

Significant events for the month of July, 2016

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

1st phase of fieldwork has been undertaken to Hill Korwa (P.T.G.) in Sarguja District of Chhattisgarh. A team has started for conducting final phase of fieldwork to Kapileswar village of Bhubaneswar, Odisha. Final report on Lingthem village of North Sikkim has been submitted. Preparation of final report on the Nicobarese of Chowra island is in progress. Revised reports on the following villages Jaurasi of Madhya Pradesh, Jamgod of Dewas District of Madhya Pradesh, Sahajapur have been submitted. Fieldwork have been conducted in Madagada village, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh. Report writing on Champakadu village is in progress. A Report on Village 'Hebbale' has been submitted.

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

1. One scientific officer of this Survey participated in the conference on 'Chronology of Indian Culture since beginning of Holocene through Scientific Evidence' held on 16th July, 2016 at CSOI, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi.
2. One senior scientific officer of this Survey participated in the meeting held on 25.07.2016 at the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA), Janpath, New Delhi and another review meeting held on 26.07.2016 in the Ministry of Culture, New Delhi.
3. One officer of this Survey participated in a meeting of the One-day National Workshop for the Nodal Media Officers of all organizations under the Ministry of Culture, New Delhi held on 1st July, 2016 at the Teen Murti Bhawan, New Delhi.
4. Three research personnel of this Survey participated in the seminar on 'Vivekananda Memorial Programme for Museum Excellence' organized by the National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi on 7th July, 2016.
5. Two research personnel of this Survey were nominated to attend the Capacity Building Training Programme held on 28th July, 2016 at Console Management Consultant Pvt. Ltd., Salt Lake, Kolkata under National Pension System (NPS).

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

1. A team of research personnel of this Survey is conducting 3rd & 4th phase of fieldwork to Bishnupur and adjacent areas of Panchmuda in Bankura district of West Bengal.
2. The Survey organized an out-reach programme among the local tribal communities of Riang village in Tripura from 1st to 7th July, 2016.
3. The Survey has taken up action for post production work on 'Making of Hukka Banam of the Santal Community of Purulia District of West Bengal.

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

Data analysis of the project Biosphere Reserve Study of Great Nicobar is in progress.

E) Under the project, 'Community Genetics and Health (Human Genetics Extension) the following activities were done during this month.

The following actions have been undertaken in the DNA lab :

1. Completed DNA extraction among the Kora tribal community of West Bengal for further analysis of sequence data.
2. A scientific paper titled 'Correlation Between Nutritional Status and Clinical Parameters Among Thalassaemia Patients – A Study of West Bengal' has been published in Human Biology Review, Vol : 5(3), 2016, under this programme.

F) Under the project 'DNA Polymorphism of Contemporary Indian Population the following activities were undertaken during this month.

1. A team of research personnel proceeded on tour to the Southern Regional Centre, Mysore of this Survey from 4th to 15th July, 2016 to complete and finalize the report and also to finalize two manuscripts on the studies of Y-SNP's and mtDNA, N-macro haplogroups of Indian Tribal Communities for impact publication under the above project.
2. The Y-chromosome and Mt DNA sequencing of Urali Kuruman tribe samples, repeats of phase-II samples is in progress.

G) Under the Collaborative Scheme the following activities were undertaken during this month.

Under the above scheme the Survey extended financial support to Dr. H.S. Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar for organizing a National Seminar on 'Anthropological Perspective : Contemporary Issues and Challenges' on 15th & 16th July, 2016 at Sagar.

H) Hindi Teaching Scheme:

One day Hindi Karyashala was organized at the Eastern Regional Centre, Kolkata and the Ranchi Field Station, Ranchi.

I) PUBLICATION:

A paper on 'Birhor : Primitive Tribal Group of Purulia district of West Bengal submitted by one researcher of this Survey was published in the book of 'PTGs in India' of this Survey.

L) Zonal Anthropological Museum (ZAM) :

"Shawl of Bhatra Tribes of Bastar" has been displayed in the Gallery of Zonal Anthropological Museum of Central Regional Centre, Nagpur of this Survey along with a film show and power point display in presence of outside visitors.