

## Significant Events for the Month of November, 2016

### (1) Project ‘Bio-Cultural Diversity, Environment & Sustainable Development (Village Study)’:-

(a) (i) One team consisting of four research personnel are on tour from 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 for a period of three weeks for conducting field work (2<sup>nd</sup> phase) at Biroti village of Khargone district, Madhya Pradesh.

(ii) Second team consisting of four research personnel are on tour from 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 for a period of three weeks for conducting field studies (2<sup>nd</sup> phase) at Jarud village of Beed District, Maharashtra.

(b) Language editing of village study reports by professional copy editor are in progress viz. (i) Gaon/Gunwadi Village, Pune, Maharashtra (ii) Jaurasi, Gwalior District, Madhya Pradesh (iii) Jamgod, Dewas District, Madhya Pradesh (iv) Sahajapur, Birbhum District, West Bengal.

(c) Subject editing and writing of introduction etc for volume on four Border Villages are in progress. One incomplete report was received.

### (2) Brief Report of Diamond Jubilee Seminar on ‘Agrarian Situation in India: Issues and Prospects’ and the photographic exhibition entitled ‘The Journey: Six Decades in Central India’:-

(a) A three day National Seminar on “Agrarian Situation in India: Issues and Prospects” was organized by the Anthropological Survey of India at its Central Regional Centre, CGO Complex Office, Nagpur from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2016. The seminar was attended by scholars from different parts of the country and a total of 34 papers were presented in 9 academic sessions including 9 invited lectures and two lectures on ‘Frontier of Anthropological Research in Central India’. Among these papers, 16 papers were presented by the scholars from Anthropological Survey of India including the scholars from Central Regional Centre, Nagpur.

The keynote address was delivered by Prof. Ajit Kumar Danda, Ex-Director, Anthropological Survey of India and Member Secretary, INCAA. The Guest of Honour was Smt. S.A. Bhojar, Deputy Director General, National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO), West Zone, Nagpur. The valedictory address was delivered by Dr. S.B. Chakrabarti, General Secretary, The Asiatic Society, Kolkata. **(Enclosed photographs)**



(b) A photographic exhibition entitled ‘The Journey: Six Decades in Central India’ for a period of 10 days from 22<sup>nd</sup> November to 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2016 was also organized during the occasion at Zonal Anthropological Museum of Central Regional Centre, Nagpur. The exhibition was inaugurated on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2016 and many eminent personalities in the field of Anthropology and Sociology attended the session and expressed their views. The exhibition received a very good response from the students and general public also. **(Enclosed photographs)**



The whole programme was well elaborately covered by the local English, Hindi and Marathi dailies.

### (3) Project ‘Community Genetics and Health (Human Genetics Extension Programme): Scheme –Human Genetics Extension Programme – Sickle Cell Anaemia and Thalassemia in Central India, Nagpur City, and Maharashtra’:-

Work done in the laboratory during the month of November, 2016 - (1) Blood samples collected in the laboratory (2) Capillary electrophoresis undertaken from the collected samples in the laboratory for identification of hemoglobin variants (3) DNA Isolation of the blood samples collected in the laboratory

### (4) ‘Documentation and Dissemination’:-

#### (a) Zonal Anthropological Museum:

Exhibit of the month “Wooden Plough” is displayed in the gallery for the visitors. Documentation and Digitization of museum specimens are in progress. 30 museum specimens have been chemically treated. Film shows and Power Point display were arranged for visitors and also for school and college students. The details of the number of visitors visited the ZAM during the month of November, 2016 are given below.

School Students	College Students	General Visitors	VIPs/Government Officials/ Foreigners etc	Total
705	405	510	10	1630

**(b) Library:-**

The details are given below regarding books and journals received, number of books returned and reissued, number of books and journals taken for reference and number of outside scholars and researchers and others consulted with the library during the month of November, 2016

Number of books received	Number of journals purchased	Number of books issued	Number of books returned	Number of books taken for day to day reference by the outside scholars and researchers in the reading room	Number of journals taken for day to day reference by the outside scholars and researchers in the reading room	Number of outside scholars and researchers and others consulted with the library
Nil	19	09	01	15	05	25

Library services were provided to the readers/users through internet also. Data entry of books and journals through Libsys were carried out.

**5. ATTENDED SEMINAR/WORKSHOP/TRAINING/MEETING ETC. BY THE RESEARCH PERSONNEL FROM CRC, NAGPUR:**

(i) Dr. Ratna Dhar, Head of Office of this regional centre went on tour to Jamshedpur, Jharkhand for the period from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 for participation in the film festival organized by Tata Steel Rural Development Society, in connection with the screening of documentary films produced by the Anthropological Survey of India.

(ii) Smt. Nandini Bhattacharya, R.A. (P), Shri Joy Das, RA(Bio-chemistry) and Shri C.S. Roy, RA(P) of this regional centre participated in the workshop on 'Application of Statistics in Anthropology' held from 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 at Eastern Regional Centre, Kolkata.

**6. OTHER ACTIVITIES**

'Constitution Day' was observed on 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2016. All the staff members attended and read the preamble to the Constitution on the said day.