

Significant Events for the month of February, 2025

A. Activities :

- Research Personnel of Physical Anthropology Division of this Survey have completed fieldwork among the **following tribes** of Odisha under the National Project “**Gut Microbial Genomic Study among the PVTGs of India**”:
 - **Kutia Kondh**
 - **Juang**
- Research Personnel of Cultural Anthropology Division of this Survey have conducted fieldwork at Gujarat and Rajasthan under the National Project “**Transformative Changes in Rural India through Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM): A Social Impact Evaluation through Anthropological Lens**”.
- Research Personnel of Andaman & Nicobar Regional Centre, Sri Vijay Puram of this Survey were engaged in finalizing the concept note of the project the Regional Project “**Environmental Changes as recorded and experienced by the Onge Dugong Creek**”.
- Research Personnel of Cultural & Physical Anthropology Division of this Survey were engaged in data analysis and Report Writing under the following National Projects:
 - **Gut Microbial Genomic Study among the PVTGs of India**
 - **Rural Cattle Markets in India: An Anthropological Exploration of Economic, Social and Cultural Facts**
 - **Ethnic Groups in Inter-State Borders of Chhattisgarh, India: identities, Intra & Intra Ethnic Relationships & Developmental Concerns**
 - **Assessment of Health, Hygiene & Sanitation status of the Khasi in North-East India, with Special reference to Women & Children**
 - **1) Himalayan Border Villages: Impact Assessment of Vibrant Village Programme with Special Reference to Tourism Development**.
 - **2) Harnessing the Roots of Indian Civilisation: An Anthropological Study on Himalayan Border Areas**
 - **“Impact of Changing Agricultural Practices on Rural Health: A Study among the Tribal Farmers of Vidarbha Region of Maharashtra”**
- Head Office, Kolkata of this Survey conducted “**37th Executive Committee Meeting**” of the Anthropological Survey of India on 24th February, 2025 and the Heads of Offices and Drawing and Disbursing Officers from all the Regional Centres participated in the aforesaid programme.
- The meeting on “**Joint Physical Anthropological Review**” between Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Japan (MHLW), Japan delegates and Anthropological Survey of India, Government of India, Ministry of Culture on the project for recovery of the remains of Japanese War – Dead was held on 24th February, 2025, at survey’s Head Office, Kolkata of this Survey.
- The **Memorandum of Co-operation (MoC)** for the Storage and Repatriation of Remains between the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan and the Anthropological Survey of India, Ministry of Culture, was signed on 24th February 2025 at the Head Office, Kolkata of this Survey.
- Anthropological Survey of India has organized **Indian Anthropology Congress (IAC) 2025 on the focal theme “Envisioning Anthropology for Developed India”** from 21st to 23rd February, 2025 and in addition a **Pre-Congress Workshop** have also been organized from **18th to 20th February, 2025**, at its Head Office, Kolkata in collaboration with Indian National Confederation and Academy of Anthropologist (INCAA) and all the

staff members of all Regional Centres and Head Office participated in the aforesaid programme.

- Sub Regional Centre, Jagdalpur of this Survey has organized a photographic exhibition on the Prehistoric Rock Art Caves of Bastar Division of Chhattisgarh during Indian Anthropological Congress (IAC 2025) from 21st to 23rd February, 2025 at Head Office, Kolkata.
- A special screening of the documentary, “**An Epic Journey - Indian Anthropological Society (2016)**” directed by Dr. Nabakumar Duary, Assistant Anthropologist (Cultural) took place on 13.02.2025 in the Conference Hall of the North East Regional Centre Shillong of this Survey.
- On the occasion of **Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh**, a career Guidance Programme was organized by the Directorate of Tribal Welfare, A&N Administration at the Andaman & Nicobar Regional Centre, Sri Vijay Puram on 27th February, 2025.

B. ZAM related activities:

- Documentation and Digitization of Museum specimens of the Zonal Anthropological Museum, Nagpur is in progress. 529 (Five Hundred Twenty - Nine) visitors including school children visited the Zonal Anthropological Museum, Nagpur during this month of February, 2025.
- 7,857 visitors visited the Zonal Anthropological Museum at Port Blair during the month of February, 2025.