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INTRODUCTION

The Centre for Social Studies (CSS) is an autonomous social science research institute. Founded by late Professor I.P. Desai in 1969, as the Centre for Regional Development Studies, CSS receives grants for its recurring and non-recurring expenditure from the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, and the Department of Higher and Technical Education, Government of Gujarat. Along with multi-disciplinary research, the Centre also provides guidance to Ph.D. students, organises training programmes and undertakes evaluations.

With Gujarat as its core research area, the Centre also carries out studies related to other parts of the country for purposes of comparative analysis and to help develop a pan-Indian perspective.

Research activities at the Centre are informed by a reflexive awareness of the social role of the researcher and the nature of social science research. Though the expression 'social science research' is of a relatively recent origin, the process of acquiring knowledge about society has a much longer and complex history. There have always been different approaches to the understanding of social reality and to the application of such knowledge to social transformation. For some, it has been an enterprise aimed at enabling the seeker of knowledge to transcend the social reality around him/her for personal salvation. Other analysts of social processes have claimed to be 'value free' even in their concern for an improved social order. In our view, researchers are always a part of the social reality and their concern must emanate from that reality. Their response cannot be only to try and change themselves in order to transcend the world within which they live. They have to understand society, identify what needs to be changed in it, and suggest ways of bringing about this change.

The primary concern of the Centre is to study the structure and processes of Indian society. At one level it generates primary data from field research; at another level it seeks theoretical formulations that would deepen our understanding of the Indian social reality and identify possibilities of and constraints in the building of a just, participatory and egalitarian social order. Without ignoring the essential dialectical interaction between theory and empirical observation, the normal methodological approach at the Centre is to move from a sound empirical base to more general propositions. As a result, the research here has concentrated on social and economic deprivation, social tension and integration with particular focus on development and planning processes. Even while members of the faculty pursue different studies, their individual endeavours are linked by a common normative orientation seeking to facilitate social change.

The Centre's faculty, though small in number, represents a variety of disciplines, such as sociology, economics, political science, human geography, computer science, history, anthropology and social work. Apart from teamwork among the faculty, collaborative studies with scholars from other institutions are also undertaken. The CSS is also currently planning to consolidate its initiatives in training teachers, researchers, policy makers, NGOs, social activists, etc.

The Centre makes available its specialized library, documentation, and data processing facilities to both individual and institutional users.

Centre's studies have been focused around the following research themes:

- a) Human Resource Development;
- b) Development, Displacement and Rehabilitation;
- c) Human Rights, Civil Society and Governance;
- d) Social and Religious Movements: Conflicts, Struggles and Violence;
- e) Social Impact Assessment of Development Programmes;
- f) Social Responsibilities of the Corporate Sector;
- g) Health Care Seeking Behaviour;
- h) Climate Change and Environment;
- i) Cultural Processes and Contemporary Societies.

I. NEW PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING THE YEAR

1. Development, Deprivation and Discontent: A Case Study of the Dangs: 1947-2009.

The study aims to understand and document the state forest policy, struggle over forest land by tribals, issues of religious conversion and state interventions after independence in the Dangs district of Gujarat. Dangs is a smallest district of Gujarat but is differentiated from its adjoining regions owing to its densely forested and hilly landscape. 92 percent inhabitants of this district are tribals, who depend mainly on the forest land for their economic survival. The relationship of the Dangs with forest has been the very basis of their culture, economy, religion and socio-political structure. This traditional dependence of tribals of Dangs district on forest, however, did not remain intact. Following the colonial as well as the Indian government's forest policy, they have been increasingly denied their rights over the use of forest. When they resisted they were brutally suppressed by the state. The corrupt tribal political leadership of the district gave up the core issues of ownership of land and natural resources for Dangs and helped the

Hindu fundamentalists to spread their influence in the district. Present study aims to capture these developments in Dangs after Independence.

The specific objectives of the study are:

- (i) To understand the development processes in post-independence Dangs with reference to the nature of politics that shaped the relationship of different stake holders vis-à-vis the natural habitat in the Dangs.
- (ii) To analyse the influence of changing state policies on the emergence of new constituents of stake holders at different point of time.
- (iii) To document the development processes and people's perception of the issues of equity, social justice and ownership of natural resources in the context of this process.

This study is financially supported by ICSSR, Delhi. Duration of the study is two years and will be completed in March 2012. Satyakam Joshi is the project director of this study.

2. Mining-induced Displacement in the Scheduled Areas of Orissa.

While development-induced displacement occurs throughout the world, two countries in particular – China and India – are responsible for a large portion of such displacements. In India, Orissa has the dubious distinction of being a high-displacement state. Notwithstanding the enormity of the problem, the country does not have an official database on them. A conservative sample (based on secondary data) arrived at a figure of 213 lakh displaced persons (DPs)/ project-affected persons (PAPs) of all the projects from 1951-1990 in the country (Fernandes and Asif 1997).

In Orissa, the total number of displaced from 1951 to 1995 being put at approximately 546,794 out of whom 325,000 are affected by dam projects alone. As for rehabilitation, Orissa has resettled 32 percent of its DPs from 1951-1995 (with similar figures for AP, Goa and W. Bengal being 27 percent, 42 percent and 25 percent respectively). In most cases, the quality of rehabilitation is poor. This record is not surprising, because around 40 percent of the victims are tribals, 20 percent Dalits and a similar number are from other poor and marginalised categories (Ibid.). In the current neo-liberal development strategy in the state, much more land is being acquired than in the past. For example, Orissa had acquired 40,000 ha for industries from 1951 to 1995 But 1,00,000 ha are now being acquired within a decade. Also the intensity of resistance movements against land acquisition for mega projects particularly in Scheduled areas of the state like in Keonjhar, Kasipur, Lanjigarh has grown simultaneously.

The study has the broad aim of elaborating on the costs of involuntary displacement on the tribals in the Fifth Scheduled areas of the state, which has borne the major brunt of the development burden. It, thereby seeks to contribute to a better understanding of the operation of the R and R Policy and of other specific protective and benefit-sharing mechanisms for the tribals in the Scheduled areas of the state.

The study has the following specific objectives:

- (i) To study the policy and institutional frameworks dealing with the resettlement and rehabilitation of and benefit sharing mechanisms for the mining project affected in the Scheduled areas of the state.
- (ii) To assess the economic, socio-cultural and ecological impacts of displacement on the project affected population and the region.
- (iii) To analyse the response patterns of the project proponents and the project-affected to anticipated and extant risks arising out of displacement and of the host communities to the resettlement of the displaced.

The study is conducted by Sthitpragyan Ray and is likely to be over by 2010-11.

3. Development in Post-Colonial India: Practices and Experiences of a “Tribal” Region

The proposed study aims at understanding the process of development in a specific “tribal” region, Attappady, in the Palakkad district of Kerala, South India, during the post-colonial period. Looking at the practices and experiences of “development” for the last fifty years, the focus of the study will be to trace discourses of development in the wider field of power. This way, it is proposed to explore fields of power engendered by discourses of development particularly highlighting the technologies of governance and the responses of those subjected to development. Based on this I hope to collate a historical and ethnographic account of the relation of “development modernity”, cultural dynamics of state and responses of communities. M. Suresh is carrying out the study. It is expected to be completed in December 2012.

II. ON GOING PROJECTS (Initiated before 2009-2010)

1. **Searching for Space in Globalisation Era: Fringe Sector Livelihood Earners in Urban Economy – The Case of Surat City (Gujarat state)**

The study aims to capture and unfold livelihood options available in the fringe sector of the urban economy. As the situation is unrolling, activities of organised sector have been making exit as more and more big industrial units are getting closed. Even otherwise secured employment is on decline. Advent of globalisation has intensified this marginalisation process of working people. These large masses of 'pushed out' people have to depend on multitudes of activities of fringe sector for their survival. Urban economy still provides host of activities for livelihood to the people in the sector which is amorphous in nature but nevertheless they give scope for sustenance to large masses. The study intends to investigate, apart from nature of activities, characteristics and conditions of the people who sustain on activities of this sector which we have termed as 'Fringe Sector.' The area of the study is Surat city and it intends to cover gamut of fringe sector activities in this highly industrialised city. The study has begun in March 2009 and will be completed by March 2011. Funded by ICSSR, New Delhi, this study is being carried out by Kiran Desai.

2. **Moments of Unproductive Expenditure: General Economy in the Social Life of Communities**

This study, informed by George Bataille's notion of "general economy", aims to examine the economies of two tribal communities – Mannans and Paliyans – residing on the Kerala side of the Western Ghats of Peninsular South India. Bataille re-conceptualized ritual and religious sacrifice, feast, gift, and festival that involve social consumption within the general economy. Acts of general economy are taken to be indicative of 'surrender of commodities without return', 'non-productive destruction', and 'luxurious squandering of energy' rather than growth. What is remarkable with regard to the Western Ghat communities is the role of the state – colonial and post-colonial. State as an agent of modernity and development is playing a major role in the re-formulation of community identity. Looking at the practices of kinship and ritual practices the focus of the study will be to understand the meaning and role of "unproductive expenditure" in the social life of community. This way, it is proposed to explore the heterogeneity of economies of the "tribal" communities when they get entangled in the contemporary market system. Based on this I hope to come with an ethnographic account of the relationship between state, market and social consumption. This study is being conducted by M. Suresh and is expected to be completed in June 2011.

3. Reproducing Marginality: State, Market and Community

The proposed study aims at understanding the process of marginalisation of tribal communities through the conservation of forest under the conditions of colonial and post-colonial governance. Looking at the practices of forest management and experiences of it by two communities – Mannans and Paliyans – residing on the Kerala side of the Western Ghats of Peninsular South India, the focus of the study will be to trace the genesis of social space of tribes in the field of market. In this way, this study propose to explore how modality of governance shapes the regulatory practices of economy and how it constraints the livelihood activities of marginal communities. Based on this the proposed study will produce an ethnographical and historical account of the relationship between market, state and community. M. Suresh is conducting this study and is expected to be completed in December 2010.

4. Municipal Service Delivery and Urban Local Governance: A Performance Appraisal by the Citizen of Surat, India

The present study seeks to ascertain the citizen's satisfaction with various municipal services, provided by the Surat Municipal Corporation (SMC). In the last two decades there has been a widespread practice of outsourcing in the delivery of various civic services. In terms of planning of municipal services, SMC provides them in two ways: either it may deliver them itself or it may have contract with a private player under public private partnership (PPP) model. To understand the mechanisms of the delivery of various municipal services and their coverage in the city, it is necessary to take into account the views and experiences of citizens, especially the poor, for whom public services have been actually designed. The study is based on the interviews of the citizens from various areas of the city. The study was designed to use both quantitative and qualitative information to capture citizen's feedback on the performance of the local government. This study reports the finding of 1515 adult residents (18 years and above) from each of the 102 randomly selected areas, consisting of 58 percent residential units from organized housing colonies and 42 percent from lower income areas including slum, chawl, Garib Awas, within a $\pm 5\%$ error parameter. A multi stage sampling method draws the sample households. An interview schedule was used to collect information from the respondents. The data collection was conducted between May 10th and June 25th, 2009.

The survey findings suggest that nearly 60% respondents are generally satisfied with the services like water, sanitation, SWM, public health and education provided by the civic body. The finding also shows that from among the fifteen services citizens have expressed their highest level of satisfaction with the quality

of the water and the lower level of satisfaction with the library and reading rooms. Although 44% of the respondents were dissatisfied with the basic amenities of the slum, while equal percentage of people were highly critical about the rehabilitation program basically for the slum dwellers. The respondents perceive that the level of services provided by the SMC, in the last five years have improved and also show their satisfaction with safe water (60% rated improved), SWM (58%), maintenance of Street Light (58.2%) and public road (55%). However the exception to this generalization appears to be the noise pollution, where almost 35% respondents either rated it worst or not improved in the last five years. The draft report is ready and likely to be submitted by May 10, 2010. This study is being conducted by Vimal Trivedi.

5. Social Networks and Health Care Seeking Behaviour of Community Living in Close Proximity of Poultry and at Risk of Bird Flu

Usually, “avian influenza” or “bird flu” refers to virus H5N1 found chiefly in birds, but infections can occur in humans. Confirmed cases of human infection have been reported since 1997. Most cases of avian influenza infection in humans have resulted from close contact with infected poultry. Till date 45 countries have reported confirmed cases of bird flu outbreaks out of which, 8 countries have confirmed H5N1 virus in human beings. Globally, a total of 184 human cases of [H5N1] have been reported out of which 108 people are reported to have died of the H5N1 virus strain pointing towards a high mortality rate. Since the virus has the ability to mutate, human-to-human transmission and global pandemic can't be ruled out. India experienced its first bird flu outbreak in February 2006 in and around the poultry towns of Navapur and Uchhal bordering the states of Gujarat and Maharashtra. Around 12.68 lakh birds were culled in these areas and poultry farms were ordered to be shut for three months.

In order to develop a reporting and surveillance system, the study aims to understand the health care seeking behaviour of the community living in close proximity with poultry. One such community is situated near CSS campus in *Bharthana* from where some people have been working with CSS since long and faculty members have good rapport. The study began in September 2008 and in the first phase all households in *Bharthana* community (n=134) have been surveyed for variables like socio-economics status (SES), social networks and kin ties, health care seeking behaviour, burden of health care expenditure as well as ownership of chickens, living proximity and chicken illness. In the second phase, we selected 40 households for detailed illness narratives on fever and respiratory illness, hospitalisation and mortality episodes. At present several papers are being planned out of the project for publication. The last phase of fieldwork will be conducted in mid 2010 and a revised budget for one year extension is being

worked on. Akash Acharya in collaboration with Ronald Barrett of Macalester College, Minnesota (USA) is carrying out the study which is being funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF).

6. Impact of "Two-Child Norm" in Scheduled Areas of Gujarat

In order to achieve the target of replacement level of fertility, many states in India have passed a law that debars elected representatives of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) as well as Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) from holding office if they have more than two children. This law is known as 'two-child norm' and states like Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Orissa have implemented this. The rationale given by the state is that elected representatives are seen as 'role models' by people and adoption of such a norm will create a positive 'demonstration effect' on society. However, earlier studies have shown that this law has been used by local elites in villages to settle political scores and majority of the victims are women and dalits. It is also interesting to note that this law is not applicable to MPs and MLAs. Looking to its anti-minority, anti-women and anti-weaker segments nature, some states have already withdrawn the law but from 4th August, 2006 Government of Gujarat has introduced this law and is now applicable in the state. The present study tried to evaluate the impact in Gujarat by taking two sample districts of Surat (Mandvi block) and Dangs where tribal population is predominant. All sitting elected representatives at all three levels of PRIs are being interviewed to know their level of awareness as well as perceptions about this new law. Case studies of 'disqualified' or 'victim' elected representatives have also been developed. The fieldwork for the project has been completed and the draft report has been submitted. To disseminate the findings from the study and debate this provision of two-child norm, a project workshop is being planned in mid 2010. Akash Acharya in collaboration with Rajesh Bhat of Western Indian Forum for Panchayati Raj (WIFPR) is carrying out the study. The study is likely to over by December 2010.

7. Experiences of City Life: Contemporary Surat and the Question of Belongingness

The proposed study aims to document the everyday life of Surat by focusing on the changing dynamics of localities and social composition. Looking at the changing landscape of the city and its social fabric in the last thirty years, the scope of the proposed study is further narrowed down by focusing on the narratives of belongingness in the urban context of Surat. It is proposed to explore the category of contemporary everyday urban experiences as a constellation of narratives of localities, events, public spaces and social relationships particularly highlighting the question of belongingness in the changing milieu of this city. The

core question asked is how does politics of belongingness shape the urban life in Surat in the last three decades. Focused on this question, the proposal is to produce a thick description of city life, its localities and people's perceptions of the dynamics of change in Surat. The broader question is how to approach this amorphous and less explored, but a heterogeneous field of urban experiences. Sadan Jha is the project director for which ICSSR is providing the financial support for one year. The study will be complete by 2011.

8. Contested Symbols: Genealogy of Indian National Flag and Spinning Wheel

This is an attempt to understand the politics that go into the making of various discourses and ways of looking at two symbols, The Indian National Flag and the Spinning Wheel. These two symbols do not merely act as an entry point to unearth meanings of political cultural practices but at moments of production of its various narratives they also become sites where claims on number of themes i.e. nationhood and citizenship are made and contested. A number of such events and processes are explored and analysed in a framework creatively using both macro as well as micro-historical perspectives. The focus, however, would be more on dispersed narratives, political debates and discursive constructs in the genealogy of these two political symbols. To achieve above mentioned objectives this study will draw its resources both from the field as well as from the archives. So far, three articles are published from this study and the work is in progress to publish a book for which an international publisher has agreed in principle. A tentative time frame for this research is two years (2008-2010). The study is being conducted by Sadan Jha for which ICHR has provided small grant to cover archival research within India.

9. A post Resettlement and Rehabilitation (R&R) study of Project Affected Families (PAFs) of Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra of Sardar Sarovar Project Resettled in Gujarat

The study aims at evaluating the Resettlement and Rehabilitation (R&R) package of the Sardar Sarovar Punarvasvat Agency (SSPA) Vadodara, to the PAFs of Madhya Pradesh (MP) and Maharashtra (MH) who are resettled in Gujarat. 5657 families from MP and 806 families from MH (Total 6463) are resettled in 203 villages of Gujarat. 20 percent of such families are taken as sample for the study, covering 133 villages in 32 Talukas of Vadodara, Kheda, Bharuch, Ahmedabad, Panchmahals, Narmada and Surat Districts. The study aims to assess the efforts made by the SSPA with reference to the aims and objectives of R&R by Narmada Water Disputes Tribunal (NWDT) on 13 parameters of development provided by the Narmada Control Authority (NCA). Interim reports are expected to be submitted in intervals of six months. First Six monthly Preliminary Report (draft)

has been submitted to SSPA. Till date 165 case studies of 46 new sites of Vadodara have been conducted. Out of that, 65 cases of 15 new sites have been examined. The trend report is accepted. Canvassing of Household Interview Schedule, case studies, village profile, other field related work and tabulation work is over. The final report writing is going on at present. Sponsored by the SSPA, the project is being conducted by Arjun Patel and is likely to be completed by the end of 2010.

10. Socio-Economic Condition of Rag pickers: A Case Study of Surat City

In our country, more than ninety per cent of the solid waste is disposed by land filling. The dumping sites are normally outskirts of cities or located in low lying areas, closer to the slums and squatter colonies. Due to this unscientific approach, a large number of children, youth and women from poor families engage in scavenging. Over the years, one can notice a significant growth in the population of rag pickers. The rag pickers emerge from low socioeconomic groups and live in poor conditions without state support. They are exposed to serious health hazards as the community containers contain biomedical waste and other hospital wastes. As per one estimate, in Surat city alone around 5000 rag pickers earn their livelihood through this activity. They earn between Rs.75 to Rs.200 a day. Their working conditions are miserable and risky. Many NGOs like Navsarjan in Surat, SEWA in Ahmedabad and Rupani trust in Rajkot are taking interest in rag pickers for the segregation process and the sale of waste for their livelihood. The rag pickers play a very important role in the segregation of waste. While the research study on evaluation of Door to Door Garbage Collection (DDGC) system of SMC was going on, this issue had emerged. The fieldwork is over and the report writing is in progress. The project got underway in April 2006 and is likely to be over by December 2010. Vimal Trivedi is carrying out this study.

11. Role of Gandhian Ideas and Constructive Activities in the Present Day Context of Gujarat

This study examines the role and activities of Gandhian institutions in Gujarat with reference to social transformation. Analysis of the component of communal harmony in their programmes and its impact especially with regard to recent communal holocaust in Gujarat is the focus. Mainly qualitative methods of personal interviews, visits to the organisations, focus group discussion as well as collection of information through secondary sources are being applied. The project began in June 2005. Draft report of the study has already been submitted. Sponsored by AMAN trust, New Delhi, this study is being conducted by Satyakam Joshi and Kiran Desai.

III. STUDIES COMPLETED DURING THE YEAR

1. Globalisation, Gujarat State and Welfare for Poor

The present study on Gujarat is part of a larger inquiry on ‘globalization and Indian State’. It focuses on the changing policy of federal states since 1991 towards social welfare programmes and their consequences for the poorer and vulnerable sections – small and marginal farmers, agriculture labourers, workers in informal sectors and dalits and adivasis. The study is aimed at trying to gauge the condition of poor in reference to welfare programmes before and after 1991. It has focused on the performance of the State government in three social sectors - labour, welfare and employment; health and education. The study is primarily based on secondary data-government reports, state budget documents, NSS data and other studies. Information was also gathered through interviews, personal visits and observations. Commenced in January 2006, this is a collaborative effort and is funded by the National Foundation for India, New Delhi. The study was headed by Ghanshyam Shah. Kiran Desai from Centre for Social Studies, Surat, and Hemantkumar Shah of the H.L. College of Arts and Commerce, Ahmedabad were co-partners in the project.

2. Learning to Live with Floods in Surat City

The study was taken up under the sponsorship of Asian Cities Climate Change Resilience Network (ACCCRN). The collaborators under this network are: Surat Municipal Corporation, South Gujarat Chamber of Commerce in India, Taru Leading Edge, and ISET. The broad objective of the Study is to suggest strategies and approaches required to make the City resilient and be able to prevent, mitigate and adapt to the floods and thus learn to live with the floods without appreciable losses. The study is coordinated by Dr.B. Devi Prasad, Director of CSS; Prof M.D. Desai, former Professor of Sardar Vallabhai patel National Institute of Technology (SVNIT) is the Consultant assisted by Dr. S.P.Ray, CSS and a group to experts from SVNIT, Surat and MSU, Vadodara. An analysis of the preliminary and secondary information pertaining to the factors influencing floods has revealed that the risk factors for flood proneness of Surat city are: variations in the intensities of rain fall received at the basin level of Tapi river, the nature of operation (manual) of Ukai dam releases, variations in the tidal wave levels because of Climate change – linked coastal erosion, land use and occupancy levels in the City, and the Hazira land occupancy. The study came up with an action plan to enable the city and its surrounding villages to learn to live with floods.

IV. MAJOR EVENTS

I.P. Desai Memorial Lecture

XXth I.P. Desai Memorial lecture was delivered by UGC Chairperson Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat on "On Social Exclusion Addressing Inter-Social Group, Graded and Multiple Group Inequalities through Inclusive Policy" on 30th May, 2009.

V. PUBLICATIONS

A. Publication by the Faculty

Akash Acharya

(with Paul McNamee) 'Assessing Gujarat's Chiranjeevi Scheme', *Economic and Political Weekly (EPW)*, 44 (48), pp.13-15, 2009.

'Access and Utilisation of Health Care Services in Urban Low-income Settlements in Surat', *VNSGU Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences*, 1(2), pp. 64-87, 2009.

Arjun Patel

'Issues of Dalit Conflict in Gujarat', *VNSGU Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences* (by Annual Publication), Vol. 1, Issue 2, July-December, 2009.

'Dalit Movement in Gujarat: Imitation to Transformation', in a book edited by Prof. Ram Puniyani, Mumbai (Forthcoming).

'Kanshiram and his Politics of Transformation', in *Arthat*, Centre for Social Studies, Surat (Forthcoming).

Special article on 'Hindu unequal social System and the criterion for the reservation: Re-looking the Reservation Debate', in *Arthat*, vol.27, No.3-4, July-Sept. & Oct.-Dec.2008.

'Politics of New Economic Policy: From Quit India to Well-come India', in a book (ed.) on 'Globalization: Trends & Appraisal, Kim Education Society, Kim, Surat (Forthcoming).

B. Devi Prasad

‘Families in Difficult Situations’, *The Indian Journal of Social Work*, 70(2), pp.189-217, 2009.

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‘Gender differentials in Aging in India and Andhra Pradesh: With Particular reference to Rural Context’, *Aging and Society – The Indian Journal of Gerontology* 18 (3-4), pp.48-63, 2008.

Kiran Desai

‘Vishaypravesh: Gujarati Diaspora Sambandhit Vidyakiya Vimarshma Alochanatmak Abhigamni Avashyakta’, *Arthat*, January-March and April-June, Vol.27, No.1-2, 2008.

‘Suratno Gang-rape: Ketlak Suchitartho’ (In Gujarati), *Nireekshak*, 1 August 2009.

‘Hind Swaraj:Prati-Adhuniktanu Tatvagyan ane Karyakram’, *Arthat* January-March, April-June, July-September and October-December 2009 (Special Issue on ‘Hind Swaraj’).

‘A Kaleidoscopic Panorama of Agrarian Struggles in Gujarat’, (Submitted for a volume to be edited by Ram Puniyani and Uday Mehta).

M. Suresh

Negotiating Placeness Tribal Communities in Western Ghats, Working Paper No. 9, Centre for Social Studies, Surat, September 2009.

Ratnawali

Rural Health Services At Cross Roads: Insights from Gujarat, Working paper No. 8, Centre for Social Studies, Surat, July 2009.

‘The Body in Constructions of Identity’, a book review *Living the Body: Embodiment, Womenhood and Identity in Contemporary India* by Meenakshi Thapan, Sage Publication, in *esocialsciences(eSS)* (http://www.esocialsciences.com/articles/displayArticles.asp?Article_ID=2352) January 2010.

‘Reproductive Health: Perception and Practices among Tribal Women of Gujarat’ in *Studies on Bio- Medical Anthropology* (ed.) by R. K.Mutatkar, Ajit K.Danda and Vikas Bhat, New Delhi: Aryan Book International, pp. 83-96, 2010.

Sadan Jha

Many Worlds of Dak Vachan: Proverbial Knowledge and the History of Rain and Weather, Working paper no.10, Centre for Social Studies, Surat, October 2009.

“Lahore Resolution” of 1940, *Milestone Documents in World History* (4 vols.) edited by Brian Bonhomme, Texas: Schlager, 2010.

‘Mahatma Gandhi’s Speech to the All India Congress Committee’ in 1942 in *Milestone Documents in World History* (4vols.) edited by Brian Bonhomme, Texas: Schlager, 2010.

‘The Constitution of India’ in *Milestone Documents in World History* (4vols.) edited by Brian Bonhomme, Texas, Schlager, 2010.

Satyakam Joshi

‘Tribals of Gujarat: Situation and Problems’ in *Naya Marg*, 1st May 2009 also published in *Adilok*, May-August, 2009.

“‘Hind Swaraj’: Daxin Gujarat Ma Vyapt Gandhi Vichar Adharit Sanstha Ona Sanderbhe Ek Nirikshan”. (Observation on Gandhian Organisations working in South Gujarat with reference to ‘Hind Swaraj’) *Arthat*, Vol. 28, No.1-4, December 2009.

(with Pralay Kanungo) ‘Carving out a white marble deity from a Rugged Black Stone? Hindutva Rehabilitates Ramayan’s Shabari in a Temple’, in *An International Journal of Hindu Studies*, Springer, Netherlands, Vol.13, No.3, December 2009.

Sthitpragyan Ray

‘Does Devolution Matter: Panchayats in the Scheduled Areas of Orissa’ in *Sociological Bulletin*, Vol 58(3) September-December 2009.

Vimal Trivedi

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B. PUBLICATION BY THE CENTRE

The Centre continues to publish its quarterly Gujarati journal *Arthat*.

VI. SEMINARS/LECTURES/WORKSHOPS/ TRAINING PROGRAMMES AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

A. Organised by the CSS

A1. A Training program on `Purposeful Sociological Writings`

A three days training programme in 'Purposeful Sociological Writings' was organized at the Centre for Social studies on 6-8 January 2010 for the social science scholars writing in vernacular language. The programme was conceived to meet the strong need to develop clarity of theoretical, conceptual understanding and art of sociological writing among the upcoming scholars interested in enriching the social science literature in Gujarati. This concern was also shared by many scholars across the Gujarat at the forums like sociological conferences. The need was felt to organize orientation programme on regular basis.

In order to fill up the gap and orient the social science scholars towards these goals, a three days training programme was organized with the following objectives

1. To update and improve the skills in sociological writing in Gujarati among the upcoming scholars of Gujarat.
2. To help the scholar acquaint with skills for publishing their dissertation, project work, research article etc.

The training programme was organized for 15 scholars from all over the Gujarat and participant were trained in theoretical and conceptual aspects in writings, formulation of research topic, developing a research proposal, mechanics of writings, writing a research report, writing a research article and reviewing a book. Dr. Arjun Patel was the course Director of the programme and it was supported by a small grant from ICSSR (WRC).

A2. Colloquia at the CSS

During the academic year the Centre organised the following talks under its colloquia programme.

1. Dr. Nafisa Goga D'Souza and Mr. Dominic D'Souza, Laya, Vishakhapattanam, delivered a seminar on 'Climate Crisis in the National and Global Context', on 4 August 2009.
2. Vikramaditya Thakur, Ph D Scholar from Yale University, USA, delivered a seminar on 'Leading Matters: Reproducing Social Movement in the Satpura', on 7 August 2009.
3. Dr. K.C. Bindu, Anthropologist, New Delhi, delivered a seminar on 'Religious Change as a Negotiation with Modernity: A study of Vaishnav Kurichias Wayanads, South India', on 16 September 2009.
4. Prof. Aditya Nigam, Centre for the Study of Developing Society, New Delhi, delivered a series of lectures on 'Post Modernism', on 1-3 February 2010.
5. Prof. Bhaskar Majumdar, Professor in Economics, G. B. Pant Social Science Institute, Allahabad, delivered a seminar on 'Land Acquisition for Industrialisation and Displacement of People in India: Role of the State', on 22 March 2010.

B. By the Faculty

B1. Papers Presented at Seminars/ Workshops/ Conferences

Akash Acharya

Presented a paper 'Role of Public-Private Partnership in Reducing Maternal Mortality: Assessing Efforts Made by Chiranjeevi Scheme in Gujarat ' in a National Conference on Emerging Health Care Models: Engaging the Private Health Sector, organized by Cehat, Mumbai, 25-26 September 2009.

Presented a paper (by co-autor Paul McNamee) 'Public-Private Partnership to Reduce Maternal Morality: Silver Bullet or Smoking Gun?' in XXVI IUSSP International Population Conference at Marrakech, Morocco, 27 September-2 October 2009.

Made a presentation on 'Role of Public Private Partnership in Reducing Maternal Mortality in Gujarat' in front of CSS Governing Board at Surat, 29 January 2010.

Presented a paper 'Role of NGO-Corporate Partnership (NCP) in Providing Health Insurance to the Poor' in a National Seminar on Corporate Social

Responsibility organized by Department of Economics, VNSGU, 7 February 2010.

Presented a paper 'Role of PPP in Improving Health and Human Development Indicators: A case study of Chiranjeevi Scheme in Surat District' in a conference on Human Development in South Gujarat, Organised by RMISSS, VNSGU, Surat, 21 March 2010.

Arjun Patel

Presented a paper on 'Swarnim Gujaratni Asmita: Ek Samiksha Lekh(Vanchitona Vikasna Drastikonthi)' at two day 17th annual conference organized by Gujarat Sociological Conference at Department of Sociology, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat, 14-15 November 2009.

Presented a theme note in the training programme on Purposeful Sociological Writings organized at Centre for Social Studies, 8 Jan 2010.

Presented a paper on 'From Exclusion to Inclusion: Brahminical Laws Vs Indian constitution' at one day seminar on From Exclusion to Right to Inclusion, organized by Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, Department of Sociology, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat, 11 February 2010.

Kiran Desai

Presented a key paper on "Communal Relations and Communal Consciousness in the wake of Communal Violence: A Case Study of Surat City", at a XVIIth Gujarat Sociological Conference organised by Gujarat Sociological Society and held at Sociology Dept., Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat, 14-15 November 2009.

M. Suresh

Presented a paper on 'Reproducing Marginality: Tribal Communities, State and Market' in a National Seminar on Social exclusion in Contemporary India, organised by Institute of Development Studies, Jaipur, 26-27 November 2009.

Presented a paper on 'Tribal Communities, State and Market' in a National Seminar on Sustainable Development of Tribal Areas through Integrated and Eco-Friendly Approaches, organised by Krushi Vigyan Kendra, Waghai, Navasari Agricultural University on 11-13 December 2009.

Presented a paper on 'Locating Subordinate Subject Position: Spaces beyond Social Exclusion and Inclusion' in a national seminar on From Exclusion to Right to Inclusion, organised by Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, Department of Sociology, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat, 11 February 2010.

Presented a paper on 'Development in Post-Colonial India: Tribal Situation of Kerala' in Winter School on Community, tribes and Modernity, conducted by Indian Institute of Advanced studies, Shimla at NEHU Shillong, 22 February- 4 March 2010.

Ratnawali

Presented a paper on 'Dietary intake and Nutritional Status of the Tribal Population of Gujarat' in a National seminar on Malnutrition: Issues and Challenges organized by Narottam Shaksaria Foundation and SNDT University at Mumbai, 11 January 2010.

Presented a paper on 'Industrial Growth and Deprivation: A Paradox of Developmental Strategy' in a National seminar on Population, Development and Environment: Issues and Challenges organized by Geography Department of Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, 18 February 2010.

Sadan Jha

Presented a paper on "समय के बदले जगह, राष्ट्र के बदले प्रान्त: रेणुसाहित्य और आंचलिक आधुनिकता" (Place in lieu of Time, Region in lieu of Nation: Literature of Renu and Regional Modernity), Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla, 27 September 2009.

Presented a paper on "Visualizing a Region: Phaniswarnath Renu and the Archive of 'regional rural' in 1950s North Bihar", at History Department, Delhi University, Delhi, 11 November 2009.

Satyakam Joshi

Presented a paper on 'Ground Realities of the Implementation of Tribal self rule in Gujarat' in a International Seminar on Adivasi/ST communities in India: Development and Change organized by Institute of Human Development, New Delhi, 27-29 August 2009.

Presented a Key paper on 'Tribals of Gujarat: Development, Change and Problems' in 17th Gujarat Sociological Conference organized by Department of Sociology V.N. South Gujarat University, Surat, 14-15 November 2009.

Presented a paper on 'Situation of Tribals: A Historical Profile' at a Regional Consultation on Gender and Migration Organised by Centre for Women's Development Studies, Delhi, at Ahmedabad, 24-25 November 2009.

Presented a paper on 'Forest Right Act-2006: Issues and Challenges' in a National seminar on Sustainable Development of Tribal Areas Through Integrated and Eco-friendly Approaches, Organised by Navsari Agricultural University, at Wagai (Dangs), 11 to 13 December 2009

Presented a paper on 'Tribal situation in Gujarat' in a Western Regional Seminar on 'Development of Tribal Communities in Gujarat and Maharashtra', organized by GIDR, Ahmedabad, 8-9 February 2010.

Presented a paper on 'Forest Policy, Tribals and the State: Some Ground Level Realities of Implementation of Forest Right Act – 2006 in Gujarat' in a International Seminar on Negotiating Interventions in South-East Asia, organized by Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies, Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh), 15-17 February 2010.

Presented a paper on 'Overview of Social Security Schemes in Dangs' in a National Workshop on Monitoring Implementation of Social Security for the Working Poor in India's Informal Economy, organized by CDS, Trivendrum and NOVIB, The Netherlands, at Ahmedabad, 25-26 March 2010.

Vimal Trivedi

Made a presentation of the Finding of the Study on 'Municipal Service Delivery and Urban Local Governance: A Performance Appraisal by the Citizen of Surat, India' at Centre for Social Studies, 20 March 2010.

B2. Lectures Delivered And Other Engagements

Akash Acharya

Worked as an external evaluator for four Targeted Interventions (TI) partner NGOs in Surat for the Gujarat State Aids Control Society (GSACS) 5-12 April 2009.

Reviewed a manuscript titled 'One Country, Many Health Systems: Inequities and Barriers to Achieving Universal Health Services in India' for The Lancet, August 2009.

Attended a National Conference on Urban Governance at Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ahmedabad during 3-5 December 2009.

Chaired a session on Micro Health Insurance in a National Conference on Micro Insurance organized by UNDP and IFMR at New Delhi during 10-11 December 2009.

Received 'India Social Science Research Award 2009' from Canada's International Development Research Centre (IDRC), December 2009.

Participated in a stakeholders' workshop organized by the District Aids and Prevention Control Unit (DAPCU) Surat, 30 January 2010.

Participated in a workshop on SPSS for Biostatistics organized by RMISSS, VNSGU, Surat, 31 January 2010.

Participated in the 31st annual conference of forum of the teachers of economics, VNSGU area, organized by Sabargam college, Surat, 21 February 2010.

Arjun Patel

Delivered a lectures on 'Reviewing a Book' in the training programme on Purposeful Sociological Writings organised at Centre for Social Studies, 8 January 2010.

Delivered two lectures on 'Industry and Community: Some Issues Related to Field work', in the orientation programme of post graduate student of Dept. of Sociology, Mumbai University at Centre for Social Studies, Surat, 27 January and 2 February 2010.

Examined M.Phil. thesis on 'Samjkalyani Vividh Yojanaoni Samajik ane Shekshnik Pachhat Varo Per ni Asro: Rajkot Jillana Sandarbhama Ek Muliyanan Abhias'.

Gave a valedictory address 'On Slums: Issues and Challenges', in a meeting held of Slum dwellers of Surat evicted under the JUNRAM scheme, 27 December 2009.

Assisted the Department of Sociology, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University Surat in organizing two day 17th annual conference on behalf of Gujarat Sociological Conference, 14-15 November, 2009.

B. Devi Prasad

Chaired a session in the National Seminar on 'Old age and Mental Health: Human Rights Issues' organised by TISS, Mumbai, 13-14 July 2009.

As a discussant participated in 'Understanding Childhood Poverty – Evidence from Young Lives' – organized by Save the Children and CESS and SPMVV at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi, 7 October 2009.

As a Visiting Fellow under UGC ASIHSS Programme, gave presentations on strategic planning, Research Methodology etc. at the Department of Social Work, Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi, 22-26 October 2009.

Gave a series of Lectures in a two-day workshop on 'Research Methodology', at Faculty of Social Work, M.S. University, Vadodara, 21 & 22 December 2009.

As a participant attended an International Conference on 'Citizen Leadership and Democratic Accountability', organized by PRIA, New Delhi, 30 November-1 December 2009.

Attended a Curriculum Development Workshop for North East (M.A Social Work), organized by IGNOU, New Delhi, 16-17 February 2010.

Attended a Consultation Workshop on Curriculum Development for M.A. in (Community Development –International), Organized in New Delhi by PRIA and University of Victoria, 6-8 March 2010.

As a Panel discussant attended a State Level Conference on Human Development Issues and Challenges in South Gujarat Region, organized by Dept. of RM and IDS in Social Sciences, VNSG University, Surat, 21 March 2010.

As Guest Editor working on the Special Issue (Part.I) of *The Indian Journal of Social Work*, Vol.71. (1): January 2010 with the theme: “SHGs: Emerging Spaces for Social Work Practice”.

Kiran Desai

Presided over a workshop on ‘Conditions of Man-Hole Workers’ and delivered a lecture on “Rights of Working Class in Globalisation Era”, organised by Kamdar Swasthya Suraksha Mandal, Surat, 3 June 2009.

Delivered lectures on 'Marginalisation of Dalits, Women, Minorities and Working class and Social Work', in the orientation lecture series for Post-graduate students of Social Work, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat, 6 & 17 August 2009.

Inaugurated a training programme on 'Cooperation', for faculty of Arts students and delivered a lecture on Co-operatives and Society: An Interface, organised by Navyug Arts College, Surat, 7 September 2009.

Delivered lectures on 'Qualitative Research' and 'Case Study method', in the Post-Graduate Diploma course in Research methodology, Department of Research Methodology and Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat, 29 September 2009.

Delivered a lecture on 'Plight of Unorganised Sector Workers', organised by Shramik Sansthan, Surat, 31 October 2009.

Delivered a lecture on 'Understanding the Phenomenon of Unorganised Sector Workers in Globalisation Era', organised by Shramik Sansthan, Surat, 19 November 2009.

Attended a training-workshop on 'Purposeful Sociological Writing' as a resource person and delivered a lecture on ‘Review of Literature’, organised by Centre for Social Studies, Surat, 6-8 January 2010.

Delivered a lecture on 'Social Resesrach on Urbanization and Working Class with Reference to Surat', in the orientation programme for Post-Graduate students of Sociology, Mumbai University, at CSS, Surat, 27 January & 2 February 2010.

Delivered a lecture on 'Social Research', in the orientation programme for Post-Graduate students of Sociology, Saurashtra University, Rajkot, at CSS, Surat, 20 February 2010.

Delivered a lecture on 'A Gap between a Process of Policy Formulation and Its Implementation: A case of Jawaharlala Nehru Urban renewal Mission (JNURM)', in a workshop on Implication of JNURM implementation on Slum-dwellers, organised by CRY and Buniyadi Adikaar Andolan, Gujarat (BAAG), at Surat, 10 March 2010.

Evaluate two papers for publication for the second issue of VNSGU Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Attended a proposal defense as an expert for the Ph. D. by Ms. Neha on “Gender Dimensions in Migration: A Study in Jammu Region”, P. G. Dept. of Sociology meeting, 25 February 2010.

Attended a IIIrd Advisory Committee meeting of the Centre for Social Study of Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat, 29 March 2010.

Ratnawali

Delivered two lectures on ‘Gender and Human Development’ and ‘Human Development in India with special reference to Kerala’ at Regional Training Centre, Surat on 28 July 2009.

Delivered a lecture on ‘Getting Started: Art of Engaging With the People’ in the Dept of MSW, V.N. South Gujarat University on 8 August 2009.

Attended an Advisory Council Meeting of Tribal Research and Training Institute, Ahmedabad on 23 September 2009.

Attended and discussed the situation on ‘Declining sex ratio and Gender Inequality in Surat’ in a state level work shop on Creating an Enabling Environment for the Girl Child organized by Health and Family welfare Department GOG, CHETNA and Women Power Connect(WPC), Gandhinagar, 24 Dec 2009.

Delivered a lecture on ‘Preparing Bibliography’ in a training programme on Purposeful Sociological Writing organized by Centre for Social Studies, Surat, 6 January 2010.

Attended and participated in a workshop on Indo-China Research Project on Grassroots Innovations for Inclusive Development organized by Shristi Innovations at Gandhinagar on 29 and 30 March 2010.

Satyakam Joshi

Worked as a resource person in a state level workshop on ' Issues and challenges before Management of Gandhian Educational Institutes in Changing Times' Organised by Tribal Research Institute, Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad, at Vyara, 20-21 July 2009.

Delivered a public lecture on 'Naxalite Movement from Gandhian Perspective' Organised by Sarvodaya Mitra Mandal, Surat, 25th July 2009.

Delivered two lectures on 'Social Work and Human Rights' to M.S.W. Part-1 students of V.N. South Gujarat University on 3 and 4 August 2009.

Foundation lecture delivered on: 'The Tribal Issues in India: The Background and Perspective', to the students of the International Honours Programme (IHP) of Boston University, U.S.A. Organized by Tamarind Tree Trust, Dahanu (Maharashtra), 6 January 2010.

Delivered a lecture on 'Field Work Experiences While Doing Tribal Studies' to M.A. (Sociology) students from University of Bombay, at Centre for Social Studies, Surat, 27 January 2010.

Taught a full course on 'Social Legislation and Public Advocacy' for the students of Post Graduate Diploma in Management of NGOs, EDI, Ahmedabad, 27-30 March 2010.

Worked as a Course Co-ordinator on 'Peace and Social Harmony' Organised by Sadbhavna Forum, Gujarat and Aman Charitable Trust, Delhi, at Ahmedabad, 23 October - 27 October 2009.

Attended a Trust meeting of Aman Charitable Trust, New Delhi, at Delhi, 4-5 April 2009.

Worked as an expert for viva-voce for M.S.W. Part-1 students of Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad, 27-28 April 2009.

Worked as an expert for viva-voce for M.S.W. Part-2 students of M.S. University, Baroda, 5-6 May 2009.

Worked as an expert for viva-voce for M.R.S. Part-2 students of V.N. South Gujarat University, Surat, 13 May 2009.

Worked as a resource person for IGNOU, M.S.W. programme at Behavioral Science Centre, Ahmedabadd, 13 June 2009.

Worked as an expert for viva-voce for M.S.W. Part-2 students of Jivaji University, Gwalior (M.P.), 29-30 June 2009.

Worked as an expert for viva-voce for M.H.R.D.. Part-2 students of V.N. South Gujarat University, Surat, 13 July 2009.

Attended State level workshop on Problems in Implementation of FRA-2006 in Gujarat organized by Tribal Research Institute, Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad, 4 December 2009.

Attended a National Workshop on 'Changing Behaviour of Forest and Tribals in Gujarat: 1947-2007', organized by Centre for Culture and Development Studies, Vadodara, 9 January 2010.

Attended a 'Board of Studies Meeting' at Department of Social Work, Gujarat Vidyapith, 10 February 2010.

Chaired the session in a State Level Conference on 'Human Development in South Gujarat: Issues and Challenges', organized by Department of Research Methodology and Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat, 21st March 2010.

Evaluated a paper for publication in the *Journal of Gujarat Vidyapeeth*, Ahmedabad.

Evaluated the thesis on 'HIV Aids Patient and Intervention of Social Work' by Ashok T. Patel for the publication of a book by Gujarat Vidyapeeth, Ahmedabad.

Vimal Trivedi

Participated in a conference on 'The Globalizing State, Public Services, and the New Governance of Urban Local Communities in India', organized by The Public Systems Group at the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, 3-5 December 2009.

Delivered a series of lectures on 'First Steps Towards SPSS', in a training Program on Computer Applications in Social Sciences, organized by the Madhya Pradesh Institute of Social Sciences, Ujjain, 3-4 January 2010.

Delivered a lecture on 'Internet Services for Exploring Social Science Resources', in a training workshop on Purposeful Sociological Writing, organized by Centre for Social Studies, Surat, 6 January 2010.

Delivered a series of lectures on 'Data Analysis using SPSS' Hirachand Nemchand College of Commerce, Solapur, 18-19 January 2010.

Delivered a lecture on 'JNNURM program and Slum Up-gradation in Surat City' at a dialogue among the slums dwellers and social activists, organized by Child Rights and You, Mumbai, at Navsarjan Trust, Surat, 10 March 2010.

VI. VISITS BY OTHER UNIVERSITIES FOR ACADEMIC EXPOSURE

1. Students from P.G. Department of Sociology, University of Bombay visited the Centre in an orientation programme on research methodology on 27 January and 2 February 2010.
2. Students from P.G. Department of Sociology, Saurashtra University, Rajkot visited the Centre in an orientation programme on 2 February 2010.

VII. GUIDANCE, CONSULTANCY, MEMBERSHIPS IN ADVISORY COMMITTEES, FELLOWSHIPS/AWARDS

Under the ICSSR Guidance and Consultancy Scheme, the Centre continues to offer services of its faculty in designing research, refining methodology and analyzing data to college teachers and researchers. Following research scholars have taken the benefit of this scheme during the year.

1. Bhikhulal Mavajibhai Padasala, J. N. Gabani Commerce College, Surat, working on Effect of Global Depression on the Social-Economical Condition of the Surat Diamond Workers was provided guidance in Structuring questionnaire by Kiran Desai. He was also guided by Vimal Trivedi in Data Analysis, Tabulation and discussions on the research topic.
2. V. R. Patel, Deptt. of Economics, VNSGU, Surat, working on Health System in Olpad Taluka was provided guidance in structuring Schedule and in the review of literature by Ratnawali from the CSS.

VII. ACADEMIC INFRASTRUCTURE

Library

The library has acquired 266 new books during the year. By the end of March 2010, the total number of books, back volumes and reports has reached 30,585. The Centre subscribes to 100 journals, of which 91 are Indian and 9 foreign. In addition, 10 journals have been received on an exchange basis and 8 on gratis. The Centre has a total of 65 CDs related to various development issues. During the year 2009-2010, 484 scholars visited the library. With the installation of SOUL software, Centre's library can be accessed online.

Documentation

A documentation unit has been set up as part of the library in order to facilitate the research pursuits of the Centre's faculty, and also of scholars working in other research institutions and universities. One of the activities of this unit is to prepare bibliographies on subjects of interest and relevance. Research materials are also photocopied and provided to researchers on request.

Data Processing Unit

CSS now possess 33 computers, 4 laser, one DeskJet and 2 dot matrix printers, one scanner, and a multimedia projector. It has acquired an 'SPSS 14.0', 'SPSS 8.0' for windows (student version) for social science data analysis and 'SOUL' software for the library. Centre's computer facilities are being increasingly used by its faculty, administrative staff as well as social scientists and students from elsewhere. These facilities also help researchers visiting the CSS under its Guidance and Consultancy Scheme. The EDP unit of the Centre provides data processing facility to these researchers. They are also given consultancy services in processing methods and techniques by the EDP personnel. The CSS, through its EDP, helps social scientists in data transfer. Briefly, the Centre's EDP or computer unit is currently addressing three services: 1) Using library programmes suitable to process social science data; 2) Building Centre's own data archive and making it available to researchers; and 3) Training social scientists for more efficient use of computer.

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Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi
Narmada Planning Group, Government of Gujarat;
National Science Foundation (USA)
Surat Municipal Corporation (SMC)
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	4 th installment ICSSR/5.9/2009/RIC, dt.31/3/2010	3.80
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	5 th installment ICSSR/5.9/2009/RIC, dt. 31/3/2010	4.20
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1. Vouching
2. Classification
3. Budget provision

Signature: B.Devi Prasad
Designation: Director
Date: 25.05.2010

CENTRE FOR SOCIAL STUDIES, SURAT.

Un-audited Statement of Accounts for the Year 2009-2010

Receipts		(Rs. In Lakhs)	
ICSSR	Non-Plan-Plan	57.00	57.00
GOG *	Non-Plan-Plan	22.00	22.00
Other Income			4.22
Excess of expenditure over receipt			9.14
Total			92.36
Payments			
Non-Plan-Plan	Salary and perks	76.39	76.39
	Infrastructure	15.97	15.97
Total			92.36

*GoG has released Rs.10.00 Lakhs during the year being 3rd & 4th Installment's pending grant for the year 2008-09.

Research Studies/Projects Completed

Sr. No.	Title	Year of Project Completion	Project Director/ Faculty
1	2	3	4
1.	The Vedchhi Movement: A Sociological Essay	1966	I.P. Desai
2.	Study of Family Planning Programme of Amreli Districts	1967	I.P. Desai
3.	Functioning of Bureaucracy and Agricultural Development	1969	R. Roy I.P. Desai
4.	Primary School Teachers of Surat District: Adivasis - Non-Adivasis	1970	Y.D. Jadeja
5.	A Preliminary Inquiry into the Slogan of Adivasi 'Swayat Raj'	1970	I.P. Desai
6.	Rehabilitation of Landless Adivasi Labourers: Impact of Ukai Dam	1970	I.P. Desai
7.	Untouchability in Rural Gujarat: A Report	1971	I.P. Desai
8.	Directory of Voluntary Organisations Among Tribal Talukas of South Gujarat	1972	I.P. Desai
9.	Surat Elite	1972	I.P. Desai
10.	Slums in Surat	1972	G.S. Shah
11.	Urban Tensions: A Case Study of Surat	1974	G.S. Shah
12.	Gujarat Agitation	1974	G.S. Shah
13.	Bihar Agitation	1975	G.S. Shah
14.	The Art Silk Industry of Surat	1975	B.V. Mehta P. Pathak
15.	Integration through Political Participation: A Study of Adivasi and Harijan Leaders in Gujarat	1975	G.S. Shah
16.	A Profile of Education Among the Scheduled Tribes in Gujarat	1975	I.P. Desai G.A. Pandor
17.	Socio-Economic Conditions of Chodhras: A Restudy	1975	G.S. Shah
18.	Stratification Among the Scheduled Tribes in the Bharuch and Panchmahals Districts of Gujarat	1975	G.S. Shah
19.	Migration and Social Stratification: Case Study of Dhodias of Surat City	1975	S.P. Punalekar
20.	Education and Social Change in Malav Village of Panchmahals District	1975	G.A. Pandor
21.	Fuel Consumption in Rural Gujarat	1976	I.P. Desai
22.	Weekly Markets in Tribal Talukas of Surat-Valsad Region	1976	S.P. Punalekar
23.	Distribution of Primary Schools in the Tribal Talukas of Valsad and Surat Districts	1976	I.P. Desai
24.	Agricultural Labourers: Are They Bonded?	1977	G.S. Shah
25.	Stratification Among the Scheduled Tribes in the Surat and Valsad Districts	1977	G.S. Shah

Sr. No.	Title	Year of Project Completion	Project Director/ Faculty
26.	Stratification Among the Scheduled Tribes in the Vadodara, Sabarkantha and Dangs Districts	1977	P.K. Bose
27.	Socio-Economic Conditions of Adivasi Small Farmers of Surat District	1978	G.A. Pandor
28.	Aspect of Class and Caste in Social Tensions: A Study of Marathwada Riots	1978	S.P. Punalekar
29.	Block Level Planning	1978	S.P. Punalekar
30.	A Socio-Economic Study of the Milk Producers of South Gujarat	1979	B.D. Desai
31.	Health Situation and Problems of Health Development: A Study of Village in Bengal	1979	Sukla Bose
32.	Scarcity and Market Dependence in Damka	1979	Dipankar Gupta
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