Significant events for the month of December, 2017

A) Under the 13th Plan project 'Development & Sustainability', (Under Activity No.1 of the approved MoU) the following activities/were undertaken during this month.

Fieldworks were conducted by the research personnel of this Survey in the following villages:-

- 1. Nehrai village of Jaisalmer, Rajasthan;
- 2. Saheb Nagar village of Khordah District of Orissa;
- 3. Abujhamarya community of Narayanpur District and Hill Korwa community of Balrampur, District Ramujganj, Jagdalpur;
- 4. 2nd phase tour to Neil Island has been completed;
- 5. 2nd phase of fieldwork has been conducted at Majuli island of Assam.
- 6. Fieldwork in the Coastal belt of North Goa, especially the Calangute Candolim area and at Panbari Barwani district of Madhya Pradesh have been completed respectively.
- B) Under Activity No.4 of the approved MoU under the project ,"Physical Growth and Development of Children in North East India the following activities were undertaken during this month.
 - 1st phase of fieldwork at the villages, namely (i) Barsigittim and Dobasipara of West Garo Hills District of Meghalaya has been conducted.
- C) (Under Activity No.22 only foreign visits as per MoU) for participation in the seminar/conference/training programme/meeting etc. the following activities were undertaken during this month.
 - 1. One officer of this Survey attended the meeting of the Union Public Service Commission Held at New Delhi on 21st December, 2017 for discussion of various issues relating to DPC, Deputation, Recruitment Rules etc.
 - 2. Officers of this Survey attended the Tribal Healers Workshop organized in collaboration with IGRMS, Bhopal held at Mysore from 10th to 14th December, 2017.
 - 3. One officer of this Survey participated in the National Seminar held at the Sub-Regional Centre, Jagdalpur from 21st to 23rd December, 2017 and also visited the same office for inspection of the construction of new office building.
 - 4. One researcher of this Survey participated and presented a paper on "The Persistence and Reflective of Tribal Narratives on Art and Craft: A Study Among the Particularly Vulnerable Tribes of Odisha" at Tribal Literature Festival, Bhopal from 14th to 16th December, 2017.
 - One researcher of this Survey deputed as a Rapporteur in connection with the State Level Training Programme on Child Care Institutions, Child Friendly Villages & Child Friendly Police Stations with all CCI,s Stackeholders of Andaman & Nicobar Islands organized by the Commission for Protection of Child Rights at Port Blair on 14th & 15th December, 2017.

D) (Activity No.11 of the approved MoU), Under Collaborative/Outreach Programme, the following activities were undertaken during this month.

- One researcher of this Survey participated in the 45th National Seminar on "Good Governance Issues and Challenges" organized by the Institute of Social Research & Applied Anthropology in collaboration with this Survey at Visva Vasu Complex, Bidisha from 7th to 8th December, 2017.
- 2) One officer and one researcher of this Survey participated in the workshop on "Bride Trafficking in the Garb of Marriage in North-West India" organized at Indian International Centre, New Delhi by Anthropological Survey of India in collaboration with Centre for Social Development on 15th December, 2017.
- 3) The Survey organized its 73rd Foundation Day on 1st December, 2017 where the Director of this Survey presided over the whole programme in presence of the outside dignitaries and former and present staffs of this Survey. Various cultural programme were staged on that day in a befitting matter.

E) (Under Activity No.23 of the approved MoU) For organizing National Seminar the following activities were undertaken during this month.

- 1) The Survey organized a National Seminar on "Tribal World of Verrier Elwin (1902-1964) at its Sub-Regional Centre, Jagdalpur from 21st to 23rd December, 2017 wherein number of dignitaries and scholars participated.
- 2) The Survey organized a National Seminar on "Discourses on Diversity, Identity and Integrity: Multi-Disciplinary Approaches towards Indian Society" at its Eastern Regional Centre, Kolkata from 6th to 8th December, 2017 in which scholars from various fields of social science participated and presented papers.

F) (Activity No.02 of the approved MoU), Under DNA Polymorphism on Indian Contemporary Populations the following activities were undertaken during this month.

Some research personnel of this Survey have completed their tour to Southern Regional Centre, Mysore of this Survey for further mtDNA sequencing of DNA Samples of Kolcha, Kotwalia, Asur, Juang and Pahari Korwa at DNA Laboratory.

G) Under Hindi Teaching Scheme:

A Hindi workshop was organized at the Central Regional Centre, Nagpur of this Survey on 12th December, 2017.

H) Zonal Anthropological Museum (ZAM)

- 1) "Worli Painting" has been displayed in the gallery of the Zonal Anthropological Museum (ZAM) of Central Regional Centre, Nagpur of this Survey. Number of Students from different schools and colleges visited the gallery.
- 2) Shri O.P. Singh, IPS, DG (CISF), Govt. of India visited the ZAM of Andaman & Nicobar Regional Centre, Port Blair of this Survey. During this month 21,369 tourists visited the ZAM at Port Blair.