venkatrao Memorial High Schol, Laldarwaza, Hyderabad, on 20 January 2023.

### Other Academic Activities

- Represented CSD in the Pre-Conference Symposium organised by Telangana Economic Association, in collaboration with Palamuru University, Mahbubnagar, 23 October 2022.
- The paper titled, ‘Agricultural Produces, Marketing and Supportive Mechanism: A Study in Aspirational Districts of Telangana,’ published in the *Indian Journal of Agricultural Marketing* (UGC Care and National Institute of Agricultural Sciences (NAAS) with Score 4.04), was catalogued in the website of the US Dept. of Agriculture [<https://pubag.nal.usda.gov/catalog/7428690>].

### DR. P. RAGHUPATHI

**Title:** Land Alienation and Restoration in the Agency Region: A Reality Check  
**Date:** 13–15 June 2022  
**Venue:** Indian Association of Social Sciences Institutions (IASSI) 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference, organised by the Indira Gandhi Institute for Development Research (IGIDR), Mumbai.

### DR. SIVAKUMAR DANYASI

- **Paper/s Presented** Presented a paper, titled ‘Trends in Labour Force during 2011–12 to 2019–20: A Focus On the Youth and Skill Gap in Telangana,’ National Seminar at SPIESR, an ICSSR Institute, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, 7–8 July 2022.
- Presented a paper, titled ‘Trends in Rural Non-Farm Employment and Wages in Telangana During 2004–05 to 2020–21,’ at National Conference at GIDR, an ICSSR Institute, Gujarat, 14–15 October 2022.

- Presented a paper, titled ‘Youth Employment and Unemployment in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh During 2004–05 to 2020–21: A Focus On the Skill Gap,’ at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association, organised by CSD–SRC, Hyderabad, on 12 February 2023.

### **Lecture/s Delivered**

‘Reading Data on Disability,’ in an online workshop on ‘Sustainable Development Goals and Disability,’ organised by CSD, Hyderabad, on 14 July 2022.

## **DR. RAJKUMAR KATTULA**

### **Book Chapter/s**

‘Anthropological Reflections on Challenges in Communicating Policies: A Case of Special Component Plan,’ in N. Sudhakar Rao & A. Sinha (Eds.), *Culture, Communication and India’s Development*, Concept Publishing Company Pvt. Ltd., 2022.

### **Working Paper/s**

‘Understanding the Layered Effects of Covid-19: A Study on the Unorganized Workforce in Telangana (Preliminary Findings)’ (WP No. 003/2022), , CSD, Hyderabad, 2022, May.

### **Seminar/Workshop/Conference/s Attended**

Presented a paper titled, ‘Understanding the Multi-Layered Effect of Covid-19 Among Scheduled Caste Workers in Unorganized Sector in Telangana’ (24 November 2022), at the GITAM Annual Conference on Economics 2022–23, organised by GITAM School of Humanities and Social Sciences, in collaboration with CSD, Hyderabad, 23–24 November 2022.

### **Lecture/s Delivered**

‘Covid-19 Impact on Livelihood in Telangana,’ in a workshop conducted by Centre for Wage Employment and Livelihood, NIRD&PR, 18 October 2022.

### **Other Academic Activities**

- Co-coordinator for the forthcoming National Workshop on ‘Rehabilitation and Resettlement: Policy and Practice.’
- Co-ordinated the first consultation meeting related to the upcoming National Workshop on ‘Rehabilitation and Resettlement: Policy and Practices.’
- Submitted a Report on the National Workshop, ‘Researching Everyday Lives,’ to CSD, Hyderabad, for review.

**Journal Article/s**

‘Cultural Ecologies of Urban Lakes: The Bathukamma Festival, Caste Associations, and Resource Claims in Hyderabad’ [Co-Authored Paper], *Economic and Political Weekly*, 58(8), 2023, February 25.

**Working Paper/s**

‘Protection of Lakes Through Placemaking Efforts in the Urban Space: Case Studies of Lakes Rejuvenated (Beautified) Under Mission Kakatiya Program of Telangana State’ (WP No. 001/2022), CSD, Hyderabad, 2022, May.

**Seminar/Workshop/s Attended**

- Presented a paper titled, ‘Caste and Urban Political Ecology,’ at South Asia Center, University of Pennsylvania, USA, 27 March 2023.
- Presented a paper titled, ‘Cultural Ecologies of Urban Lakes: The Bathukamma Festival, Caste Associations, and Resource Claims in Hyderabad,’ at Denver, Colorado, USA, 25 March 2023.
- Presented a paper titled ‘Scars of Covid-19 on Place-Specific Livelihoods at Beautified Lakes of Saroornagar and Durgamcheruvu, Hyderabad’ at GITAM University, Hyderabad, 25 November 2022.

**Other Academic Activities**

- Participated in a Consultation Workshop, ‘Stakeholder Consultation on Child Labour and Wages in the Hybrid Vegetable Seed Production,’ organised by Arisa, BASF, Syngenta, Glocal Research and MV Foundations, on 18 October 2022.
- Represented CSD in the Pre-Conference Symposium organised by Telangana Economic Association (TEA) in collaboration with Palamuru University, Mahbubnagar, on 23 October 2022.

**Awards/Honours**

Received a grant from South Asia Center, University of Pennsylvania, to present a paper titled, ‘Cultural Ecologies of Urban Lakes: The Bathukamma Festival, Caste Associations and Resource Claims in Hyderabad,’ in the Annual Conference of American Association of Geographers, in Denver, Colorado, USA, 23–27 March 2023.

**Publications –Working Paper/s**

- ‘Role of Social, Economic and Cultural Capital and Aspirations Towards Education: A Study of Muslims in Telangana’ (WP No. 002/2022) (2022, May), CSD, Hyderabad.

## **D. SUNDER RAJ**

### **Other Academic Activities**

- Coordinated and carried out the fieldwork along with fellow Research Associates Mr. B. Srinivasa Reddy and Mr. D. Sammaiah, for the project titled, ‘Child Under-Nutrition in Telangana: An Assessment on the Efficacy of Nutrition Schemes,’ during March–April 2022, in Jogulamba Gadwal and Korambheem Asifabad districts of Telangana.
- Co-ordinated and carried out the fieldwork along with fellow Research Associates Mr. B. Srinivasa Reddy and Mr. D. Sammaiah, for the project titled, ‘State-Led Empowerment or Employment? A Study of Female Bus Conductors in Telangana,’ during April 2022 in 16 urban and rural bus depots. The rural bus depots are Mahabubnagar, Sangareddy, Nalgonda, Vikarabad, Nirmal, Khammam, Godavarikhani, Kamareddy, Hanamkonda and Warangal-II, and the urban bus depots are BHEL, Kukatpally, Raigunj-II, Dilsukhnagar, Mehdiapatnam, and Uppal.
- Co-ordinated and carried out the fieldwork along with fellow Research Associate Mr. B. Srinivasa Reddy, for the project titled, ‘Evaluation of Start-Up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) Blocks in the State of Telangana — Amangal, Etunagaram and Narayankhed,’ during October–December 2022, in Ranga Reddy, Mulugu, and Sanga Reddy districts of Telangana.
- Co-ordinated and carried out the fieldwork along with fellow Research Associate Mr. B. Srinivasa Reddy, for the project titled, ‘Evaluation of Start-Up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) Blocks in the State of Telangana —Chandrugonda, Bijinepally, Makthal, and Devarakonda,’ during January–March 2023 in Badhradri-Kothagudem, Nagar Kurnool, Narayanpet, and Nalgonda districts of Telangana.

## **LANKA DIVYA JYOTHI**

### **Other Academic Activities**

- Part of RMC as a Resource Person, Mentor for Health Group Research Methodology Course, from 12–23 September 2022, sponsored by ICSSR, held at CSD, Hyderabad.
- Prepared a ‘Statistical Bulletin on Incidence of Hyper Glycemia Among Adults in Southern States.’

## **ANUDEEP GUJJETI**

### **Article/s**

- ‘Rewind: March of the Migrants’ (with Sujit Kumar Mishra), Telangana Today, 2023, March 5. <https://telanganatoday.com/rewind-march-of-migrant-workers>
- ‘Research During COVID-19: Precision Versus Indication’ (with Sujit Kumar Mishra), *Social Change* 53(1), pp. 124–130, 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00490857221143334>
- **Book Chapter/s**



‘From Look East to Act East: Emerging Dynamics,’ *India and the New World: Through the Eyes of Young Scholars* (2022). Bengaluru: InSc Publishing House (IPH).

### **Paper/s Presented**

- **Title:** A Methodological Understanding of Research during COVID-19  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** GITAM Annual Conference on Economics 2022-23 organised by GITAM School of Humanities and Social Sciences in collaboration with CSD, Hyderabad, 23–24 November 2022.  
**Date:** 24 November 2022
- **Title:** Indo-Japan Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific Region: A Shift in India's Security Strategy  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh [Online Presentation]  
**Date:** 28 February 2023

### **Seminar/Workshop/s Organised**

Co-Coordinator, Two-Day National Seminar on ‘Listening to Freedom Fighters,’ sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi, and CSD, Hyderabad, 21–22 February 2023.

### **Lectures Delivered**

- ‘Referencing Styles: Use of Software’ (16 September 2022), in the Online Research Methodology Course organised by Council for Social Development, Hyderabad, 12–23 September 2022.
- Delivered a lecture titled, ‘Referencing and Use of Zotero Software: A Hands-On Experience’ at the Dept. of Anthropology, University of Hyderabad, on 6 January 2023.
- Delivered a lecture titled, ‘Citing Your Sources: Why Referencing Matters in Research and How to Make It Easier With Zotero.’

### **Other Academic Activities**

- Resident, Indo-Pacific Circle Chennai Residency (23–27 July 2022), Council for Strategic and Defence Research (CSDR) and Centre for Policy Research (CPR) funded by CPR and US Consulate General Chennai, India.
- Co-ordinator, ‘Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav – Har Ghar Tiranga,’ elocution competition for 8th, 9th and 10th standard students of Adarsh Vidyalaya High School, Rajendranagar, on 11 August 2022, on the theme ‘Freedom @75.’
- Represented CSD in the Pre-Conference Symposium organised by Telangana Economic Association in collaboration with Palamuru University, Mahbubnagar, 23 October 2022.

## **MOHAMMAD SAJID**

### **Paper/s Presented**

- **Title:** An Assessment of Nutritional Status and Health Outcomes in Telangana: Evidence from National Family Health Survey

**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** National Conference on Understanding and Addressing Food and Nutrition Security Issues Among the Vulnerable Groups: An Interdisciplinary Study in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, School of Economics, University of Hyderabad.

**Date:** 14 October 2022 (with Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra)

- **Title:** Empirical Reflections on Unheard Voices of the Women Sanitation Workers  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** GITAM Annual Conference on Economics 2022–23, organised by GITAM School of Humanities and Social Sciences in collaboration with CSD, Hyderabad, 23–24 November 2022.  
**Date:** 24 November 2022
- **Title:** Institutional Interventions for Maternal Care and Safe Motherhood in Telangana State: Status and Way Forward  
**Conference/Seminar/Workshop/FDP & Organising Institution/s:** Seventh Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association, organised by CSD–SRC, Hyderabad.  
**Date:** 12 February 2023 (Co-Author)

### **Seminar/Workshop/s Attended**

- Attended Five-Day Online International Workshop on ‘Researching Labour Migration in South Asia: Data, Methods and Theories’ from 13–17 December 2022, organised by the South Asia Center for Labour Mobility and Migrants, under the aegis of International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai, India.
- Attended a workshop on ‘Quantitative Data Management and Analytical Writing in Labour Research,’ organised by the V. V. Giri National Labour Institute (VVGNI), Noida in collaboration with CSD, Hyderabad, held during 9–13 January 2023.

### **Statistical Compendium**

Statistical Compendium for Planning Dept., Govt. of Telangana on *Demographic and Health Status in Telangana at a Glance: Evidence from National Family Health Survey* (2022), Hyderabad: CSD.

### **CSD – Bulletin**

- ‘Statistical Bulletin on Overweight/ Obese Women in the Southern States of India’ (CSD Bulletin No. 1) (Co-Authors: Dr. Soumya Vinayan & Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra). (2022). Hyderabad: CSD.
- ‘Statistical Bulletin on Incidence of Child Marriage in South India,’ (CSD Bulletin No. 2) (Co-Authors: Dr. Soumya Vinayan & Prof. Sujit Kumar Mishra). (2022, December). Hyderabad: CSD.

### **Lecture/s Delivered**

- Invited as Resource Person in online workshop, Three-Day Online Workshop on ‘Sustainable Development Goals and Disability,’ organised by CSD, 13–15 July.
- Delivered a lecture on data visualisation at the Ten-Days Workshop on Research Methodology Course, sponsored by ICSSR and organised by CSD Hyderabad, on 21 September 2022.
- Participatory budgeting at GHSS Chandryangurtta, TMRIES Bahadurpura Boys-1, TMRIES Charminar Boys-1, 24 December 2022.
- Participatory budgeting at Venkat Rao Memorial School and TMRIES Charminar Girl-1 and TMRIES Charminar Girl-2 , TMRIES Bahadurpura Boys-2, 31 December 2022.
- Participatory budgeting at Oshin High School and New Model High School, 7 January 2023.
- Participatory budgeting at St. Mark’s Boys Town High School, Polaris Interactive School, 19 January 2023.
- Delivered a lecture on ‘Basics of Excel and Data Visualization’ for Masters students at the School of Livelihoods and Development, TISS Hyderabad off-campus, on 21st January 2023.

### **Other Academic Activities**

- Conducted elocution competition programme titled, ‘Har Ghar Tiranga’ at Adarsh Vidyalaya Higher Secondary School, Hyderabad, on 12 August 2022.
- Mentored PhD scholars for their Paper Clinic during the Online Research Methodology Course for PhD Scholars in Social Sciences, sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi from 12–23 September 2022, organised by CSD, Hyderabad.
- Team Member, preparation of a Statistical Bulletin on ‘Age at Marriage in the Southern States of India.’
- Represented CSD in the Pre-Conference Symposium organised by Telangana Economic Association in collaboration with Palamuru University, Mahbubnagar, 23 October 2022.
- Assisted and supervised PhD scholar in conducting field study during Ten-Days Workshop on Research Methodology Course for Research Scholars in Social Sciences, from 8–18 November 2022.
- Conducted elocution and debate on the birth anniversary of Bhagawan Birsa Munda, celebrated as ‘Janajatiya Gourav Diwas’ for college students in Govt. Degree & P.G. College for Women, Hyderabad, on 15 November 2022.

## **DHURGAM SAMMAIAH**

### **Other Academic Activities**

- Carried out fieldwork for ‘State-Led Empowerment or Employment: A Study of Female Bus Conductors in Telangana,’ conducted by CSD–SRC, Hyderabad, during March and April 2022.
- Carried out fieldwork for ‘Jobless Openings: The Expansion of Open Cast Coal Mining at the Expose of Rural Livelihood in the Godavari Village of Telangana State,’

conducted by International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Hyderabad, during June 2022.

## **KALPANA CHOWDARY KOLLI**

### **Other Academic Activities**

- Associated with the Research Methodology Courses, 12–23 September 2022, and 8–18 November 2022.
- Associated with the Seventh Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association, 10–11 February 2023.
- Involved in the one-week fieldwork during SVEP-II in 7 villages of Chandrugonda block, Khammam district, with providing training to field enumerators, supervising the fieldwork, entering, scrutinising, and cleaning the data, and analysis.
- Associated with the National Seminar on ‘Listening to the Freedom Fighters,’ under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, 21–22 February 2023.

## **DR. MD. WASIM AKHTAR**

### **Journal Article/s**

‘Impact of Green Marketing on Market Performance in Rural India.’ *Australian Business Deans Council* (ABDC) [“B” listed journal], 2023, January 3.

### **Media Article/s**

- ‘Socio-Economic Status of Rickshaw Puller After E-Rickshaw,’ *Sanmarg* [Hindi newspaper, Patna], 2022, October, 21.
- ‘NEP 2020: Importance of Higher Education in Mother Language,’ *Qaumi Tanzeem* [Urdu newspaper, Patna] and *Rahnuma-E-Deccan*, Hyderabad, 2022, October 24.
- [‘Situation of Footpath Vendors in Chhatt Puja for Livelihood’] (Translated Title), *Qaumi Tanzeem* (Patna), 2022, November 1.
- ‘Maulana Abul Kalam Azad’s Views on Education in Mother Language,’ *Qaumi Tanzeem* (Patna) and *Rahnuma-E-Deccan* (Hyderabad), 2022, November 11.
- ‘Agro-Technology Empowering Ecosystem of Indian Farmers,’ *Sanmarg* (Patna), 2022, November 11.
- ‘Feature and Future of e-Commerce in Rural India,’ *Qaumi Tanzeem* (Patna), 2022, November 26.
- ‘Features and Future of e-commerce in Rural Areas,’ *Sanmarg* (Patna), 2022, December 4.
- ‘Agricultural Reforms and Opportunities in Bihar,’ *Qaumi Tanzeem* (Patna), 2022, December 18.
- ‘Strawberry Cultivation From California to Karichak Village,’ *Qaumi Tanzeem* (Patna), 2023, January 14.
- ‘Towards Economic Growth and Financial Stability: Promoting Digital Payments,’ *Qaumi Tanzeem* (Patna), 2023, February 4.
- ‘Future of Agritech 2023,’ *Sanmarg* (Patna), 2023, February 10.

- ‘Hyderabadi Haleem: Flavorful and a Profitable Business,’ *Qaumi Tanzeem* (Patna), , 2023, March 28.

### **Lecture/s Delivered**

Invited as Guest Speaker on the topic ‘Summer Internship Project,’ organised by School of Commerce and Management of GHRU, Saikheda, M.P. on WEBEX, 25 June 2022.

### **Seminars/Workshops Attended**

- Presented a paper titled, ‘Impact of NEP 2020 in Higher Education in India,’ at the National Conference on Challenges for Quality Teacher Education in Present Scenario in the Context of NEP 2020,’ 11–12 December 2022, at Millia Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed B.Ed. Teacher’s Training College, Purnea, Bihar.

### **Other Academic Activities**

- Attended the ‘Shaping Young Minds Programme,’ conducted by All India Management Association (AIMA) in collaborations with Local Management Associations, at Hyderabad, on 26 August 2022.
- Institution Representation on TOLIC-2 held in National Fisheries Development Board, chaired by Director General, NIRD & PR on 21 October 2022.
- Associated with the Research Methodology Courses, 12–23 September 2022 and 8–18 November 2022.
- Associated with the Seventh Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association, 10–11 February 2023.
- Involved in the one-week fieldwork during SVEP-II in 7 villages of Chandrugonda block, Khammam district, with providing training to field enumerators, supervising the fieldwork, entering, scrutinising, and cleaning the data, and analysis.
- Associated with the National Seminar on ‘Listening to the Freedom Fighters,’ under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, 21–22 February 2023.

### **LANGA DOLMA SAMUEL**

- Associated with the project on ‘Sustainable Development Goals and Child Well-being in Telangana’ (Department of Planning, Govt. of Telangana).
- Represented CSD in the Pre-Conference Symposium, organised by Telangana Economic Association, in collaboration with Palamuru University, Mahbubnagar, 23 October, 2022.

### **Seminar/Conference/s Attended**

- Presented a paper on ‘Scars of Covid-19 on Place-Specific Livelihoods at Beautified Lakes of Saroornagar and Durgamcheruvu, Hyderabad’ (24 November 2022) at the GITAM Annual Conference on Economics 2022–23, organised by GITAM School of Humanities and Social Sciences, in collaboration with CSD, Hyderabad (23–24 November 2022).

- Presented a co-authored paper, titled ‘Institutional Interventions for Maternal Care and Safe Motherhood In Telangana State: Status and Way Forward,’ at the Seventh Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association, organised by CSD–SRC, Hyderabad, on 12 February 2023.

### **Other Academic Activities**

- Rapporteur, 7th Annual Conference of Telangana Economic Association (11–12 February 2023), hosted by CSD, Hyderabad, on ‘Theme 3: Maternal–Child Health Nutrition.’
- Rapporteur, National Seminar on ‘Listening To Freedom Fighters’ (21–22 February 2023), organised by CSD, Hyderabad.
- Mentored PhD scholars for their Paper Clinic during the Online Research Methodology Course for PhD Scholars in Social Sciences, sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi (12–23 September 2022), organised by CSD, Hyderabad.
- Assisted and supervised PhD scholar in conducting field study during the 10 days workshop on Research Methodology Course for Research Scholars in Social Sciences (8–18 November 2022).
- Conducted elocution and debate on the birth anniversary of Bhagawan Birsa Munda, celebrated as ‘Janajatiya Gourav Diwas,’ for college students in Government Degree & P.G. College for Women, Hyderabad on 15 November 2022.
- Conducted elocution competition programme titled, ‘Har Ghar Tiranga’ at Adarsh Vidyalaya Higher Secondary School, Hyderabad, on 12 August 2022.



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## **AUDITOR’S REPORT – 2022–23**



## **Independent Auditor's Report**

**To The General Body  
Council for Social Development**

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Council for Social Development** which comprise the Balance Sheet as at March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023, the Statement of Income and Expenditure and the Receipts & Payment Account for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information in which are incorporated the financial statements of Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad for the year ended on the date audited by the branch auditor (hereinafter referred to as "financial statements").

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the accompanying financial statements of the Council, have been prepared in accordance with the applicable Laws, in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the other accounting principles generally accepted in India.

- a) in the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Council as at March 31, 2023;
- b) in the case of the Statement of Income & Expenditure Account, of the surplus for the year ended on that date; and
- c) in the case, of the Receipts/ Payment Account for the year ended on that date, the receipts & payments shown therein.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs). Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the organization in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provisions of the applicable law, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management of the Council is responsible for the preparation of these financial statements in accordance with applicable Laws and for such control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statement that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.





In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the entity or to cease operation, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the entity's financial reporting process.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error and to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

### **Other matter**

We did not audit the financial statements of southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad included in the financial statements of the council whose financial statements reflects total assets of Rs. 13,68,18,852 as at 31 March 2023 and total revenue of Rs.3,73,78,482 for the year ended as on that date, considered in the financial statements. The financial statements of Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad have been audited by the branch auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion in so far as it relates to the amounts and disclosures included in respect of Council, is based solely on the report of such branch auditors.

### **Report on other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

We further reported that:-


- a. we have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- b. in our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Council so far as it appears from our examination of those books and proper returns adequate for the purpose of audit have been received from the Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad not visited by us.
- c. The report on the accounts of Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad audited by the branch auditors have been sent to us and have been properly dealt with by us in preparing our report.
- d. the Balance Sheet and the Statement of Income and Expenditure and the Receipts & Payment Account, dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account and the return received from Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad not visited by us.



e. in our opinion, the aforesaid financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards to the extent applicable.

For Thakur, Vaidyanath Aiyar & Co.  
Chartered Accountants

FRN: 000038N



(M.P. Thakur)  
Partner  
M. No. : 052473

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# COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT- DELHI

Sangha Rachana, 53, Lodi Estate, New Delhi - 110003

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2023

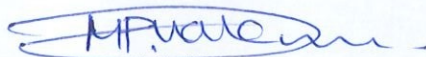
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	Schedule	As at 31-Mar-23	As at 31-Mar-22
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
CORPUS FUND- HYDERABAD	1	10,00,03,172.31	5,52,35,474.31
RESEARCH CORPUS FUND- HYDERABAD	2	1,60,17,291.91	1,16,57,021.02
GENERAL FUND	3	4,63,75,147.77	4,73,48,285.50
FIXED ASSETS FUND	4A	71,75,999.01	81,39,934.01
UNUTILISED GRANTS	5	40,69,403.18	86,75,217.72
EARMARKED FUND	6A	1,01,70,700.27	67,48,615.67
CURRENT LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS	6B	3,02,62,743.30	3,12,00,799.70
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>21,40,74,457.75</b>	<b>16,90,05,348.31</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
FIXED ASSETS			
- Owned Fund	4B	1,66,93,842.97	1,65,75,110.97
Less: Depreciation		1,02,09,361.31	95,27,115.31
		64,84,481.66	70,47,995.66
- Grant Fund	4A	71,75,999.01	81,39,934.01
		1,36,60,480.67	1,51,87,929.67
INVESTMENTS	7		
- Corpus Fund (Hyderabad)		10,00,00,000.31	4,46,45,343.75
- Other Fund		5,57,17,382.28	6,21,62,525.71
CURRENT ASSETS	8		
- Accrued Interest		24,08,376.00	24,05,136.00
- Receivables			
- Grants in Aid		59,41,207.62	59,17,718.12
- Others		4,02,790.34	3,81,384.90
- Cash & Bank Balances		3,21,58,374.89	2,83,48,440.61
LOANS & ADVANCES			
-Advances Recoverables		21,36,270.21	22,88,042.18
- Tax Deducted at Source (TDS)		16,49,575.43	23,49,235.43
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>21,40,74,457.75</b>	<b>16,36,85,756.37</b>
Significant Accounting Policies and Notes on Accounts	20		

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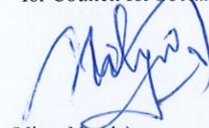
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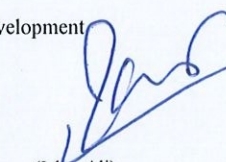
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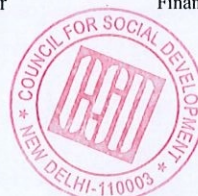
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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2023**

(Amt in Rs.)

INCOME	Schedule	For the Year Ended 31-Mar-23			For the Year Ended 31-Mar-2022		
		General Account	Projects Grants Account	Total	General Account	Projects Grants Account	Total
<b>REVENUE</b>							
Grants in Aid	9	2,90,43,466.00	2,26,16,848.52	5,16,60,314.52	2,81,66,318.60	1,79,78,262.14	4,61,44,580.74
Interest Income	10	38,58,418.95	38,25,410.00	76,83,828.95	37,74,291.33	38,89,970.00	76,64,261.33
Rental Income	11	2,95,06,886.40	-	2,95,06,886.40	2,90,85,385.60	-	2,90,85,385.60
Contribution for Training and Workshop		2,56,495.00	-	2,56,495.00	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
Royalty		4,61,810.34	-	4,61,810.34	4,81,641.02	-	4,81,641.02
Miscellaneous Income	12	79,978.70	-	79,978.70	46,241.00	-	46,241.00
		<b>6,32,07,055.39</b>	<b>2,64,42,258.52</b>	<b>8,96,49,313.91</b>	<b>6,15,55,877.55</b>	<b>2,18,68,232.14</b>	<b>8,34,24,109.69</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>							
Salaries, Allowances and Employee Benefits	13	3,62,98,693.00	1,34,83,266.35	4,97,81,959.35	3,34,28,089.27	1,38,89,355.00	4,73,17,444.27
Programme, Research & Publication Expense	14	1,10,48,019.00	1,27,89,359.08	2,38,37,378.08	1,05,48,575.10	78,07,082.00	1,83,55,657.10
Repair & Maintenance	15	5,90,172.00	-	5,90,172.00	6,10,024.00	71,480.00	6,81,504.00
Office Expenses and Hired Services	16	32,79,485.87	1,42,461.09	34,21,946.96	28,54,636.30	59,476.00	29,14,112.30
Rates & Taxes	17	65,06,581.00	-	65,06,581.00	64,64,431.00	-	64,64,431.00
Other Expenses	18	11,91,223.63	27,172.00	12,18,395.63	8,48,848.00	40,839.00	8,89,687.00
Depreciation	19	6,82,246.00	-	6,82,246.00	6,87,286.00	-	6,87,286.00
Fixed Assets Purchased from Core Grant		2,82,767.00	-	2,82,767.00	14,45,453.00	-	14,45,453.00
		<b>5,98,79,187.50</b>	<b>2,64,42,258.52</b>	<b>8,63,21,446.02</b>	<b>5,68,87,342.67</b>	<b>2,18,68,232.00</b>	<b>7,87,55,574.67</b>
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year		<b>33,27,867.89</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>33,27,867.89</b>	<b>46,68,534.88</b>	<b>0.14</b>	<b>46,68,535.02</b>
Amount appropriated to :							
- SRC Hyderabad - Research Development Fund		43,60,270.89	-	43,60,270.89	41,75,633.00	-	41,75,633.00
- SRC Hyderabad - RBI corpus Fund							
- General Fund (Delhi)		(10,32,403.00)	-	(10,32,403.00)	4,92,901.88	0.14	4,92,902.02
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6,32,07,055.39</b>	<b>2,64,42,258.52</b>	<b>8,96,49,313.91</b>	<b>6,15,55,877.55</b>	<b>2,18,68,232.14</b>	<b>8,34,24,109.69</b>
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