



CENTRE FOR SOCIAL STUDIES

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4.1 b(vii) The particulars of any arrangement that exists for consultation with, or representation by the members of the public in relation to the formulation of its policy or implementation thereof

Though the members of the public are not directly engaged with policy making, the Centre is governed by various statutory mechanisms such as Board of Governors, statutory committees, faculty council, the administrative staff and the Director or the Chief executive. The Board of governors comprises prominent social scientists, citizens, reputed scholars, public representatives from ICSSR, Government of Gujarat, academic bodies such as university and NGOs. The statutory committees such as the Finance Committee and Building Committee are also represented by the governing board members as well as members from ICSSR, GoG etc. The Centre undertakes research on various social issues such as health, displacement, local self governance, tribal development and organizes workshops and seminars. The general public and experts are invited to participate in these events.

In this connection the faculty of the Centre collaborate with various institutes of higher learning. The details are given below:



CSS Association with Other Institutes of Higher Learning

Centre for social studies, Surat and its faculty have been working in association with various organizations for the purpose of research as well as teaching and consultation assignments.

RULES REGARDING CONSULTANCY

1. The objectives of introducing Consultancy services are two-fold. (a) To transmit the knowledge to the groups or organisations which need the expertise of the Centre; and (b) To enable the faculty to develop in their areas of specialisation, through increased interaction with client bodies, groups, etc. The Consultancy should lead to the enrichment of faculty experience and their professional competence.

Consultancy includes evaluation of research formulation or applied project. But Research project should not be of the type which includes field work, analysis and writing of the report. Involvement of a researcher in consultancy project is primarily in an advisory capacity.

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 - 2.1 We should mainly encourage institutional consultancy, that is all the consultancy agreements should be routed through the Director. In institutional consultancy, the client bodies approach the Director for seeking consultancy; whereas in personal consultancy, the client bodies approach a faculty member for consultancy. The Director's approval is necessary in all cases of consultancy involvements.
 - 2.2 For institutional consultancy the Director will assign the consultancy work to one or more faculty members.



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3. Time for all consultancy work should not exceed 30 days in a calendar year for each faculty member. This time period includes holidays, other leave, etc., but excludes sabbatical leave. The time limits can be relaxed by the Director in exceptional situation, on review.
4. The faculty member/s working on consultancy projects/assignment shall receive an honorarium as consultation fees on 50:50 per cent basis. The consultancy project shall have to accommodate the overhead costs to be decided from time to time. If the assistance given by the Centre exceeds the budget amount, the cost will be equally divided between the consultant and the Centre and will be met from the budgetary head of consultancy fee.
5. All payments in respect of institutional consultancy shall be received in the Centre's name over the signature of the Director. All payments in respect of personal consultancy will be received in the name of individual consultant.
6. Consultancy does not include the following: (i) Lectures including teaching; (ii) fellowships; (iii) examinership, including paper-setting; (iv) meetings, seminars, workshops or conferences; (v) evaluation of research proposals, manuscripts, thesis, reports and such other documents.



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A. CSS collaboration with institutes of higher learning and other organizations for joint research endeavours:

In addition, CSS has conducted collaborative research with following institutes:

1. Aberdeen University, UK.
2. Action Research in Community Health (ARCH), Dharampur
3. Adhikar, Bhuvneshwar
4. Aman Public Charitable Trust, Delhi
5. APMAS, Hyderabad
6. ARCH Vahini, Mangrol
7. Bankers Institute of Rural Development (BIRD), Lucknow
8. Bhansali Trust, Surat
9. Centre for Social Studies and Secularism, Mumbai
10. Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi
11. Chintan Environmental Research and Action Group, Delhi
12. Commonwealth Foundation, UK
13. Emory University, USA
14. Ford Foundation, New Delhi
15. Friends of Women's World Banking, Ahmedabad
16. Gujarat Power Energy Corporation (GPEC), Bharuch
17. ICAD, Canada
18. Indian School of Microfinance for Women, Ahmedabad
19. Institute of Development Studies, Jaipur
20. Institute of Rural Management, Anand (IRMA)
21. Institute of Social Sciences, New Delhi
22. Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.
23. Laya, Visakhapatnam
24. Macalester College, Minnesota, USA
25. Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad
26. Matrusmriti Trust, Ahmedabad.
27. Narmada Planning Group, Government of Gujarat
28. National Foundation of India (NFI), Delhi
29. OXFAM (India), New Delhi
30. PODEG-GMB (GOG); OXFAM
31. PRIA, New Delhi
32. SEWA, Ahmedabad
33. SEWA-RURAL, Jhagadia
34. Surat Municipal Corporation (SMC)
35. Taru, Ahmedabad
36. University of Manchester, Manchester, UK.
37. V V Giri National Labour Institute, Noida
38. Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat
39. VIKAS ADHYAYAN KENDRA, Mumbai



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B. Faculty members' association with other institutes for teaching assignment:

While the Centre is primarily a research institution, individual members of its faculty are invited from time to time to deliver lectures at different institutes and universities. Following are the names of some of them:

1. Andhra University, Visakhapatnam
2. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University-Aurangabad
3. Bangalore University, Bangalore
4. Bhavnagar University, Bhavnagar
5. Delhi School of Social Work, Delhi
6. Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, Ahmedabad.
7. Gujarat University-Ahmedabad
8. Gujarat Vidyapeeth-Ahmedabad
9. Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi
10. Jivaji University, Gwalior
11. M.S. University of Baroda, Baroda
12. Mahatma Gandhi International Hindi University, Wardha
13. MP institute of Social Sciences, Ujjain
14. Sardar Patel University-Vallabh Vidyanagar
15. Saurashtra University-Rajkot
16. Schools of Planning and Architecture - Ahmedabad
17. Schools of Planning and Architecture - Surat
18. Shivaji University-Kolhapur
19. Shrimad Rajchandra Institute of Management & Computer Application (SRIMCA), Bardoli
20. Sir Padmavathi Mahila University, Tirupati
21. Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Ananthapur
22. SVNIT, Surat
23. Swami Ramanad Tirth Marathwada University, Nanded, Maharashtra
24. Tata Institute of Social Sciences - Mumbai
25. The Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad
26. Udaipur University
27. University of Bombay, Mumbai
28. University of Delhi, Delhi
29. University of Pune, Pune
30. Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat