

Significant events for the month of April, 2017

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

Two research personnel are engaged for completion of the reports on Jarud village of Maharashtra and Biroti village of Madhya Pradesh. Final report on the Nicobarese of Chowra island is under process.

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

- 1) The Survey organized its 25th Executive Committee Meeting at its Andaman & Nicobar Regional Centre, Port Blair on 24th & 25th April, 2017 to discuss on various matters related to the Survey's plan projects/MoU etc.
- 2) The Survey organized a meeting at its Head Office, Kolkata on 6th & 7th April, 2017 for discussion on new projects/components relating to Physical Anthropology for inclusion in the next Five Year Plan Period (2017-2022) wherein most of the research personnel of this Survey in the Physical Anthropology Division participated.

C) Under the project, 'Biosphere Reserve Study, the following activities were undertaken during this month.

Report writing of the project 'Biosphere Reserve Study of Great Nicobar' and Seshachalm in Andhra Pradesh are in progress.

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

The Survey undertook the documentation of the Kattunayakan (PVTG) temple festival at Nellipira, Nilgiris District of Tamil Nadu on 27th & 28th April, 2017.

E) Under the Collaborative Scheme the following activities were done during this month

1. One officer of this Survey participated in the National Seminar on 'Adaptation and Implementation of Paris Agreement : National Initiatives Towards Climate Change Mission' organized by the University of Delhi in collaboration with the Anthropological Survey of India on 21st & 22nd April, 2017.

2. Counseling and practical classes for the first & final year students of M.A. in Anthropology (MAAN) programme of IGNOU, New Delhi was conducted at the Southern Regional Centre, Mysore of this Survey.

F) Under the DNA Polymorphism on Contemporary Indian Population the following activities were done during this month.

1. DNA extraction of Male Kudiyas 114 sample, quality check and PCR works of repeat samples of Kota has been done;
2. Net work analysis of mt DNA sequences, Tabulation and MDS of Y-chromosome SNP data of 73 groups has been done.

G) The following activities were done during this month under 'Zonal Anthropological Museum (ZAM)'.

21 people visited the 'Zonal Anthropological Museum (ZAM)' at the Southern Regional Centre, Mysore of this Survey and about 15,337 tourists visited the ZAM of Andaman & Nicobar Regional Centre, Port Blair of this Survey.

H) Swachch Bharat Abhiyan Pakhwada :

The Survey organized the Swachch Bharat Abhiyan Pakhwada in the premises of Gol Museum, Shilpgram of its Western Regional Centre, Udaipur and in the Raghunathpura and Rebarion Ka Guda villages and also at its Eastern Regional Centre, Kolkata to impart the activities of the Swachch Bharat Abhiyan Pakhwada for the need of keeping their environment neat and clean through different dialogue at different level.