

Significant events for the month of October, 2015

A) Under the project 'Bio-Cultural Diversity, Environment & Sustainable Development', the following activities/ fieldworks were undertaken.

Some researchers completed fieldwork at Kapileswar village of Odisha. 3rd phase fieldwork on Nicobarese of Chowra Island has been completed at Andaman & Nicobar Regional Centre and report writing is in progress. Report writing on Ghagara village is in progress.

B) Under the project 'Manpower Training', the following activities were undertaken.

1. One scientific officer of this Survey attended a meeting on Strengthening/Revamping of Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs) held at NITI Aayog, New Delhi on 29.10.2015.
2. The Survey deputed two research personnel to participate in the national workshop on Conservation of Ethnographic Specimens conducted by the Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya (IGRMS), Bhopal from 27th to 29th October, 2015.
3. Two research personnel of this Survey participated in the Vivekananda Memorial Programme for Museum Excellence at the Art Institute of Chicago, USA held from 28th September, 2015 to 14th October, 2015.

C) Under the project, 'People of India: Bio-cultural Adaptations, Genetics, Health and Family Study', the following activities were undertaken.

1. The Survey organised Health Screening and Awareness Camp among the Dubla of Daman (Union Territory of Damnan & Diu) for 5 days w.e.f. 8th October, 2015.
2. The Survey organised Health Awareness Camp in Bhunjia Tribe (PTG) from 6th to 8th October, 2015 at Gariyabandh District, Vill-Bhujiapara (Khushushiya)(camp No.1), Mahua Bhata (Camp No.2) and Indagaon (Camp No.3), Chhattisgarh.

D) Under the project 'Documentation & Dissemination', the following activities were undertaken.

One officer of this Survey visited Kapileswar Village, Bhubaneswar, Odisha as well Puri and Raghurajpur, Odisha w.e.f. 5th October, 2015 for five days to supervise the team of research personnel conducting fieldwork at the aforesaid areas to settle the schedule of the pending part of documentation work of Nabakalebar Ceremony.

E) Activities of the Zonal Anthropological Museum (ZAM) :

Mr. Heera Lal Samariya, IAS, Additional Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Labour & Employment (L&E) visited the ZAM of Andaman & Nicobar Regional Centre.