

Significant Events for the Month of November, 2018

(i) Project ‘Anthropological Study on Nomadic, Semi-Nomadic & Denotified Communities’:

(a) Research personnels of three teams of this regional centre are engaged in writing the reports on the basis of the data collected during the 1st phase of fieldwork on Banchhada, Banjara and Sansi communities of Madhya Pradesh respectively.

(b) One of the team comprising of Sunumi Changmi, Asstt.Anth(C) and Ms.Anjali Singh,JRF visited Wardha district of Maharashtra for one day on 29/11/2018 for collecting information on Bhamta community.

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

Analysis of the positive samples for sickle cell anemia and thalassaemia collected in Nagpur city are going on.

(iii) ‘Documentation and Dissemination’:-

(a) Photographic and Video -graphic documentation:

Shri S.K.Shukla. Asstt. Keeper and Shri R.K. Mahato, R.A. (C) went on tour to Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh for pilot survey in the 3rd week November, 2018 for a period of four days in connection with the photographic and video-graphic documentation on ‘Kumbh Mahaparv - 2019’.

(b) Zonal Anthropological Museum:

Exhibit of the month “**Model of Bhil tribes of Jhabuwa (Madhya Pradesh)**” is displayed in the gallery for the visitors. Film shows and Power Point display were arranged for visitors and also for school and college students.1525 visitors visited the Zonal Anthropological Museum including School Students (220 Nos.) & College Students (135) and General Visitors (1170) during the month of November, 2018

(c) Library:

Total number of 42 journals and one book were added to the stock of the library during the month of November, 2018. 26 scholars including outside readers and researchers of this regional centre visited the library for consultation. Library services were provided to the readers/users through internet also. Data entry of books and journals through Libsys were carried out.

(iv) Brief Report of National Seminar on “Anthropology of Pilgrimage with special reference to Kumbha Mela” and the photographic exhibition entitled “Simhastha Mahakumbh, Ujjain-2016”:-

(a) Central Regional Centre, Nagpur of Anthropological Survey of India organised a one day seminar on ‘Anthropology of Pilgrimage with Special Reference to Kumbh Mela’ on 16th November, 2018 and ten days Exhibition on ‘Simhastha Maha Parv, Ujjain’. Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Maharashtra National University of Law, Nagpur, Prof Vijendra Kumar inaugurated the Seminar and the Exhibition. Director Anthropological Survey of India, Prof Vinay Kumar Srivastav delivered the Presidential address and assured that the agenda behind the seminar is not simply to exchange research outcomes but to evoke within us the ideas to design methodologies and take up research on Pilgrimage incorporating Anthropological ideas. Eminent experts like Prof D.P. Dubey, Prof , Department of Ancient History, Culture & Archaeology, University of Allahabad, Allahabad and Dr. Kapil Tiwari, Former Director, Adivasi Lok kala Parishad, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh enriched the audience with their experiences in a scientific manner. Young Scholars Dr. Sweta Tiwari, from Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari, Bihar and Dr. Karuna Shanker Pandey from Anthropological Survey of India, Dehradun added brilliance with their deliberation.

(b) A photographic exhibition entitled “Simhastha Mahakumbh, Ujjain-2016” for a period of 10 days from 16th to 25th November, 2018 was also organized during the occasion at Zonal Anthropological Museum of Central Regional Centre, Nagpur. The exhibition was inaugurated on 16th November, 2018 and many eminent personalities in the field of

Anthropology and Sociology attended the exhibition and expressed their views. The exhibition received a very good response from the students and general public also. Further, the exhibition is extended up to 5th December, 2018 as per demand of school and college students and general public.

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

(v) Seminar/Workshop attended

(i) Dr. Ratna Dhar, Suptdg. Anthropologist (Cultural) and Head of Office attended a meeting on 20th November, 2018 at Raman Science Centre and Planetarium, Nagpur in connection with the **8th Science Expo - 2019**.

(ii) Dr. B.P. Urade, Suptdg. Anthropologist (Physical) attended as a guest speaker at School of Life Sciences (Biotech), SRTM University, Nanded, Maharashtra on 29th November, 2018.

(vi) **'Qaumi Ekta Week'** was observed from 19th to 25th November, 2018. All the staff members have taken the pledge on 19th November 2018. A discussion was organized among the staff of CRC to express their views on Qaumi Ekta on the occasion.