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* OBJECTIVES

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1. to promote and conduct research in matters pertaining to
 - a) developing substantive policy options;
 - b) building appropriate theoretical frameworks to guide policy;
 - c) forecasting future scenarios through rigorous policy analyses;
 - d) building a knowledge base in all the disciplines relevant to policy formulation;
2. to plan, promote and provide for education and training in policy planning and management areas, and to organise and facilitate Conferences, Seminars, Study Courses, Lectures and similar activities for the purpose;
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4. to disseminate information on policy issues and know-how on policy making and related areas by undertaking and providing for the publication of journals, reports, pamphlets and other literature and research papers and books;
5. to engage the public sphere in policy debates; produce policy briefs to liaise with legislatures; and
6. to create a community of researchers.

* LIST OF ACTIVITIES/SUBJECTS PURSUED

1. Political Issues and Governance;
2. International Relations and Foreign Policy/Diplomacy;
3. Economic Policy Issues, National, Bilateral, Regional, and Global;
4. Security - Internal and External;
5. Public Services Delivery Policies;
6. Institutional Design;
7. Civil Society;
8. Regulation of Capitalism;
9. Population, Public Welfare Services, and Sustainable Development;
10. Constitutional and Legal Theory;
11. Institutional and Administrative Capacity Building for delivering Macro- Management of Reforms;
12. Dialogues with Strategic Partner Countries for Enhancing Engagement with Focus on South Asian and other Asian Countries;
13. Sectoral Policies for Infrastructural Development (Energy including Electric Power, Telecommunications, Roads, Ports, Airports etc.); and
14. Regional Development among States with Special Reference to Northeast India and Kashmir.

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(As on 31st March 2017)

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Once again, I have the not so easy task of summarising the outstanding achievements of my colleagues in the preface to this year's annual report. 2016-17 has been another highly productive year for CPR. The range and quality of scholarship on offer was truly outstanding. Just to give a few examples. This year has witnessed one of the best rated non-fiction books of the year, *India's War* by my colleague Srinath Raghavan, which narrates India's role in World War II and how it shaped the future. The book received glowing reviews both nationally and internationally. We published other significant books as well that were collaborative efforts. *Higher Education in India* and *Rethinking Public Institutions* examined important topics indicated in the titles.

The contents of the Report will give a fuller picture, but just to give you a random sampling of the kind of work that was carried out, here are a few more examples. The climate, energy and environment team continued its agenda-defining work in the year following COP 21, with Navroz Dubash and Lavanya Rajamani actively involved in post-Paris discussions in India, and providing inputs to India's submissions for consideration. Thanks to their impeccable efforts, CPR continued to be ranked as the top climate think tank in India for the third year in a row. Researchers working on environmental justice continued to monitor and analyse governmental environmental compliance with unwavering commitment, coming out with a first-ever research study examining efforts made by affected parties to address issues of non-compliance. In the vein of first-ers, the land rights team, headed by Namita Wahi, produced a pioneering analysis of Supreme Court cases between 1950 and 2016 of land acquisition disputes in India, contributing to the existing discourse and policy narrative.

The Accountability Initiative, headed by Yamini Aiyar, broke new ground. Researchers tracking government accountability produced the annual budgetary analysis of social sector schemes and their expenditure. For the first time, however, they took the findings of this analysis to frontline bureaucracy through field staff by organising a series of 40 dialogues with over a 1000 sector-specific administrators to find solutions collaboratively – a partnership in the best sense, where research was put into practice to empower stakeholders. The team also conducted an extensive ground analysis of the efficacy of the *Swachh Bharat (rural) Mission* across five states – the findings of which received considerable media coverage and were shared with concerned ministry officials.

The year saw the defining state election in Uttar Pradesh alongside Punjab. The team led by Neelanjan Sircar conducted deep, qualitative field research in the months prior to the elections, analysing voting behavior in India, and producing a series of weekly news articles. The collective analyses of all state elections over the past two years carried out by the researchers is now being turned into the manuscript for a book, which holds the promise of being a valuable contribution to the field of psephology. Shyam Babu continued to explore the intricacies of caste and development in India, while Shyalshri Shankar published on constitutionalism, amidst a detour into a fun book on food.

Urban researchers focused on emerging smaller towns, co-producing the book *Subaltern Urbanisation in India*, which analyses urban governance and political economy in non-metropolitan contexts, projecting trends for future. They also highlighted their work on small towns and informal settlements, along with international partners, at the mega *Habitat III Conference*, held in Quito to develop the ‘New Urban Agenda’ globally. Focusing on small towns from the perspective of delivery of basic services like sanitation and water, they released a comprehensive *sanitation matrix* at Quito. Partha Mukhopadhyay from the urban team chaired the ministry’s inter-ministerial Working Group on Migration, which released its report highlighting the complexity of migration in India. At the state level, the sanitation team drafted the Odisha government’s *Urban Sanitation Policy and Strategy, 2017*, with a focus on open discharge free cities, disposal of different types of waste, safe management, and more.

As the world witnessed dramatic changes with what could be termed as ‘tectonic’ shifts in the international geopolitical landscape, which saw a global back-lash against globalisation, CPR’s immensely reputed and highly well-placed faculty in the field of international relations deconstructed this intense transformation through their research and engagements. From producing articles analysing India’s nuclear doctrine and the impact of Donald Trump’s foreign policies on Eurasia, to unpacking the future of Afghanistan post American withdrawal in a book chapter, as well as speaking and writing extensively on Indo-Russia relations, the changing Indo-China relations, and participating in closed-door consultations on the One Belt One Road project – the cohort of Amb. Shyam Saran, Bharat Karnad, Nimmi Kurian, new joinee Zorawar Daulet Singh, and Srinath Raghavan continued to add heft to the organisation’s legacy in international relations.

Talking of dramatic changes – domestically this was the year, which saw demonetisation carried out in an unprecedented manner in November, 2016. CPR faculty weighed in through their analyses in the media, on the website, and through the newly launched podcast series by the communications team at the organisation. A series of three podcasts were produced on this subject, alongside various other topics – both analysing research produced and commenting on topical issues such as the victory of Donald Trump or the outcome of the Uttar Pradesh elections.

I am, always, personally grateful to every single person at CPR who always perform beyond the call of duty. The young research associates that infuse energy and cutting edge knowledge into the institution, the magnificent communication team led by Richa Bansal, the dedicated administrative staff admirably led by Mr Ravi, all the brilliant fellows and senior fellows, make CPR a vibrant place. The Chair of the CPR Board, Mr Gonsalves, Executive Committee Members, Meenakshi Gopinath and Shyam Saran, hold us to high standards of productivity and integrity. This year, we mourn the loss of R.K.P. Shankardass, an extraordinarily fine lawyer, who contributed so much to CPR through his membership of the Board. We welcome new members as well: Vinita Bali, Chandrashekhar Dasgupta and Rama Bijapurkar bring great distinction to a wonderful Board. The organisations that fund us have been exemplary in their support. Together you have all made CPR such a vibrant institution.

On a personal note, this is my last Annual Report as President of CPR. I am truly grateful for the intellectual excitement, integrity, friendships, sense of independence CPR has provided over the years. It is a unique organisation that will, doubtless, continue to remain a significant presence on India's intellectual and policy landscape.

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

The following research publications were brought out during the year 2016-17:

A. Major Books Published

1. *The Oxford Handbook of THE INDIAN CONSTITUTION* co-authored by Pratap Bhanu Mehta, Sujit Choudhry and Madhav Khosla, Oxford University Press, 2016
2. *Business Interests and the Environmental Crisis* co-edited by Kanchi Kohli and Manju Menon, Sage, 25 April 2016
3. *Modi and his Challenges*, Rajiv Kumar, Bloomsbury India, May 2016
4. *Communities And Legal Action*, Kanchi Kohli, mylaw.net, 4 October 2016
5. *India and China: Rethinking Borders and Security* (co-authored.) 2016. Series Configurations: Critical Studies of World Politics, Nimmi Kurian, University of Michigan Press, Ann Arbor
6. *Subaltern Urbanisation in India: An introduction to the dynamics of ordinary towns* co-authored by Eric Denis, and Marie – Hélène Zérah , Springer, February 2017

B. Articles Published by CPR Faculty

About **471 articles** were also published by CPR Faculty Members in major national international dailies and popular journals during the year.

DISCUSSIONS, MEETINGS AND SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS

(Organised by CPR)

During the year under review, the CPR organised several seminars and special discussion meetings in addition to weekly faculty meetings with distinguished experts as also some Workshops-cum-Conferences. These are listed below:

a) National

ECONOMIC POLICY

1. Talk on “The World Today, The Emerging Countries, and India: A View from the Global Consumption and Income Project” by Dr. Sanjay G. Reddy, Associate Professor for Economics, The New School for Social Research, USA on 18 January 2016 at CPR
2. BSE-CPR Macroeconomic Seminar Series: “Banking Sector Reforms in India” by Mr. P.J. Nayak, associated with the Banking sector in Sri Lanka; Dr. T.T. Ram Mohan, Professor of Finance & Economics, IIM Ahmedabad; Ms. Usha Thorat, former Deputy Governor, Reserve Bank of India; and Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Research on 27 January 2016 at Conference Room, Bombay Stock Exchange, Corporate office, Philoze Jeejeebhoy Towers, Dalal Street, Mumbai
3. BSE-CPR Seminar on “Global Headwinds Affecting India” by Dr. Thomas Richardson, Senior Resident Representative, International Monetary Fund; Dr. Johanna Boestel, Principal Economist, Asian Development Bank; Dr. Soumya Kanti Ghosh, Chief Economic Advisor, State Bank of India; and Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Research on 24 February 2016 at CPR
4. 5-Institute Budget Seminar on “The Union Budget 2016-17: Reforms and Development Perspectives”, jointly hosted by the Centre for Policy Research; Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations; India Development Foundation; National Council of Applied Economic Research; and National Institute of Public Finance and Policy on 5 March 2016 at Imperial Hotel, New Delhi
5. OECD-CPR Seminar on The Oecd Services Trade Restrictiveness Index: A Trade Policy Analysis Tool – And what’s In It for India on 6 April 2016 at CPR.
6. Talk on “International Migration after Brexit” by Prof. Neeraj Kaushal, Professor of Social Policy and Chair of the Doctoral Program, Columbia School of Social Work, Columbia University on 22 July 2016 at CPR.
7. Workshop on “Have newly created Indian states promoted inclusive development? A comparative political settlement analysis of Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh” jointly organized by the Centre for Policy Research and ESID on 10 August 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi
8. Talk on “Market Access and Structural Transformation: Evidence from Rural Roads in India” by Mr. Samuel Asher, Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Economics Department and Nuffield College, University of Oxford on 12 August 2016 at CPR.

9. Talk on “Digital Spine for Learning – EkStep Foundation” by Mr. Shankar Maruwada is the CEO and Co-founder of EkStep Foundation on 3 February 2017 at CPR.
10. 5-Institute Budget Seminar on “The Union Budget 2017-18: Reforms and Development Perspectives”, jointly hosted by the Centre for Policy Research; Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations; India Development Foundation; National Council of Applied Economic Research; and National Institute of Public Finance and Policy on 4 February 2017 at Taj Mahal Hotel, New Delhi
11. Talk on “International Experience and Lessons Learnt from Brazil in Decentralisation” by Ms. Deborah L Wetzal, Senior Director, Governance Global Practice, World Bank on 16 February 2017 at CPR.
12. Talk on “A World Divided: Emerging Demographic and Geographic Fissures in the Global Economy” by Mr. Yuwa Hedrick Wong, Chief Economist and Chair of the Academic Advisory Council at MasterCard Center for Inclusive Growth, and Global Economic Advisor, MasterCard Worldwide on 17 February 2017 at CPR.

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND GOVERNANCE

1. Talk on “Climate Change and the Humanities” by Prof. Dipesh Chakrabarty, Department of History, The University of Chicago, USA on 1 March 2016 at CPR
2. Talk on Litigating before the National Green Tribunal by Mr. Ritwick Dutta, an environmental lawyer and founder of the Legal Initiative of Forest and Environment (LIFE) and Mr. Manoj Misra, Convener of Yamuna Jiye Abhiyaan on 8 April 2016 at CPR.
3. Roundtable on Integrating Climate, Energy and Environment: Toward a Post-Paris Research Agenda on 19 April 2016.
Speakers:
Satish Agnihotri, Former Secretary, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
JM Mauskar, Advisor, Observer Research Foundation and Former Special Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests
Dunu Roy, Director, Hazards Centre
Shankar Venkateswaran, Chief, Tata Sustainability Group
4. Talk on “Integrating Social Science in Energy Research” by Dr. Kathryn Janda, Senior Researcher, Environmental Change Institute, Oxford University on 27 April 2017 at CPR.
5. Introductory Workshop to Mapping Power Project on 4-5 July 2016 at CPR.
6. Talk on “BP Statistical Review of World Energy 2016” by Mr. Kaushik Deb, Economist, British Petroleum in India on 5 October 2016 at CPR
7. Roundtable on “Significance of India’s Ratification of the Paris Agreement” on 7 October 2016 at CPR.
8. Talk on “How much energy and emissions does India ‘need’ for decent living?” by Dr. Narasimha Rao, Project Leader and Research Scholar at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis on 23 January 2017 at CPR.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND SECURITY

1. Seminar on “South Asian constitutionalism” by Prof. Mark Tushnet, William Nelson Cromwell Professor Law, Harvard Law School; Madhav Khosla, Ph.D. student, Harvard University; Prof. Upendra Baxi, University of Warwick; Prof. Niraja Gopal Jayal, Jawaharlal Nehru University; Prof. Gilles Verniers, Ashoka University; Mr. Osama Siddique, Law and Policy Research Network, Lahore; Mr. Prashant Jha, *Hindustan Times*; Mr. Arun K Thiruvengadam, Azim Premji Univesity; and Prof. Aparna Chandra, National Law University on 20 January 2016 at CPR
2. Talk on “Strategies of Nuclear Proliferation: How States Learned to Love Getting the Bomb” by Dr. Vipin Narang, Associate Professor of Political Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, UK on 17 February 2016 at CPR
3. Discussion on “Reflections on 24 years of India-ASEAN Relations & Thoughts on a Post-25th Anniversary Roadmap” by Prof. (Dr.) Aruna Gopinath, an eminent historian, academician, scholar on 18 March 2016 at CPR.
4. Discussion on US Presidential Elections: View from the States with Representative Jay Kaufman and Senator Curtis Bramble, chaired by Dr. Partha Mukhopadhyay, Senior Fellow, CPR on 2 May 2016 at CPR.
5. Talk on US Foreign Policy: Will 2017 be different from 2016? by Dr. Michael Werz, Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress, Washington DC, USA on 11 May 2016 at CPR.
6. Talk on “Current Crisis in Nepal” by H.E. Mr. Ranjit Rae, Ambassador of India to Nepal on 24 May 2016 at CPR.
7. Book Discussion on “India vs Pakistan: Why Can’t We Just be Friends?” authored by Hussain Haqani, on 28 July 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi.
Discussants: Mr. Ashok Malik, Amb. Hussain Haqqani, Mr. Shekhar Gupta, Ms. Suhasini Haider. Chaired by Dr. Pratap Bhanu Mehta.
8. Talk on “Breaking Bias in a Time of Rising Intolerance” by Mr. Anurag Gupta, Founder & CEO of Be More America on 9 August 2016 at CPR.
9. Discussion on “Global Rise of Populism and Elite Distrust: Its Roots and Political Response” by Mr. Bruce Stokes, Director of Global Economic Attitudes at Pew Research Center and member of the JustJobs Network Advisory Group on 19 September 2016 at CPR.
10. Public Lecture on “Civil Wars: A History in Ideas” by Prof. David Armitage, Lloyd C. Blankfein Professor of History and former Chair of the Department of History at Harvard University, Chaired by Dr. Pratap Bhanu Mehta, President & Chief Executive, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi on 16 January 2017 at India International Centre, New Delhi
11. Talk on “Reflections on Europe and the UK after Brexit” by Prof. Timothy Garton Ash, Professor of European Studies in the University of Oxford and Isaiah Berlin Professorial Fellow at St Antony’s College on 24 January 2017 at CPR.
12. Talk on “Superpower in Search of a Strategy: US Collaboration with China and India in the Globalisation of Innovation” by Prof. Andrew Kennedy specializes in international politics, with particular interest in the foreign relations of China, India, and the United States on 14 February 2017 at CPR.
13. International Conference on “India-China and the Emergence of Post-War Post-Colonial Asia, 1945-50”, organised by the Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi in collaboration with the Centre for Policy Research and the India International Centre, New Delhi on 17-18 March 2017 at India International Centre, New Delhi

14. Talk on “Restructuring India-Nepal Relations” by Dr. Baburam Bhattarai, former Prime Minister of Nepal on 17 March 2017 at CPR.

LAW, REGULATIONS, AND THE STATE

1. Talk on “Religion, Constitutionalism and Modernity: Tensions and Resolutions” by Dr. Noah Feldman, Felix Frankfurter Professor of Law, Harvard Law School; chaired by: Dr. Pratap Bhanu Mehta, President & Chief Executive, Centre for Policy Research on 4 January 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi
2. Talk on “Recasting Culture to Undo Gender: A Sociological Analysis of the Jeevika Project in Bihar” by Dr Vijayendra Rao, Lead Economist, Development Economics Research Group, World Bank on 3 February 2016 at CPR
3. Book Discussion on “The Cunning of Rights: Law, Life, Biocultures authored by Rajshree Chandra. Speakers: Dr. Nivedita Menon, Professor of Political Science, Jawaharlal Nehru University; Mr. Lawrence Liang, legal researcher, lawyer, co-founder, Alternative Law Forum; and Dr. Navin Thayill, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi on 24 February 2016 at CPR
4. Seminar on “The Challenge of Policy Reform: Australia and India” jointly organised by Centre for Policy Research and Australia National University, Canberra on 1 March 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi
5. Public Forum: “Enacting Policy Reform and Building Political Capital”, jointly organised by Centre for Policy Research and Australia National University, Canberra Panelists: Professor John Hewson AM, Chair of the ANU Tax and Transfer Policy Institute and former leader of the Liberal Party of Australia; Dr Pratap Bhanu Mehta, President & Chief Executive, Centre for Policy Research; Professor Andrew Podger AO, Professor of Public Policy, Australia National University; Professor Glenn Withers AO, President, Australia’s Academy of Social Sciences on 1 March 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi
6. Lecture on “Children with Disabilities: Analysis of their Right to Education” by Ms Radhika M Alkazi, founder ASTHA on 11 March 2016 at CPR
7. Roundtable on “Dynamics of Property Rights, Informal Economy and Poverty in Developing Economies” by Dr Anne Bernstein, Executive Director Centre for Development Enterprise, South Africa, jointly organised by Centre for Policy Research and Liberty Institute in collaboration with Centre for Development Enterprise, South Africa on 21 March 2016 at CPR
8. Roundtable on “Patents & Intellectual Property Practices in Indian IT/ITeS Industry” on 22 March 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi
9. Seminar on “The Fundamental Rights to Education: Enforceable now, enforced when? on 25 March 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi.

Speakers:

Ms. Kiran Bhatta, Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Research (Panel convener and moderator)
Dr. Lucy Williams, Professor of Law and co-director of the Program on Human Rights and the Global Economy and the convener of the International Social and Economic Rights Project, Northeastern University, USA

Mr. Kevin Murray, Executive Director, Program on Human Rights and the Global Economy, Northeastern University School of Law

Ms. Annie Namala, Executive Director of Centre for Social Equity and Inclusion, New Delhi

Mr. Henri Tiphagne, Advocate and Executive Director of People’s Watch, a National Human Rights Organization

Prof. R. Govinda, Vice Chancellor of National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA), New Delhi

Dr. Esteban Hoyos, Professor of Law, EAFIT University Law School, Medellín, Colombia

Ms. Jayna Kothari, Advocate and Founder member of Centre for Law and Public Research, Bangalore

10. Roundtable on “The Right to Adequate Housing – a National and Global Perspective” on 27 March 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi

Convener:

Mr. Miloon Kothari – Independent Expert on Human Rights and Social Policy, Senior Advisor, MIT Displacement Research Action Network

Panelists:

Ms. Shivani Chaudhry – Executive Director, Housing and Land Rights Network, New Delhi

Mr. Bruce Porter – Executive Director of the Social Rights Advocacy Centre, Canada

Ms. Jayshree Satpute – Human Rights Lawyer practicing in Supreme Court and High Court, Co-founder of Nazdeek, New Delhi

Discussant:

Dr. Octavio Luiz Motta Ferraz – Reader in Transnational Law, King’s College, London UK

11. Webinar on “Building Evidence for Justice - Groundtruthing Environmental Compliance” by Ms. Kanchi Kohli, Legal Research Director, CPR-Namati Project on 12 May 2016 at CPR.

12. Panel Discussion on “Community-led Monitoring to Strengthen Evidence and Preparedness to Mitigate Adverse Effects of Drug Stock-Outs” on 18 May 2016 at CPR.

Speakers

Ms. Anjali Gopalan is Founder and Executive Director of Naz Foundation.

Prof Indrani Gupta is Professor and Head, Health Policy Research Unit, Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi.

Dr Vandana Prasad is Founding Secretary and National Convener of the Public Health Resource Network.

Dr Rajani Ved is Advisor, Community Processes, and National Health Systems Resource Centre

Mr. Biraj Patnaik is Principal Adviser to the Supreme Court Commissioners on the Right to Food.

13. Seminar on “Understanding Land Acquisition Conflict in India” by Dr. Namita Wahi, Fellow, CPR, Mr. Pallav Shukla, Lawyer and Research Associate, CPR and Mr. Ankit Bhatia, Research Associate, CPR on 30 May 2016 at CPR

14. Seminar on “Understanding Land Acquisition Disputes in India” by Dr. Namita Wahi, Fellow, CPR, Mr. Pallav Shukla, Senior Associate with Trilegal and Legal Consultant, CPR and Mr. Ankit Bhatia, Research Associate, CPR on 30 May 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi.

15. Seminar on “PAISA 2016: A new era in fiscal devolution in India? Studies Tracking fiscal devolution to State governments and Panchayats in India” on 3 June 2016 at CPR.

Speakers:

Opening Remarks: Dr Arvind Subramanian: Chief Economic Adviser to the Government of India.

Discussants:

Dr Indira Rajaraman: Retired professor of economics and member of Thirteenth Finance Commission of India

Dr Santosh Mathew: Joint Secretary in Ministry of Rural Development

Dr. Pinaki Chakraborty: Professor at National Institute of Public Finance Policy

Moderator: Mr. M.K. Venu: Founding Editor of *thewire.in*

16. Talk on “Untouchable India: Impunity for Anti Dalit Violence” by Mr. Manoj Mitta, Journalist, worked with The Times of India, The Indian Express, India Today on 8 September 2016 at CPR.
17. Talk on “Human resources for health: “wicked” problems or misunderstood?” by Dr. Kabir Sheikh (MBBS, MPH, PhD) is the director of the Health Governance Hub at the Public Health Foundation of India on 16 September 2016 at CPR.
18. Seminar on “Who are the Out-Of-School-Children? A Pilot Study from Kumbhalgarh, Rajasthan” Kiran Bhatta, Mr. Paras Banjara, Ms. Radhika Saraf and Ms. Vrinda Gupta on 28 September 2016 at CPR.
19. Talk on “Who’s Afraid of Caste? Field Notes of an Accidental Anthropologist” by Mr. Chandra Bhan Prasad, well known writer, public intellectual and a businessman on 26 October 2016 at CPR.
20. Talk on “Law Inequality and the Constitution of Capitalism” by Dr. David Singh Grewal, Professor of Law at Yale School, Yale University on 24 November 2016 at CPR.
21. Talk on “Potential and Limitations of Law as an Instrument of Social Reform” by Dr. Madhu Purnima Kishwar, ISCCR Maulana Azad National Professor on 30 November 2016 at CPR.
22. Seminar on “Understanding Land Acquisition Disputes in India” by Dr. Namita Wahi, Fellow, CPR and Mr. Ankit Bhatia, Research Associate, CPR on 5 January 2017 at CPR.
23. Book Discussion on “How Solidarity Works for Welfare: Subnationalism and Social Development in India” authored by Ms. Perna Singh. Panelists include: Prof. Santosh Mehrotra, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Dr. Partha Mukhopadhyay, Senior Fellow, CPR and Dr. Neelanjan Sircar, Senior Fellow, CPR on 12 January 2017 at CPR.
24. Talk on “Quality of Healthcare in Rural and Urban India” by Dr. Jishnu Das, Visiting Senior Fellow, CPR on 9 February 2017 at CPR.
25. Talk on “Sanskrit Prosody” by Dr. Bibek Debroy, Member NITI Aayog on 16 February 2017 at CPR.
26. Book Discussion on “Navigating the Labyrinth: Perspectives on India’s Higher Education” on 8 March 2017 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. Discussants included: Pankaj Chandra from Ahmedabad University, Apoorvanand Jha from the University of Delhi, Devesh Kapur from the University of Pennsylvania, and Pratap Bhanu Mehta from the Centre for Policy Research. The discussion was moderated by Anubha Bhonsle from CNN News18.
27. Book Discussion on “Rethinking Public Institutions in India” on 10 March 2017 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. Panelists included: Arvind Subramanian, Jay Panda, Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Shailaja Chandra, and Yogendra Yadav.

URBANISATION

1. Conference on “Water Regimes Questioned from the “Global South”: Agents, Practices and Knowledge” from 14-16 January 2016 at CPR
2. Discussion on “Homelessness and Cities” on 10 March 2016 at CPR.
3. Screening on “homeless people in the United States: Direction Home” by Mr. Harsh Mander, Centre for Equity Studies; Dr Kishore Kumar, The Banyan; Mr. Tarique Mohammad, Koshish and Tata Institute of Social Sciences; Dr Jaisingh Rathore, Institute of Development Studies, Japur; and Ashwin

4. Parulkar, Centre for Policy Research (Moderator) on 10 March 2016 at M. L. Bhartia Auditorium, Alliance Française New Delhi
5. National Workshop on “Right to Sanitation: From Articulation to Implementation” on 1 September 2016 at CPR.
6. Roundtable of “Rural Roads: PMGSY for Poverty Alleviation and Development” on 6 December 2016 at CPR.
7. Workshop on “Comparing Earthquake Reconstruction in South Asia” on 7 December 2016 at CPR.
8. Conference on “Social Innovation for Improving Urban Sanitation: Lessons for Scaling Up”, jointly organised by the Centre for Policy Research and Society of Participatory Research in Asia (PRIA), New Delhi on 14 December 2016 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.
9. Seminar on “Cities and Flooding: The State of the Art” by Mr. Abhas Jha, Practice Manager, Urban and Disaster Risk Management and Mr. Kamal Kishore, Member, National Disaster Management Authority, Government of India on 19 December 2016 at CPR.
10. Workshop on “Quality Infrastructure: Japanese Investment in India” on 27 February 2017 at Claridges Hotel, New Delhi. The workshop was inaugurated by His Excellency, the Ambassador of Japan to India. Mr Amitabh Kant, CEO of NITI Aayog delivered the keynote address. Other key speakers were Mr. Koki Hirota, Chief Economist of JICA from Japan and Mr R C Bhargava, Chairman of Maruti Suzuki and representatives of industry from Japan and India.

a) International

1. Networking Event at the UN-Habitat III Conference: Think Small, Go Big” on 17 October 2016 in Quito, Ecuador. The event was organised by the Centre for Policy Research in collaboration with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS), Habitat for Humanity, Southern Voice, and the French National Institute for Sustainable Development (IRD), Slum Dwellers International, and UN-HABITAT.

Workshops/Training Programmes (conducted by the Institute)

ENVIRONMENTAL, LAW AND GOVERNANCE

1. Workshop on “Applying a Multiple Objective Based Framework to Policy – Lessons from the Field” on 13 December 2016 at CPR.

URBANISATION

1. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Heritage as practices of belonging: Kolkata Chinese community at crossroads” by Dr. Jayani Bonnerjee, Assistant Professor, O.P. Jindal Global University on 19 January 2016 at CPR
2. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Religious Moderns: architecture and selfhood in the Bohra Shias of Bombay” by Ms. Sarover Zaidi, Ph.D. student on 23 February 2016 at CPR

3. Informal talk by Dr. Sunil Kumar of London School of Economics on 26 February 2016 at CPR.
4. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Little Box Retail: Illegality and Improvised Governance in Small Town India” by Dr. Durba Chattaraj, Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Director of Writing at Ashoka University on 29 March 2016 at CPR
5. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Lending to women with informal incomes and property titles: SEWA Grih Rin’s experiences in home finance” by Ms. Shruti Savio Gonsalves, Chief Executive Officer, Sewa Grih Rin Limited on 26 April 2016 at CPR
6. Talk on “Who Becomes a Slum Leader in Urban India? By Prof. Tariq Thachil, Yale University, USA on 17 May 2016 at CPR.
7. CPR-CSH Workshop on “From the Local to Regional: Who is Planning Urban India and How?” by Prof., Sanjeev Vidyarthi, Associate Professor, Urban Planning and Policy, University of Illinois, Chicago, USA on 31 May 2016 at CPR
8. Talk on “Waste and Workers in Hyderabad” by Mr. Anant Maringanti, Executive Director, Hyderabad Urban Lab and Geographer on 27 June 2016 at CPR.
9. CPR-CSH Workshop on “The Urban Landscape of Love and Marriage: A Study of the Middle Class in Delhi” by Ms. Parul Bhandari, Post-doctoral Fellow with the Centre de Sciences Humaines, (CSH), New Delhi on 28 June 2016 at CPR
10. Workshop on “Implementing the Right to Sanitation in Kerala” on 22 July 2016 at CPR.
11. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Geographies of care and intimacy: Early insights from oral histories of informal sector migrants in Delhi and Hyderabad” by Mr. Vinay Gidwani studies the entanglements of labor and ecology in agrarian and urban settings, and capitalist transformations of these, Prof. Priti Ramamurthy, Professor and Chair of the Department of Gender, Women and Sexuality Studies at the University of Washington, Seattle, Mr. Sunil Kumar, a Delhi-based social-political activist, and an independent writer and researcher and Ms. Lokesh, a researcher, M.Phil from Department of Sociology, University of Delhi, on 26 July 2016 at CPR
12. Lecture on “Shaping Community Engagement on Sanitation in the Urban Context: Sharing Experiences and Insights” by Ms. Akhila Sivadas is a founder member of Centre for Advocacy and Research (CFAR) on 29 July 2016 at CPR.
13. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Transnational Application of Perry’s ‘Neighbourhood Unit’ to Indian Town Planning: A Case Study of Faridabad (1950-1980s) by Prof. Rachna Mehra, Assistant Professor in History (School of Undergraduate Studies) in Ambedkar University Delhi on 30 August 2016 at CPR.
14. CPR-CSH Workshop on “The Ridge and the City: Environmental Politics in Delhi” by Mr. Thomas Crowley, a writer on 27 September 2016 at CPR
15. Talk on “Precarity, Collectivity and Inhabitation in Today’s City” by Prof. Abdoumalik Simone, Research Professor at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Gottingen, Germany on 30 September 2016 at CPR.
16. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Urbanisation, Demographic Transition, and the Growth of Cities in India, 1870-2020” by Prof. Chinmay Tumbe, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad on 25 October 2016 at CPR

17. CPR-CSH Workshop on “All of us have closed ourselves into a cocoon: Self-Segregation and Representations of Poverty in Delhi Upper-Class Neighbourhoods” by Dr. Jules Naudet, Head of the “Politics and Society” division, Centre for Social Sciences and Humanities, New Delhi_on 29 November 2016 at CPR
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19. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Planning and Participation: Thinking from politics in the Land Use Planning of Bangalore” by Mr. Jayaraj Sundaresan, a comparative urbanist on 27 December 2016 at CPR
20. Seminar on “Malaysian Perspective on River Pollution, Sanitation and Sewerage Management” by Mr. Dorai Narayanan, formerly Head of Department of the Planning & Engineering Department in Indah Water Konsortium on 23 January 2017 at CPR.
21. CPR-CSH Workshop on “BRICS Cities: What are we comparing?” by Mr. Philip Harrison is the South African Research Chair in Spatial Analysis and City Planning on 31 January 2017 at CPR
22. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Gender and Public Transport in India: How do we move from women's safety to gender equity?” by Ms. Sonal Shah, Senior Manager, Institute for Transportation and Development Policy, on 28 February 2017 at CPR
23. Workshop on “Labour Migration and Social Change in India” on 28 March 2017 at CPR.
24. CPR-CSH Workshop on “The Metropolis and the Diaspora: Bangalore Property Market through the Transnational Lens” by Ms. Aurélie Varrel, a CNRS researcher in Geography, on 28 March 2017 at CPR
25. Workshop on “Sanitation for People: Assessing Socio-Cultural Realities of Sanitation Practice in Indian Cities” on 29 March 2017 at CPR.
26. ICSSR-sponsored “Orientation Programme on Social Science Research” for research scholars and lecturers belonging to SC/ST and other Marginalised Group from 30 March to 1 April 2017 at CPR

LAW, REGULATIONS, AND THE STATE

1. Seventh workshop of the International Social & Economic Rights Project (iSERP) on “Social & Economic Rights Litigation – The Next Generation” from 24-27 March 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi.
2. Conference on “Land Rights, Land Acquisition, and Inclusive Development in India” on 2-3 March 2017 at India International Centre, New Delhi.

CPR DISCUSSION GROUP

1. Talk on “Measuring Disparities in Access to Sanitation: Findings from NSS 69th Round” by Mr. Aditya Bhol, Research Associate on 25 February 2016 at CPR.
2. Talk on “The Evolution of Climate Institutions in India” by Ms. Neha B. Joseph, Research Associate on 18 March 2016 at CPR.
3. Talk on “An Exploratory Study of Public Perceptions around Energy Facilities in India” by Madhura Joshi, Senior Research Associate on 12 May 2016 at CPR.

4. Talk on “A Framework for Comparing Improvements in Social Indicators” by Amandeep Singh, Research Associate, Nikhil George, Research Associate, Kanhu Pradhan, Senior Research Associate and Shamindra Nath, Senior Research Associate Roy on 28 June 2016 at CPR.
5. Talk on “From Photovoltaics to Puffed Rice: Energy and Climate Change Decisions in Urban India” by Ankit Bhardwaj, Research Associate on 17 March 2017 at CPR.

BOOK/REPORT LAUNCH

1. Launched of Report: Reducing Non-Tariff Barriers (NTBs) to Food trade between India and South Asia on 11 February 2016 at Claridges Hotel in New Delhi
2. Released of book: India’s War: The Making of South Asia, 1939-1945, authored by Srinath Raghavan, Senior Fellow, CPR on 29 April 2016 at the British Council, New Delhi
3. Launched of “Modi and his Challenges” authored by Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Senior Fellow, CPR by Mr. Arun Jaitly, followed by a panel discussion on 8 August 2016 at National Media Centre, Raisina Road, New Delhi. Panelists included Mr. T.N. Ninan and Sir Mark Tully.
4. Released of “India and the World: Essays on Geoeconomics and Foreign Policy” authored by Dr. Sanjaya Baru. Panelists included: Shyam Saran, Former Foreign Secretary of India, Harsh Pant, Professor, King’s College, Raghav Bahl, Founder, Network 18
5. Launched of “1991: How P.V. Narasimha Rao Made History” authored by Dr. Sanjaya Baru on 27 September 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi. Mr. Yashwant Sinha, Mr. P. Chidambaram and Mr. Naresh Chandra spoke at the occasion.
6. Launched of “The Other One Percent: Indians in America” authored by Sanjay Chakravorty, Devesh Kapur and Nirvikar Singh jointly organized by the Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi and Oxford University Press, New Delhi on 17 January 2017 at India International Centre, New Delhi.

CPR's INITIATIVES

I. Accountability Initiative (AI)

Accountability Initiative (AI) works to deepen research, analysis and reform efforts to strengthen accountability for public service delivery in India. Through its research, AI tracks government planning, budgeting and decision-making systems in key social sector programs with a view to strengthening public debate on issues of governance, institutions and accountability for public services. Underlying AI's work is a strong commitment to the idea that greater citizen engagement in governance processes is the primary driver of change. Toward this end, AI partners with individuals and local civil society organizations in its data collection efforts and produces research products that are simple and easy to understand. AI has also developed a basic public finance and administration course for field based civil society actors, students and interested citizens. The objective of these courses is to build citizen capacity to engage, experiment and implement accountability reforms and catalyze change.

Budgetary analysis of social sector expenditure at national and state levels

In 2016, Accountability Initiative (AI) continued to unpack India's on-going efforts at restructuring centre-state relations through its analysis of state budgets. The focus of this analysis was to understand the extent to which the Fourteenth Finance Commission (FFC) recommendations restructured state government finances with respect to social sector spending in particular. To this end, in June, 2016, AI released the country's first-ever comprehensive analysis of the effects of the FFC recommendations on social sector spending through an analysis of budgets across 19 states in its *State of the Social Sector in India* report. The report was released at a seminar in New Delhi, where the Chief Economic Advisor to the Government of India Dr Arvind Subramaniam was the keynote speaker, followed by a panel discussion comprising eminent public finance economists such as Dr Pinaki Chakraborty and Dr Indira Rajaraman.

In the run up to the 2017-18 Government of India budget presentation, AI published its annual series of *Budget Briefs* analysing, budgetary allocations and expenditures in key social sector programmes at the national level. The briefs covered the following schemes: *Direct Benefit Transfers*, *Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme*, *National Health Mission*, *Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan*, *Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin and Urban)* and the *Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana*. AI contributed widely to the public debate on the budget through a series of opinion pieces in mainstream media. AI also engaged closely with the government sharing its budget analysis. AI's Yamini Aiyar participated in the Ministry of Finance's pre-budget consultation on social sector expenditure. Additionally, AI's public finance research lead, Avani Kapur engaged with the Niti Aayog and the Finance and Planning Departments in a number of states sharing their analysis. Further, Kapur and Ambrish Dongre published a detailed analysis of expenditure on elementary education in the *Economic and Political Weekly*, titled *Trends in Public Expenditure on Elementary Education in India*.

Tracking implementation of social sector schemes through ground surveys

AI's flagship programme PAISA (Planning, Allocations and Expenditures, Institutions Studies in Accountability) conducts the country's largest expenditure tracking surveys. In 2016-17, AI released two important PAISA studies. The first of these was a study on social sector spending in the state of Chhattisgarh conducted on behalf of the Chhattisgarh government, in partnership with UNICEF. The study tracked budgets, fund flows and key output related indicators such as enrolment and attendance, uptake of in-kind transfers including hot-cooked meals, and availability of basic facilities – for programmes related to school education and nutrition. This study is an important contribution to understanding the challenges of public service delivery in the state.

In October 2016, Accountability Initiative released findings from a PAISA study of Swacch Bharat, Gramin (SBM - rural) – the second study. Covering 7,500 households across 10 districts in five states of the country, this study offered the first-ever, ground level analysis of the implementation of SBM since its launch in 2014. The study findings were widely shared in the media and with government stakeholders, thus contributing to strengthening the governments' efforts at meeting the sanitation challenge. Subsequently, following a request from the district administration, AI has now launched a similar study on the implementation of SBM in Udaipur in the state of Rajasthan. Study findings will be released in August, 2017.

Unpacking decentralisation: PAISA for Panchayats (local governments) study

In its efforts to deepen the evidence base on decentralisation in India, AI released a study based on a PAISA survey of rural local governments or Gram Panchayats in Karnataka in June, 2016. The study tracked trends in allocations and expenditures at the Panchayat level in the state. Importantly, the report developed an estimate of funds spent within the jurisdiction of a Gram Panchayat, and through this identified the degree of fiscal decentralisation to Panchayats. The study findings were widely circulated to various stakeholders, including key government officials.

In July 2016, based on a request from the government of Kerala, AI launched a similar study on tracking rural local government finances in the state. Study findings will be released in early 2018. Further, in 2017, AI extended its analysis of local government finances to urban areas. A fund tracking survey is currently underway in the Tumkur district of Karnataka, and this study will be completed in October, 2018.

Yamini Aiyar and Ambrish Dongre also co-authored a book chapter titled *Do Gram Panchayats Get their Money: An Analysis of the State of Fiscal Devolution in Birbhum, West Bengal in Decentralisation, Governance and Development: An Indian Perspective*, published by Orient BlackSwan

Research on public administration

In May 2016, AI launched a new study in collaboration with the Delhi government to document and analyse the government's efforts at improving learning outcomes in schools. The study focuses on capturing stakeholder perceptions of the reforms; the mechanisms through which reforms are supported and resisted; and the effects of these reforms on classroom practice. The study will be

completed in 2018. In September 2016, AI researchers began a year-long exercise to track implementation at the Block Development Office in five blocks. Researchers spend three days a month recording activities undertaken by frontline bureaucracy at the block level. The objective of this study is to understand the challenges of service delivery from the ground up and it will be completed in 2018.

Sharing findings on social expenditure and fiscal devolution to empower stakeholders

- In 2016, AI launched a new effort to engage district and block level administrators with its research on social expenditure. Known as ‘PAISA Dialogues’, AI field researchers provided administrators on the ground with relevant data to encourage a deeper debate on ‘how to’ overcome challenges of service delivery. In the course of the year, AI organised 40 dialogues and spoke to over a 1,000 administrators. These dialogues were very well received and AI plans to institutionalise this within its work. A detailed description of the dialogues and their impact can be accessed here: <http://cprindia.org/news/6235>.
- Additionally, AI experimented with building new methods of engaging community groups in the process of planning and monitoring of social sector funds. In Rajasthan, field researchers worked in close collaboration with six School Management Committees (SMC) to develop School Development Plans (SDP). Through this exercise, AI developed a set of recommendations on how to improve state government’s efforts at training SMCs. Recommendations related to improved awareness of budgets and planning processes made their way into the Rajasthan government’s training manual. AI also collaborated with Nidan, an education NGO in Bihar, to train over 25 master trainers of SMCs on education budgets and how to create effective SDPs.
- AI’s research on Gram Panchayats in Karnataka was shared widely with Panchayat members through the state’s network of elected Panchayat representatives. This served to facilitate a dialogue amongst Panchayat members on how to demand for greater fiscal decentralisation to the state. One important outcome of this engagement was the submission of a formal request by the Panchayat Parishad to improve transparency in Panchayat level budgeting processes directly to the Chief Minister of the state.
- Finally, AI actively engaged with the policy-making community through regular seminars, discussions, and participation in meetings and dialogues with key policy makers – throughout the year. These discussions spanned broad issues related to governance and accountability to sector specific debates on education, nutrition and sanitation. An important contribution made by AI researchers in this regard was on nutrition financing, particularly through Avani Kapur’s membership of a consortium on nutrition. This consortium developed a set of recommendations that were shared with a range of policy makers, including the NITI Aayog. AI also contributed to the process of the Niti Ayog’s Vision Document by providing written inputs, on request.

II. Initiative on Climate, Energy and Environment (ICEE)

Research on Climate, Energy and Environment

Based on work in the Environmental Law and Governance focus area, CPR was ranked 15th globally by the International Centre for Climate Governance in its standardised (adjusting for size) ranking of global think tanks working on climate and energy, 3rd in the Rest of the World category (countries not in North America or Europe) and was, once again, the top ranked Indian think-tank. In 2016, the Climate Initiative at CPR was renamed the *Initiative on Climate, Energy and Environment (ICEE)*.

While the intent and approach that informs the team's work remains unaltered, the re-naming reflects the growing breadth of its work in the thematic areas of energy, environment, and climate.

In the past year, ICEE continued both engagement with and commentary on the **international climate change debate and negotiating process**:

- Lavanya Rajamani published an article in the *Journal of Environmental Law* explaining the Paris Agreement as the interplay between hard, soft and non-obligations, and participated as an expert member at the Informal Meetings of climate negotiators held in Marrakesh and Tokyo. Navroz K Dubash published an article in *Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews* on India's stakes in the Paris Agreement.
- Both of them were also active in the post-Paris discussions in India, with Rajamani providing inputs and perspectives on India's submissions for consideration by the Government and Dubash appointed as a Member, Expert Committee of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) on a Long Term Strategy for Low Carbon Development for India.
- At the climate negotiations held in Marrakesh in November, 2016, Lavanya Rajamani presented at events organised by the Environmental Change Institute, University of Oxford and Centre for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES), and Ankit Bhardwaj presented on multi-objective climate and energy policy at events organised by UK Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy and Institute for Global Environmental Strategies.

ICEE's **energy focused work** operated at two levels – strategic and sectoral:

- Researchers submitted ideas for consideration of Government on India's *strategic* energy priorities as part of an inter-ministerial process. Radhika Khosla and Madhura Joshi produced a chapter on Indian energy trends as part of a collaborative project on G20 countries and a global transition towards sustainable energy. The team also wrote opinion pieces for the broader media.
- *Sectorally*, Khosla's work focused on the buildings sector, where she is undertaking surveys on energy consumption, appliance use and energy behaviour in households. This work is informed by a larger perspective on the important role of energy demand-side analysis in achieving development and climate change objectives, as exemplified by a co-authored article in the *Annual Review of Environment and Resources*. Radhika Khosla and Ankit Bhardwaj are also pilot testing an innovative methodology to integrate decision-making across multiple objectives to inform urban development and climate planning in the city of Rajkot. During the year, Navroz K Dubash, along with external collaborators, initiated a research project on India's state-level electricity governance, which examines the political economy of distribution reform across fifteen states.

On **domestic environmental governance**, Rajamani and Shibani Ghosh co-authored a chapter on public participation in environmental decision-making. Ghosh also wrote on various contemporary environmental issues including the MoEFCC's proposed notification on environmental violations, and its committee's decision to curtail public participation.

Faculty members were also invited to present their work at various academic and professional institutions including the Victoria University of Wellington, University of Oxford, Ashoka University, Foreign Services Institute, Administrative Staff College, and Indian Law Institute.

III. Land Rights Initiative (LRI)

Demystifying land and property rights in India

The work of the Land Rights Initiative (LRI), largely funded by the Norwegian Research Council, was recognised by the Council for the second year in a row as an ‘ideal’ research project in terms of policy contributions and donor engagement.

Understanding land acquisition litigation in India

The Land Rights Initiative launched a report titled *Land Acquisition in India: A Review of Supreme Court cases from 1950 to 2016*, which is the first-ever systematic, representative, and comprehensive study of land acquisition disputes in India – both in terms of its geographical scope and the nature of the legal issues litigated. The report was launched at a conference, which included commentaries on the report by various stakeholders from government and civil society organisations, as well as lawyers, economists, political and social scientists. Co-authored by Namita Wahi, Ankit Bhatia, Pallav Shukla, and Upasana Chauhan, along with interns Dhruva Gandhi and Shubham Jain, the report findings were covered extensively by major newspapers and news agencies, including *Reuters*, *Hindustan Times*, *Economic Times*, *Business Standard*, *Livelaw*, the *Daily Mail*, and also disseminated through a CPR podcast.

The LRI team engaged actively with various stakeholders on the *Land Acquisition* study by making presentations to officials in the Department of Land Resources, the World Bank, and the NITI Aayog. The LRI team also held meetings and communicated over email with various political party representatives, civil society organisations, individual litigants, lawyers and social scientists, in Andhra Pradesh, Chattisgarh, Delhi and Orissa.

Further, Namita Wahi published opinion pieces in the *Hindustan Times* and *The Wire* on the legal ramifications of the Supreme Court decision on the acquisition of land in the Singur case. She is also a member of the Technical Committee reviewing the Pilot Study led by a consortium of research organisations on the *Digital Land Records Modernisation Programme* of the Department of Land Resources.

The political economy of land rights in the Scheduled Areas

- The LRI team compiled geographic and demographic data on scheduled areas and scheduled tribes population to unpack legal and policy initiatives with respect to scheduled areas. Through extensive use of the Right to Information (RTI) Act, the LRI team obtained and made publicly available a series of Governors’ reports from the states of Chhatisgarh, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra for administration of the scheduled areas.
- In an interview with *Livelaw*, Namita Wahi highlighted the unique and common challenges of Fifth and Sixth Schedule areas in different states.

Constitutional Right to Property

Through a blog piece for the website and a CPR podcast, two *op-eds* in the *Economic Times*, and an interview with *Livelaw*, Namita Wahi contributed to the public discourse on the legality of demonetisation in so far as it impacted individuals' constitutional rights to liberty, equality and property. Wahi's blog was a pioneering piece on the question of legality of demonetisation and remains one of the most widely read pieces on the website.

National and International Engagements

- Namita Wahi presented research on land acquisition at workshops held at the Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Simla, the National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad, and the Law and Social Sciences Network conference, New Delhi.
- Wahi presented research on land rights in the Scheduled Areas at the Bergen Exchanges, Norway and at the *National Conference on Governance of Fifth Schedule Areas* in New Delhi.
- Wahi also presented her book proposal on *The Right to Property and Economic Development in India*, and spoke at a *Land Governance Workshop* at Humboldt University, Berlin.
- Wahi gave a lecture on *The Constitutional Right to Property* at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bombay as part of the University's Constitutional law guest lecture series.

IV. Governance and Public Policy Initiative (GPPI)

Sensitising policy makers

The Governance and Public Policy Initiative (GPPI) continued with its ongoing annual overseas academic outreach programmes for Indian parliamentarians and also organised domestic discussions on issues such as malnutrition in women and children; women's empowerment and obstacles in achieving social equality; moving from MDGs (Millennium Development Goals) to SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals); and budget allocation for health in India,

Domestic discussions

- GPPI and Global Health Strategies (GHS) jointly organised an interactive discussion on *Investing in Women & Children in India: Addressing Malnutrition*, focusing on the key roles political leaders can play in raising the discourse around nutrition in India.
- A roundtable by GPPI on *Women's Empowerment and Obstacles in Achieving Social Equality* engaged parliamentarians on making government policies and programmes more effective and successful.
- GPPI and GHS jointly organised another roundtable on *Putting India at the Centre of the SDG Narrative*, which focused on India's role in realising the SDGs; explored key opportunities for parliamentarians; and discussed the broader sustainability agenda examining the root causes of poverty. Secretary and Mission Director of the National Health Mission (Ministry of Health and Family Welfare) C K Mishra led this discussion.
- GPPI, in partnership with the Parliamentarians' Group for Children (PGC), and with technical support from UNICEF, India, organised a two-day-long parliamentarians' international conference on *Sustainable Development Goals for Children (SDGs)*. Members of Parliament (MP) from Nepal, Bhutan, Maldives, Afghanistan, European Union and Bangladesh attended the conference. Conference

sessions addressed key components on nutrition and reproductive health; education; children and young people's participation; child protection etc.

- GPPI and GHS also organised a roundtable on *Budgetary Allocation for Health in India* to highlight key issues in the budgetary allocation for healthcare; discuss possible solutions; and identify ways in which parliamentarians can effect change

Academic outreach programmes

- GPPI took a multi-party group of political leaders for the fifth leg of the *Princeton-GPPI-CPR Strategic Affairs Programme* at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public & International Affairs.
- A delegation of five Indian political leaders participated in a week long programme at some of Australia's leading think tanks and institutions, such as the Australian Centre on China in the World, and Crawford School of Public Policy, Australia National University. The programme was organised in partnership with Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.
- A multi-party group of eight parliamentarians attended the week-long *2016 Chevening-CPR Parliamentarians Fellowship Programme* at the Department of War Studies and the India Institute at King's College London.
- In partnership with the Shanghai Institute of International Studies (SIIS), GPPI organised a visit of select political delegation to China, which included interactions with specialists at SIIS; at the Center for India Studies in Chengdu; and at the Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences. The delegation also met with officials from the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries and the Shanghai Urban Planning Group.

FUNDED RESEARCH PROJECTS

I. CPR-Namati Collaborative Programme on Environmental Justice

Research and policy engagement on environmental compliance of industrial and infrastructure projects

The CPR-Namati Environment Justice Program undertook extensive research to understand the system of conditional environmental approvals and compliance of projects, institutional monitoring, and enforcement of environmental regulations. These are crucial to address the environmental and social impacts of industrial and infrastructure projects.

The research was published in a report titled '*How Effective are Environmental Regulations to Address Impacts of Industrial and Infrastructure Projects in India*'. This is the first study on environment regulation that examines efforts made by affected parties to engage with government institutions on the issue of compliance and monitoring.

The intent of the research was to highlight the necessary conditions for effective environment regulation and better outcomes through compliance. The study provides lessons that could be translated into concrete policy on environmental monitoring and compliance to address the widening chasm between enforcement of regulations and the ever-growing difficulties posed by environmental challenges. The report received media attention and was also disseminated to state and central government monitoring agencies as well as to the office of the Comptroller and Auditor General engaged in environmental audits.

In translating the research from the study into deeper engagement with the regulatory system, a community-led 'ground truthing' process was undertaken to record the impacts felt by communities from mining operations in Sarguja, Chhattisgarh. The report of the process was used as a tool to engage government authorities and institutions for remedial action. This resulted in an interim yet substantive impact when the Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) of MoEFCC acknowledged the submission made by the communities and paralegals on violations committed by a coal mine, and deferred the expansion of the mining project pending a site inspection and point wise clarification by the project authority on the instances of non-compliance.

A Handbook for environmental justice practitioners

The Program distilled the methodological lessons drawn from the experience of its field teams to develop a *Handbook on Legal and Administrative Remedies for Community Level Environment Justice Practitioners*.

The Handbook provides methodologies that can be used by affected communities to engage with administrative institutions within the framework of existing laws. The Handbook has a compilation of applicable legal clauses and information about which institutions are mandated and best suited to solve environmental and social impacts of polluting projects.

The learnings from this process have been shared through workshops organised by national groups, as well as internationally, such as at the Asia Pro Bono Conference in August, 2016.

Activating local institutions to check regulatory violations

State Pollution Control Boards are a nodal institution for regulating and monitoring polluting industries and to ensure that they comply with laws and regulations. In all the field areas of the Program, the teams collaborated with affected communities and the State Pollution Control Boards to devise mechanisms to respond to harms such as contamination of surface water and farm lands at specific sites.

As testified by those affected, the pollution visibly reduced in certain impact areas. Further, installation of CCTVs to monitor compliance and community participation during site visits conducted by the pollution control boards, had been achieved in several cases.

Even with other institutions such as Ground Water Authorities, local regulatory bodies have been activated due to informed citizen engagement, as a result of the Program's field efforts.

II. Design and Implementation of Research in India on the Human Rights to Safe Drinking Water and Sanitation

This project focuses on one of the most important development challenges in India – sanitation. The project examines the law and policy framework in India for the realisation of the right to sanitation. It proposes an assessment of the implementation of the right to sanitation through an analysis of the law and policy framework followed by fieldwork in three states (Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Kerala). The underlying purpose is to understand the conceptual framework, identify implementation challenges, highlight best practices and propose policy suggestions to ensure better realisation of the right to sanitation. The project also seeks to directly engage with policy makers and other stakeholders through learning events and workshops. In 2016-17, two state-level learning events were organised with government representatives and other stakeholders in Thiruvananthapuram (July, 2016) and Lucknow (August, 2016) and a final national workshop held at CPR in September 2016.

No updates for the project during the reported period.

III. Integration and Editing of Manuscripts Relating to the Planning and Development Efforts in the Calcutta Metropolitan Area:

This book is an attempt to place on record how urban planning in India took shape after independence. It is the first exhaustive study of its kind and gives a vivid account of the problems faced by planners on how to deal with urban growth. While officials of newly independent India had not much idea of how to tackle the problem of teeming cities, neither was there much experience abroad. It was a learning process for all concerned. In India large cities were moved with some apprehension because of their problems and public policy in early years after independence sought to restrain growth of large cities. Calcutta was a great experiment not just for India but for urban communities across the world. The WHO, Ford Foundation and the World Bank shared India's concern, particularly the West Bengal

government to save the city. Calcutta was the only city in the developing world to get so much international attention.

The book manuscript was being worked on by Prof. KC Sivaramakrishnan. However, after his death, the project's progress has been slow. An editor who was engaged by Prof. KC Sivaramakrishnan submitted a revised manuscript which is being supplemented with some new archives from the World Bank and is pending revisions. The book is in the review and editing stages.

IV. Sensitizing Elected Representatives on Maternal and Child Health, Digital Financial Inclusion, Sanitation, Agriculture and Women's Empowerment

GPPI-CPR has an ongoing project with BMGF on Sensitizing Elected Representatives on Maternal and Child Health, Sanitation, Digital Financial Inclusion, Agriculture and Women's Empowerment. This project aims at achieving a focused discourse and on-ground experiences, to help Members of Parliament (MPs) gain a well-rounded perspective on key issues, opportunities and challenges in India surrounding these topics.

Activities undertaken under this project during April 2016 to March 2017 include –

1. Interactive Discussion on “Women's Empowerment and Obstacles in Achieving Social Equality” on 4th August, 2016 to discuss the broad facts and debates underlying women's empowerment and social equality, and how Parliamentarians can contribute in making the government policies and programmes successful with detailed presentation by Dr Priya Nanda, Group Director, Social & Economic Department, Asia Regional Office, International Center for Research on Women's (ICRW) and Dr Aparajita Gogoi, Executive Director, Centre for Catalyzing Change (formely CEDPA).

V. Global Health Strategies – GPPI-CPR Collaboration on Child Survival

The objective of this collaboration is to highlight the need to elevate the issue of childhood diseases such as diarrhea and pneumonia and how Members of Parliament can play an effective role in ensuring that life-saving medicines, tools and technologies reach children who need them the most. The meetings also aims to address questions that Parliamentarians might have around child survival issues and vaccines; and seek guidance on how they can be advocates for child health in India.

Activities undertaken under this project during April 2016 to March 2017 include –

1. Interactive Discussion on "Investing in Women and Children of India: Addressing Malnutrition" on 9th May 2016 to discuss the key roles political leaders can play in raising the discourse around nutrition in India. Dr. Rajan Sarkar, Country Manager, India and Senior Advisor, South Asia at GAIN, gave a detailed presentation on child survival which focused on nutrition and immunization which was followed by an open discussion.
2. Interactive Discussion on “Putting India at the Centre of the SDG Narrative” on August 10, 2016, to

discuss India's role given the new goals (SDGs) and key opportunities for Parliamentarians. The discussion was led by Mr. CK Mishra, Secretary and Mission Director National Health Mission, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Dr. N K Arora, Executive Director, The INCLIN Trust International.

3. Interactive Discussion on "Budgetary Allocation for Health in India" on March 15, 2017, to highlight key issues in the budgetary allocation for healthcare, discuss possible solutions and ways in which parliamentarians can play key roles in addressing them. The discussion was led by Professor Pinaki Chakraborty, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy and an Honorary Research Scholar at Levy Economics Institute, New York and Dr Amir Ullah Khan, Development Economist and Policy Expert on Health, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

VI. The Creation of Smaller States Promoting Inclusive Development?

The research study on 'Newly created Indian states and Inclusive Development: The subnational political settlements of Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh' is part of the Effective States Inclusive Development (ESID) research cluster at the University of Manchester and was conducted in partnership with Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi and the National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi.

Given the changing territorial map of India and the increased focus on smaller states to promote accountable governance, superior political representation and improved administrative and fiscal efficiency, this research aims to answer an increasingly urgent question: have newly created smaller Indian states, in fact, promoted inclusive development? It studies Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh, which gained statehood concurrently in November 2000, and are comparable for their high incidences of poverty, poor tribal populations, and vast reserves of mineral wealth.

In order to critically examine the politics of inclusive development in the two states, the research study characterizes the 'sub-national political settlement' in each. It then seeks to understand how the political settlement of each state explains the trajectories of development in two domains: mining and the provision of food subsidies through the Public Distribution System. The research focuses on the conditions under which developmental forms of state capacity and elite commitment to inclusive development emerge and are sustained. By studying extraction with welfare in an interrelated manner, the study offers insights into the nature and extent of inclusive development that is possible within each political settlement.

Activities:

1. In the last one year, the project deepened its empirical research by delving further into the two states. Following the analysis of this work, the team prepared three discussion papers – first, on the overarching political settlements in the two states; second, on the extractive regime and third, on the public distribution system and political settlements in the two states.
2. Additional fieldwork was carried out in April-May 2016 to better understand certain key aspects of the domains in order to be able to provide a more nuanced explanation to the narrative around food security, in particular.
3. A consultation workshop was organized at the India International Centre, Delhi in August 2016

which discussed the findings from the project with presentations by the research team where the audience ranged from academics, journalists, bureaucrats, civil society, among others providing valuable feedback on the research and steps forwards.

4. Following this, two other workshops were held in Ranchi and Raipur, the capital cities of the two study states Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh respectively, in August 2016 which provided deeper engagement with the research and feedback from participants from the two states.

The workshops provided valuable feedback and engagement from across fields which the research team has tried to incorporate into the papers to follow soon. A briefing paper from the project is available at: http://www.effective-states.org/wp-content/uploads/briefing_papers/final-pdfs/esid_bp_18_Chhattisgarh-Jharkhand.pdf

5. The team participated in the Global Inequalities Conference held in Barcelona, Spain in May 2017 and presented the work from this study. It was well-received with constructive comments and feedback from all sections.

VII. Scaling City Institutions for India (SCI-FI): Sanitation

The Scaling City Institutions for India (SCI-FI): Sanitation initiative aims to inform and support the formulation and implementation of the Government of India's urban sanitation programmes and investments, and explores non-sewered sanitation service delivery models in small towns in order to create safer and more sustainable sanitation in urban areas. Over the past year, the project studied specific facets of urban sanitation on institutional, financial, legislative, technological, socio-cultural, gender, equity, and economic dimensions of urban sanitation service delivery in India. The programme has deepened its policy and research outreach by both, leveraging the research outputs of the previous years with general research on urbanisation, as well as through new research outputs.

During this period,

1. We undertook a number of studies:
- In October 2016, a report titled “Monitoring Open Discharge-Free India: A Comprehensive Sanitation Matrix” was released at the UN-Habitat III in Quito. This report is a product of an effort to develop an assessment framework or matrix to measure sanitation outcomes in India. We begin by examining international policy instruments on Open Defecation Free [OD(F)] status, trace the genealogy of the term, and then compare India's policy environment with the other top contributors to global open defecation in 2012 (Indonesia, Ethiopia, Nigeria, and Pakistan). We then outline the challenges in terms of defining OD(F) and using existing survey instruments available in India to develop such a framework. Subsequently, we present a proposal for a matrix to measure sanitation outcomes in India covering 9 sanitation outcomes, making a case for the full sanitation chain, especially open discharge free (ODF2) environs. Finally, we evaluate the emerging monitoring framework of Goal 6 of the SDGs and suggest the consideration of this framework as part of the ongoing global efforts to evolve a monitoring framework for sanitation.
 - Report titled “Infrastructure, gender and violence: women and slum sanitation inequalities in Delhi” was published in 2017. This report uses ethnographic research on sanitation inequalities in two informal settlements (Mangolpuri and Kusumpur Pahari) in Delhi, focusing on the notion of passive infrastructural violence and how this has created gender-based violence and other harms because the needs of poor women and girls have been largely omitted from planning, design and implementation processes of sanitation programmes.

- The report titled “Wastewater management in peninsular Malaysia” was prepared after a study visit to Malaysia with an objective of documenting some of the learnings and findings from there. Malaysia is one of few countries globally to have an integrated wastewater management system in which sewerred and non-sewerred areas are managed through a common institutional arrangement. This report attempts to understand wastewater management in peninsular Malaysia by studying the evolution of it wastewater system, the regulatory framework, the effects of privatization of the wastewater system, and septage management, and concludes by considering the challenges faced by Malaysia and some recommendations on dealing with its issues.
 - The Working Paper titled “Horizontal and Vertical Inequalities Explaining Disparities in Access to Urban Sanitation” was published in 2017. It presents the levels of disparities in access to toilets based on varying socio-economic characteristics of households in urban India. The findings of the paper corroborate the existence of disparities in access to toilets across 15 states (selected on the basis of population) and the factors that drive the inequalities vary in the different states. The findings of this research paper have far-reaching policy implications and urge the policy makers and stakeholders to address these inequalities while delivering the ascertained infrastructure towards the achievement of our collective goal – Swachh Bharat.
 - The study titled “Sanitation in Indian cities: making a case for deep institutional reforms” highlights that the responsibility of public agencies for wastewater and septage management is inadequately specified for Indian cities. While it is generally clear that a public agency, whether water board, state department or municipal corporation is responsible for the wastewater that is in public sewers, their responsibility for wastewater in open drains, nallahs and septic tanks is less specific.
 - The ethnographic study titled ‘Sanitation in Small towns’ attempted to provide an understanding of urban sanitation in Angul and Dhenkanal in Odisha. The overarching question the study addressed was to what extent and in what ways socio-cultural norms, behaviour and practices influence sanitation in small towns. The study has explored perceptions and practices of the poor towards sanitation, particularly towards human excreta. The study showed that culture is not an isolated phenomena; it interacts with other aspects of sanitation, influences them as well as gets influenced by them.
2. Additionally, policy briefs on topical subjects such as those listed below were prepared:
- Two budget briefs, titled “Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U)” and “Swachh Bharat Mission-Gramin (SBM-G)”, were published in 2017. Summary findings and analysis of the SBM-U Budget Brief include the following: (i) there are significant state-wise variations in releases made since the inception of this programme; (ii) a large percentage of the released funds has been used for constructing IHHLs and community and public toilet seats; however, the pace of construction has been slow; (iii) the expenditure on IEC activities is extremely low, and the amount released for this purpose has been decreasing over the past few years. No state has received even half of its IEC mission allocations over the last three years; (iv) 332 urban local bodies (ULBs) across 15 states have been declared ODF by January 2017. Summary findings of SBM-U include the following: (i) increase in release of funds to the state governments over the past three years; (ii) construction of individual household latrines (IHHLs) constitute the largest percentage share of total expenditure and this share has been rising over the years; (iii) the number of Open Defecation Free (ODF) villages in India has doubled from financial year 2015-16 to January 2017, though the number is yet to be confirmed; and (iv) the allocation and usage of funds for IEC activities is extremely under-represented.

- The policy brief titled “Sanitising india: swachh bhara mission (urban), mid-term review” analyses the disparity in the central funds allocated and sanctioned for each state, as well as for each component (i.e., household toilets, community toilets, public toilets, solid waste management, IEC & public awareness, and capacity building and administrative and office expenses) of SBM-U, and compares it to the need for toilets in each state as noted by Census 2011.
3. CPR supported Housing and Urban Development Department (HUDD), Government of G/o Odisha in drafting the Odisha Urban Sanitation Policy (2017) and Odisha Urban Sanitation Strategy (2017), both notified in December 2016. These documents target six key outcomes namely – (1) Urban areas are Open-defecation (ODF) and open discharge free (ODF+/+++); (2) Solid waste is safely managed & treated; (3) Sewage, septage/ faecal sludge and liquid waste is safely managed, treated, and disposed; (4) Safety standards and guidelines are followed in the physical handling and management of waste; (5) Women and girls have access to safe menstrual hygiene management; and (6) Cities/towns do not pollute the river basins of Odisha. Additionally, a legislative framework was developed covering the management, treatment and disposal of wastewater and faecal waste by households and other establishments in which the waste is generated, as well as its collection, treatment and disposal by local authorities. Based on this framework, the state government evolved a “Wastewater and Faecal Waste Management and Disposal in Urban Areas of Odisha, Bill, 2016” which is currently being considered for approval through internal state government processes. CPR also supported HUDD with a capacity building strategy on Fecal Sludge Management (FSM) for the State and cities in Odisha based on the study conducted on Capacity building Need Assessment in Angul and Dhenkanal last year; and with the capacity building modules on FSM for training various stakeholder groups involved in management of fecal sludge in cities and in the State.
 4. The project has taken its research to a number of international and national forums:
 - Internationally, at both the 3rd Preparatory meeting in Surabaya, Indonesia in July 2016, and in the main UN-Habitat III conference in Quito, Ecuador in October 2016, events were organised by CPR in collaboration with other partners to discuss sanitation service delivery at different scales of urbanisation. At Surabaya, CPR’s researchers participated in discussions on the draft New Urban Agenda, which was deliberated and negotiated by permanent representatives and permanent observers of the UN. The CPR-IRD event urged the New Urban Agenda to embrace urbanization across scale in a manner that pays attention to the particular challenges of informal settlements and small towns that house the majority of the world’s population. At the UN-Habitat III conference, CPR organized a side event on smaller towns and sanitation entitled “Think Small to Think Big”. The event aimed to bring small urban settlements to the forefront of contemporary cross-national urbanisation debates. Research highlighting dispersed and in-situ trends in urbanisation in many countries, as well as the increasing use of non-network arrangements to access basic urban services were discussed.
 - At the 4th International Faecal Sludge Management (FSM4) conference in India in February 2017, the Secretary, Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation, Government of India, quoted CPR research on small cities, census towns, FSM in small towns in South Asia, and the growing importance of sanitation service in large and dense villages in rural-urban India to outline a new policy priority area in sanitation.
 - The National Conference on Sanitation on “Social Innovations for Improving Urban Sanitation: Lessons for Scaling Up” organized on 16th December, 2016. It was conceived as part of a larger collaboration between the Society for Participatory Research in Asia (PRIA) and Centre for Policy Research (CPR) on the one hand, and 12 non-government/not-for-profit organisations on the other.

- The conference brought together over 100 participants from Government, NGOs, social entrepreneurs and community-based practitioners. The objective of the conference was to present the findings that have emerged so far from this collaborative study. Two catchphrases used in the conference title point towards the guiding framework that was adopted: ‘social innovation’ and ‘scaling-up’. The primary issue that binds these two concerns is: how can on-ground solutions that seek to include and address the specific sanitation needs of marginalised local communities (social innovation) translate into national-level policy-making (scaling-up).
- Additionally, two national workshops were organised. The first focused on the “Right to Sanitation: From Implementation to Articulation” in September 2016 in collaboration with UNWSSC and the second on “Sanitation for People: Accessing socio-cultural realities of sanitation practice in Indian cities” in March 2017 focusing on ongoing SCI-FI research in the cities of Delhi, Angul and Dhenkanal, as well as on learnings from other research in Mumbai’s informal neighbourhoods.
- The Community of Researchers and Practitioners (CORP) Seminar Series of the SCI-FI: Sanitation Project seeks to strengthen the understanding of challenges and opportunities in urban sanitation by promoting evidence-based knowledge in the sector. From 2012 to date, twelve seminars have been organised. This year, the following four seminars were organised:
 - “Malaysian Perspective on River Pollution, Sanitation and Sewerage Management” on 23rd January 2017, Dorai Narayanan, Former Head of Planning & Engineering Department, Indah Water Konsortium: It presented a Malaysian Perspective on River Pollution, Sanitation and Sewerage Management on two main themes: (i) the causes and remedies of river pollution and its linkages with the sanitation sector, and (ii) sanitation and sewerage management in Malaysia as a case study of reform and sector transformation.
 - “Cities and Flooding: The State of the Art” on 19th December 2016, Abhas Jha, Practice Manager, Urban and Disaster Risk Management (East Asia and the Pacific), The World Bank and Kamal Kishore, Member, National Disaster Management Authority, Government of India: The talk explored options for forward-looking operational assistance to policy makers and technical specialists in the rapidly expanding cities and towns of the developing world on how best to manage the risk of floods.
 - “Shaping Community Engagement on Sanitation in the Urban Context: Sharing Experiences and Insights” on 29th July 2016, Akhila Sivadas, Founder member, Centre For Advocacy and Research (CFAR): This presentation focused on the experience of the CBOs in leveraging sanitation services for the community by bringing focus to the issue and challenges in accessing the basic services of ‘pani’, toilet and garbage collection, and the readiness of the government to provide these basic services, and in doing so how they also shape key processes, debate and deliberate endlessly on the possible solutions and, most importantly, redefine activism on sanitation with different models of intervention.
 - “Waste and Workers in Hyderabad” on 27th June 2016, Anant Maringanti, Executive Director, Hyderabad Urban Lab. This talk looked at how the waste economy and different forms of work relating to waste interact with each other. Waste management in Indian cities is a question not only of urban governance, i.e. of how and whether the solid waste is managed, but also of urban informality, i.e. the informal actors and institutions involved in waste management.

5. The team publically engaged on sanitation issues through editorials and opinions pieces published in leading electronic and print media.
 - In 2016, the article titled “The Government Has Made a Welcome Shift in Sanitation Policy that Will Help Develop Indian Cities” published in “The Wire” made a case for planning for alternative faecal sludge management systems in unplanned colonies to achieve the vision of Swachh Bharat Mission.
 - The article titled “The many lessons from Swachh Bharat” published in LiveMint in January, 2017 highlighted lack of institutional capacity at the grassroots as a major binding constraint for the government in achieving the vision of SBM.
 - In 2016, the op-ed titled “Swachh Bharat Mission's Success Is Greatly Exaggerated” was published in the NDTV website. It was based on a survey of 10 districts in five states of the country. The survey had found that most districts that were known to be performing well in the past, remained performing well. The op-ed also suggested the need to shift the push away from constructing toilets to increasing the use of toilets.

6. The following three field visits were organized between April 2016 to March 2017:
 - In September 2016, a small research team visited Indah Water Konsortium, Malaysia (IWK), as part of an exploratory visit from September 26-30, 2016. As part of the visit, the team closely interacted with senior officials of IWK as well as officials of the national regulatory authority for water and wastewater services to understand the IWK operations, customer services, desludging services and its financing, as well as the regulatory framework and policy in place in Malaysia.
 - In February 2017, the SCI-FI team visited Auroville in Tamil Nadu, for a three-day workshop to study and understand liquid waste management and environmentally sound initiatives undertaken by the community at Auroville.
 - In February 2017, a study visit to Gramalaya, an NGO based out of the Tiruchirappalli district of Tamil Nadu, was organised. The team visited sites where Gramalaya had constructed low-cost toilets, and interacted with communities to particularly understand their uptake of Eco-san toilet, especially in relation to ease of use, safety and access. The team interacted with nine WAVE Federation members to understand their role in making the slum ODF.

VIII. Understanding Metropolitan Homelessness

Understanding Metropolitan Homelessness is an ethnographic research project in partnership with Koshish-TISS that received funding by ICSSR in February 2017. The research follows the life cycle of homelessness -- i.e. (a) entry into homelessness, (b) survival during homelessness and (c) exit from homelessness: through death, employment or reintegration with family. The goal, specifically, is to capture journeys of homeless people – who are largely migrants - from their native places to the streets of Delhi, if or the extent to which they access shelters, how their jobs in daily wage circles impacts health and the ability to provide for relatives in native places, and factors that determine polar opposite pathways – mortality or rehabilitation - out of homelessness.

The yearly death toll of homeless people in Delhi remains high and the usage of the city’s shelters low, despite regular intervention by the Hon’ble Supreme Court and national social support schemes, such as the National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM), which aims to provide shelter

and services for 900,000 homeless people in 790 cities, and ration and nutrition entitlements under the National Food Security Act. The project posits this is due to the lack of robust knowledge on the nature of risk factors homeless people face to chronic and death-inducing poverty that could inform policymakers, local officials and implementing agencies on how to adequately respond to their needs.

Scholars have also noted that in the case of Delhi dramatic changes in land use this century for development projects has reduced access among many poor people to livable spaces and impacted working conditions, increasing inequality. Much of the literature on this subject concerns impacts on housing and livelihood of people evicted from informal settlements for such projects. Little is known about the daily experiences of people who inhabit Delhi without housing permanently or indefinitely and who face distinct safety, environmental, and health risks associated with poverty on the streets.

By examining the life cycle of homelessness through close engagement with people on the streets and in shelters of Delhi over time, this project aims to shed light how homelessness connects to cohering dimensions of urban poverty, governance and urbanization and address barriers homeless people face to accessing services, thus enhancing the potential for policymakers to respond to these needs. An examination of the livelihood and survival strategies of homeless people will also highlight capabilities, human and social capital, that may also provide scope for policymakers to broaden development policies intended for the urban poor to include the homeless.

In addition to these experiences, the project documents government schemes designed to address the needs of the homeless. Our research partner, Koshish-TISS, has been documenting stories in Mumbai of formerly homeless clients for whom they had successfully helped find jobs or return to their families. This project seeks to contribute such stories in Delhi to broaden the ongoing literature on successful outreach initiatives to homeless people.

IX. Boundary Spanning in Delhi's informal settlements

Building on CPR's body of work on state-citizen relationships in Delhi, the project seeks to understand 'boundary-spanning' activities in community-led urban regeneration. Specifically, the project examines the role of 'boundary spanners'—those who provide interfaces between self-organised citizens, local community and government institutions—with reference to different settlements in Delhi. By mapping urban regeneration processes in three case sites in Delhi: an unauthorised colony (UAC), a regularised unauthorised colony (RUAC) and a *jhuggi-jhopri* cluster (JJC), and the role of the various actors therein, the study is intended as a contribution to our understanding of the ongoing urbanisation processes in the city's informal settlements.

This comparative research with case studies from the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and India is being collaboratively undertaken with researchers at the Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (IHS) of Erasmus University, Rotterdam. The Netherlands-based institution is also supporting the project.

Additionally, research on this topic is being taken up under an ICSSR-funded project titled 'Boundary Spanning and Intermediation for Urban Regeneration: Comparative Case Studies from 3 Indian Cities'. This project is led by Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai and CPR and Madras Institute for Development Studies are collaborating

X. India's Middle Class

This project seeks to examine the idea of the 'Indian middleclass'. The notion of the Indian middle class has attracted much attention, however there still ambiguity with regard to the definition and size of the community. The project seeks to add to the existing literature along with the changing relationship of the community with the state, their consumption choices and economic behaviour as important vertices of analysis.

This study supported by the Indian Council for Social Science Research (ICSSR), tries to expand the understanding of the emerging middle class by investigating its defining characteristics, socio-political identity and economic behaviour. The papers discuss the conceptual issues while examining the Indian middle class, bring out differences in electoral preferences, and discuss consumption choices, and bring out nuances of 'middle classness' through the lens of domestic work.

No activity this year.

XI. Urban Transformation in India

The "Urban Transformations in India" research project, funded by the Indian Council for Social Science Research (ICSSR) has been carried out at the Centre for Policy Research (CPR), New Delhi, from July 2013 to October 2015. Two broad themes have been addressed in the project: 1) 'Mapping Citizenship in Delhi' and 2) 'How does the local state work?.'

As part of this wider project, the Cities of Delhi project has included elements pertaining to both these themes. The project looked at how the residents living in informal settlements of Delhi interact with their elected representatives, state agencies, and other agents in securing public services. It has carefully documented the degree to which access to basic services varies across different types of settlements. The outputs of the Cities of Delhi project are organised as three sets of reports on "places", "institutions" and "processes", which together seek to provide a comprehensive picture of how Delhi is governed, and especially how this impacts the poor. The outputs of the Cities of Delhi project are available on a bilingual website:<http://citiesofdelhi.cprindia.org/> (English), <http://citiesofdelhi.cprindia.org/hi/> (Hindi).

There are three ways through the project sought to answer the question: "How does the local state work?" The first considers the administrative status of towns in India by focusing on statutory and census towns. The second has delved into the link between JNNURM and smaller cities of India by comparing the components of JNNURM for bigger cities with those for smaller cities. The last one has analysed the spatial inequalities in India's ten largest cities by considering the extent of segregation of Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) in these cities and the provision

of public goods to them.

The project culminated with a two-day conference in August 2015. This year, the team has been following the case of Kathputli Colony's redevelopment and has compiled relevant documents and placed them on the public domain.

XII. India-Urban Rural Boundaries and Basic Services (Ind-Urbbs)

The IND-URBBS initiative is a collaboration between CPR and the Institute of Research and Development (Institut de recherche pour le développement- IRD). The IND-URBBS is constructed around understanding how outcomes in urban settlements like structure of occupation, delivery of basic services, and broader aspects of citizenship are affected by the interaction between citizens and state governance mechanisms in three types of sites, viz.: (i) 'census towns' vis-à-vis small statutory towns; (ii) informal settlements in large cities vis-à-vis formal settlements of similar nature; and (iii) peripheral settlements inside the municipal boundary of the city vis-à-vis settlements outside the municipal city boundary, thereby assessing the effect of differences in public policies according to the extent to which these sites are acknowledged by the state.

The IND-URBBS program has supported young PhD scholars in its participating institutions—CPR, Indira Gandhi Institute for Development Research (IGIDR) and University of Burdwan—in pursuing their research aligned to the main areas of enquiry. This year, a new project studying rental arrangements in Gurgaon's urban villages was started by Mukta Naik and Kimberly Noronha. Presentations on informally produced rental housing were made at the Habitat 3 event at Quito, in CESSMA, Paris as well as at a consultation held by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation in New Delhi.

XIII. Integrating intermediate public transport within transport regulation in a megacity region

The project examines the regulatory architecture of transportation in the Kolkata Metropolitan Area with the aim of integrating intermediate public transport (IPT) within transportation regulatory structures in the megacity of Kolkata.

The Kolkata Metropolitan Area has an elaborate Public Transport System that started developing in the late 1800s. The transportation network in the city consists of train systems, both terrestrial and underground, trams, buses, ferries, autos, taxis and a severely reduced population of cycle and hand pulled rickshaws. The umbrella of IPT covers all privately owned and publically used forms of transportation like autorickshaws.

The integration of these could allow for a more seamless transport system and support the shift of users away from private transport by providing high frequency assured seating public transport options that start and end close to user origins and destinations.

CPR undertook the project in association with Innovative Transport Solutions Private Limited (iTrans) with the support of the Shakti Foundation. The project was completed in December 2016 and the report is available on the website. The project has contributed to ongoing discussions on integrated transport planning in Kolkata and researchers have participated in conferences and consultations around the revised frameworks for road safety and transportation in the country.

XIV. Missing Middle: Census Towns in India

Settlements in India are grouped into three broad categories, namely villages, statutory towns (STs) and census towns (CTs), the latter two being the two main types of urban areas in India. CTs are administratively rural settlements which nevertheless satisfy the criteria of urban areas. This project will investigate the nature, history, as well as economic and political structures of Census Towns.

Census Towns raise a number of questions regarding their characteristics and classification which the project seeks to address: In what respects is a Census Town different from a village or a statutory town? Why is one settlement rural and another one urban? What are the trade-offs between the rural and urban status and the associated government structures? In order to consider these issues, the study analyses national survey data, such as the Indian Census data, along with in-depth field studies in Bihar, Odisha, Jharkhand and West Bengal.

CPR fellows Partha Mukhopadhyay and Marie-Helene Zerah released a World Bank research paper titled ‘Understanding India’s Urban Frontier: What Is behind the Emergence of Census Towns in India?’ along with collaborators Gopa Samanta and Augustin Maria in December 2016.

XV. Strengthen and Harmonize Research and Action on Migration in the Indian Context (SHRAMIC)

Funded by the Tata Trusts, SHRAMIC is a multi-stakeholder project in which CPR collaborated with Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, National Institute of Urban Affairs and IRIS Knowledge Foundation to bring together academia and NGOs to study migration related issues. The goal of the initiative is to improve our understanding of the extent and nature of migration in India as well as to suggest evidence based policy prescriptions for protection of the rights of migrants.

The Working Group on Migration constituted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Government of India and chaired by Dr Partha Mukhopadhyay, Senior Fellow, CPR submitted its final report this year and made strong recommendations towards inclusion of migrant workers, portability of social benefits as well as improved data collection on migration.

A Workshop on Labour Migration and Social Change was held in March 2016 in collaboration with CSH to build capacities of young scholars and practitioners engaged in research on migration issues in South Asia.

Additionally, in December 2016 and January 2017, CPR researchers brought out a podcast and two opinion pieces in leading national dailies to underscore the coping mechanisms of demonetisation on informal sector workers, especially migrants.

XVI. Subaltern urbanisation in India

Subaltern urbanisation refers to the growth of settlement agglomerations that are independent of the metropolis and autonomous in their interactions with other settlements. The SUBURBIN project, headed by the French Institute of Pondicherry (IPF) and Centre de Sciences Humaines (CSH), aims to offer alternative perspectives on “urban transition” from different disciplines. The

quick transformation of economies raises several important questions: Where do we draw the line between rural and urban, between administrative status and functional reality? How and for what purpose would a rural area become an urban area? What is the relation between the proliferation of small towns and economic processes?

SUBURBIN is a joint project of IFP and CSH. CPR along with other institutions like Indira Gandhi Institute for Development Research, the Institut Français de Pondicherry, the Jawaharlal Nehru University, the School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi, University of Burdwan are involved in this work.

This research project has culminated in a book titled eponymously and edited by Eric Denis and Marie-Helene Zerah, which was released internationally in early 2017 and will be soon available in India as well.

XVII. Role of Small Cities in Shaping Youth Employment Outcomes in India

This new research project, funded by the Think Tanks Initiative, explores the role of small cities in positively shaping the employment outcomes of migrant youth. Hypothesizing that the small city could be serving as a ‘way station’ along the migration pathways of the young, the project investigates the role of governance and policy frameworks using case cities in India and Indonesia. Exploring the experiences of young migrants in small city labour markets, the project is investigating skill development, employment outcomes, economic mobility and the impacts of these factors on migration pathways. The labour market experiences of women migrants in small cities, given their invisibility in macro-level data, will be a significant contribution of the project. Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi with collaborator JustJobs Network - a global jobs think tank, seeks to use project outputs to propose policy recommendations that enable governments to improve the employment outcomes of migrant youth, especially women migrants. The project takes forward, in some measure, CPR’s existing work on themes related to migration, small towns, governance and citizenship. This year, a co-authored research paper by Gregory F Randolph and Mukta Naik analyzing migrant intensity in India and Indonesia was published in a peer reviewed journal. The authors also published an op-ed commenting on the importance of urban issues for bilateral ties between the two countries.

FACULTY NEWS

1. During the year under review, the President & Chief Executive, **Dr Pratap Bhanu Mehta** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Books:

- i. *The Oxford Handbook of THE INDIAN CONSTITUTION* co-authored by Pratap Bhanu Mehta, Sujit Choudhry and Madhav Khosla, Oxford University Press, 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Locating Indian Constitutionalism, co-authored by Sujit Choudhry, Madhav Khosla, and Pratap Bhanu Mehta in *The Oxford Handbook of THE INDIAN CONSTITUTION*, co-edited by Pratap Bhanu Mehta, Sujit Choudhry and Madhav Khosla, Oxford University Press, 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals

- i. The American Hug, *The Indian Express*, 2 April 2016
- ii. Our 'un Indian' Constitution, *Live Mint*, 3 April 2016
- iii. BR Ambedkar: Slayer of All Gods, *Open Magazine*, 8 April 2016
- iv. The Panama Portent, *The Indian Express*, 8 April 2016
- v. Circus and bread, *The Indian Express*, 15 April 2016
- vi. Revolutionary Road, *The Indian Express*, 16 April 2016
- vii. After Mandal, *The Indian Express*, 23 April 2016
- viii. Game of visas, *The Indian Express*, 30 April 2016
- ix. Congress after Uttarakhand, *The Indian Express*, 12 May 2016
- x. Supreme Court's judgment on criminal defamation is the latest illustration of a syndrome, *The Indian Express*, 18 May 2016
- xi. A BJP dominant system, *The Indian Express*, 20 May 2016
- xii. Contradictions in the Modi government are still muddying its identity, *The Indian Express*, 25 May 2016
- xiii. A Rajan a day, *The Indian Express*, 31 May 2016
- xiv. Pretext, Text, Context, *The Indian Express*, 11 June 2016
- xv. Intolerant Liberals?, *The Indian Express*, 14 June 2016
- xvi. The dead ends of Uttar Pradesh, *The Indian Express*, 23 June 2016

- xvii. Brexit is a revolt of a significant section of England against itself, *The Indian Express*, 25 June 2016
- xviii. The Great Delusion, *The Indian Express* ,29 June 2016
- xix. PM Modi's new team shows his capacity to think politically, keep an eye on the future, *The Indian Express*, 7 July 2016
- xx. After Burhan Wani's killing, an illusion is shattered in Kashmir, *The Indian Express* ,13 July 2016
- xxi. Terror and powerlessness, *The Indian Express* ,16 July 2016
- xxii. Paradox of change, *The Indian Express*, 23 July 2016
- xxiii. The limits of vengeance, *The Indian Express*, 1 August 2016
- xxiv. GST: A constitutional adventure, *The Indian Express* , 6 August 2016
- xxv. Playing the Baloch card, *The Indian Express*,18 August 2016
- xxvi. What is Kashmiriyat? , *The Indian Express*, 27 August 2016
- xxvii. Jain lessons for Haryana, *The Indian Express* , 2 September 2016
- xxviii. Not majority vs minority, *The Indian Express*, 6 September 2016
- xxix. The Opposition is making Narendra Modi look larger than he is, *The Indian Express* ,15 September 2016
- xxx. The Uri challenge, *The Indian Express* ,21 September 2016
- xxxi. The die is cast, *The Indian Express* , 1 October 2016
- xxxii. Elena Ferrante, *The Indian Express* ,7 October 2016
- xxxiii. Even if Hillary wins ,*The Indian Express*, 13 October 2016
- xxxiv. When an icon falls, *The Indian Express*, 28 October 2016
- xxxv. There is no Emergency, *The Indian Express* , 5 November 2016
- xxxvi. United States of discontent, *The Indian Express* , 10 November 2016
- xxxvii. You have been warned, *The Indian Express* , 17 November 2016
- xxxviii. Long Live the Revolutionary, *The Indian Express* , 19 November 2016
- xxxix. It's permanent revolution, *The Indian Express*, 26 November 2016
- xl. Unconstitutional patriotism: Order on national anthem shows what is wrong with the Court, *The Indian Express*, 5 December 2016
- xli. Prof Baxi versus St Baxi , *The Indian Express*,14 December 2016
- xlii. This government's modus operandi is constant distraction, *The Indian Express*, 24 December 2016

- xl. In the End is the Beginning , *The Indian Express*, 31 December 2016
- xli. The year of the will , *The Indian Express*, 31 December 2016
- xlii. In the new world, *The Indian Express*, 1 January 2017
- xliii. High principle, dubious law, *The Indian Express*, 4 January 2017
- xliv. The republic's paradox, *The Indian Express*, 26 January 2017
- xlv. Steadying the ship, *The Indian Express*, 2 February 2017
- xlvi. Big Brother is winning, *The Indian Express*, 8 February 2017
 - i. The land of desire, *The Indian Express*, 11 February 2017
 - ii. Delhi blast acquittals: When will politics go beyond my favourite innocent vs yours?, *The Indian Express*, 22 February 2017
 - iii. Closing of the University, *The Indian Express*, 3 March 2017
 - liii. Victor and the vanquished, *The Indian Express*, 13 March 2017
 - liv. In the moment of his political triumph, Modi has chosen to defeat India, *The Indian Express*, 20 March 2017
 - lv. Yes, bring on Bharatiyata, *The Indian Express*, 29 March 2017

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Keynote talk: ‘Imagining the Urban: What do we think cities are about?’ at the *Conference on Challenges of Urbanization* organised by University of British Columbia, Canada at Vancouver, Canada on 29 April 2016
- ii. Participant at the *Princeton University Colloquium* organised by Princeton University, USA in New Jersey on 6 May and 7 May 2016
- iii. Panelist at *India under Modi: A Midterm Appraisal of the BJP Government* organised by National University of Singapore at Orchard Hotel, Singapore on 26 May 2016
- iv. Keynote Address at ‘The Global Crisis of Liberal Democracy’ at Brown University’s *International Advanced Research Institutes (BIARI)* at Rhode Island, USA on 14 June 2016
- v. Commentator: Plenary Panel 2: ‘Inequalities’ at the *Conference on Borders, Otherness and Public Law* organised by International Society of Public Law, Berlin, NYU and IRPA at Humboldt University, Berlin on 18 June 2016
- vi. Participant at *India US China Trilateral Meeting* organised by China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations in Beijing, China on 20 June and 21 June 2016

- vii. Public Lecture, on ‘Two Ideas of India’ organised by Indian Academy of Sciences in Bangalore on 1 July 2016
- viii. Talk on ‘The Crisis of the Professions’ organised by Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration in Mussoorie on 5 July 2016
- ix. Panel Discussion on *Ideas for India* organised by International Growth, ISI, Delhi at IIC, New Delhi on 13 July 2016
- x. Talk on ‘The Crisis of the Professions’ organised by Competition Commission of India in Delhi on 21 July 2016
- xi. Inaugural address on ‘XI conference on Public Policy and Management’ organised by Centre for Public Policy, Indian Institute of Management in Bangalore on 8 August 2016
- xii. Inaugural address on ‘Inception Workshop: Centre for Policy Studies (CPS), IIT Bombay: Policy Making in India – the ‘Ought’ versus the ‘Is’ Q&A’ organised by Centre for Policy Studies, Indian Institute of Technology in Mumbai on 19 August 2016
- xiii. 5th Late Shri BG Deshmukh Memorial Lecture on ‘Two Ideas of India’ organised by Public Concern for Governance Trust in Pune on 23 August 2016
- xiv. Keynote address at *Conversations on Governance and the Culture of Learning in Indian Higher Education* organised by Ahmedabad University in Ahmedabad on 23 September 2016
- xv. Narendra Mohan Memorial Lecture on ‘Rashtrawad Dawa hai aur Jahar bhi’ organised by Dainik Jagran in New Delhi on 10 October 2016
- xvi. OP Jindal Distinguished Lecturer (Fall 2016) on ‘The Melody of Discord: The Self and History Iqbal’ organised by Center for Contemporary South Asia, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University at Rhode Island, USA on 24 October 2016
- xvii. OP Jindal Distinguished Lecturer (Fall 2016) on ‘Metaphysics of Avoidance: Self and History in Aurobindo’ organised by Center for Contemporary South Asia, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University at Rhode Island, USA on 28 October 2016
- xviii. Keynote Address: *Conversations on the Republic* at Litfest Delhi 2016 organised by The Times of India in New Delhi on 27 November 2016
- xix. Convocation Speech at *22nd Convocation Ceremony* organised by Kathmandu University, Nepal at Kathmandu on 28 November 2016
- xx. Participant at *Workshop on Indian Political Economy* organised by Carnegie Endowment International Peace in Washington DC on 2 and 3 December 2016
- xxi. Panelist on *Democracy and Governance in India* organised by Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Princeton University in New Jersey, USA on 5 December 2016

xxii. Keynote address at a World Bank Conference organised by World Bank in Washington DC

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Advisor, Takshashila Institution
 - ii. Member , Governing Body, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy
2. During the year under review, Fellow **Ambrish Dongre** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Chapters in Edited Volumes:

- i. 'Do Gram Panchayats get Their Money?' co-authored by Ambrish Dongre, Anirvan Chowdhury, and Yamini Aiyar in *Decentralisation, Governance, and Development: An Indian Perspective* edited by Pranab Kumar Das, Orient Blackswan 2017, February-March 2017

Journal Articles:

- i. 'Trends in Public Expenditure on Elementary Education in India', co-authored by Avani Kapur, *Economic & Political Weekly, Vol. 51, Issue 39, 24 September 2016*

Working Papers

- i. India's Education Policy and Its Development over Time: How has Social Inequality been Addressed? co-authored by Kiran Bhatta, prepared for *The International Commission on Financing Global Education Opportunity* and served as the background paper for the report *The Learning Generation: Investing in Education for a Changing World*, November 2016
3. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Anjali Chikersal** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. 'Deconstructing Institutional Barriers to Basic Urban Services in India in *Public Health Infrastructure in Transition* co-edited by Sigamani Panneer, N U Khan, and Gurumurthy Ramachandran, Bloomsbury, May 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Urban sanitation in India: Lessons from Brazil, co-authored by Aditya Bhol , *Urbanisation India Waterportal*, 14 May 2016
- ii. The US's Notoriously Ineffectual Healthcare System Will Worsen under Trump, *The Wire*, 13 November 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. Panel Discussion on 'Community led Monitoring to Strengthen Evidence and Preparedness to Mitigate Adverse Effects of Drug Stock Outs', 2016

- ii. Heavy Metal Contamination and Health Impacts organised by Dept. of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Govt. of Punjab in Chandigarh, 26 September 2016

Web based Publications:

- i. Urban sanitation in India: Lessons from Brazil, *India Water Portal*, 14 May 2016
- ii. Urban sanitation a distant dream, *The Pioneer*, 19 May 2016

Working Papers:

- i. ‘An Exploratory Analysis of Urban Healthcare Stakeholders in India’, September 2016

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. 3 meetings with Secretary Health, GoNCTD, July - September 2016
 - ii. Meeting with Mission Director, National Health Mission, Maharashtra, July - September 2016
 - iii. 2 meetings with Commissioner, Public Health, Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai and Chief Executive Health Officer, MCGM, July- September 2016
 - iv. Meeting with Mission Director, National Health Mission, Tamil Nadu, July- September 2016
 - v. Meeting with Commissioner, Madurai Corporation, July - September 2016
 - vi. 2 meetings with Director, Public Health and Preventive Medicine, TN and Director Public Health, Madurai, July- September 2016
 - vii. 2 meetings with Principal Secretary Health and Mission Director, Uttarakhand, July- September 2016
4. During the year under review, Fellow **Arkaja Singh** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. Right To Sanitation: *From Articulation to Elaboration*, ‘Urban Sanitation: Regulatory & Service Delivery Issues’ organised by Environmental Law Research Society/ Water & Sanitation Collaboration Council at CPR Conference room on 1 September 2016

Targeted Meetings with Policy Makers:

- i. Odisha FSM law with Ppl Secy, HUDD, Govt of Odisha, 21 April 2016
- ii. Odisha Urban Sanitation Strategy and FSM Law with Govt of Odisha, Ppl Secy, Mission Director SBM, Odisha Water Supply & Sewerage Board etc., 25 May 2016 and 10 June 2016

5. During the year under review, Fellow **Avani Kapur** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Policy Briefs:

- i. Budget Briefs: Direct Benefit Transfer, Jan Dhan, Aadhaar and Mobile, GOI, 2017-18 co-authored by Vikram Srinivas, 1 February 2017
- ii. Budget Briefs: MGNREGS, GOI, 2017-18 co-authored by Abhishri Aggarwal, Devashish Deshpande, 1 February 2017
- iii. Budget Briefs: National Health Mission, GOI, 2017-18 co-authored by Prerananandita Baisnab, 1 February 2017
- iv. Budget Briefs: Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana GOI, 2017-18 co-authored by Vikram Srinivas, 1 February 2017
- v. Budget Briefs: Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, GOI, 2017-18 co-authored by Mridusmita Bordoloi, 1 February 2017
- vi. Budget Briefs: Swachh Bharat Mission - Gramin, GOI, 2017-18 co-authored by Abhishri Aggarwal, 1 February 2017
- vii. Budget Briefs: Swachh Bharat Mission - Urban, GOI, 2017-18 co-authored by Devashish Deshpande, 1 February 2017
- viii. Achieving the 2025 World Health Assembly Targets for Nutrition in India: What Will It Cost? co-authored by Suman Chakrabarti, Abhilasha Vaid, Purnima Menon, February 2017

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Competing for better health? co-authored by Yamini Aiyar, *Live Mint*, 24 January 2017
- ii. Renewed focus on maternal and child health a welcome first step co-authored by Yamini Aiyar, *Live Mint*, 25 January 2017
- iii. Status quo for majority of social sector schemes, *Deccan Herald*, 2 February 2017

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. Presentation: *About AI* at '20 Member Afghan Delegation including members of parliament and ministers to Accountability Initiative' in New Delhi, organised by IIPA in February 2017
- ii. Presentation: *Budget 2017: Implications for social sector*, at 'Briefing on Union Budget for UNICEF' in New Delhi, organised by UNICEF in March 2017
- iii. Presentation: *Discussion on a paper* at 'two day conference on papers in public economics and policy' in New Delhi, organised by NIPFP on 24 March 2017

6. During the year under review, Professor **Bharat Karnad** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. India's Foreign Policy: The Foreign Hand, *Open Magazine*, 29 April 2016
- ii. Has PM Modi Developed Cold Feet Over The Logistics Agreement with the US? ,*The Citizen*, 2 May 2016
- iii. India may go for Russian 5th Gen fighter jets, *Tacstrat*, 16 May 2016
- iv. Can the Shangri La Dialogue Fill India's Defence Diplomacy Void?, *The Quint*, 3 June 2016
- v. Why has Modi mooted for early solution to Naga issue?, *The Morung Express*, 13 June 2016
- vi. Modi's US policy: Embracing Washington comes at a price, *Hindustan Times*, 15 June 2016
- vii. With the F 16 Deal Stalled, Are Days of US Pakistan Bonhomie Over?, *The Quint*, 18 June 2016
- viii. As Modi Embraces the World, *Open Magazine*, 15 July 2016
- ix. Countering the Rogue Nuclear Triad of China, Pakistan and North Korea, *The Wire*, 25 July 2016
- x. Why Donald Trump is Good for India, *Open Magazine*, 29 July 2016
- xi. More give than take in tie up with US, *The Tribune*, 1 September 2016
- xii. The Submarine Leak, *Open Magazine*, 2 September 2016
- xiii. The Surgical Attacks Will Change the Rules of India Pakistan Game, *The Quint*, 30 September 2016
- xiv. Let the Lesser State Know, *Open Magazine*, 30 September 2016
- xv. Surgical strikes: A face saving move or planned retaliation?, *Hindustan Times*, 3 October 2016
- xvi. The Cost of Localising BRICS, *Open Magazine*, 21 October 2016
- xvii. More, Mr Parrikar, *The Indian Express*, 21 November 2016
- xviii. Making a Deal with Trump, *Open Magazine*, 27 January 2017
- xix. Defence budget: The central government has talked smart, not acted smart, *Hindustan Times*, 14 February 2017
- xx. The Tragedy of Tejas, *Open Magazine*, 21 February 2017

xxi. Why Manohar Parrikar Failed In Defence, Bloomberg Quint, 23 March 2017

Web based Publications:

- i. Narrowing the Seas: Security Ramifications of the SCS Verdict, *SP's Mail*, 3 August 2016
- ii. China narrows the South China Sea, *Policy Forum*, 28 August 2016
- iii. Trashing Nirbhay?, *Indian Strategic Studies*, 26 December 2016

7. During the year under review, Professor **Brahma Chellaney** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Asia's Troubled Water, *Project Syndicate* , 22 April 2016
- ii. Asia's water woes , *Times of Oman*, 24 April 2016
- iii. China's water hegemony in Asia, *The Washington Times* , 26 April 2016
- iv. China's water hegemony in Asia, *Live Mint*, 27 April 2016
- v. Water scarcity: Asia's ticking time bomb, *Kashmir Image* ,30 April 16
- vi. India's China appeasement itch, *Live Mint*, 9 May 2016
- vii. Water likely to be the most contested resource in Asia ,*Hindustan Times* , 16 May 2016
- viii. China's Pakistani Outpost, *Project Syndicate* , 26 May 2016
- ix. The burden on the US's conscience" , *Live Mint* , 3 June 2016
- x. India, US drop mention of South China Sea from joint statement, *The Times of India*, 8 June 2016
- xi. Orlando shootout: Wahhabi fire reaches Florida, *Hindustan Times* ,14 June 2016
- xii. Tendrils of terrorism spread in Asia, *Nikkie Asian Review* , 5 July 2016
- xiii. Controlling Islamist terror, *The Japan Times* ,7 July 2016
- xiv. China's Challenge to the Law of the Sea, *Project Syndicate*, 13 July 2016
- xv. The US needs to support Japanese constitutional reform, *Nikkie Asian Review* , 18 July 2016
- xvi. The Arab World's Water Insecurity, *Project Syndicate*, 19 July 2016
- xvii. Mirage of a rules based order, *The Japan Times* , 25 July 2016

- xviii. Securing the Indus treaty, *The Hindu*, 5 August 2016
- xix. Rivers of conflict between India and Pakistan, *Nikkie Asian Review*, 19 August 2016
- xx. How to Stop Terrorism in Europe, *Project Syndicate*, 23 August 2016
- xxi. India Pakistan tensions threaten the world's most successful water pact, *Nikkie Asian Review*, 1 September 2016
- xxii. Afghanistan War simmers on, *Japan Times*, 6 September 2016
- xxiii. China's Dam Problem With Myanmar, *Project Syndicate*, 12 September 2016
- xxiv. After Uri strike, India must impose measured costs on terror exporters, *Hindustan Times*, 19 September 2016
- xxv. Mending Pakistan's behavior, *Live Mint*, 20 September 2016
- xxvi. Reclaiming leverage in Indus basin cheaper than war with Pakistan, *Hindustan Times*, 28 September 2016
- xxvii. Army strikes terrorists across LoC: Years of Indian indecision, inaction end, *Hindustan Times*, 4 October 2016
- xxviii. The Challenge from Authoritarian Capitalism to Liberal Democracy, *China US Focus*, 6 October 2016
- xxix. Asia's megacities are running out of water, *Nikkie Asian Review*, 6 October 2016
- xxx. For an Unrelenting Silent War, *Open Magazine*, 7 October 2016
- xxxi. Why China seizing the flow of Brahmaputra tributary is important, *DailyO*, , 12 October 2016
- xxxii. Sino Pak nexus shields terror, *DNA India*, 13 October 2016
- xxxiii. India's critical test on Pakistan, *Japan Times*, 14 October 2016
- xxxiv. Is China seeking to make a weapon of water?, *Daily Mail*,,16 October 2016
- xxxv. The Pakistani Mecca of Terror, *Project Syndicate*, 17 October 2016
- xxxvi. Why Japan and India must be partners in Myanmar, *Japan Times*, 18 October 2016
- xxxvii. BRICS reduced to a 'talk shop'? *Nikkie Asian Review*, 18 October 2016
- xxxviii. Aung San Suu Kyi's diplomatic balancing act, *Nikkie Asian Review*, 27 October 2016
- xxxix. Suu Kyi's 'neutral' foreign policy faces major challenges, *Nikkie Asian Review*, 3 November 2016

- xl. China's sole ally in Asia might get more than it wished for, *Japan Times*, 8 November 2016
- xli. China exerting influence of its currency by lending, trading in Renminbi with BRICS members, *DNA India*, 9 November 2016
- xlii. Trump could 'pivot' to Asia like Obama never did, *Nikkie Asian Review*, 21 November 2016
- xliii. BRICS falls under China's sway, *Japan Times*, 24 November 2016
- xliv. Indus Waters Treaty symbolises India's enduring strategic naiveté, negligence, *Hindustan Times*, 13 December 2016
- xlv. Asia's fight over fresh water, *Japan Times*, 19 December 2016
- xlvi. From Russia With Unrequited Love, *Project Syndicate*, 22 December 2016
- xlvii. China's free ride under US President Obama is ending, *Hindustan Times*, 28 December 2016
- xlviii. India can solve its water scarcity by correcting Indus Waters Treaty, *Daily Mail*, 30 December 2016
- xlix. China is at the top of Trump's foreign agenda, *The National*, 2 January 2017
- l. Reclaiming India's leverage on Tibet, *Live Mint*, 4 January 2017
- li. India should take a bolder line with Beijing on Tibet, *Nikkie Asian Review*, 6 January 2017
- lii. More war than peace: Nobel peace winner Obama's legacy, *Hindustan Times*, 19 January 2017
- liii. The World According to the Donald, *Open Magazine*, 20 January 2017
- liv. China's Debt-Trap Diplomacy, *Project Syndicate*, 23 January 2017
- lv. Nepal needs bridge over troubled waters, *Nikkie Asian Review*, 30 January 2017
- lvi. Sanctions without engagement will not tame North Korea, *Nikkie Asian Review*, 15 February 2017
- lvii. Trump's China Challenge, *Project Syndicate*, 20 February 2017
- lviii. North Korea is the big problem that'll test Trump's deal-making skills, *Hindustan Times*, 22 February 2017
- lix. Taliban's strange new friends, *DNA India*, 27 February 2017
- lx. Japan's Senkaku challenge, *The Japan Times*, 27 February 2017
- lxi. A rising power without allies, *Japan Times*, 6 March 2017
- lxii. Putin's Dance with the Taliban, *Project Syndicate*, 6 March 2017

- lxiii. A new solution is required to deal with North Korea, *The National*, 15 March 2017
- lxiv. Shed the Indus albatross: Indus Waters Treaty offers one-sided benefits to Pakistan, World Bank too is partisan, *Times of India Blog*, 20 March 2017
- lxv. Averting an accidental war on the Korean Peninsula, *The Japan Times*, 20 March 2017
- lxvi. Donald Trump's China policy muddle, *Live Mint*, 28 March 2017
- lxvii. India's nuclear power promise is fading despite the deal with US. Here's why, *Hindustan Times*, 28 March 2017

6. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **D Shyam Babu** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Chapters in Edited Volume:

- i. 'Caste and Class among the Dalits' in Dalit Studies, co-edited by Ramnarayan S Rawat, and K Satyanarayana, Duke University Press, April 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Gandhi and the Dalits, *Swarajya*, October 2016

Policy and Advisory Committee:

- i. Member, CII Committee on Affirmative Action, Continuing since 2007

Podcast:

- i. Violence Against Dalits in India, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 30 September 2016

7. During the year under review, Honorary Research Professor **G Parthasarathy** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Articles in Non- Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. In Suu Kyi we must trust, *The Hindu Business Line*, 6 April 2016
- ii. Myanmar's golden girl, *The Tribune*, 7 April 2016
- iii. Imaginative Diplomacy Not Enough to Counter Pak Army, *The New Indian Express*, 9 April, 2016
- iv. The General, The "Spy" And No Talks With India, *India Defence News*, 12 April 2016
- v. Power Pak-ed with Military and Mullah, *The New Indian Express*, 16 April 2016
- vi. Pakistan's war on all fronts, *The Hindu Business Line*, 20 April 2016
- vii. Pakistan's multi-front wars, *The Tribune*, 21 April 2016
- viii. No Indian Hand, Baluch War is of Pak's Own Making, *The New Indian Express*, 23 April 2016

- ix. No Indian Hand, Baluch War is of Pak's Own Making, *India Defence News*, 24 April 2016
- x. An unswerving zeal to contain India, *The Hindu Business Line*, 4 May 2016
- xi. Brothers in arms, *The Tribune*, 5 May 2016
- xii. Not Only US, Strike Balance with Other Powers as Well, *The New Indian Express*, 7 May 2016
- xiii. Repair and reconciliation in Sri Lanka, *Hindu Business Line*, 18 May 2016
- xiv. Prepare for Pak's 'Western Disturbances' Propaganda, *The New Indian Express*, 21 May 2016
- xv. Pakistan takes a hit, *The Tribune*, 2 June 2016
- xvi. Washington's talking tough, *Hindu Business Line*, 3 June 2016
- xvii. India Cannot Afford to Lose the Chabahar Test, *The New Indian Express*, 4 June 2016
- xviii. Lost in the palace of Chinese illusions, *The Hindu Business Line*, 15 June 2016
- xix. Too close for comfort, *The Tribune*, 16 June 2016
- xx. The war that shaped an awesome army, *The New Indian Express*, 18 June 2016
- xxi. NSG membership: How India countered China's Pakistan card, *The Rediff.com*, 20 June 2016
- xxii. अफगान जनता पाकिस्तान से ज्यादा यकीन रखती है भारत पर, *Jansatta*, 24 June 2016
- xxiii. Getting closer to Washington, *The Hindu Business Line*, 29 June 2016
- xxiv. India: New dynamics at play, *Sri Lanka Guardian*, 30 June 2016
- xxv. New dynamics at play, *The Tribune*, 30 June 2016
- xxvi. Continue calibrated ties despite hostile Pak army, *The New Indian Express*, 2 July 2016
- xxvii. Ominous power shift in Pakistan, *The Hindu Business Line*, 14 July 2016
- xxviii. Form sub-group of like-minded SAARC Nations against terror, *The New Indian Express*, 16 July 2016
- xxix. Meeting China's ocean challenge, *Hindu Business Line*, 27 July 2016
- xxx. Signing gen. Sharif's extension a death warrant for PM Sharif, *The New Indian Express*, 30 July 2016
- xxxi. How Pakistani is our Kashmir Valley, *Hindu Business Line*, 11 August 2016
- xxxii. Indians in Gulf: no need to panic amid falling oil prices, *The New Indian Express*, 13 August 2016
- xxxiii. The man who loves cricket and Jihadi groups in equal measure, *The New Indian Express*, 27 August 2016
- xxxiv. Friends, Rivals - Or a Bit of Both, *Asian Affairs*, 5 September 2016
- xxxv. Vajpayee and the value of kashmiriyat, *Hindu Business Line*, 8 September 2016
- xxxvi. The Vajpayee legacy, *The Tribune*, 8 September 2016
- xxxvii. Boost ties with Vietnam to tame the belligerent dragon, *Indian Express*, 10 September 2016
- xxxviii. 'Isolating Pakistan in South Asia should be our major priority', *Times of India* 20 September 2016
- xxxix. Fantasies about non-alignment, *Hindu Business Line*, 22 September 2016
- xl. Uniting diverse Baloch groups key to counter China and Pak, *The New Indian Express*, 26 September 2016
- xli. Modi has made sure that Pakistan is now known as the epicentre of global terrorism, *Daily Mail* 28 September 2016

- xlii. Modi's speech has shown how India should deal with Pakistan, *Dailyo*, 28 September 2016
- xlili. India's surgical strikes will boost US efforts to rein Pak terror, *Economic Times*, 30 September 2016
- xliv. India well aware of Pakistan's nuke threshold, *Times of India*, 4 October 2016
- xlv. Mending fences with Myanmar a must, *Hindu Business Line*, 6 October 2016
- xlvi. Returning of pak artistes a slight commercial loss, nothing more, *The New Indian Express*, 8 October 2016
- xlvii. Have the BRICS lived up to Goldman Sachs' 2003 expectations?, *Daily Mail*, 18 October 2016
- xlviii. Sharif versus Sharif: The end game, *Hindu Business Line*, 20 October 2016
- xlix. Romance will end only when beijing feels cost of Pak projects, *The New Indian Express*, 22 October 2016
- l. India must counter China's aid games, *The Hindu*, 3 November 2016
- li. Post-surgical strikes, pak pays the price for misreading, *The New Indian Express*, 7 November 2016
- lii. Bonding over Buddhism, *The Tribune*, 17 November 2016
- liii. Time to consolidate ties with Nepal, *Hindu Business Line*, 18 November 2016
- liv. Fake notes: Consider Pakistan's resolve to continue conflict, *The New Indian Express*, 19 November 2016
- lv. When the baton passes from Obama, *Hindu Business Line*, 1 December 2016
- lvi. Old fault lines and new concerns at the 'Heart of Asia', *Daily Mail*, 9 December 2016
- lvii. Time to review India's 'no first use' doctrine, *Hindu Business Line*, 15 December 2016
- lviii. Looming challenges of 2017: focus on ace of 'Trump', *The New Indian Express*, 17 December 2016
- lix. Trump signals the end of globalisation, *Business Line*, 28 December 16
- lx. Challenges ahead for Kabul and their repercussions on India, *The New Indian Express*, 9 January 2017
- lxi. Why our Agni V launch fired up China, *Hindu Business Line*, 11 January 2017
- lxii. General Sharif revives sectarian divisions in Pakistan to satisfy ego, *The New Indian Express*, 21 January 2017
- lxiii. A Chinese chakravayuha in South Asia, *Hindu Business Line*, 25 January 2017
- lxiv. UAE and India revive old and faltering friendship, *The New Indian Express*, 4 February 2017
- lxv. It's time for India to revisit 'Look East', *Hindu Business Line*, 8 February 2017
- lxvi. China goes ballistic on India's ballistic agni v missile test, *The New Indian Express*, 18 February 2017
- lxvii. Jihadis in Pakistan are fast losing friends, *Hindu Business Line*, 22 February 2017,
- lxviii. Pakistan's Frankenstein, *India Today*, 2 March 2017
- lxix. Wrong to presume Pakistan will renounce use of terrorism, *The New Indian Express*, 4 March 2017
- lxx. Touch of pragmatism in foreign policy, *Hindu Business Line*, 8 March 2017
- lxxi. Checkered into debt and bankruptcy, *Hindu Business Line*, 22 March 2017
- lxxii. Our military needs more teeth to counter Chinese provocations, *The New Indian Express*, 18 March 2017

Podcast:

- i. Pakistan's New Army Chief Qamar Javed Bajwa & India, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 9 December 2016

8. During the year under review, Senior Visiting Fellow **Jishnu Das** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Journal Articles:

- i. Over-the-counter antibiotic use by pharmacists in urban India: A cross-sectional study with implications for tuberculosis control and antimicrobial stewardship co-authored by Ada Kwan, Ben Dniels, Srinath Satyanarayana, Ramnath Subbaraman, Sofi Bergkvist, Ranendra K. Das, Veena Das and Madukar Pai., *Lancet Infectious Diseases* , 25 August 2016
- ii. Socioeconomic Status and Quality of Health Care: New Evidence from Linked Surveys of Providers and Households in Rural India co-authored by Aakash Mohpal, *Health Affairs 35(10): 1764-1779*, 1 October 2016
- iii. The Impact of Training Information Healthcare Providers in India: A Randomized Controlled Trial, co-authored by Abhijit Chowdhury, Reshmaan Hussam and Abhijit V. *Banerjee Science Vol. 354, Issue 6308*, 7 October 2016
- iv. Examining the quality of medicines at Kenyan healthcare facilities: a validation of an alternate post-market surveillance model that uses standardized patients., co-authored by Guadalupe Bedoya, Amy Dolinger, Khama Rogo, Njeri Mwaura, Francis Wafula, Bernard Olayo, *Drugs-Real World Outcomes*, November 2016

Working Papers:

- i. The Value of Private Schools: Evidence from Pakistan. IZA Working Paper #9960 co-authored by Pedro Carniero and Hugo Reis., May 2016
- ii. Socioeconomic Status And Quality Of Care In Rural India: New Evidence From Provider And Household Surveys, co-authored by Aakash Mohpal, *Health Affairs*, October 2016

Web-Based Publications:

- i. The refugee crisis: Sugar in a teacup?, *Future Development*, 27 April 2016
- ii. Foreign aid should support private schooling, not private schools, *Future Development*, 29 June 2016
- iii. Of quacks and crooks: The conundrum of informal health care in India, *Future Development* ,24 October 2016

Podcast:

- i. Can the Poor in India Access Quality Healthcare?, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 2 March 2017

9. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Kiran Bhatt**y was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals

- i. What Government Must Unlearn, *The Indian Express*, 27 May 2016
- ii. Hits and Misses of the TSR Committee Report, *The Wire*, 28 June 2016
- iii. When it Comes to Education, the Budget's Attention Deficit Continues, *The Wire*, 2 February 2017
- iv. Aadhaar linked to mid-day meal: Why put the burden on children? Co-authored by Dipa Sinha, *Hindustan Times*, 9 March 2017

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. *Education Policy* on 'Panelist on Best practices from the field' organised by, Niti Ayog at India International Centre in Delhi on 23 May 2016
- ii. *Privatization of Public Services* on Public vs Private provision of Elementary Education: Challenges posed by RTE organised by Council for Social Development at India International Centre, Delhi on 30 May 2016
- iii. *RISE Annual conference* on 'Does Government's Monitoring of Schools Work? A Study of the Frontline Education Bureaucracy in India' organised by Blavatnik School of Government at Oxford University, UK on 16 and 17 June 2016
- iv. *Consultation on New Education Policy* on 'New Education Policy' organised by Council for Social Development at, India International Centre on 27 July 2016
- v. Round Table on *Social Cohesion in Transformation: The Experience of India and Beyond*, 'Social Cohesion: The Experience of Education in India' organised by India Today at Taj Palace Hotel on 23 September 2016
- vi. *Making Evidence Matter for Policy*, 'Speaker responding to study by 3ie and J Pal on Evidence in Education Policy' organised by 3ie and J PAL, New Delhi at Habitat Centre in November 2016

Policy Briefs:

- i. Manual on Right to Education for National and State Commissioners for RTE, September 2016

Working Papers:

- i. Monitoring Schools in India, co-authored by Radhika Saraf, June 2016
- ii. The Learning Generation: India's Education Policy and Its Development Over Time co-authored by Ambrish Dongre, International Commission for Financing Education, 20 January 2017
- iii. Out of school children in India: Some insights on what we know and what we don't co-authored by Radhika Saraf and Vrinda Gupta, March 2017

Targeted Meetings with Policy Makers:

- i. Consultation on Education Policy with Derek O'Brian with MP Trinamul Congress and member of Parliamentary Committee on Education on 30 October 2016
- ii. Education and Urban Services with the Congress Party in November 2016

Podcast:

- i. India's New Education Policy In Waiting For Three Decade, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 8 February 2017
10. During the year under review, Professor **Lavanya Rajamani** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Journal Articles:

- i. The 2015 Paris Agreement: Interplay Between Hard, Soft and Non Obligations in *Journal of Environmental Law*, Vol 28 Issue 2, pp 337 358, 12 July 2016
- ii. L'Accord de Paris sur les Changements Climatiques du 12 Decembre 2015 in *Annuaire Français De Droit International LXI* , Vol.2015 – CNRS Éditions, co-authored by S Maljean Dubois ,15 July 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes:

- i. Public Participation in Indian Environmental Law co-authored by Lavanya Rajamani and Shibani Ghosh in *Sharing the Costs and Benefits of Energy and Resource Activity: Legal Change and Impact on Communities* co-edited by Lila Barrera-Hernandez, Barry Barton, Lee Godden, Alastair Lucas, and Anita RÑnn , Oxford University Press on 4 April 2016
- ii. International Law and the Constitutional Schema in *Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution* co-edited by Lavanya Rajamani, Sujit Choudhry, Madhav Khosla and Pratap Bhanu Mehta, Oxford University Press, 25 April 2016
- iii. The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change: a framework approach to climate change in *Climate Change Law*, co-edited by Daniel A Farber, Marjan Peeters, and Michael Faure, Edward Elgar Publishing, 24 June 2016
- iv. The Evolution and Governance Architecture of the Climate Change Regime in *International Relations and Global Climate Change*, co-authored by Daniel Bodansky ,co-edited by Detlef Sprinz and Urs Luterbacher, MIT Press 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Shaping the deal in Bonn, *The Indian Express*, 17 May 2016
- ii. India helps Trump proof the Paris Agreement, *Live Mint*, 4 October 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. *1.5 Degrees: Meeting the Challenges of the Paris Agreement*, University of Oxford, 20 and 22 September 2016
- ii. *Marrakech Roundtable*, Session title: ‘Completing the Paris Architecture: Key Issues’ organised by Centre for Climate and Energy Solutions in Marrakech, Morocco on 13 November 2016
- iii. National Workshop on Environmental Laws: Contemporary Issues and Challenges on ‘The 2015 Paris Agreement’ organised by The Indian Law Institute in Delhi on 7 February 2017
- iv. The 2018 Facilitative Dialogue: Negotiators Workshop organised by Centre for Climate and Energy Solutions in Tokyo on 11 and 12 March 2017
- v. World Conference on Environment – 2017, ‘Paris Agreement 2015’ organised by NGT, UNEP, MoEFCC at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi. on 25 March 2017

11. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Manju Menon**, Namati Environmental Justice Program was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Books:

- i. *Business Interests and the Environmental Crisis* co-edited by Kanchi Kohli and Manju Menon, Sage, 25 April 2016

Journal Articles:

- i. A casual Approach co-authored by Krithika Dinesh, Kanchi Kohli, and Manju Menon, Samudra, 30 April 2016

Policy Briefs:

- i. Handbook on Legal and Administrative Remedies for Community Level Environment Justice Practitioners, Namati India Team, 8 September 2016
- ii. How effective are environmental regulations to address impacts of industrial and infrastructure projects in India? co-authored by Krithika Dinesh, Meenakshi Kapoor, Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon and Preeti Venkatram, October, 2016

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Letting them off easy, co-authored by Manju Menon, and Kanchi Kohli, *The Hindu*, 20 June 2016

- ii. The environment ministry must take citizens on board before changing CRZ rules, co-authored by Kanchi Kohli, and Manju Menon, *Hindustan Times*, 5 July.2016
- iii. Assessed, approved but scant attention to compliance, co-authored by Kanchi Kohli, and Manju Menon, *The Hindu*, 27 December 2016

Web-Based Publications:

- i. Environment Ministry to Bend Over Backwards to Whitelist Illicit Projects, co-authored by Manju Menon, Kanchi Kohli, *The wire.in*, 22 March 2017

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. *Training for district lawyers and activists Environment Law and Groundtruthing Methodology*- Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon organised by NRMC, RRI, CPR-Namati EJ Program in New Delhi from 9 to 11 July 2016
- ii. Workshop on *community based research for environment justice*, Workshop on *community based research for environment justice*- Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon, and Bharat Patel in Himachal Pradesh organised by Sambhaavana Institute, CPR-Namati EJ Program from 23 to 25 September 2016

12. During the year under review, Senior Visiting Fellow **Marie H el ene Z erah** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Books:

- i. *Subaltern Urbanisation in India: An introduction to the dynamics of ordinary towns* co-authored by Eric Denis, and Marie – H el ene Z erah , Springer, February 2017

Chapters in Edited Volumes:

- i. Corporate Social Responsibility and Public Service Management in Nagpur in Water Regimes, *Beyond the public and private sector debate*, co-edited by D. Lorrain & F. Poupeau, 107 122, London and New York: Routledge, September 2016
- ii. Introduction: Reclaiming Small Towns, co-authored by Marie – H el ene Z erah and Eric Denis in *Subaltern Urbanisation in India:An introduction to the dynamics of ordinary towns* co-edited by Eric Denis and Marie – H el ene Z erah, Springer , February 2017
- iii. Shedding Light on Social and Economic Changes in Small Towns Through the Prism of Local Governance: A Case Study of Haryana in *Subaltern Urbanisation in India:An introduction to the dynamics of ordinary towns* co-edited by Eric Denis, and Marie – H el ene Z erah, Springer, February 2017

- iv. Purdah and Politics: Women’s Participation in Local Governance co-authored by Aditi Surie, and Marie – H  l  ne Z  rah in *Subaltern Urbanisation in India: An introduction to the dynamics of ordinary towns* co-edited by Eric Denis, and Marie – H  l  ne Z  rah, Springer, February 2017

Working Papers and Discussion Papers:

- i. Water Regimes Questioned from the 'Global South': Agents, Practices and Knowledge, co-authored by, Shubhagato Dasgupta,, R  mi de Bercegol, Odile Henry, Brian O’Neill, Franck Poupeau, Audrey Richard Ferroudji in May 2016
- ii. Understanding India’s Urban Frontier: What Is behind the Emergence of Census Towns in India?, co-authored by Partha Mukhopadhyay, Marie H  l  ne Z  rah, Gopa Samanta, And Augustin Maria on 25 December 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. *La diversit   des savoirs des ing  nieurs de l’eau dans les villes indiennes* on ‘de l’expertise technique au savoir y faire socio politique’ organised by LABEX M  tiers de la Ville, University of Marne La Vall  e in Paris on 16 November 2016
- ii. Insights from an exploratory research in Delhi (India) on ‘Understanding the socio cultural dimensions of the nature of work in the sanitation sector’ at the 3rd SCIENTIFIC WORKSHOP of the ParisTech "SUEZ Water for All" Chair in Paris on 18 November 2016

Policy and Advisory Committees:

- i. Member of the Scientific Committee , Chaire Suez-Paritech Water For All, Ongoing since 2015
- ii. Member of the Scientific Committee, CURE (Centre for Urban and Regional Excellence), Since June 2017

13. During the year under review, Fellow **Namita Wahi** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. SC questioning ‘public purpose’ shows Singur ruling is critical, *Hindustan Times*, 13 September
- ii. How Singur turned the tide on land acquisition in India, *The Wire* , 29 September 2016
- iii. Why demonetisation notification is illegal and violates the Constitution, *The Economic Times Sunday Edition*, print and online, 11 December 2016
- iv. Does the nation not reflect the sentiments of the Republic?, *Economic Times*, 30 January 2017

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. Creating a database of all Supreme Court cases on land acquisition in India on ‘Understanding Land Acquisition Disputes in India’ at IIC, New Delhi organised by Centre for Policy Research on 5 April 2016
- ii. Understanding Land Acquisition Disputes in India at *Land Transactions Workshop: Land Property Rights in Development and Africa* organised by University of Michigan School of Natural Resource and Environment at Michigan on 20 and 21 April 2016
- iii. A comprehensive study of all Supreme Court cases on land acquisition in India from 1950–2015 on ‘Understanding Land Acquisition Disputes in India’ organised by Centre for Policy Research at IIC, New Delhi on 30 May 2016
- iv. Bergen Exchanges on Law and Social Transformation on ‘The political economy of land rights in the Scheduled Areas of India’ organised by Chr. Michelsen Institute and the University of Bergen in Norway on 26 August 2016
- v. Responsible Mining Index Consultation organised by International Resources for Fairer Trade in New Delhi, India on 21 September 2016
- vi. *Revitalising the Rural: Rethinking rural and agricultural policies* on ‘Understanding disputes over land acquisition in India’ organised by Indian Institute of Advanced Study and Network of Rural and Agrarian Studies in Shimla, India on 28 September 2016,
- vii. Land Rights, Changing Agrarian Relations and Rural Transformation on ‘Understanding disputes over land acquisition in India’ organised by National Institute for Rural Development in Hyderabad, India on 15 October 2016
- viii. Presentation of Book Proposal at the *Constitutional Law chair* on ‘The right to property and economic development in India’ organised by Humboldt University in Berlin, Germany on 2 November 2016
- ix. Comparative Perspectives on Land Governance in Brazil and India on ‘The right to property in land – evolution, current legal conflicts and regulatory challenges in India’ and ‘Economy and Land in India’ organised by Humboldt University in Berlin, Germany on 3 and 4 November 2016
- x. Law and Social Sciences Network Conference: *Thinking with Evidence: Seeking Certainty, Making Truth* on ‘Understanding disputes over land acquisition in India’ organised by Centre for the Study of Law and Governance, JNU, Jindal Global University, National Law University, Dwarka and Azim Premji University, Bangalore in New Delhi, India on 10 December 2016
- xi. CPR LRI Seminar on “Understanding land acquisition Disputes in India” on “Understanding land acquisition disputes in India” organised by CPR at CPR, New Delhi on 5 January 2017

- xii. National Seminar on *Governance in Fifth Scheduled Regions* on “The political economy of land rights in the Scheduled Areas” organised by Samata and MM at Constitution Club, New Delhi on 19 January 2017
- xiii. CPR LRI Conference on “Land rights, Land Acquisition, and Inclusive Development in India” on “Understanding land acquisition disputes in India” organised by CPR at IIC, New Delhi on 2 and 3 March 2017
- xiv. CPR LRI Conference on “Land rights, Land Acquisition, and Inclusive Development in India” on “The political economy of land rights in the Scheduled areas at IIC, New Delhi organised by CPR ” on 2 and 3 March 2017
- xv. Lecture Series on the Constitution on The Right to Property and Economic Development in India organised by Prof Anush Kapadia, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at IIT Bombay on 24 March 2017
- xvi. World Bank Brown Bag Lunch Series on “Mapping land acquisition litigation in India: Lessons from a review of Supreme Court cases from 1950 to 2016 organised by World Bank Social Development Unit and Land Policy and Administration Thematic Group in Delhi on 24 March 2017

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Technical Committee of Pilot Study on Digital Land Records Modernisation Programme led by NCAER, NIPFP, IGIDR, January 2017 till date

Policy Brief:

- i. Land Acquisition in India: A review of Supreme Court cases from 1950 to 2016 co-authored by Ankit Bhatia, Dhruva Gandhi, Shubham Jain, Pallav Shukla and Upasana Chauhan, 1 March 2017

Reports to Clients:

- i. Final Narrative Report to the Asia Foundation , June 30, 2016 (internal report submitted to donor at the end of the project, not public)

Targeted Meetings with Policy Makers:

- i. Discussion of land acquisition data, meeting with Mr. Jairam Ramesh, MP and former Minister for Rural Development, and MoEF ,13 April 2016
- ii. Discussion of land acquisition data, meeting with Mr. K P Krishnan, Additional Secretary, Department of Land Resources, 10 May 2016
- iii. Meeting with Mr. Akhilesh Tiwari, BJP

- iv. Disseminate and discuss findings of the land acquisition study, meeting with Mr. KP Krishnan, Additional Secretary, Department of Land Affairs, and Mr. H.S. Meena, Jt Secy, DoLR, 13 January 2017
- v. Disseminate and discuss findings of the land acquisition study, meeting with Mridula Singh and Abha Joshi at the World Bank office, New Delhi, 16 January 2017

Web Based Publications:

- i. Is the current demonetisation legal?, *Centre for Policy Research website*, 6 December 2016
- ii. The demonetisation notification as it exists, suffers from illegality and violates the Constitution, *Law and Other Things*, 14 December 2016
- iii. The Legal Burden Of Running Demonetisation Should Vest With Parliament, Not RBI’, *Livelaw*, 3 January 2017
- iv. Litigation is the last resort when governments completely disregard the rule of law, *Livelaw*, 7 March 2017

Targeted Meeting With Multilateral Organisations Or Donors:

- i. Asia Foundation
- ii. Omidyar Network

Podcast:

- i. Demonetisation: Rule of law or law of the powerful?’, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 13 January 2017

14. ‘During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Navroz K Dubash** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Journal Articles:

- i. ‘Recovering Key Strategic Concepts in India's Climate Policy’, co-authored by Radhika Khosla, *Economic and Political Weekly*, 11 June 2016
- ii. ‘Safeguarding Development and Limiting Vulnerability: India's Stakes in the Paris Agreement’, *WIREs Climate Change*, November 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. Climate Change Expert Group, on ‘Transparency and National Climate Institutions. Reflections from the Indian Experience’ organised by Climate Change Expert Group in Paris, France on 13 and 14 September 2016
- ii. International Conference on *Fossil Fuel Supply and Climate Change Policy* on ‘Nationally Determined’ Indian Narratives on Coal, Climate and Equity’ at Queen’s College, Oxford on 26 and 27 September 2016
- iii. Workshop: *Politics, policy, governance and the IPCC: Political Science Contributions to Climate Research* on ‘Mapping climate mitigation governance’ organised by Research Council of Norway, in collaboration with CICERO and INOGOV in Oslo, Norway on 3 and 4 October 2016
- iv. Inception Workshop – Centre for Policy Studies on ‘National Policies and the International Context From Norm Taker to Norm Maker in Energy Policy?’ organised by IIT Delhi in New Delhi on 19 August 2016
- v. Member of Panel: Climate Change Adaptation Policy under Multiple Stressors and Multiple Concerns, New Delhi, ATREE, 22nd and 23rd August
- vi. First India China Think Tank Forum on ‘Shaping the Regional and Global Agenda: Climate Change and Cyber Security’ organised by The Institute of Chinese Studies and the Indian Council for World Affairs in collaboration with the Ministry for External Affairs in New Delhi held on 9 and 10 December 2016
- vii. Neemrana Conference on ‘Climate Change, Land & the Environment: Safeguarding the Future’ organised by NCAER, NBER in Neemrana, India from 16 to 18 December 2016
- viii. Energy Transitions in New Delhi, India organised by TERI on 18 February 2017
- ix. Expert Consultation with NITI Aayog on SDGs: Specifically 13, 14, 15 organised by NITI Aayog, World Wildlife Fund (WWF), RIS and UNDP in New Delhi, India on 8 and 9 February 2017
- x. Chicago Ramblings organised by University of Chicago on 14 March 2017

Targeted Meetings with Policy Makers:

- i. Secretaries of Union Ministries, 14 November 2016

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. MoEFCC Member, Long Term Strategy for Low Carbon Development for India, February 2017 onwards
- ii. Member, Expert Committee on Renewable Energy Act and /or Renewable Energy Policy Statement for India, Ongoing

15. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Neelanjan Sircar** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Working Papers:

- i. Understanding the Election in Assam (Part 1) co-authored by Ashish Ranjan, Bhanu Joshi, and Neelanjan Sircar, 19 April 2016
- ii. Understanding the Election in Assam (Part 2) co-authored by Bhanu Joshi, Ashish Ranjan, and Neelanjan Sircar, 13 May 2016
- iii. Performing Poriborton co-authored by Bhanu Joshi, Ashish Ranjan, and Neelanjan Sircar, 19 May 2016

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Understanding the Election in Assam (Part 1) co-authored by Ashish Ranjan, Bhanu Joshi, and Neelanjan Sircar, 19 April 2016
- ii. A vote for development, change co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 18 May 2016
- iii. No beating Didi this time? Co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, Bhanu Joshi, *The Hindu*, 19 May 2016
- iv. Why Donald Trump has already won, *The Hindu*, 31 October 2016
- v. Will the dice roll BJP's way in UP?, *Hindu Business Line*, 4 January 2017
- vi. The muddle in Middle Doab, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 27 January 2017
- vii. All set for a big surprise, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, Bhanu Joshi, and Ashish Ranjan, 6 February 2017
- viii. Importance of goods and services co-authored by Bhanu Joshi, Neelanjan Sircar *The Hindu*, 15 February 2017
- ix. Bywords in Bundelkhand, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, Bhanu Joshi, and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 28 February 2017
- x. Waiting for the silent voters of Uttar Pradesh to speak, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, Bhanu Joshi, and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 7 March, 2017
- xi. Rewriting the U.P. equation, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, Bhanu Joshi, and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 14 March 2017

Podcast:

- i. Analysing Donald Trump's Victory, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 11 November 2016
- ii. Analysing BJP's Victory in Uttar Pradesh, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 15 March 2017

16. During the year under review , Senior Fellow **Partha Mukhopadhy**a was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Journal Articles

- i. Subaltern Urbanisation Revisited co-edited by Eric Denis, and Marie-Helene Zerah, *IIC Quarterly Journal*: Winter/Spring 2016 – 2017

Chapters in Edited Volume:

- i. Does Administrative Status Matter for Small Towns in India? in *Subaltern urbanisation in India* co-edited by Eric Denis, and Marie-Helene Zerah, Springer , 2017

Working Paper:

- i. Cabal City: Regime Theory and Indian Urbanization co-authored by Patrick Heller, and Michael Walton, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs Working Paper No. 2016-32, June 2016
- ii. Understanding the Emergence of India's Census Town: co-authored by Marie-Hélène Zérah, Gopa Samanta and Augustin Maria, World Bank Policy Research Working Paper No. 7923, December 2016

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Unsmart Cities, *Mint*, 29 June 2016
- ii. Link National Capital Region to Delhi's growth engine co-authored by Bhanu Joshi, *Economic Times*, 29 August 2016

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. Decoding the urban -engaging with current debates on urban processes in India and China on What would a Chindian City Be? in CEIAS , EHESS Paris organised by CEIAS on 12 May 2016
- ii. Informal Settlements in Indian Cities - *Impulses for Innovation in Architecture and Urban Planning* on 'Planning at the Boundaries' organised by KAHE in Coimbatore on 2 September 2016
- iii. Panelist Think Small Go Big organised by CPR and others in Quito on 17 October 2016

- iv. IIA National Convention on "Imagining the Indian City" on Unpacking the Smart City organised by Indian Institute of Architects in Bengaluru on 3 December 2016
- v. Panel on Smart Cities organised by TISS at TISS, Mumbai on 27 January 2017

Working Groups and Advisory Committee:

- i. Chair , Working Group on Migration, July 2015 to January 2017
17. During the year under review, Associate Professor **Nimmi Kurian** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Books:

- i. *India and China: Rethinking Borders and Security (co-authored.) 2016. Series Configurations: Critical Studies of World Politics*, University of Michigan Press, Ann Arbor.

Chapters in Co-authored Volumes:

- i. "Subregionalising IR: Bringing the Borderlands Back In" in L.H.M. Ling, Adriana Erthal Abdenur, Payal Banerjee, Nimmi Kurian, Mahendra P.Lama, and Li Bo (co-authored), *India and China: Rethinking Borders and Security, Series Configurations: Critical Studies of World Politics*, University of Michigan Press, Ann Arbor, 2016.
- ii. "What's Ahead: India-China in the World" (co-authored), in L.H.M. Ling, Adriana Erthal Abdenur, Payal Banerjee, Nimmi Kurian, Mahendra P.Lama, and Li Bo (co-authored), *India and China: Rethinking Borders and Security, Series Configurations: Critical Studies of World Politics*, University of Michigan Press, Ann Arbor.

Refereed Journal Publications:

- i. 'Subterranean Subregionalism: Interrogating the Role of Borders in Indian IR', *Research Journal of Social Sciences*, 24 (1&2), 2016
- ii. Review of the Book "How India Became Territorial: Foreign Policy, Diaspora, Geopolitics" by Itty Abraham, *Journal of Borderlands Studies*, Vol. 32, Issue 2, pp. 267-268

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. 'China's dams bring a flood of questions', *East Asia Forum*, 14 April 2016
- ii. 'River Diplomacy on Test', *The Indian Express*, 04 October 2016
- iii. 'Raising the Accountability Bar', *Live Encounters*, 12 December 2016

Web-Based Publications:

- i. Co-opted Federalism? Border States and Resource Revenue Sharing Bargains' *CPR Policy Brief*, October 2016.
- ii. The Blind Men and the Elephant: Making Sense of China's One Belt One Road Initiative', *CPR Policy Brief*, December 2016.
- iii. 'The Rupee's Reach: The Lending Curve of India's Development Diplomacy in South Asia', *CPR Policy Brief*, January 2017.
- iv. 'The Peripheral Protagonist: The Curious Case of the Missing Trans-Himalayan Trader', *CPR Policy Brief*, March 2017.

Public Talks, Notable Seminars and Conference Presentations:

- i. 'A Bottom-up Act East Policy? Role of Border Regions as Drivers of Economic Diplomacy', paper presented at the International Conference on Border Trade in North East India: Politico-Economic Perspectives' organised by the Women's College, Shillong and North- Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong, 21-22 October 2016.
- ii. 'The Periphery as Hub? Competing Constructions in India's Act East Policy' Annual Public Lecture delivered at the Research Workshop on Infrastructure and Logistics in Northeast India in collaboration with Department of South and Southeast Asian Studies, University of Calcutta, Calcutta Research Group and the Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung on 16 November 2016
- iii. Talk on '*Critical Approaches to India's Border Policy*' for Winter Institute of Development Planning for Borderland Regions (WIDPBR), Jindal School of International Affairs (JSIA), O.P. Jindal Global University, 23 November 2016
- iv. 'One Belt One Road and the BCIM', Expert Consultation organised by the International Department of Chinese Communist Party, Yunnan Academy of Social Sciences and Kunming, China, December 2016.
- v. 'A Glass Half Full? Designing Subregional Benefit Sharing on the Brahmaputra', at International Conference organised by Guangdong Institute of Indo-Pacific Peace and Development Studies and the International Public Relations Research Centre, Hainan University, Haikou, Hainan, China, 11 January 2017.
- vi. Panelist, International Brainstorming Session on Regional Cooperation and Integration between India, China, Bangladesh and Myanmar organised by the Asian Development Bank, Kunming, China, 27 February-1 March 2017.
- vii. 'Re-engaging the International: A Social History of the Trans-Himalayan Borderlands', International Conference on Borders organised by South Asian University with the Association of Borderlands Studies, 6 March 2017.
- viii. 'Flows and Flaws: What's Wrong with the India-China Conversation on the Brahmaputra?', Department of Political Science, Panjab University, 29 March 2017.

Policy and Advisory Committees:

- i. Faculty Advisor (since 2016) India China Institute, The New School, New York.
- ii. Invited by the International Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China to closed-door consultations on the One Belt One Road project in Fujian, Ningxia, Beijing, Shanghai, Kunming, 11-22 December 2016.
- iii. Visiting Faculty, Centre for the Study of Geopolitics, Department of Political Science, Punjab University, March 2017.

Podcast:

- i. “Uncharted Waters: Navigating the India-China Conversation on the Brahmaputra”, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, March 2017

17. During the year under review, Senior Visiting Fellow **Philippe Cullet** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Chapters in Edited Volumes:

- i. ‘International Water Norms and Principles – Impacts on Law and Policy Development in India’, *Comparisons in Legal Development – The Impact of Foreign and International Law on National Legal Systems* in Mauro Bussani & Lukas Heckendorn Urscheler eds, (Zurich: Schulthess, 2016), p. 55-71
- ii. ‘Water Law in India’, in Christoph Antons ed., *Routledge Handbook of Asian Law* (Abingdon: Routledge, 2017), p. 323-38.

Journal Articles:

- i. ‘Differential Treatment in Environmental Law: Addressing Critiques and Conceptualizing the Next Steps’, *5/2 Transnational Environmental Law* (2016), p. 305-28, 24 October 2016
- ii. ‘Governing Water to Foster Equity and Conservation: Need for New Legal Instruments’, *51/53 Economic & Political Weekly*, 31 December 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. ‘Why Delhi Must Think Beyond Water ATMs’, *The Statesman*, 5 July 2016, p., 9 July 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. Organisation of panel 'Law, Commons And Sustainable Development Goals – Exploring Law’s Role In Promoting Sustainability Of The Commons' at Iasc Regional Conference (Europe) 2016, Bern

- ii. Commons in a “glocal” World: Global Connections and Local Responses, University of Bern, 10 to 13 May 2016
- iii. Keynote speech, Legislators’ and Policy Makers Meet, Sustainable Mountain Development Summit V in Leh Ladakh, 21 September 2016
- iv. Keynote speech, Sustainable Mountain Development Summit V in Leh Ladakh, 21 September 2016
- v. Oxford Water Network seminar, Christ Church ,The Rights to Water and Sanitation to India: Opportunities and Challenges, 26 January 2017
- vi. Cambridge Centre for Environment, Energy and Natural Resource Governance, Thursday seminars, The David Attenborough Building, The Right to Sanitation to India: Challenges and Opportunities, 2 March 2017

Policy and Advisory Committee:

- i. Member of the Committee to Redraft the Draft Model Bill for Conservation Protection and Regulation of Ground Water, 2011 since October 2015
- ii. Member of the Committee to Draft River Basin Management Bill since October 2015 – July 2016
- iii. Member of the Committee to Draft National Water Framework Bill, 2016, October 15 - July 2016

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. Sustainable Development Act in Sikkim meeting with P.D.Rai (MP for Sikkim) and others in Delhi on 16 & 19 December 2016 and 14 & 18 February 2017

18. During the year under review, Fellow **Radhika Khosla** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Journal Articles:

- i. ‘Beyond Technology: Demand Side Solutions for Climate Change Mitigation’ co-authored by Felix Creutzig, Bianca Fernandez, Helmut Haberl, Radhika Khosla, Yacob Mulugetta, and Karen C Seto, *Annual Review of Environment and Resources, Vol. 41: 173-198*, October 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Reimagining Indian energy planning, *The Hindu Business Line*, 13 September 2016
- ii. Green court's order for an audit of buildings in Delhi is a new frontier in the fight for clean air co-authored by Ankit Bhardwaj, *Scroll.in*. 6 January 2017

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. *Global Hulchul: Rebooting Design. Focus: Urban Climatology*, organised by Design x Design's 7 Roundtable, Alliance Francaise de Delhi in New Delhi, India on 28 July 2016
- ii. Talk on *Multi Stakeholder Decision making at the National Round Table* on 'Towards Green Growth: Achievements and Opportunities' organised by CDKN in New Delhi, India on 29 August 2016
- iii. *Young Makers Conclave* organised by SheThePeople and Dalmia Cements in New Delhi, India on 21 September 2016
- iv. Presented at *expert consultation* titled "Is a Decarbonised and Decentralized Energy Future a Possibility for India? The Energy Equity Link" organised by INECC Laya in New Delhi, India on 30 November 2016
- v. *Screening of the documentary movie 'Demain'*, followed by a questions answers session with the audience hosted by Hervé Dubreuil (AFD) and Radhika Khosla organised by Embassy of France in India, in collaboration with AFD (Agence Française de Développement, in New Delhi, India on 12 December 2016
- vi. Conference on Conservation Science and Sustainable Development on 'Multiple objective based energy and climate decision making' in Bangalore organised by ATREE on 24 and 25 January 2017
- vii. India's Opportunity for Promoting Energy Efficiency and Phasing Down High Global Warming Refrigerants in Air Conditioning Building Codes and Energy Efficiency organised by ACREX, NRDC, UNEP in Noida, NCR on 24 February 2017
- viii. 1st Regional Workshop on ECBC Implementation in States, Presentation on ECBC Implementation Approaches organised by Alliance for an Energy Efficient Economy, Niti Aayog, UNDP in Chandigarh on 10 February 2017
- ix. State-Level Stakeholder Workshop: 'Energy Conservation Building Code: Evaluation in Telangana and Karnataka' Field level implementation barriers, potential policy gaps and possible remedies organised by IFMR-LEAD and Administrative Staff College of India, Hyderabad on 10 January 2017

Targeted Meetings with Policy Makers:

- i. Secretaries of Union Ministries, 14 November 2016

19. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Rajiv Kumar** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Books:

- i. *Modi and his Challenges*, Bloomsbury India, May 2016

Journal Articles:

- i. Making Reforms Work for the Common People, *Economic and Political Weekly*, 16 July 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. All that gas, *The Financial Express*, 27 April 2016
- ii. The jobs equation: For NDA to stay on the job, it must grow jobs for India's youth, *The Times of India Blog*, 29 April 2016
- iii. Smelling a scam — supposedly, *The Hindu*, 9 May 2016
- iv. Indian jobseekers still waiting for Modi's 'good days', *East Asia Forum*, 17 May 2016
- v. Clinton Sanders Ticket: A Way to Unite the Democratic Party and Defeat Donald Trump? ,*The Wire*, June 2016
- vi. It takes two, *The Indian Express*, 21 June 2016
- vii. Can Modi deliver on Indian growth?,*East Asia Forum*, 26 June 2016
- viii. Challenges for Indian economy: Rexit, now Brexit, *Economic Times*, 29 June 2016
- ix. Interview: India Must Not Make NSG Membership an Elemental Issue, Says Shyam Saran, *The Wire*, 29 June 2016
- x. Rexit, now Brexit: How the Indian economy can really brave these twin mega storms, *Times of India Blog*, 29 June 2016
- xi. What Urjit Patel can do to help improve India's investment climate,, *Times of India*, 24 August 2016
- xii. A path full of challenges, *Dainik Jagran*, 5 September 2016
- xiii. Should MP Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS) be scrapped?, *Financial Express*, 7 September 2016
- xiv. Making the most difficult choice, *Indian Express*, 26 September 2016

- xv. Beware, the sag is showing: How to turn around drooping investment and job numbers, before social unrest strikes, *Times of India*, 20 October 2016
- xvi. It's a planned move, against the group's practices, *My Digital FC*, 25 October 2016
- xvii. Cyrus Mistry's ouster: This can be a watershed event in Tata Group's history, *Economic Times*, 25 October 2016
- xviii. Bye Bye Rs 500 & 1,000 Notes: Modi's 'Achhe Din' Are Finally Here, *The Quint*, 9 November 2016
- xix. India's golden moment, *The Indian Express*, 25 November 2016
- xx. For Demonetisation to Work, Modi Must Root Out Political and Bureaucratic Corruption, *The Wire*, 29 November 2016
- xxi. Narendra Modi government's structural reforms efforts seen in 103 bills Lok Sabha passed,, *The Financial Express*, 28 December 2016
- xxii. Innovate In India: A strong intellectual property framework is critical to making India the world's pharmacy, *Times of India Blog*, 27 January 2017
- xxiii. Make a judicious choice, *The Indian Express*, 1 February 2017
- xxiv. Jaitley's budget takes the Left-of-centre space from the Opposition, *Hindustan Times*, 2 February 2017
- xxv. A Budget for sustainable growth, *The Hindu*, 2 February 2017
- xxvi. India's not so 'business as usual' budget, *East Asia Forum*, 9 February 2017
- xxvii. The politics of India's budget shows that Modi means business, *Mail Today*, 15 February 2017
- xxviii. Focus on employment generation crucial, *My Digital FC*, 1 March 2017
- xxix. The massive mandate for Modi's vision for India by 2022, *Daily Mail*, 15 March 2017
- xxx. Modi's massive mandate heralds major changes, *East Asia Forum*, 23 March 2017
- xxxi. Yogi and the road ahead 'will benefit everyone', *Daily Mail*, 28 March 2017

Policy Briefs:

- i. Non-Tariff Measures to Food Trade in India: A Case Study of Selected Ports co-authored by Aparna Sharma, Bipul Chatterjee, Hemant Shivakumar, Prashant Sharma, Prithviraj Nath, Rajiv Kumar, Sayantan Sengupta, Sumanta Biswas, and Surendar Singh , 5 April 2016

Podcast:

i. Demonetisation – Curbing Black Money Or Welfare Shock, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 21 November 2016

20. During the year under review, Senior Visiting Fellow **Rajshree Chandra** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Journal Articles:

i. Understanding Change With(in) Law: The Niyamgiri Case, *Contributions to Indian Sociology*, 50 (2), June 2016

ii. Farmers' Rights in India: "Globally Sui Generis" , *South Asia Chronicle*, 31 January 2017

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

i. Manufactured anger on Bhagat Singh "Revolutionary Tag" is cover for no show in Freedom Struggle, *The Wire*, 3 May 2016

ii. In Nobel Laureates v. Greenpeace, Don't Ignore the Sociology of GM, *The Wire*, 6 July 2016

iii. The 'Jung' Between Modi and Kejriwal and the Travails of a Quasi State, *The Wire*, 6 August 2016

iv. The Success of This GM Tech Depends on Numerous Unanswered Questions, *The Wire*, 20 September 2016

v. A Lawless Law, *The Indian Express*, 28 September 2016

vi. DU's Photocopy Kiosk Should Be Allowed to Remain For the Greater Good, *The Wire*, 20 October 2016

21. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Ramesh Chandran** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Targeted Meetings with Policy Makers:

i. 'Princeton – GPPI-CPR Strategic Affairs Programme for Indian Parliamentarians', Academic Programme for Indian MPs at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public & International Affairs , 10 to 14 April 2016

ii. 'Investing and Women and Children of India: Addressing Malnutrition', with Parliamentarians, 9 May 2016

iii. 'Indian MPs' Delegation Visit to Australia', Academic Programme for Indian MPs in Collaboration with Australia Foreign Office , 29 April to 5 June 2016

iv. Roundtable on 'Women's Empowerment,' with Parliamentarians , 4 August 2016

- v. Roundtable on ‘SDGs on Health’ with Parliamentarians, 10 August 2016
 - vi. Indian MPs’ Delegation visit to China, Indian MPs in collaboration with Shanghai Institute of International Studies , 3-12 September 2016
 - vii. ‘Chevening-CPR Parliamentarians Fellowship Programme with King’s College London’, Academic Programme for Indian Parliamentarians at KCL, 7-12 November 2016
 - viii. Parliamentarians’ International Conference on SDGs for Children with MPs from India, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives and Nepal, 10 – 11 December 2016
 - ix. Budgetary Allocation for Health in India meeting with Parliamentarians and experts, 15 March 2017
22. During the year under review, Senior Visiting Fellow **Rani Mullen** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Chapters in Edited Volumes:

- i. ‘India’s Resurgent Foreign Policy in Africa; India-Afghanistan Relations’ in *Engaging the World Indian Foreign Policy Since 1947* co-edited by Sumit Ganguly, Oxford University Press, April 2016
- ii. ‘India and the Potential of Trade East,’ in *Heading East: The Dynamics of Trade, Environment and Security* co-edited by Sumit Ganguly, Oxford University Press, July 2016

Policy Briefs:

- i. Indian Development Cooperation with Afghanistan and the Afghan-India Friendship Dam co-authored by Kashyap Arora , June 2016
- ii. India's Development Cooperation: Analysis of the Union Budget 2016-17 co-authored by Kashyap Arora, June 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. *The Prospects for Afghanistan – State Capacity & Aid Effectiveness* on ‘Readjusting the Trajectory: Development Cooperation Effectiveness in Afghanistan’ organised by Blavatnik School of Government & Global Economic Governance Programme at Oxford, U.K. on 5 July 2016
- ii. *The Nature of Indian Democracy* on ‘India’s Immanent Democracy’ organised by American Political Science Association in Philadelphia on 2 September 2016
- iii. *Indian Foreign Policy, Indian* on ‘Development Assistance and the Centralization of Indian Foreign Policy’ organised by American Political Science Association in Philadelphia on 2 September 2016

- iv. India Rising: A Multi-Layered Analysis of Ideas, Interests, and Institutions in ‘India’s foreign policy in the field of economic development’ organised by GIGA in Hamburg, Germany on 16 and 17 September 2016
- v. Author’s Workshop: *India Rising: A Multi-Layered Analysis of Ideas, Interests, and Institutions* on ‘India’s foreign policy in the field of economic development’ organised by German Institute of Global and Area in Hamburg, Germany Studies on 16 and 17 September 2016
- vi. APSA, Annual Mtg. on ‘Indian Development Assistance and the Centralization of Indian Foreign Policy’ organised by APSA in Philadelphia, PA, USA on 2 September 2016
- vii. American Political Science Association, Annual Mtg, India’s Immanent Democracy organised by APSA in Philadelphia, PA, USA on 2 September 2016
- viii. International Studies Association (ISA) on ‘Indo-Afghanistan Relations: India’s Westward Integration’ organised by ISA in Baltimore, USA on February 24, 2017
- ix. International Studies Association on ‘Indian foreign Policy & Aid’ organised by ISA in Baltimore, USA in February 2017

Web-Based Publications:

- i. India’s development cooperation with Bangladesh: Lines of credit (LOCs) co-authored by Kashyap Arora, *Centre for Policy Research, India*, 20 January 2017
23. During the year under review, Senior Visiting Fellow **Sanjaya Baru** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Moment of truth for 'Sonia Congress': Can’t be business-as-usual, *The Economic Times* ,20 May 2016
- ii. Irani chai for Narendra Modi, *The Week*, 22 May 2016
- iii. Manmohan and Modi Foreign Policies Have Been Seamless: Ex-PM Aide, *The Quint*,10 June 2016
- iv. The numbers RBI governor Raghuram Rajan did not get: 2014 and 282, *Firstpost India* ,21 June 2016
- v. A candid account of bifurcation, *Deccan Chronicle* ,8 July 2016
- vi. Other heroes of 1991,*The Week* ,17 July 2016
- vii. Clinton and Trump—same difference, *The Week*,14 August 2016
- viii. Suresh Prabhu Makes Reform History ,*Bloomberg Quint*, 22 September 2016

- ix. Call Pakistan’s Bluff by Revisiting Manmohan-Musharraf Formula, *The Quint*, 22 September 2016
- x. An Indo-Pak Cold War, *The Indian Express*, 3 October 2016
- xi. Political parties need political leaders, *The Week*, 4 October 2016
- xii. Family politics playbook, *The Indian Express*, 25 October 2016
- xiii. Queue up for country, *The Week*, 4 December 2016
- xiv. The power of loyalty, *Civil Society*, 6 December 2016
- xv. Saumitra Chaudhuri: Policymaker par excellence, *Economic Times*, 19 December 2016
- xvi. Modi’s rupee call is politics first, *Civil Society*, 30 December 2016
- xvii. Orange and saffron black swans, *The Week*, 1 January 1, 2017
- xviii. The Lucknow gambit, *India Today*, 4 January 2017
- xix. The non-argumentative Indian, *The Week*, 29 January 2017
- xx. Boardroom squabbles that go public fritter away hard-won respect for India's business icons, *Economic Times*, 14 February 2017
- xxi. Prime ministers in the buff, *The Week*, 21 February 2017
- xxii. Misreading the new, *The Indian Express*, 15 March 2017
- xxiii. A Voyage That Was Seldom Calm, *Outlook Magazine*, 30 March 2017

Web- Based Publications:

- i. Moment of truth for Sonia Gandhi and Congress: Can’t be business-as-usual, *The Economic Times Blog*, 20 May 2016
- ii. Donald Trump’s victory is reminder of gap between analysis and grass roots politicians, *The Economic Times Blog*, 10 November 2016

24. During the year under review, Fellow **Shibani Ghosh** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Policy Briefs:

- i. Is the MoEFCC Encouraging Environmental Violations?, 23 August 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. Advocate's Workshop on *Environmental Law and Practice* organised by IBA-CLE Chair, National Law School of India University, Bangalore and M.K.Nambyar Academy for Continuing Legal Education, Kochi from 1 to 3 July 2016
- ii. The Second CSLG Roundtable on Administrative Tribunals in India: Can Tribunals Deliver Justice? Panelist for a Panel titled: *National Green Tribunal* organised by Centre for the Study of Law and Governance, JNU on 23 August 2016
- iii. Moderator for Session titled: 'Making the Right a Reality: Opportunities and Challenges' at the *Right to Sanitation: From Articulation to Implementation* Workshop organised by CPR and WSSCC on 1 September 2016
- iv. Skill Building on the Art and Practice of Trial, Corporate and Environmental Litigation. 3 day Litigation Clinic for young lawyers and law students organised by TERI University, in New Delhi, India, Centre for Post Graduate Legal Studies from 20-22 October 2016
- v. Panel Member for session titled 'Involvement of Civil Society in Nuclear Energy Projects and Related Litigation' at the XXII Nuclear Inter Jura Congress. *The Future of Nuclear Law: Addressing Societal, Environmental, and Business Expectations* organised by Nuclear Law Association India in New Delhi, India from 7 -11 November 2016
- vi. Guest Faculty for the M.Tech in Urban Development and Management at TERI – two lectures on Environmental Law and Urban Governance organised by TERI University in New Delhi, India, November 2016
- vii. Speaker and Member of Panel titled 'Assessing the speed and quality of environmental review processes' at a conference on *Law in Numbers: Evidence-Based Approaches to Legal in New Delhi*, India organised by Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy Reform on 2 and 3 December 2016
- viii. National Workshop on Environmental Laws: Contemporary Issues and Challenges on 'Environmental advocacy in India: Role of Lawyers and Litigants' organised by Indian Law Institute in New Delhi, India on 10 February 2017

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. The River as Being, *The Hindu*, 27 March 2017
25. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Shubhagato Dasgupta** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Working Papers and Discussion Papers:

- i. Water Regimes Questioned From The 'Global South': Agents, Practices and Knowledge, co-authored by Shubhagato Dasgupta, Rémi de Bercegol, Odile Henry, Brian O'Neill, Franck Poupeau, Audrey Richard- Ferroudji & Marie-Hélène Zérah, May 2016
- ii. "Monitoring Open Discharge – Free India: A Comprehensive Sanitation Matrix", co-authored by Noronha K M, October 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. The Government Has Made a Welcome Shift in Sanitation Policy that Will Help Develop Indian Cities , Scaling City Institutions For India: Sanitation Urbanisation, *The Wire*, 9 December 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. *Asian Studies Association of Australia* on 'From Taboo to Totem: continuing misadventures of sanitation policy in India' in Canberra, Australia organised by ASAA on 7 July 2016
- ii. National Conference on 'Why is Faecal Sludge and Septage Management important for urban India?' organised by Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India in New Delhi on 9 September 2016
- iii. HABITAT 3 International Conference "Beyond public networks - the future for basic services?" organised by UN-HABITAT in Quito, Ecuador on 17 October 2016
- iv. National Conference on *Social Innovations for Improving Urban Sanitation: Lessons for Scaling-up*, ;Introductory presentation on the concept of Social Innovation in sanitation' organised by CPR- PRIA in New Delhi , December 2016

Policy and Advisory Committee:

- i. National faecal sludge and septage management working group
- ii. Expert Member , Expert Group on Urban Flood Mitigation, April 2016 – ongoing

Awards and other Honours:

- i. Honorary Fellowship, Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore, Singapore

26. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Shyam Saran** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. "Indian Economy-Fading Promise or gearing for Growth" *Inter Press Service*, April 6.
- ii. "Making the nuclear point" *The Indian Express*, April 6
- iii. A lopsided strategic partnership" *Business Standard*, April 14.

- iv. “Much of Indo-Pak diplomacy is cultural diplomacy” *Business Standard*, April 18.
- v. “Economic roots of Xi Jinping’s nationalist politics” *Hindustan Times*, April 29.
- vi. “A long and hot summer ahead” *The Hindu*, May 3.
- vii. “Mr. Modi’s mixed record” *Business Standard*, May 12.
- viii. “The Dalai Lama’s tragedy: A brother’s story” *Business Standard*, May 25.
- ix. “India & US: Aligning Rhetoric & Reality” *Business Standard*, June 9.
- x. ‘Mainstream ecological sustainability into development strategies’ *Hindustan Times*, June 21.
- xi. Interview Part I: India Must Not Make NSG Membership an Elemental Issue” *The Wire*, June 29.
- xii. “Interview Part II: There is a New China in the NSG and India Needs to Find a Way to Deal With It” *The Wire*, June 30.
- xiii. “India and the re-aligned movement: Brexit represents only another, much more consequential, phase in the marginalisation of the EU in a shifting global terrain” *India Today*, June 30.
- xiv. “Is Internationalisation of RMB stalling” *Business Standard*, July 5.
- xv. “Kashmir needs a new healing touch” *Hindustan Times*, July 28.
- xvi. “China Shadow over India-Russia Relations” *Business Standard*, August 2.
- xvii. “The Beijing Balancing Act” *The Hindu*, August 17.
- xxviii. “Of China, terror and US trade: Why Hillary will be a safe bet for India” *Hindustan Times*, September 7.
- xix. “India’s Ostpolitik” *India Today*, September 14
- xx. “Summit over substance” *The Hindu*, September 17
- xxi. “Globalization’s failures: the age of discontent” *Mint*, September 19.
- xxii. “Securing India’s Borders” *Business Standard*, September 20.
- xxiii. “A US lens on India’s world view” *Business Standard*, September 28.
- xxiv. Changing dynamics in India-China Relations” *Business Standard*, October 13.
- xxv. “Fragile Splendour” *Business Standard*, October 29.
- xxvi. “Journey to infinity: Adventurous trek to Gaumukh and Tapovan” *Business Standard*, November 5.
- xxvii. “President Trump and the World” *Business Standard*, November 9.
- xxviii. China, India and the World After Trump” *The Wire*, November 24.
- xxix. HTLS column: Our development model must be resource-frugal” *Hindustan Times*, November 25.
- xxx. Yuan depreciation and China’s reforms” *Business Standard*, December 9.
- xxxi. Stemming the Slide to India-China Conflict, *Business Standard*, 10 January 2017
- xxxii. Climate Change: Warning Signals From the Ends of the Earth, *Hindustan Times*, 12 January 2017
- xxxiii. Why Backlash Against Globalisation Needs More Internationalism and not Narrow Nationalism, *India Today*, 4 January 2017
- xxxiv. Lahore at the Crossroads, *Business Standard*, 27 January 2017
- xxxv. China’s Supply Side Reforms, *Business Standard*, 2 February 2017
- xxxvi. Budget Disappoints on Ecological Sustainability, *Business Standard*, 7 February 2017
- xxxvii. Geopolitical Impact of Trump Presidency, *Business Standard*, 3 March 2017
- xxxviii. Backed by China Pak is Unlikely to Change Support for Terror Substantially, *Hindustan Times*, 23 March 2017

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. Participated in Interactive Session with Expert Committee on restructuring of Civil Services Examination at UPSC – 5 April
- ii. Participated in a Dialogue on the theme “Towards an Asia-Pacific Community” organized by RIS and Asia Society Policy Institute at New Delhi – 6 April

- iii. Delivered Eighth Pupul Jayakar Memorial Lecture “Cultural Diplomacy: Leveraging India’s Soft Power” on World Heritage Day at IIC at the invitation of Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage – 18 April
- iv. Spoke at discussion on India-Singapore Commemorative Book ‘Looking Ahead: India & Singapore in the New Millennium – Celebrating 50 Years of Diplomatic Relations’ at New Delhi organized by Ananta Aspen Centre – 23 June 2016
- v. Delivered a Special Address at the inaugural session of the 5th India-ASEAN Economic Forum at New Delhi organized by DIPP, MEA, MSME, AIC, ASEAN and ASSOCHAM -8 July 2016
- vi. Delivered Remarks at an Interactive Session on ‘Strengthening India-Nepal Relations’ organized by RIS at India Habitat Centre – 10 July 2016
- vii. Attended meeting of the Sahapedia Governing Body New Delhi – 11 July 2016
- viii. Delivered a talk on “Role of Tibet in Sino-Indian Security Perspective” at Heritage Village Resort, Manesar – 20 July 2016
- ix. Was a Co-discussant with US Deputy Trade Representative, Robert Holleyman on TPP at Observer Research Foundation – 25 July 2016
- x. Attended PTI Board of Director meeting in New Delhi – 4 July 2016 Participated in a Breakfast Roundtable with Amb Robert Holleyman, US Deputy Trade Representative at New Delhi organized by NASSCOM – 26 July 2016
- xi. Was a Discussant at Book Discussion “Safeguarding India: Essays in Governance and Security” by N.N. Vohra at IIC, New Delhi – 26 July 2016
- xii. Attended meeting of the CII Expert Group on International Trade Policy for the year 2016-17 at CII House, New Delhi – 26 July 2016
- xiii. Attended AGM of ICRIER at New Delhi – 2 August 2016
- xiv. Delivered remarks at Inaugural Session of National Consultation on SDGs: Industrialization and Employment for Sustainable Growth in India – Focus on SDGs 8 and 9 organized by RIS & Niti Aayog at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi – 2 August 2016
- xv. Met at delegation of MPs from Jatiya Party of Bangladesh at RIS – 3 August 2016
- xvi. Attended meeting of the Search Committee for Director at Institute of Chinese Studies – 3 August 2016
- xvii. Attended a meeting under Chairmanship of VC, NITI Aayog to deliberate the Vision, Strategy and Action Plan for India in respect of Internal Security at Niti Aayog – 6 September 2016
- xviii. Delivered Opening Remarks at Book Launch ‘India’s Approaches to Development Cooperation’ at India Habitat Centre organized by RIS – 9 August 2016
- xix. Delivered Welcome Remarks at conference “Partners in Asian Development Cooperation: The Role of the Private Sector” organized by RIS, FIDC, The Asian Foundation and Korea Development Institute at New Delhi – 10 August 2016
- xx. Was a Discussant at book discussion on “The Ocean of Churn: How the Indian Ocean shaped human history” by Sanjeev Sanyal organized by INTACH at IIC – 11 August 2016
- xxi. Attended meeting of the Advisory Council of the Bharti Institute of Public Policy at New Delhi – 23 August 2016

- xxii. Participated in an interaction with Dr. Ashley Tellis on “India-US Relations” organized by VIF at New Delhi – 26 August 2016
- xxiii. Was one of the Commentator on the book “India and the World: Essays on Geo-Economics and Foreign Policy” by Sanjaya Baru released by Minister for Commerce and Industry at IIC Annex – 29 August 2016
- xxiv. Chaired the meeting with Jonathan Pershing, US Special Envoy for Climate Change at Ananta Aspen Centre – 1 September 2016
- xxv. Chaired a session on ‘Nuclear deterrence and doctrine’ at Second Pune Dialogue on National Security in Pune – 7 September 2016
- xxvi. Delivered a Valedictory address at Seminar on ‘Implementing the Paris Agreement: partnerships for innovation and technology’ organized by Embassy of France and TERI at India Habitat Centre – 9 September 2016
- xxvii. Attended Executive Committee/Governing Board/Annual General Meeting at CPR – 22 September 2016
- xxviii. Sent a recorded Video message for BRICS Young Scientist Conclave 2016 at NIAS, Bangalore – 26 September 2016
- xxix. Was a Panelist at Panel Discussion on “Climate Negotiations” at Foreign Service Institute, MEA as part of their Mid Career Training Programme phase-III – 29 September 2016
- xxx. Attended an event at CPR on India’s Pakistan Policy – 5 October 2016
- xxxi. Delivered remarks at Inaugural Session of BRICS Civil Forum at India Habitat Centre organized by RIS – 3 October 2016
- xxxii. Paid a visit to Dharmashala for an audience with His Holiness the Dalai Lama – 1-2 October 2016
- xxxiii. Ms. Nisha Biswal, US Assistant Secretary of State met Chairman, RIS – 13 October 2016
- xxxiv. Addressed the IAS officers undergoing Phase V training at the LBS National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie through Video Conference – 7 October 2016
- xxxv. Chaired the Inaugural Session of Seminar organized by RIS on Promoting India’s Exports to Japan under India-Japan CEPA at Claridges Hotel, New Delhi – 6 October 2016
- xxxvi. Delivered a Keynote Address in the Plenary Session 2 on “Accelerating the Transition to Low Carbon Industries” at Business Day of the World Sustainable Development Summit 2016 organized by TERI at India Habitat Centre – 5 October 2016
- xxxvii. Attended First Court Meeting of HNB Garhwal University in Dehradun – 1 November
- xxxviii. Addressed Inaugural Session of the EAS Conference on Disaster Risk Management and Regional Cooperation at IHC organized by AIC & RIS – 2 November 2016
- xxxix. Paid a visit to Goa to attend EAS Maritime Security and Cooperation Conference organized by AIC, RIS and delivered a Special Address; Also addressed Naval Officers at Naval War College on ‘Climate Change’ – 3-5 November 2016
- xl. Addressed students and Faculty at IMM, Indore on ‘Can India and China be Friends?’ – 11 November 2016
- xli. Attended meeting of the Search Committee for Director at Institute of Chinese Studies – 21 November 2016

- xlii. Delivered Key Note Address at the Inaugural Session of Forum for Strategic Initiatives and Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Seminar on ‘China and the World in the Coming Decade’ at Claridges Hotel, New Delhi – 22 November 2016
- xliii. Spoke at the 2016 Annual Conference of Indian National Association for the Club of Rome on ‘Infrastructure and its Impacts on Forests, Land and Soils’ at IIC, New Delhi – 23 November 2016
- xliv. Delivered Inaugural Address at Plenary Session of the Sustainable Business Leadership Forum at Taj Palace Hotel, New Delhi, 24 November 2016
- xlv. Delivered a keynote address on the strategic perspective on the theme of the Seminar on ‘Whither Indian Ocean Maritime Order?’ at India International Centre – 19 November 2016
- xlvi. Delivered 2016 YB Chavan Memorial lecture at IDSA, New Delhi on ‘The Decline of Internationalism’ , 29 November 2016
- xlvii. Spoke and moderated a Panel discussion on the ‘Imperatives of Low Carbon Growth in India’ at Global Launch of the Sustainable Infrastructure Imperative by ICRIER/ India Launch of the Global New Climate Economy report Sustainable Infrastructure Imperative at India Habitat Centre , 30 November 2016
- xlviii. Attended and delivered remarks at Concluding Session of ITEC participants at RIS , 25 November 2016
- xlix. Attended Governing Body meeting of the Sahapedia at New Delhi , 24 November 2016
 - 1. Delivered remarks as Jury Chair at the CII-ITC Sustainability Awards 2016 presentation ceremony at New Delhi , 5 December 2016
 - li. Spoke on the sub-theme ‘Designing a Security Architecture for a Resurgent Asia’ at the inaugural session ‘Strategic Cooperation’ of India-China Think-Tanks Forum ‘Towards a Closer India-China Developmental Partnership’ organized by ICS and ICWA in Delhi – 9 December 2016
 - lii. Decline of Internationalism: Y.B. Chavan Memorial Lecture, IDSA on 28 January 2017

Policy and Advisory Committee:

- i. Member, Board of Trustees, WWF (India)
- ii. Member, Aspen Group on India-US Relations
- iii. Member, India-China-US Trilateral, organized by CPR, Brookings and CICIR
- iv. Member, National Civil Service Awards Committee
- v. Member, PSA’s Group on the National Clean Coal Mission
- vi. Member, Global Zero (on nuclear disarmament)
- vii. Co-Chair, India-Bhutan Eminent Persons’ Group
- viii. Member, World Bank Group on South Asia Visioning Process
- ix. Chairman, Research and Information System for Developing Countries
- x. Chairman, ASEAN-India Centre
- xi. Member, Advisory Council, Bharati Institute of Public Policy, Mohali
- xii. Chancellor, Hemwati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University, Srinagar
- xiii. Member, Court of Ambedkar University, Delhi
- xiv. Member, Core Group of the Institute of South Asian Studies, South Asian University
- xv. Jury Chair, CII-ITC Sustainability Awards, 2015 & 2016

- xvi. Member, Board of Governors, Centre for the Escalation of Peace
- xvii. Director (Independent) of the Press Trust of India Ltd. (since Dec 2015)
- xviii. Member, Advisory Board, Women in Security Conflict Management and Peace (April, 2016)
- xix. Member, Governing Body of Sahapedia (May, 2016)

Podcast:

- i. Analysing the evolving India-China relations, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 16 November 2016

27. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Shylashri Shankar** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Chapters in Edited Volume:

- i. ‘Cross-Cutting Rifts in Constitutions and Minority Rights: India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka’ in *Constitution Writing , Religion and Democracy* co-edited by Asli Bali and Hanna Lerner, Cambridge University Press, 2017

Journal Articles:

- i. ‘Constitutionalism in Rough Seas: Balancing Religious Accommodation and Human Rights in, through, and despite, the Law’ co-authored by Mirjam Künkler and Hanna Lerner, *American Behavioral Scientist*, July 2016 vol. 60 no. 8 941-965, July 2016
- ii. ‘Is the Rule of Law an Antidote for Religious Tension? The Promise and Peril of Judicializing Religious Freedom’, co-authored by Ben Schonthal, Tamir Moustafa and Matt Nelson, *American Behavioral Scientist*, July 2016 vol. 60 no. 8 941-965, July 2016
- iii. ‘The Juridical Voyage of Essential Practices of Religion from India to Malaysia and Pakistan’, , *American Behavioral Scientist*, July 2016 vol. 60 no. 8 941-965, July 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Memory Is a Dark Hole, *Open Magazine* ,8 April 2016
- ii. The Tree of Life, *Open Magazine* ,22 April 2016
- iii. Gone Girl With the Dragon Tattoo, *Open Magazine* ,29 April 2016
- iv. Eater or the Eaten?, *Open Magazine* ,20 May 2016
- v. Crime and Nourishment, *Open Magazine* ,27 May 2016
- vi. Is There a Tyranny of the Tasting Menu?, *Open Magazine* ,17 June 2016
- vii. Reading Tea Leaves , *Open Magazine* ,22 July 2016
- viii. Mind Games, *Open Magazine* ,19 August 2016
- ix. Mise-en-Cuisine, *Open Magazine* , 2 September 2016
- x. Of Pain and Palate , *Open Magazine* ,14 October 2016
- xi. The Beautiful Blood Ceremony ,Open Magazine, 21 November 2016
- xii. Does Food Have a Religion? , *Open Magazine* ,22 November 2016
- xx. God’s Kitchen :Celestial Palate, Open magazine, 24 March 2017
- xxi. The Disputed Ancestry of Taste, *Open*, 24 February 2017
- xxii. In the Garden of Earthly Delights, *Open*, 20 January 2017

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. Conference on *Ernst-Wolfgang Böckenförde's Contributions to Constitutional and Political Theory* on The State of Emergency in India - A Test of Böckenförde's Model organised by Mirjam
- ii. Kunkler in Carl Siemens Stiftung at Schloss Nymphenburg, Munich Tine Stein from 29 June to 1 July 2016
- iii. International Political Science Association on 'Is Democracy Necessary to Achieve a Rights Based Outcome? Subjects, Citizens and the State in Hyderabad, India' organised by International Political Science Association in Poznan, Poland on 29 July 2016
- iv. Creating Resilient and Inclusive Cities on Contentious Politics and the Struggle for the City on The promises and perils of inclusionary infrastructure for vulnerable groups in India and South Africa organised by Collaboration of Research on Democracy in Bellagio, Italy from 6-10 March 2017

28. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Srinath Raghavan** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Books:

- i. *India's War: The Making of Modern South Asia*, Penguin, 16 April 2016

Journal Articles:

- i. Skidding Down the Strategic Slope, *Economic and Political Weekly Vol 51, No 26-27*, 25 June 2016
- ii. Military-Bureaucracy Brinkmanship, *Economic and Political Weekly Vol 51, No 39*, 24 September 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. British lost empire as they lost our Army's support, *The Hindu*, 10 April 2016
- ii. No officers, no equipment, no money – or, how the Indian army had to be built, *Scroll*, 24 April 2016
- iii. The Indian Jungle Book, *Outlook*, 25 April 2016
- iv. An Object of Derision, *Open Magazine*, 13 May 2016
- v. The takeaway from Tehran, *The Hindu*, 26 May 2016
- vi. As Modi Pulls India Closer to US, the Perils of a Misshapen Relationship Mount, *The Wire*, 9 June 2016
- vii. Independence of the Mind, *Open*, 12 August 2016
- viii. When Indian troops entered Congo 55 years ago, *Live Mint*, 19 September 2016

- ix. Borderline issues, *India Today*, 14 September 2016
- x. Empire Building, *Open*, 9 September 2016
- xi. India should be prepared for the perils and prospects of diplomatic leadership, *Hindustan Times*, 26 October 2016
- xii. Market ideology behind the economics prize?, *Live Mint*, 17 October 2016
- xiii. India and China must show mutual restraint to avoid a major crisis, *Hindustan Times*, 12 October 2016
- xiv. The myth of idyllic Indo-Russian ties, *Live Mint*, 3 October 2016
- xv. Of warfare, tech and innovation, *Live Mint*, 18 November 2016,
- xvi. A history of the Donald Trump Movement, *Live Mint*, 14 November 2016
- xvii. OROP controversy: Stop playing politics with the Indian Army, *Hindustan Times*, 10 November 2016
- xviii. Four books that can help make sense of 2016, *Live Mint*, 26 December 2016,
- xix. The choice of service chiefs is a matter of political judgment, *Hindustan Times*, 21 December 2016
- xx. Back to the worst forms of central planning, *Live Mint*, 12 December 2016
- xxi. On demonisation, will Modi do a Morarji or a Pandit-ji?, *Hindustan Times*, 7 December 2016
- xxii. “SP’s battle differs sharply from the ideological rifts in past socialist parties”, *Hindustan Times*, 5 January 2017
- xxiii. “2017: A generational change in Indian politics”, *Live Mint*, 9 January 2017
- xxiv. “Not fully empowered chief of defence staff is a bad idea”, *Hindustan Times*, 19 January 2017
- xxv. “A crisis from which the US bailed out the RBI”, *Live Mint*, 23 January 2017
- xxvi. “India in 10 years: Relearning navigation in foreign waters”, *Live Mint*, 4 February 2017
- xxvii. “If you think Trump is good for India you are in for a shock”, *Hindustan Times*, 15 February 2017
- xxviii. “Mapping the crime-politics nexus in India”, *Live Mint*, 19 February 2017
- xxix. “India must involve itself in the China-Pakistan One Belt, One Road initiative to stay in the game”, *Hindustan Times*, 2 March 2017
- xxx. “Donald Trump’s new NSA’s lessons from Vietnam War”, *Live Mint*, 6 March 2017
- xxxi. “The Untold Surgical Strikes”, *Open*, 10 March 2017

xxxii. "Assembly elections: Former generals should steer clear of politics", *Hindustan Times*, 15 March 2017

xxxiii. "Decoding the idea of a civil war", *Live Mint*, 20 March 2017

xxxiv. "How Emergency provided the template for the mobilisation of Hindutva forces", *Hindustan Times*, 29 March 2017

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. India's War, Australia India Institute, October 2016
- ii. Talk on "India-China Relations: A Security Dilemma?" in Singapore organised by RSIS, NTU on 20 January 2017
- iii. Talk on "Nationalism: A Conversation between Srinath Raghavan and Mukul Kesavan" in New Delhi organised by Indus Syndicate on 12 February 2017

Awards and other Honours:

- i. Indian Thinker in Residence, Deakin University, Australia in October 2016
29. During the year under review, Fellow **Srinivas Chokkakula** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Why interstate water disputes are difficult to manage or control?, *Economic Times*, 2 October 2016
- ii. The Middle Ground On Water, *The Indian Express*, 2 January 2017

Web-Based Publication:

- i. Without Better Interstate Coordination, the Cauvery Dispute Will Continue to Simmer, *The Wire*, 16 September 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. *Martz Conference, Coping with Water Scarcity in River Basins Worldwide: Lessons Learned from Shared Experiences* on 'Politics of Interstate Water Cooperation and Conflicts: The case of Krishna river, India' organised by University of Colorado Law School in Boulder, Colorado, USA on 9 and 10 June 2016,
- ii. Symposium on *Learning from Drought Crises in Federations* on 'Forging federal cooperation for coping with droughts Indus: Punjab-Haryana dispute' organised by Forum of Federations at University of Colorado, Boulder on 7 and 8 June 2016,
- iii. Workshop – ERC project workshop on *Road Building in South Asia*, 'India's PMGSY' organised by SOAS in Kathmandu on 22 and 23 June 2016

- iv. Talk on ‘Inclusive and informed politics in transboundary water governance’ organised by Martin Chautari in Kathmandu on 25 June 2016
- v. Talk on ‘Interstate water disputes’ resolution in India’ organised by Communist Party of India, Odisha in Bhubaneshwar on 18 September 2016,
- vi. Key note: ‘Policy and institutional challenges of Interstate Water Disputes resolution’ organised by India Water Resources Society at CWC, Delhi on 9 September 2016
- vii. Asia Pacific Housing Forum 5 on Community toilets and sanitation organised by Habitat for Humanity India in Gurgaon on 3 and 4 September 2016
- viii. Talk on ‘PMGSY and perspectives’ organised by SOAS and CPR at CPR, New Delhi on 6 December 2016
- ix. Distinguished Lecture on ‘Anatomy of interstate water disputes’ organised by Andhra University at Andhra University on 29 December 2016,

Policy and Advisory Committee:

- i. Member , Technical Committee, India Water Week, December
30. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Yamini Aiyar** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Maximum government, minimum governance, *Live Mint e-paper*, 23 May 2016
- ii. Swachh Bharat Mission's Success Is Greatly Exaggerated, co-authored by Avani Kapur, *NDTV.com* (opinion), 5 October 2016
- iii. The many lessons from Swachh Bharat, *Live Mint*, 23 January 2017
- iv. Three Years On, the Modi Government Still Has Gaping Holes in its Social Policy, *The Wire*, 26 January 2017
- v. Here's What Really Happens To Budget Rupees For The Social Sector, *The Huffington Post*, 26 January 2017
- vi. Efforts to improve learning must go back to basics, *Live Mint*, 26 January 2017
- vii. सामाजिक क्षेत्र की योजनाओं को लागू करने के रोडमैप का आभाव, *Amar Ujala*, 2 February 2017
- viii. A status quo budget for the social sector, *Live Mint*, 2 February 2017
- ix. Money for nothing: lessons from PAISA studies, *ASER*, 13 February 2017

Web based Publications:

- i. Deconstructing A New Era In Fiscal Devolution In India co-authored by Avani Kapur and Padmapriya Janakiraman, *Accountability Initiative Website*, 6 June 2016

- ii. Debating The Role Of India's Frontline Education Bureaucracy, *Accountability Initiative Website* , 22 July 2016
- iii. #2 What Has Changed For Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) In 2015 – 16?, *Accountability Initiative Website* , 10 August 2016
- iv. #5 The FuSrinivasture Of Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) In The New Era Of Devolution,,*Accountability Initiative Website* , 19 August 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations:

- i. Presentation on *Sub National Politics*, ‘Rules vs responsiveness’ in London organised by Kings College in May 2016
- ii. Presentation : Watson Institute in Providence organised by Boston University in June 2016
- iii. Presentation on State of social sector spending organised by Accountability Initiative, Centre for Policy Research in Delhi in June 2016
- iv. Presentation on *Mid-Level Management in India*, ‘Education Reform and the Puzzles of Implementation’ organised by Centre for Policy Research and Central Square Foundation in Delhi in July 2016
- v. Stanford School of Medicine organised by Stanford and Brunswick India in Delhi in July 2016
- vi. *Indian Economic Services Training* on ‘State of social sector expenditure: Why expenditure tracking matters’ organised by CLEAR South Asia in Delhi in July 2016
- vii. Workshop to *Develop module on Ethics and anti-corruption for IAS training* organised by LBSNAA in Mussourie in August 2016
- viii. Have newly created states led to inclusive development, ‘The sub national political settlement and inclusive development’ organised by CPR and ESID in Delhi in August
- ix. *LAMPS training* on ‘State of social sector spending’ organised by PRS Legislative Research Services in Delhi in September 2016
- x. Annual Budget Meeting on ‘Budget Transparency’ organised by National Foundation for India in Gurgaon in September 2016
- xi. Round table on Education organised by Vidhi in Delhi in September
- xii. Presentation on ‘Social Sector and Accountability’ organised by University of Chicago in Delhi in September 2016
- xiii. Presentation on ‘Decentralization in India’ organised by Shiv Nadar University in Delhi in October 2016
- xiv. Private Round Table on the IAS organised by Carnegie India in Delhi, in October

- xv. *Impact of fiscal transfers and restructuring of centrally sponsored schemes,, ‘Power to States’* organised by NIPFP in Delhi in October 2016
- xvi. Presentation : Health Policy on ‘Implementing Swacch Bharat Mission’ organised by NIPFP in Delhi in November 2016
- xvii. Panchayati Raj, ‘Paisa for Panchayats’ organised by Sruti in Delhi in November 2016
- xviii. Presentation for Princeton students on ‘Health financing’ organised by Princeton in Delhi in November
- xix. Pre budget Consultation on ‘Social sectors and budgets’ organised Ministry of Finance in Delhi in November

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. PAISA for Panchayats study with MoPR Secretary and Joint secretary in Delhi ,April 2016
- ii. Interaction on CRCC time use study with Secretary Education, Bihar, Patna,Education April 2016
- iii. Interaction with District Collector Udaipur in Udaipur city, Secretariat, July 2016
- iv. Paisa for Panchayats study launch in Kerala with Chief Secretary and Finance Minister of Kerala, ,Trivandrum,Secretariat in July 2016
- v. Discussion on AI work in health with Advisor Niti Ayog in Delhi,Niti Ayog August 2016
- vi. Swacch Bharat Study with JS DDWS in DELHI,DDWS in September 2016
- vii. Swacch Bharat Study with Director DDWS in Delhi, DDWS in October 2016
- viii. State Finance Commission with Jharkhand, SFC Chairperson, Jharkhand,JK in October 2016
- ix. Discussion on AI work in education,Secretary School education, ,Delhi, MHRD December 2016
- x. Delhi education with the Education Secretary and Advisor to Delhi government in Delhi in May, July, September and November 2016

Podcast:

- i. Understanding Bureaucracy from the Bureaucrat’s Perspective, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 21 October 2016

31. During the year under review, Fellow **Zorawar Daulet Singh** was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Modi's un-Kautilyan Foreign Policy, *Outlook Magazine*, 7 April 2016

- ii. Consequences Of Dancing With Uncle Sam, *Outlook Magazine*, 9 June 2016
- iii. Living with a nuclear North Korea, *Deccan Herald*, 26 September 2016
- iv. A Delicate Balance, *Outlook Magazine*, 15 October 2016
- v. 2016 Fear vs Hope: India still struggles with its China plan , *Deccan Chronicle*, 1 January 2017
- vi. जो अवसर हमने गँवा दिए , *Hindustan Times*, 10 March 2017
- vii. The India-China Territorial Dispute Has Rekindled: Who Holds The 'Key'?, *Outlook Magazine*, 5 March 2017

Journal Articles:

- i. Limited Geopolitical Accommodation Benefits for India-China Relations, *Economic and Political Weekly*, 31 December 2016
- ii. Is India's Nuclear Doctrine Credible?, *IDS*, 1 January 2017
- iii. Trump and Eurasian Foreign Policies Saturday, *Economic and Political Weekly*, 25 March 2017

ACTIVITIES OF RESEARCH ASSOCIATES

The Research Associates of CPR were involved in the following research and allied activities during the year 2016-17:

1. Abhishri Aggarwal, Research Associate

Policy Briefs:

- i. PAISA: An Analysis of Social Sector Spending in Chhattisgarh co-authored by Accountability Initiative, July 2016
- ii. Budget Brief 2017-18: Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), co-authored by Avani Kapur and Devashish Deshpande, January 2017
- iii. Budget Brief 2017-18: Swachh Bharat Mission - Gramin (SBM-G) co-authored by Avani Kapur, January 2017

Web-Based Publications:

- i. The Worrying Status Of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Implementation In Bihar, *Accountability Initiative Blog*, 8 November 2016
- ii. Shift In Financial Year - Will It Change Anything?, *Accountability Initiative Blog*, 19 September 19 2016

2. Aditya Bhol, Research Associate

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. Presentation on ‘Measuring Disparities in Access to Urban Sanitation in India: Findings from National Sample Survey’ at *Adapting to Climate Change: Water, Waste and, other Local Infrastructure* organised by Department of Public Law and Department of Civil Engineerings, University of Lisbon in Lisbon, Portugal on 21 and 22 June 2016

3. Ankit Bhatia, Research Associate

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. Presentation: *Understanding Land Acquisition Disputes in India* on ‘Creating a database of all Supreme Court cases on land acquisition in India’ at Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi organised by Centre for Policy Research on 5 April 2016

- ii. Presentation: *Understanding Land Acquisition Disputes in India* on ‘A comprehensive study of all Supreme Court cases on land acquisition in India from 1950-2015’ at IIC, New Delhi organised by Centre for Policy Research on 30 May 2016
- iii. Closed presentation on *Understanding Land Acquisition Disputes in India* to ‘Joint Secretary, Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India’ at NBO Building, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi organised by Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India on 13 January 2017
- iv. Closed presentation on *Understanding Land Acquisition Disputes in India* at ‘World Bank internal close group presentation’ at World Bank Office, New Delhi organised by World Bank India on 16 January 2017
- v. Presentation on *Mapping Land Acquisition Litigation in India: Lessons from review of Supreme Court cases from 1950-2016* at ‘World Bank BBL on Land Acquisition Litigation’ at World Bank Office, New Delhi organised by World Bank India on 23 February 2017
- vi. Presentation: *Land Acquisition in India: A Review of Supreme Court cases from 1950 to 2016* at ‘Land Rights, Land Acquisition and Inclusive Development in India’ at IIC, New Delhi organised by Centre for Policy Research on 2 March 2017
- vii. Presentation on *Political Economy of the Land Rights in the Scheduled Areas* on Land Rights, Land Acquisition and Inclusive Development in India’ at IIC, New Delhi organised by Centre for Policy Research on 2 March 2017

Research Report:

- i. Land Acquisition in India: A Review of Supreme Court cases from 1950 to 2016 co-authored by Namita Wahi, Dhruva Gandhi, Shubham Jain, Pallav Shukla, Upasana Chauhan, 2 March 2017.

Targeted Meeting with Policymakers:

- i. Department of Land Resources, Government of India: *Presentation of database on Land Acquisition* in India on 13 January 2017
- ii. Norwegian Council: *Project updates and future collaborations* on 9 March 2017

4. Ankit Bhardwaj, Research Associate

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. COP 22 MARRAKECH on Addressing climate change in a multi-objective world organised by EU Pavilion & UK Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS) at MARRAKECH, MOROCCO on 9 November 2016

- ii. COP 22 MARRAKECH on Integrating the political and the technical: methodologies for multi-objective climate and energy policy organised by Japan Pavilion & Institute for Global Environmental Strategies at MARRAKECH, MOROCCO on 11 November 2016
- iii. Panelist : Role of Cities in Addressing Climate Change organised by WWF-India and Climate Change Department, Government of Gujarat in Rajkot, Gujarat on 10 May
- iv. *Apex Committee meeting for CAPAcities project* on Integrating Energy and Climate Objectives in Indian Cities organised by ICLEI, SDC in Udaipur, Rajasthan on 17 March 2017

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. Discussion on modeling India's energy future with Anil Jain – NITI AAYOG on 30 September 2016
- ii. Discussion on modeling India's energy future with Shri Rajani Ranjan Rashmi – MoEFCC on 29 November 2016
- iii. Multi objective urban strategy Municipal Commissioner, Rajkot Municipal Corporation, April 2017

4. Ashish Kumar Ranjan, Research Associate

Working Papers:

- i. Understanding the Election in Assam (Part 1) co-authored by Bhanu Joshi, and Neelanjan Sircar, 19 April 2016
- ii. Understanding the Election in Assam (Part 2) co-authored by Bhanu Joshi and Neelanjan Sircar, 13 May 2016
- iii. Performing Poriborton co-authored by Bhanu Joshi and Neelanjan Sircar, 19 May 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. A Vote for development, change , co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, *The Hindu*, 18 May 2016
- ii. Rise of the Sophisticated Voter, co-authored by Bhanu Joshi, *The Hindu* , 23 May 2016
- iii. Kya Uljhan me hai Uttar Pradesh ke Matdata, co-authored by Bhanu Joshi, *BBC Hindi.com*, 1 December 2016
- iv. UP chunav 2017: Pashchim UP me roj ban-bigad rahe hai samikaran co-authored by Bhanu Joshi, *Firstpost Hindi*, 22 January 2017
- v. The muddle in Middle Doab co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, *The Hindu*, 27 January 2017
- vi. Kya Punjab me Badal badlav ki aandhi me ud jayenge? co-authored by Bhanu Joshi, *Firstpost Hindi*, 2 February 2017
- vii. All set for a big surprise co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Bhanu Joshi, *The Hindu*, 4 February 2017
- viii. Bywords in Bundelkhand co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Bhanu Joshi *The Hindu*, 28 February 2017
- ix. Waiting for the silent voters of Uttar Pradesh to speak co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Bhanu Joshi *The Hindu*, 7 March 2017

- x. The clarity the secret ballot enables co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Bhanu Joshi *The Hindu*, 9 March 2017
- xi. Rewriting the U.P. equation co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Bhanu Joshi *The Hindu*, 14 March 2017

Podcast:

- i. Analysing BJP's Victory in Uttar Pradesh, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 15 March 2017

5. Ashwin Parulkar, Senior Researcher

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. The government must compensate for the demonetisation setback to migrants' mobility co-authored by Mukta Naik, Eesha Kunduri, and Ashwin Parulkar, *Hindustan Times*, 17 January 2017

Policy Briefs:

- i. How can we nuance our understanding of homelessness?, 1 March 2017

Podcast:

- i. Coping with 'Notebandi' (Demonetisation): Voices of informal workers, conversation between Researchers Mukta Naik, Ashwin Parulkar, Manish and Eesha Kunduri, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 22 December 2016

6. Bharat Patel, Program Manager, Namati Environmental Justice Program

Web-based Publication:

- i. Why Does Vapi in Gujarat Continue to Be Critically Polluted? co-authored by Krithika Dinesh and Bharat Patel, *thewire.in*, 5 January 2017

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. Workshop on community based research for environment justice, Workshop on community based research for environmentSt justice- Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon, and Bharat Patel in Himachal Pradesh organised by Sambhaavana Institute, CPR-Namati EJ Program from 23 to 25 September 2016

7. Devashish Deshpande, Senior Research Associate

Opinions:

- i. What Ails MGNREGA? – It's Complicated!, *The Huffington Post*, 27 January 2017

Policy Briefs:

- i. Budget Brief 2017-18: Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), co-authored by Avani Kapur and Abhishri Aggarwal, January 2017
- ii. Budget Brief 2017-18: Swachh Bharat Mission – Urban, co-authored by Avani Kapur, January 2017

8. Eesha Kunduri, Research Associate

Notable Seminars and Conferences

- i. Presentation on ‘The role of boundary spanners in urban regeneration: A preliminary discussion’ at Urban Seminar on *Governance and Inclusion in Transforming Cities*, co-presented with Persis Taraporevala and Mukta Naik co-organised by International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), Hague; Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (IHS), Rotterdam, and School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), New Delhi. The conference was hosted at Institute of Town Planners, India (ITPI) in New Delhi, India on 11 May 2016
- ii. *BRICS+ City Lab II Colloquium on Adaptive and Transformative Governance for Large City Development* on ‘Youth in India: Prospects and Challenges’ co-presented with Bhanu Joshi organised by Government of Moscow in Moscow Metropolitan Governance University, Moscow, Russia on 9 December 2016
- iii. Training programme for overseas professionals on ‘*Formal solutions to informal settlements*’ (*Sub module: Urban Livelihoods and Financial Inclusion*) on ‘Migrant workers in India: Concepts, patterns and field insights’ organised by Human Settlement Management Institute (HSMI) at HSMI, Delhi on 17 October, 2016
- iv. Presentation on *Industrial work, migrant identities and caste/gender intersections: Insights from two Indian cities* at ‘Young Researchers’ Seminar Series’ organised by School of Development Studies, Ambedkar University, Delhi at Ambedkar University, Delhi (Kashmere Gate Campus) on 21 March 2017
- v. Presentation on *Navigating and making sense of the ‘field’: Some reflections* at ‘Orientation Programme on Social Science Research for Scholars and Lecturers belonging to SC, ST, and other Marginalised Groups’ organised by Centre for Policy Research (CPR) at CPR, New Delhi on 31 March 2017

Chapters in Edited Volume:

- i. 'Here, We Are Addicted To Loitering': Exploring Narratives of Work and Mobility Among Migrant Women in Delhi co-authored by Sonal Sharma in *Land, Labour and Livelihoods: Indian women's perspectives*, co-edited by Bina Fernandez, Meena Gopal, and Orlanda Ruthven, Springer, 30 November 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. For informal workers, notebandi equals paisabandi co-authored by Mukta Naik, Manish, *The Tribune*, 28 December 2016
- ii. The government must compensate for the demonetisation setback to migrants' mobility co-authored by Mukta Naik and Ashwin Parulkar, *Hindustan Times*, 17 January 2017

Podcast:

- i. Coping with 'Notebandi' (Demonetisation): Voices of informal workers, conversation between Researchers Mukta Naik, Ashwin Parulkar, Manish and Eesha Kunduri, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 22 December 2016

9. Bhanu Joshi, Research Associate

Working Papers:

- i. Understanding the Election in Assam (Part 1) co-authored by Ashish Ranjan, and Neelanjan Sircar, 19 April 2016
- ii. Understanding the Election in Assam (Part 2) co-authored by Ashish Ranjan and Neelanjan Sircar, 13 May 2016
- iii. Performing Poriborton co-authored by Ashish Ranjan, Neelanjan Sircar, 19 May 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Rise of the Sophisticated Voter co-authored by Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 23 May 2016
- ii. No Beating Didi this time co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, *The Hindu*, 19 May 2016
- iii. Smart Cities Mission: Flaws in a flagship programme co-authored by The Hindu, 29 June 2016
- iv. Why is it important to remember KCS and his contribution to urban governance , *The Wire*, 7 June 2016
- v. Link National Capital Region to Delhi's growth engine co-authored by Partha Mukhopadhyay, *The Economic Times*, 29 August 2016
- vi. To succeed, citizens must have more say in the Smart Cities Mission co-authored by Persis Taraporevala, *Hindustan Times*, 21 August 2016
- vii. The identity-based numbers game, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 16 January 2017

- viii. UP chunav 2017: Pashchim UP me roj ban-bigad rahe hai samikaran, co-authored by Ashish Ranjan, *Firstpost Hindi*, 22 January 2017
- ix. Kya Punjab me Badal badlav ki aandhi me ud jayenge?, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *Firstpost Hindi*, 2 February 2017
- x. All set for a big surprise, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 6 February 2017
- xi. Importance of goods and services, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar, *The Hindu*, 15 February 2017
- xii. Bywords in Bundelkhand, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 28 February 2017
- xiii. Waiting for the silent voters of Uttar Pradesh to speak, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 7 March 2017
- xiv. The clarity the secret ballot enables, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 9 March 2017
- xv. Rewriting the U.P. equation, co-authored by Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 14 March 2017

Policy and Advisory Committees:

- i. Niti Aayog Urban Sector Vision, Advised on policy, August and September 2016

Podcast:

- i. Analysing BJP's Victory in Uttar Pradesh, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 15 March 2017

10. Kanhu, Senior Researcher

Chapters in Edited Volumes:

- i. Unacknowledged Urbanisation: The New Census Towns in India, in *Subaltern Urbanisation in India*, March 2017

Journal Articles:

- i. Only 'Good People', Please: Residential Segregation in Urbanising India, co-authored by Trina Vithayathil and Gayatri Singh, IIC Quarterly Journal (Winter 2016-Spring 2017, Volume 43, Numbers 3 & 4)

11. Kashyap Arora, Research Associate

Policy Briefs:

- i. Indian Development Cooperation with Afghanistan and the ‘Afghan-India Friendship Dam’ co-authored by Dr. Rani D. Mullen, 17 June 2016

Web-Based Publications:

- i. India’s development cooperation with Bangladesh: Lines of credit (LOCs) co-authored by Dr. Rani D. Mullen for *Centre of Policy Research website*, 20 January 2017

12. Madhura Joshi, Senior Research Associate

Chapters in Edited Volumes:

- i. ‘Social Justice and Equity’ co-authored by P. G. Dhar Chakrabarti, Madhura Joshi, G. Mini, and Sonakshi Saluja in *People, Planet and Progress Beyond 2015* co-edited by P. G. Dhar Chakrabarti, *TERI Press*, October 2016
- ii. India: Meeting Energy Needs for Development While Addressing Climate Change. Co-authored by Radhika Khosla in *Sustainable Energy in the G20* co-edited by Sybille Roehrkasten, Sonja Thielges and Rainer Quitzow, *Institute of Advanced Sustainable Studies, Potsdam*, December 2016

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. The G20’s potential for advancing a global transition towards sustainable energy, Workshop on ‘India: Meeting Multiple Objectives of Development and Climate (Panelist)’ Germany organised by Institute of Advanced Sustainable Studies in Potsdam on 11 October 2016
- ii. *Global Energy Dialogue: Indian Oil Demand Outlook*, Workshop on ‘Road to Cooking Energy Transitions (Panelist) organised by Columbia University – Center on Global Energy Policy, and The Energy and Resources Institute ’in New Delhi on 29 November 2016

Policy and Advisory Committees:

- i. Member, World Bank working group on developing the framework for "Monitoring for Impact and Behaviour Change" for improved cookstoves, May to October 2016

13. Kanchi Kohli, Legal Research Director, Namati Environmental Justice Program

Books:

- i. *Business Interests and the Environmental Crisis* co-edited by Kanchi Kohli and Manju Menon, Sage, 25 April 2016

- ii. Communities And Legal Action, Kanchi Kohli, mylaw.net, 4 October 2016

Journal Articles:

- i. A casual Approach co-authored by Krithika Dinesh, Kanchi Kohli, and Manju Menon, Samudra, 30 April 2016

Policy Briefs:

- i. Handbook on Legal and Administrative Remedies for Community Level Environment Justice Practitioners, Namati India Team, 8 September 2016
- ii. How effective are environmental regulations to address impacts of industrial and infrastructure projects in India?, co-authored by Krithika Dinesh, Meenakshi Kapoor, Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon and Preeti Venkatram, October, 2016

Working Paper:

- i. Mapping Dilutions in a central law, co-authored by Kanchi Kohli, and Debayan Gupta, 7 October 2016

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Letting them off easy, co-authored by Manju Menon, and Kanchi Kohli, *The Hindu*, 20 June 2016
- ii. The environment ministry must take citizens on board before changing CRZ rules, co-authored by Kanchi Kohli, and Manju Menon, *Hindustan Times*, 5 July.2016
- iii. Pushed to the Brink, *Deccan Herald*, 20 December 2016
- iv. Assessed, approved but scant attention to compliance, co-authored by Kanchi Kohli, and Manju Menon, *The Hindu*, 27 December 2016
- v. Andhra Pradesh wants to dilute the Central land acquisition law – and that could harm farmers, *Scroll.in*, 31 January 2017
- vi. Behind green messaging, *Civil Society Magazine*, 3 February 2017
- vii. It's time to think green, *Deccan Herald*, 21 March 2017
- viii. Environment Ministry to Bend Over Backwards to Whitelist Illicit Projects, co-authored by Manju Menon, *The Wire*, 22 March 2017

Web-Based Publications:

- i. Mining is in the way of forest rights and not the other way round, *Wire.in*, 7 September 2016
- ii. Andhra Pradesh wants to dilute the Central land acquisition law – and that could harm farmer, *Scroll.in*, 30 January 2017
- iii. Environment Ministry to Bend Over Backwards to Whitelist Illicit Projects, co-authored by Manju Menon, Kanchi Kohli, *The wire.in*, 22 March 2017

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. "The challenge of environment governance in an aspirational economy" for forest officers, Guest speaker at the workshop on challenges to Environmental Governance in Ranchi, Jharkhand organised by Forest Training School, Ranchi in April 2016
- ii. Training for Auditors, 'Appraisal of Coastal Law'- Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon on in Jaipur organised by ICED16 May 2016
- iii. Webinar on Groundtruthing Methodology for Environment Justice, Webinar on Groundtruthing Methodology for Environment Justice organised by CPR-Namati EJ Program in New Delhi in May 2016
- iv. Training for district lawyers and activists Environment Law and Groundtruthing Methodology- Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon organised by NRMCC, RRI, CPR-Namati EJ Program in New Delhi from 9 to 11 July 2016
- v. Workshop on community based research for environment justice- Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon, and Bharat Patel in Himachal Pradesh organised by Sambhaavana Institute, CPR-Namati EJ Program from 23 to 25 September 2016
- vi. Workshop on community Training for Auditors, Biodiversity and its relevance for Conservation- Kanchi Kohli in Jaipur organised by ICED on 7 November 2016
- vii. 'Law in Numbers: Evidence-Based Approaches to Legal Reforms', Panel on "Grant of Environmental Clearances", in New Delhi organised by Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy on 3 December 2016
- viii. International Center for Environment Audit on 'Sustainable Development and Agenda in Jaipur, International Center for Environment Audit 2030' on 6 March 2017

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. Hearing at CIC for disclosure of review report of CRZ notification with Chief Information Commissioner on 3 May 2016

15. Mahabaleshwar Hegde, Program Manager

Web-Based Publications:

- i. Tadri Port in Troubled Waters co-authored by Krithika Dinesh, IndiaLegal, 25 October 2016

15. Manish, Research Associate

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Grave gaps in Delhi govt's slum rehabilitation, relocation policy, co-authored by Manish, and Mukta Naik, *The Hindu*, 29 August 2016
- ii. For informal workers, notebandi equals paisabandi, co-authored Mukta Naik, and Eesha Kunduri, *The Tribune*, 28 December 2016

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. Meeting on Delhi Slum Rehabilitation Policy meeting with Bipin Rai, Member, Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board, 17 May 2016

Podcast:

- i. Coping with ‘Notebandi’ (Demonetisation): Voices of informal workers, conversation between Researchers Mukta Naik, Ashwin Parulkar, Manish and Eesha Kunduri, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 22 December 2016

16. Meghna Srivastav, Research Associate

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. ‘Princeton – GPPI-CPR Strategic Affairs Programme for Indian Parliamentarians’ meeting with Academic Programme for Indian MPs at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public & International Affairs from 10 to 14 April 2016
- ii. Investing and Women and Children of India: Addressing Malnutrition meeting with the Parliamentarians on 9 May 2016
- iii. Indian MPs’ Delegation Visit to Australia meeting with Academic Programme for Indian MPs in Collaboration with Australia Foreign Office from 29 April to 5 June 2016
- iv. Roundtable on Women’s Empowerment with Parliamentarians on 4 August 2016
- v. Roundtable on SDGs on Health with Parliamentarians on 10 August 2016
- vi. Indian MPs’ Delegation visit to China meeting with Indian MPs in collaboration with Shanghai Institute of International Studies from 3 to 12 September 2016
- vii. Chevening-CPR Parliamentarians Fellowship Programme with King’s College London, Academic Programme for Indian Parliamentarians at KCL from 7 to 12 November 2016
- viii. Parliamentarians’ International Conference on SDGs for Children with MPs from India, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives and Nepal on 10 and 11 December 2016
- ix. Budgetary Allocation for Health in India with Parliamentarians and experts on 15 March 2017

17. Meenakshi Kapoor, Program Manager , Namati Environmental Justice Program

Policy Brief:

- i. How effective are environmental regulations to address impacts of industrial and infrastructure projects in India?, Krithika Dinesh, Meenakshi Kapoor, Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon and Preeti Venkatram, October, 2016

Web-Based Publication:

- i. Coastal law got a skewed review- and now, and opaque revamp, *Wire.in*, 3 August 2016

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. LEAVES of bounty, *The Hindi*, 20 February 2017

18. Mridusmita Bordoloi, Senior Researcher

Policy Briefs:

- i. Budget Brief 2017-18: Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), co-authored by Avani Kapur, January 2017

19. Mukta Naik, Senior Researcher

Journal Articles:

- i. Leveraging National Schemes to Support a Heritage Agenda co-authored by Kimberly M Noronha, *CONTEXT: Special Issue on Asia and Urban Heritage Volume XII*, 1 October 2016
- ii. An Analysis of 'Migrant-intensity' in India and Indonesia, co-authored with Gregory F Randolph, *SAGE Journals*, 8 March 2017

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. For informal workers, notebandi equals paisabandi co-authored by Eesha Kunduri and Manish, *The Tribune*, December 2016
- ii. India, Indonesia Should Craft Bilateral Partnership Around Urbanisation, Job Creation, co-authored by Gregory F Randolph, *The Wire*, December 2016
- iii. Grave gaps in Delhi govt's slum rehabilitation, relocation policy co-authored by Manish, *The Hindu*, August 2016
- iv. The government must compensate for the demonetisation setback to migrants' mobility, co-authored by Eesha Kunduri and Ashwin Parulkar, *Hindustan Times*, 17 January 2017

Web-Based Publication:

- i. From car free Sundays to sustainable cities: Can Raahgiri catalyze long-term change? , *urb.im*, 12 April 2016
- ii. How technology improved water access for Delhi's poor, *urb.im*, 12 May 2016
- iii. Training and legal protection to strengthen unorganized workers, *urb.im*, July 2016
- iv. On community radio, music builds a shared space for the subaltern, *urb.im*, August 2016
- v. All eyes are on the big bang education reforms in Delhi, *urb.im*, September 2016

Notable Seminars and Conferences

- i. *Connect Karo* on 'Can tech support IPT? Musings on Kolkata's auto rickshaws' organised by WRI in New Delhi in April 2016

- ii. Urban Seminar on 'Governance and Inclusion in Transforming Cities' organised by International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), Hague; Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (IHS), Rotterdam, and School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), New Delhi at Institute of Town Planners, India (ITPI) in New Delhi in June 2016
- iii. Summer program, MBA/MA joint degree students at Lauder Institute at the University of Pennsylvania on 'India's cities: What will it take for them to become 'engines of growth'? organised by University of Pennsylvania in New Delhi in June 2016
- iv. *Prepcom3*, UN Habitat3 on 'Finding innovative solutions to servicing small towns and informal settlements in India' IN session titled-Small Towns and Informal Settlements: Can they Learn from Each Other? organised by UN Habitat (CPR-IRD side event) in Surabaya, Indonesia in July 2016
- v. Workshop on '*Stimulating access to affordable housing through a web portal*' on 'Understanding informal rental housing: Takeaways from a study in Gurgaon' organised by Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Magic Bricks, GIZ in New Delhi September 2016
- vi. UNESCO-IOM Orientation Day - Images of Migrants: Media and its Role in Shaping Public Perception on 'Migration in Urban India Trends and Experiences' organised by UNESCO-IMI in October 2016 in New Delhi
- vii. Networking event at Habitat 3 on 'Moderator at Think Small, Go Big' organised by CPR and partners networking event at UN Habitat III in Quito, Ecuador in October 2016
- viii. Side panel on Housing in India on 'Bringing informal rental housing into the conversation', Panel organised by All Indian Housing Development Association at UN Habitat III in Quito, Ecuador in October 2016
- ix. Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Urban Development on 'Urban basic services: Intermediate public transport in a megacity region' organised by Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, GoI in New Delhi in December 2016

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. Progress report- Employment outcomes of young migrants in secondary cities meeting with Funders IDRC and TTI, 31 August 2016
- ii. Consultation on emerging areas of research and collaboration with MoHUPA meeting in World Bank, 11 November 2016

Podcast:

- i. Coping with 'Notebandi' (Demonetisation): Voices of informal workers, conversation between Researchers Mukta Naik, Ashwin Parulkar, Manish and Eesha Kunduri, Podcast: CPR ThoughtSpace, 22 December 2016

20. Nikhil George, Research Associate

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Using Geospatial Methods in Estimating Exposure to Open Defecation co-authored by Prashant Arya and Amandeep Singh, *Ideas for India*, 3 August 2016

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. IEEE regional meeting on ‘Improving Sanitation in India: Multiple facets of a Complex Challenge’ organised by Dayalbagh Educational Institute in Agra on 23 December 2016
- ii. One Day Workshop on ‘Understanding the Design, Construction, Performance and Management of Residential On-site Wastewater Treatment Systems in Udaipur’ organised by CTARA, IIT Bombay in Mumbai in June 2016
- iii. Orientation Workshop for partners and staff – ASCI sanitation project on Warangal on ‘Understanding the Design, Construction, Performance and Management of Residential On-site Wastewater Treatment Systems in Udaipur’ organised by Administrative Staff College of India’ in Hyderabad in September 2016

21. Krithika Dinesh, Research Associate, Namati Environmental Justice Program

Journal Articles:

- i. A casual Approach co-authored by Krithika Dinesh, Kanchi Kohli, and Manju Menon, Samudra, 30 April 2016

Policy Brief:

- i. How effective are environmental regulations to address impacts of industrial and infrastructure projects in India?, Krithika Dinesh, Meenakshi Kapoor, Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon and Preeti Venkatram, October, 2016

Web-Based Publications:

- ii. Non-compliance and Sarguja Plant co-authored by Krithika Dinesh and Sandeep Patel, Geography and You, 1 June 2016
- iii. Tadri Port in Troubled Waters co-authored by Mahabaleshwar Hegde, and Krithika Dinesh, IndiaLegal, 25 October 2016
- iv. Why Does Vapi in Gujarat Continue to Be Critically Polluted? Co-authored by Krithika Dinesh, and Bharat Patel, thewire.in, 5 January 2017

Articles in Non-reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Why Does Vapi in Gujarat Continue to Be Critically Polluted?, co-authored by Bharat Patel, *The Wire*, 5 January 2017

22. Padmapriya Janakiraman, Senior Research Associate

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Make the men answer, *Indian Express*, 2 March 2017

23. Prashant Arya, Research Assistant

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Using Geospatial Methods in Estimating Exposure to Open Defecation co-authored by Nikhil George and Amandeep Singh, *Ideas for India*, 3 August 2016

24. Preranandita Baisnab, Research Associate

Policy Briefs:

- i. Budget Brief 2017-18: National Health Mission (NHM), co-authored by Avani Kapur, January 2017

25. Sama Khan, Research Associate

Chapters in Edited Volume:

- i. ‘The Other Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission: What Does It Mean for Small Town India?’ in *Subaltern Urbanisation in India* co-edited by Eric Denis and Marie- H el ene Z erah, *Springer*, March 2017

Web-Based Publications:

- i. Will AMRUT succeed where JNNURM could not?, *Business World Smart Cities World*, 15 May 2016

26. Sandeep Bhardwaj, Research Associate

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. The Invention of the Seniority Principle in the Appointment of Army Chiefs, *The Wire*, January 2017

- ii. The Champaran Example, *The Hindu*, 12 January 2017
- iii. Indiscriminate Discrimination, *The Hindu*, 6 March 2017

Web-Based Publications:

- i. Podcast: Nothing Really Happened, *The LexValidus Show*, 27 February 2017

27. Kimberly M Noronha, Senior Researcher

Journal Article:

- i. Leveraging National Schemes to support a Heritage Agenda in India co-authored by Mukta Naik, Context: Special Issue on Asia and Urban Heritage XII, October 2016

Working Paper and Discussion paper:

- i. Monitoring Open Discharge-free India: A comprehensive Sanitation Matrix co-authored by Shubhagato Dasgupta, October 2016
- ii. Discussion paper: “Mainstreaming gender in India’s National Urban Sanitation Policy (NUSP)” – M/o UD

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. 2nd National Sustainable Water and Sanitation Summit (NSWSS), Panelist on: “Identifying approaches to converge the programmatic priorities of SBM and AMRUT” organised by Ministry for Drinking Water and Sanitation, the Consortium for DEWATS Dissemination (CDD) Society, The Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association (BORDA) South Asia, and the Nispana Innovative Platform in New Delhi on 2 December 2016

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. Presentation of the Draft Odisha Urban Sanitation Policy, 2016-2026; Draft Odisha Urban Sanitation Strategy 2016-2026; and Draft Odisha Wastewater and Faecal Waste (Management and Disposal) in Urban Areas Bill, 2016 meeting with Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Housing & Urban Development Department, G/o Odisha from July 2016 to December 2016

28. Persis Taraporevala, Research Associate

Articles in Non Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Grappling with our Prejudice co-authored by Rohit Negi, *The Hindu*, 31 May 2016
- ii. To succeed, citizens must have more say in the Smart Cities Mission co-authored by Bhanu Joshi, *Hindustan Times*, 21 August 2016

Web-Based Publications:

- i. En-Route To Khirki: A Journey Starts, *Khojworkshop.com*, 9 September 2016

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. Urban Seminar on 'Governance and Inclusion in Transforming Cities', *The role of boundary spanners in urban regeneration: A preliminary discussion* co-presented with Eesha Kunduri and Mukta Naik , co-organised by International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), Hague; Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (IHS), Rotterdam, and School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), New Delhi. The conference was hosted at Institute of Town Planners, India (ITPI) in Institute of Town Planners, India (ITPI), New Delhi on 11 May 2016
- ii. Open Seminar on *Comparison Between urban villages in Delhi and Shenzhen* organised by Handshake 302 in Shenzhen on 29 October 2016
- iii. Moderator at *Works in Progress / Artists Talks* as a part of Coriolis Effect: Migration & Memory Residency, organised by Khoj Artist Association at Khoj Artist Association, New Delhi on 31 August 2016

29. Preeti Venkatram, Research Associate, Namati Environmental Justice Program

Policy Brief:

- i. How effective are environmental regulations to address impacts of industrial and infrastructure projects in India? co-authored by Krithika Dinesh, Meenakshi Kapoor, Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon and Preeti Venkatram, October, 2016

30. Radhika Saraf, Research Associate

Journal Articles:

- i. Skill Training or Nipping Potential in the Bud?, *Economic and Political Weekly L1*, No. 18, 30 April 2016

Working Paper:

- i. Does Government's Monitoring of Schools Work? co-authored by Kiran Bhatta, 16 May 2016
- ii. A Pilot Study of Estimating Out-Of-School Children in India (forthcoming) co-authored by Kiran Bhatta and Vrinda Gupta, July and August 2016

31. Shamindranath Roy, Senior Researcher

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. Population Association of America Annual Conference on ‘Analysing Relative Policy Effectiveness from Demographic Survey Data: A Regression Residual Based Approach’ organised by Population Association of America in Chicago on 30 November 2016
- ii. International Conference on Urban Geoinformatics on ‘Estimating Urban India's Potential for Shared Wastewater Infrastructure Using Google Maps’ organised by TERI University in New Delhi in November 2016

32. Stanzin Yumchen, Research Associate

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. ‘Princeton – GPPI-CPR Strategic Affairs Programme for Indian Parliamentarians’ meeting with Academic Programme for Indian MPs at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public & International Affairs from 10 to 14 April 2016
- ii. Investing and Women and Children of India: Addressing Malnutrition meeting with the Parliamentarians on 9 May 2016
- iii. Indian MPs’ Delegation Visit to Australia meeting with Academic Programme for Indian MPs in Collaboration with Australia Foreign Office from 29 April to 5 June 2016
- iv. Roundtable on Women’s Empowerment with Parliamentarians on 4 August 2016
- v. Roundtable on SDGs on Health with Parliamentarians on 10 August 2016
- vi. Indian MPs’ Delegation visit to China meeting with Indian MPs in collaboration with Shanghai Institute of International Studies from 3 to 12 September 2016
- vii. Chevening-CPR Parliamentarians Fellowship Programme with King’s College London, Academic Programme for Indian Parliamentarians at KCL from 7 to 12 November 2016
- viii. Parliamentarians’ International Conference on SDGs for Children with MPs from India, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives and Nepal on 10 and 11 December 2016
- ix. Budgetary Allocation for Health in India with Parliamentarians and experts on 15 March 2017

33. Susan Chaplin, Senior Researcher

Notable Seminars and Conferences :

- i. Presentation on *Infrastructure, gender and violence: Women and slum sanitation inequalities* at ‘Sanitation for People: Assessing socio-cultural realities of sanitation practice in Indian cities’ organised by Centre for Policy Research (CPR) at CPR, New Delhi on 29 March 2017

34. Taanya Kapoor, Research Associate

Web-Based Publication:

- i. The ABC of Indian Bureaucracy: A primer, co-authored by Vincy Davis, *Accountability India Website*, 3 November 2016
- ii. Of Authorization letters, Samosas and Chai, *Accountability India Website*, 10 November 2016
- iii. A circuitous journey, *Accountability India Website*, 25 November 2016

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. Feedback session and recommendations with Atishi Marlana, Advisor to Deputy CM and Education Minister in July- September (4 meetings)
- ii. Feedback session and consultations on observation tools with Education Task force members in July-December (6 meetings)
- iii. Feedback session and policy recommendation with Ms. Punya Srivastava, Secretary, Education (Delhi) and Ms. Somya Gupta, Director, Education on 11 November 2016

34. Tripti Singh, Research Associate

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. Meeting to discuss the concept note and agenda of the National conference on ‘Social Innovations for Improving Urban Sanitation’ with Dr AK Jain (Adviser, RD), NITI Aayog, 24 November 2016

35. Vikram Srinivas, Senior Researcher

Policy Briefs:

- i. Budget Brief 2017-18: Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), co-authored by Avani Kapur, January 2017
- ii. Budget Brief 2017-18: Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT), Jan Dhan, Aadhaar and Mobile (JAM), co-authored by Avani Kapur, January 2017

36. Vincy Davis, Research Analyst

Web-Based Publications:

- i. “Reforms in the Education Bureaucracy.”, *Accountability Initiative Blog*, 1 June 2016
- ii. “The Abc “Reforms in Education Bureaucracy: Reflections on Institutional Challenges.”, *Accountability Initiative Blog*, 25 July 2016

- iii. “Of Indian Bureaucracy – A Primer”, *Accountability Initiative Blog*, 3 November 2016
- iv. “B Is For Babu” ,*Accountability Initiative Blog*, 17 November 2016
- v. “How Important Are Deadlines In The Bureaucracy? ”, *Accountability Initiative Blog*, 5 December 2016
- vi. “Life Hacks to Avail Government Benefits and Services”, *Accountability Initiative Blog*, 9 May 2017

Targeted Meeting with Policy Makers:

- i. Consolidated recommendations and feedback sharing session on education interventions in Delhi (part of Accountability Initiative’s ongoing study into Delhi’s education reform efforts) with Principal Secretary, Education; Advisors to Education Minister, GoNCT Delhi on 21 February 2017

37. Vidushi Bahuguna, Research Associate

Policy Briefs:

- i. ‘Has Chhattisgarh done better than Jharkhand in promoting inclusive development? A political settlements analysis of two newly created mineral rich Indian states’, co-authored by Vasudha Chhotray, and Anindita Adhikari in August 2016

Web-Based Publications:

- i. ‘Understanding ‘Inclusive Development’ in New States - Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh’, *AI Blog*, 16 September 2016

Notable Seminars and Conferences:

- i. Project workshop on ‘Have newly created Indian states promoted inclusive development? A comparative political settlement analysis of Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh’ at IIC, Delhi Secretariat, Raipur (Chhattisgarh) and XISS, Ranchi (Jharkhand) in August 2016

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION & DISSEMINATION SERVICES

During the year 2016-17, 134 books were added to the library of the Centre. The acquisition mainly related to books of subjects such as Policy Sciences, Economic Policy, Urbanisation, Political Science, Futurology, Social Indicators, Foreign Policy, Defence and other fields of relevance to Research Programmes of the Centre.

The CPR library has a collection of a total of 10710 books after weeding a few old books. The library subscribed to 48 journals and received gratis 45 periodicals. These cover major policy fields of concern to scholars at CPR. In addition to these, 17 daily newspapers are being received in the library.

The library continued to be a member of the Developing Library Network (DELNET), New Delhi. One Samsung SCX 4521F multifunctional fax machine and e-mail service are being used extensively for communication and information retrieval purposes. One HP Elite 8300 is being used by CPR faculty/researchers.

With the help of RICOH AFICIO MP 4000 B Digital Plain Paper Copier with Reverse Automatic Document Feeder, Duplexing for Automatic Back to Back copying, Set making, Sorting, Rotate sorting, 25%- 400% Zoom with A-3 Size Network Laser Printer and Scanner, and 40 GB Hard Disc for document server, better and efficient reprographic facilities were provided to researchers and other staff of the Centre. For other material and publications, the CPR library depends upon the services of 20 libraries of various academic and other research institutions in Delhi which have been generous enough to lend their books and journals for the Centre's use on the principle of reciprocity.

COMPUTER UNIT's ACTIVITIES

During the year under report, following activities were undertaken by the Computer Centre:

1. Services hosted at cprindia.org domain on Google App were maintained and configured as per user's requirement.
2. The Centre subscribe Tata Communications Internet Lease Line (ILL) service to meet its Internet traffic and bandwidth requirement. In order to meet increasing traffic demand the bandwidth was increased from 12 Mbps to 16 Mbps.
3. To protect Centre's network from external threats, prevent undesirable content filtering into the network and implementing various policies required for smooth functioning of the Network, definitions of Dell Sonicwall firewall were configured.
4. Following hardware & software licenses were procured
 - a. Four (4) Desktops, Nine (9) laptops, one HP laser printer were purchased, configured and installed as per requirements of the users. One Network attached storage of 4TB capacity was installed to safely store users data. A Wi Fi controller (Zone Director 1200) was installed replacing the obsolete zone Director 1100 to further strengthen the Wi Fi services.
 - b. Academic Licenses of Adobe creative cloud suite (2 nos.), NVIVO 11 Pro (1 no.), & Arc GIS (1 no.) were purchased and installed.
5. Maintenance and Configuration of Centre's Local Area and Wi-Fi Network, Hardware and software were carried out as per requirement. IT support services were provided to all users of the Centre. Support services related to seminars and conferences held at the Centre during the year were also provided.

GRANTS

The CPR received the following grants from the ICSSR during the financial year 2016-17 (in lakhs):

1.	Recurring grant (Non Plan)	Rs. 92.71
2.	Recurring grant (Plan)	Rs. 40.00

	Total:	Rs.132.71

The CPR gross corpus fund now stands at Rs. 1013.82 lakh. CPR's gross receipts (including specific project receipts) during the year was Rs. 2546.79 lakh. ICSSR recurring grant is 5.21% of CPR's gross receipts during the year.

A number of agencies and Government departments as named below continued their support to the Centre during the year:

List of Project Grantors

1. Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi
2. IDRC, Canada
3. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, USA
4. William & Flora Hewlett Foundation, USA
5. Ford Foundation, USA
6. Oak Foundation
7. The Asia Foundation, USA
8. NAMATI Inc. USA
9. Omidyar Network Foundation, USA
10. Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai
11. University of Manchester, UK
12. Chr. Michelsen Institute, Norway
13. Foreign and Commonwealth Office, British High Commission
14. Institute of Research and Development, France
15. UNOPS
16. World Bank

TAX EXEMPTION FOR DONATIONS TO CPR

CPR has been approved u/s 35(1)(iii) of the Income Tax Act 1961 w.e.f. April 1, 2005 which entitles the Donor under the present Income Tax Laws a weighted deduction @ 125% of the amount of donation. CPR has also been approved u/s 80G(5) (vi) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 for the period from April 1, 2011 onwards which entitles the donor 50% tax deduction of the net qualifying amount.

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(As on 31 March 2017)

Professors

1. Pratap Bhanu Mehta August 2004
Ph.D.(Princeton University)
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3. Bharat Karnad April 1996
M.A. (University of California)
4. Lavanya Rajamani September 2006
D.Phil (University of Oxford)
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Senior Fellow

Professor Emeritus

6. Charan Wadhva (Ph.D, Yale, USA) September 2005

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Junior Designer
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH

Report on Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH (the Society)**, which comprise the Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2017 and the Income and Expenditure Account for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position and financial performance of the Society in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practices in India. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of the organization and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal financial control relevant to the Society's preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on whether the company has in place an adequate internal financial controls system over financial reporting and the operating effectiveness of such controls. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting principles used and the reasonableness of the accounting estimates made by the Society's Governing Board, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the financial statements, read with other notes given thereto, give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India:

- a) in the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Society as at 31st March 2017; and
- b) in the case of the Income and Expenditure Account, of the surplus for the year ended on that date;

Other Matters

- a) We have obtained all the information and explanations, which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- b) In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Society so far as appears from our examination of the books of accounts.
- c) The Balance Sheet, and the Income and Expenditure Account dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of account

Place: NEW DELHI
Dated: 03-July-2017



For V. Sankar Aiyar & Co.
Chartered Accountants
(Firm Regn. No.: 109208W)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M.S. Balachandran'.

M.S. BALACHANDRAN
Partner (M. No: 024282)

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CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH					
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2017					
					<i>Amount in Rs.</i>
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES	Sch		As on 31.3.2017		As on 31.3.2016
CORPUS FUND	1		100,682,405		88,182,405
CAPITAL FUND (ASSETS)	2		9,387,087		9,149,426
CAPITAL RESERVE			4,408,025		4,408,025
ENDOWMENT FUND			700,000		700,000
RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCIES			10,200,000		10,200,000
UNSPENT BALANCES IN SPECIFIED PURPOSES/ PROJECTS	3		230,114,206		176,161,110
GRANT - NATIONAL KNOWLEDGE COMMISSION	4		1,081,532		1,081,532
PROVISIONS	5		12,918,644		12,522,644
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT			35,355,682		32,050,726
CURRENT LIABILITIES	9		691,849		603,120
TOTAL			405,539,430		335,058,988
PROPERTY & ASSETS					
FIXED ASSETS	6				
Gross Block		37,293,332		34,841,996	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		27,906,245	9,387,087	25,692,570	9,149,426
INVESTMENTS	7		379,373,247		307,323,386

(including Corpus Fund Investments)					
CURRENT ASSETS, LOANS AND ADVANCES:	8				
Cash and Bank Balances	8(a)	7,722,851		6,810,732	
Advances recoverable/adjustable	8(b)	9,056,245	16,779,096	11,775,444	18,586,176
TOTAL			405,539,430		335,058,988
Accounting policies and notes on accounts	10		-		-
					For and on behalf of
sd					CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH
<u>AS PER OUR REPORT OF EVEN DATE.</u>					
FOR V.SANKAR AIYAR & CO.					
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS					
(Firm's Registration No. 109208W)					sd
					(PRATAP BHANU MEHTA)
sd					PRESIDENT
(M.S.BALACHANDRAN)					
PARTNER (M.No. 24282)					
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PLACE: NEW DELHI			sd		(L RAVI)
DATED: 03/07/2017			(PRADEEP KHANNA) CHIEF ACCOUNTS OFFICER		CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH				
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2017				
				<i>Amount in Rs.</i>
INCOME		2016-17		2015-16
Grant-in-Aid from ICSSR		13,271,000		13,000,000
Interest on Investments:				
Endowment and corpus Interest	4,711,144		3,809,490	
Dividend income on Corpus	153,104		177,336	
Interest on Income Tax Refunds	180,886		36,608	
Other interest income	5,040,647	10,085,781	6,723,383	10,746,817
Miscellaneous Income		291,271		802,993
Transfer from Grants		17,751,772		16,228,853
Rent		-		93,168
Completed Projects - Balances written back (Net)		612,236		973,770
Proceed on sale of assets		17,265		4,464
Service Tax Written Back		1,127,280		-
Royalty		1,440		-
TOTAL		43,158,045		41,850,065
EXPENDITURE		2016-17		2015-16
<u>SALARIES, WAGES & BENEFITS TO STAFF</u>				
Salaries and wages	29,003,183.00		23,650,628	
Contribution to Provident Fund	1,954,642.00		1,548,498	
Contribution to Gratuity Fund (LIC)	1,000,000.00		1,000,000	
Contribution to / payment of Leave Encashment Benefits	1,000,000.00		1,000,000	
Medical Insurance & other Staff Welfare	311,472.00	33,269,297	381,621	27,580,747

Travel and conveyance		286,028		368,616
Rates and taxes		836,782		737,233
Printing, stationery, office supplies		122,176		148,358
Communication expenses		236,405		261,767
Electricity and water		578,876		533,981
Office maintenance and repairs		677,031		1,086,479
Hospitality and common courtesy		188,680		192,490
Insurance		37,588		37,492
Library books, newspapers and periodicals		378,784		352,677
Audit and other fee		363,025		325,302
Miscellaneous expenses		45,886		129,869
Membership and subscriptions		74,750		63,025
Bank charges and interest		18,533		7,403
Conference and Programmes		570,758		592,847
Advertisement		-		390,549
Vehicle maintenance		72,090		82,456
Legal and professional		520,120		392,000
Stock of Special Stationery written off		-		280,818
TDS Recoverable written off		-		867,237
Depreciation	2,264,854			2,447,124
Less: Met from Capital Fund	(2,264,854)	-		-
Total C.O.		38,276,809		36,878,470
EXPENDITURE		2016-17		2015-16
Total B.F.		38,276,809		36,878,470
Provisions/ Appropriations:				

CPR Building Repairs and Maintenance		-		4,700,000
Transfer to Capital Fund - Amount equivalent to addition to assets out of non-project fund		1,576,280		-
		39,853,089		41,578,470
Surplus for the year after appropriations		3,304,956		271,595
Surplus brought forward		32,050,726		20,187,059
Amount transferred from Capital Fund		-		11,592,072
Accumulated surplus carried to Balance sheet		35,355,682		32,050,726
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<u>AS PER OUR REPORT OF EVEN DATE.</u>				
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CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH

SCHEDULES TO STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2017

					<i>Amount in Rs.</i>
PARTICULARS			As on 31.3.2017		As on 31.3.2016
<u>CORPUS</u>					Schedule - 1
As per last Balance Sheet			88,182,405		85,682,405
Add: Corpus received during the year			12,500,000		2,500,000
Add: Transfer from Income and Expenditure A/c			-		-
Total			100,682,405		88,182,405
<u>CAPITAL FUND (ASSETS)</u>					Schedule - 2
As per last Balance Sheet			9,149,426		18,268,522
Add: Assets purchased out of Specific purpose/ Project Fund			939,603		2,472,976
Add: Transfer from Income and Expenditure - equal to additions out of non-project funds			1,576,280		
Less: Depreciation met from Capital Fund			(2,264,854)		
Less: WDV of assets written off/ discarded/ sold			(13,368)		
Less: Amount transferred to Income and Expenditure Account			-		(11,592,072)
Total			9,387,087		9,149,426
NATIONAL KNOWLEDGE COMMISSION					Schedule - 4
BALANCE OF UNUTILISED GRANT					
As per last Balance sheet			1,081,532		1,081,532
Interest on Investments			-		-
			-		

Total			1,081,532		1,081,532
Represented by:					
Fixed Deposit with Canara Bank			1,046,373		1,046,373
Canara Bank C/A NO 5827			11,010		11,010
TDS Recoverable			24,149		24,149
Total			1,081,532		1,081,532
<u>PROVISIONS</u>					Schedule - 5
<u>Pay Revision:</u>					
As per last Balance Sheet		-		-	
Add: Transfer from Income and Expenditure A/c		-		-	
Less: Paid during the year		-	-	-	-
<u>Provision for Repairs and Maintenance</u>					
As per last Balance Sheet		12,522,644		8,218,644	
Add: Provision reversed for capitalisation of Lift #		396,000		-	
Add: Transfer from Income and Expenditure A/c		-		4,700,000	
Less: Paid during the year		-	12,918,644	396,000	12,522,644
# Amount wrongly deducted from Provision in the previous year restored back to provisions					
Total			12,918,644		12,522,644

CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH

BALANCE OF CONTRIBUTION FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSES/PROJECTS AS ON 31.03.2017

SCHEDULE - 3										
<i>(AMOUNT IN Rs)</i>										
S. No.	NAME OF SPONSOR AND PROJECT	Opening Balance (01.04.2016)		Receipts during the year	Interest/ Dividend	Transfer to Income and Exp A/c	Disbursements during the year	Completed projects balances written off/ back (NET)	Closing Balance (31.03.2017)	
		DR.	CR.						DR.	CR.
	FOREIGN CONTRIBUTION GRANTS									
1	THE ASIA FOUNDATION- LEGAL RIGHTS ON LAND ACQUISITION		127,076	165,800	-	-	292,876	-		-
2	THE ASIA FOUNDATION- REDUCING TRADE BARRIERS TO FOOD TRADE IN INDIA	925,013	-	1,285,861	-	33,296	327,542	10	-	-
3	BILL MILINDA GATES FOUNDATION- STRENGTHENING AWARENESS OF ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES ON MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH AND DIGITAL FINANCIAL INCULSIONS IN INDIA (GPPI)		4,983,700	-	156,502	604,793	3,848,481	-	-	686,928
4	BILL MILINDA GATES FOUNDATION- SCI -FI	-	54,261,029	-	5,874,320	2,306,999	14,078,359	-	-	43,749,991
5	BILL MILINDA GATES FOUNDATION- SCI F-II		18,920,963	60,936,180	1,157,542	2,486,346	16,057,783			62,470,556
6	BILL MILINDA GATES FOUNDATION- SUPPLIMENTARY GRANT NO. OPP1038511 - NIRMAL STUDY	-	5,015,343	29,196,025	578,451	1,050,304	6,894,608		-	26,844,907

7	BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION - PATENT, INTELLECTUAL	3,176,713	-	3,077,111		129,577	1,397	(230,576)	-	-
8	CLIMATE AND DEVELOPMENT KNOWLEDGE NETWORK (CDKN) - TOWARDS ROBUST CLIMATE COMPATIBLE DEVELOPMENT PLANNING IN INDIA	-	121,821	5,209,450	-	1,024,704	5,230,601		924,034	-
9	CEBRAP BRAZIL - POLICY PROCESS IN INDIA:RIGHT TO INFORMATION,SOCIAL AUDIT AND PARTICIPATORY IRRIGATION MANAGEMENT	-	335,217	-	-	-	12,615		-	322,602
10	CENTRE FOR GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT- PROPOSED COLLABORATION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFERS FOR HEALTH IN INDIA	-	190,513					190,513	-	-
11	CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL GOVERNANCE INNOVATION (CIGI)- COMPILING SCHOLARLY MATERIAL ON INDIA'S FOREIGN POLICY: HISTORY, INSTITUTIONS AND RELATIONS	-	47,473	-	-	-	37,628	9,845	-	-
12	CMI- LAND RIGHTS, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	-	1,605,901	2,863,428	-	-	3,940,415	-	-	528,914
13	CENTER DE SCIENCES HUMAINES - SUBURBIN ON SUBALTERN URBANIZATION IN INDIA	-	294,299	-	-	-	410	-	-	293,889

14	EMBASSY OF JAPAN- REIMBURSEMENT OF WORKSHOP EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-	511,608	-	511,608	-
15	ERASMUS UNIVERSITY - ROTTERDAM - BOUNDARY SPANNING INCLUDING CONDUCTING 3 CASE STUDIES IN DELHI	-	-	317,696	-	-	317,696	-	-	-
16	THE FORD FOUNDATION CORPUS INCOME FOR TRACK II DIALOGUES	-	8,196,695	-	2,416,556	-	2,616,665	-	-	7,996,586
17	THE FORD FOUNDATION- FOREIGN CURRENCY CORPUS INCOME	-	2,786,857	-	625,917	-	870,208	-	-	2,542,566
18	FORD FOUNDATION - PERPETUITY CHAIR-SARC	-	15,839,603	-	592,483	-	-	-	-	16,432,086
19	THE FORD FOUNDATION (INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION) - KOLKATTA EXPERIENCE	-	169,316	-	-	-	-	-	-	169,316
20	THE FORD FOUNDATION - ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE	1,483,048	-	6,775,500	-	-	2,137	-	-	5,290,315
21	GLOBAL HEALTH STRATEGIES EMERGING ECONOMIES - GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC POLICY INITIATIVE	-	1,575,228	5,275,000	-	578,222	4,671,534	-	-	1,600,472
22	GOOGLE.ORG.- URBAN LOCAL GOVERNANCE	-	5,381,822	-	-	-	5,366,877	14,945	-	-
23	HARVARD UNIVERSITY CAMBRIDGE MASSACHUSETTS - REIMBURSMENT OF EXPENSES	-	-	106,381	-	-	-	-	-	106,381
24	HEINRICH BOLL STIFTUNG- ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION TO	-	21,454	852,849	-	-	856,407	-	-	17,896

	ADDRESS IMPACTS OF INDUSTRIAL									
25	INNOVATION FOR POVERTY ACTION-GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAM TO ACCESS THE AVAILABILITY AND DELIVERY HEALTH SERVICES IN INDIA AND INDONESIA	-	4,576,723	-	-	-	35,352	-	-	4,541,371
26	INSTITUTE OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FRANCE (IRD)- INDIAN RURAL BOUNDARIES AND BASIC SERVICES ETC		394,545	2,144,547	-	29,751	297,513			2,211,828
27	INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTRE-THINK TANK INITIATIVE PHASE II	-	997,736	20,742,425	381,129	-	19,445,289	-	-	2,676,001
28	IDRC-CANADA-ROLE OF SMALL CITIES IN SHAPING YOUTH EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES IN INDIA	-	3,311,494		5,137	-	315,337	-	-	3,001,294
29	JAPAN CENTRE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH-JAPAN'S ROLE IN SOUTH ASIA AND GROWTH POTENTIAL OF AGRICULTURE IN INDIA	-	170,481					170,481	-	-
30	LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE - OUTLAYS TO OUTCOME	-	5,333					5,333	-	-
31	MRS CHANDRIKA PATHAK AND MR DALIP PATHAK-RESEARCH ON DRINKING WATER IN INDIA		545,977	-	4,596	-	70,000	-		480,573

32	JOHN D.AND CATHERINE T. MAC ARTHUR FOUNDATION- FOR DEVELOPING PRACTICE ON INTEGRATING CLIMATE, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT IN INDIA'S DEVELOPMENT FUTURE 16-1603-150748-CLS	-	-	-	-	-	288,000	-	288,000	-
33	NAMATI- ENVIORNMENTAL JUSTICE	-	2,451,333	10,995,286	-	1,858,617	11,678,380	-	90,378	-
34	OAK FOUNDATION- UNRESTRICTED SUPPORT - CLIMATE INITIATIVE - II	-	2,634,126	7,237,926	210,042	724,673	4,492,643	-	-	4,864,778
35	OMIDYAR NETWORK FUND -ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE	281,620	-	19,143,280	85,479	2,520,344	16,804,292	-	377,497	-
36	ROCKFELLER PHILANTHROPY ADVISORS INC. (RPA) INDIAS EDUCATION POLICY AND ITS DEVELOPMENT OVER TIME	-	-	2,712,591	-	240,590	2,440,949	31,052	-	-
37	SEPHIS-NEETHERLANDS	-	997,804	-	7,601	-	97,501	-	-	907,904
38	SOAS - UNIVERSITY OF LONDON- REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES - HOSTING PHILLIPS CULLET AT THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIP AT CPR	-	-	143,410	-	-	-	143,410	-	-
39	UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER- STATES DELIVERING FOR POOR PEOPLE , IMPROVING OUTCOMS THROUGH STRONGER EVIDENCE	-	84,852	1,148,561	-	63,920	1,167,406	2,087	-	-

40	WARBUG PINCUS LLC - NEW YORK-USA- RESEARCH ON DRINKING WATER IN INDIA		230,556	-	-	-	230,000	556	-	-
41	WILLIAM & FLORA HEWLETT FOUNDATION- ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE- NEW INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT	-	6,542,216	16,863,750	411,368	2,897,658	15,950,564	-	-	4,969,112
42	UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA- BERKLEY - REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES	-	-	99,829	-	-	100,203	(374)	-	-
43	UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER- REIMBURSEMENT OF WORKSHOP EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE	-	-	472,363	-	-	268,035	-	-	204,328
44	WORLD WILD LIFE INC.- REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES	-	-	211,482	-	-	209,201	2,281	-	-
	SUB TOTAL	5,866,394	142,817,486	197,976,731	12,507,123	16,549,794	139,826,512	339,563	2,191,517	192,910,594
	DOMESTIC GRANTS									
45	ARGHYAM TRUST- CREATING STATE PROFILES ON SANITATION DATA	-	130,061					130,061	-	-
46	BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE	-	39,007	73,426	-	-	112,433	-	-	-
47	INDIAN COUNCIL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH-PPP MATERNAL CARE	-	19,940						-	19,940
48	INDIAN COUNCIL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH- CENTRE HEALTH POLICIES RESEARCH WITH	-	9,523						-	9,523

	EMPHASIS ON REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH MATTERS									
49	ICSSR-AGE DIVIDEND ANALYSIS AND IMPLICATION A SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE BY DR RAGNI SEN	-	-	140,000	-	-	140,050	(50)	-	-
50	ICSSR-SECULARISM & SOCIAL CAPITAL AMONG THE MARGINALISED	-	17,989						-	17,989
51	ICSSR-INDIA'S MIDDLE CLASS	-	1,148,339						-	1,148,339
52	ICSSR- URBAN TRNASFORMATION IN INDIA	-	43,143						-	43,143
53	ICSSR- AGRICULTURAL BIOTECHNOLOGY	1,189,175	-	820,924					368,251	-
54	ICSSR- ENVIRONMENTAL JURISPRUDENCE	264,736	-						264,736	-
55	ICSSR- UNDERSTANDING METROPOLITAN HOMLESSNESS A CASE STUDY OF DELHI	-	-	1,600,000	-	-	89,490	-	-	1,510,510
56	ICSSR- LAND RIGHTS DEVELOPMENT AND THE CONSTITUTION:MAPPING LAND LEGISLATION IN INDIA	-	-	1,600,000	-	-	158,074	-	-	1,441,926
57	ICSSR ORIENTATION PROGRAMME- FOR RESEARCH SCHOLARS AND FACULTY MEMBERS BELONGINGS TO SC ST AND OTHER MARGINALISED GROUPS UNDER SC COMPONENT	-	862,244	600,000	-	-	176,526	-	-	1,285,718
58	IGIDR/SHRAMIC - STRENGTHEN AND HARMONIZE RESEARCH	-	587,834				587,834		-	-

	AND ACTION ON MIGRATION IN THE INDIAN CONTEXT (SHRAMIC)									
59	IGIDR/SHRAMIC - STRENGTHEN AND HARMONIZE RESEARCH AND ACTION ON MIGRATION IN THE INDIAN CONTEXT (SHRAMIC)	-	-	1,000,000	-	-	1,817,222	-	817,222	-
60	IGIDR/SHRAMIC - REIMBURSEMENT OF SEMINAR EXPENSES	-	-	54,736	-	-	38,295	-		16,441
61	JAMNALAL BAJAJ FOUNDATION- GPPI		10,180,363	-	378,118	-	170,469	-		10,388,012
62	INSTITUTE FOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND SEARCH- (IFMR)- CHENNAI -CONDUCT A QUALITATIVE STUDY OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CHUNAUTI THE INITIATIVE OF GOVERNMENT OF NCT DELHI	-	-	207,000	-	-	27,000	-	-	180,000
63	N R MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS INDIA PVT LTD -PRODUCTION OF A COMPENDIUM OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS FOR A TRAINING PROGRAM	-	-	100,000	-	-	100,000	-	-	-
64	POPULATION FOUNDATION OF INDIA- ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE	-	-	712,908	-	-	241,920	-	-	470,988
65	MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS- BCIM 10TH DIALOGUE 18-19 FEB 12	-	112,699						-	112,699

	AND BCIM 11TH DIALOGUE 23-24 FEB 2013									
66	MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS- GOVERNMENT OF INDIA- JOINT STUDY GROUP	-	231,358					231,358	-	-
67	MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,GOVERNMENT OF INDIA-CORPUS INCOME FOR TRACK II DIALOGUES	-	981,581	-	-	-	984,507	-	2,926	-
68	MINISTRY OF FINANCE- GOVERNMENT OF INDIA- CORPUS INCOME	-	13,196	-	450,000	454,777	230		-	8,189
69	NATIONAL COMMISSION ON POPULATION - CORPUS INCOME	-	14,016,219	-	645,554	-			-	14,661,773
70	SAMBODHI RESEARCH AND COMMUNICATIONS PVT LTD - MONITORING AND EVALUATING THE UP TECHNICAL SUPPORT	-	-	4,860,000	-	-	633,913	-		4,226,087
71	SWISS AGENCY FOR DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION - EMBASSY OF SWITZERLAND NEW DELHI (SDC) - INTEGRATING ENERGY AND CLIMATE OBJECTIVE AND INDIAN CITIES	-	-	950,000	-	249,985	1,666,569	-	966,554	-
72	TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES-URBAN RELATED (TISS)	-	-	-	-	-	7,913	-	7,913	-
73	UNOPS/WSSCC -DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RESEARCH IN INDIA ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS TO SAFE DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION	-	2,794,035	1,348,600	-	367,276	2,359,024	-	-	1,416,335
74	UNDP - RESOURCE ENTRE FOR COMMUNITY	-	83,423	-		3,423	80,000		-	-

	MONITORING AND SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN EDUCATION									
75	UNESCO-DESIGNING MOBILE PHONE BASED DATA COLLECTION TOOL FOR ADMINSTRING ATTENDANCE IN SCHOOL		305,448	835,993	-	43,488	851,953	-		246,000
76	UNICEF- ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE UNDER THE PROGRAMME COOPERATION AGREEMENT (IV)	149,819	-	-	-	13,084	37,097		200,000	-
77	UNICEF- ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE UNDER THE PROGRAMME COOPERATION AGREEMENT (V)	-	-	-	-	14,764	210,920	-	225,684	-
78	UNICEF- STUDY ON SUPPORT FOR ENGAGEMENT ON POLICY AND RESEARCH WITH PARLIAMENTARIANS AND LEGISLATORS	-	-	2,095,720	-	273,268	1,822,452	-	-	-
79	WORLD BANK - CENSUS TOWNS IN INDIA	-	673,439	-	-	87,670	577,004	8,765	-	-
80	WORLD BANK - INDIA AND HER NEIGHBOURS	-	1,093,783	-	-	149,020	914,041	30,722	-	-
81	WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION (WHO)	-	-	1,369,193	-	-	1,497,376	(128,183)	-	-
82	WORLD BANK - REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF WORKSHOP ON INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE AND LESSONS LEARNT FROM BRAZIL IN DECENTRALISATION	-	-	-	-	-	39,007	-	39,007	-

	TOTAL	7,470,124	176,161,110	216,345,231	13,980,795	18,206,549	155,167,831	740,419	5,083,810	230,114,206
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		NOTE:	TRANSFERRED TO ENDOWMENT INTEREST INCOME A/C							

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SCHEDULE OF FIXED ASSETS AS ON 31.03.2017

										<i>(Amount in Rs)</i>	SCHEDULE-6
PARTICULARS	RATE OF DEP	COST				DEPRECIATION				WRITTEN DOWN VALUE	
		As on 01.04.2016	Additions	Deletions	As on 31.3.2017	Upto 01.04.2016	Additions	Deletions	Upto 31.3.2017	As on 31.03.2017	As on 31.03.2016
LAND		85,221	-	-	85,221		-	-	-	85,221	85,221
BUILDING	5%	9,643,471	-	-	9,643,471	6,503,223	157,012		6,660,235	2,983,236	3,140,248
FURNITURE & FIXTURE	15%	3,421,957	104,614		3,526,571	2,762,492	114,612		2,877,104	649,467	659,465
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	15%	6,322,362	139,298	11,500	6,450,160	4,201,410	339,022	11,397	4,529,035	1,921,125	2,120,952
ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS	15%	319,331	-		319,331	315,631	555		316,186	3,145	3,700
VEHICLES	20%	799,668	-		799,668	405,570	78,820		484,390	315,278	394,098
AIR COOLING SYSTEM	15%	56,789			56,789	56,693	14		56,707	82	96
OFFICE MACHINERY	40%	11,106,946	805,489	53,047	11,859,388	8,808,452	1,236,287	39,782	10,004,957	1,854,431	2,298,494
LIFT	15%	484,606	1,320,807		1,805,413	446,845	203,785		650,630	1,154,783	37,761
FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT	15%	1,424,694	85,675		1,510,369	1,326,311	27,609		1,353,920	156,449	98,383
OPTICAL MARK SCANNER	40%	740,000	-	-	740,000	644,096	38,362	-	682,458	57,542	95,904
INTANGIBLE ASSETS	25%	436,951	60,000	-	496,951	221,847	68,776	-	290,623	206,328	215,104
TOTAL		34,841,996	2,515,883	64,547	37,293,332	25,692,570	2,264,854	51,179	27,906,245	9,387,087	9,149,426
PREVIOUS YEAR		32,906,215	2,639,001	703,220	34,841,996	23,917,330	2,447,124	671,884	25,692,570	9,149,426	8,988,885

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SCHEDULES TO STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2017

				<i>Amount in Rs.</i>	
PARTICULARS		As on 31.3.2017		As on 31.3.2016	
INVESTMENTS (At cost)				Schedule - 7	
(including Corpus Fund Investments)					
GOI 8 % Savings (Taxable) Bonds		20,220,000		10,025,000	
Fixed Deposits with Banks		237,979,246		196,399,944	
Fixed Deposits with HDFC Ltd		39,161,113		30,960,554	
Fixed Deposits with PNB Housing Finance Ltd		37,528,998		22,773,998	
Fixed Deposits with LIC Housing Finance Ltd		40,387,000		40,387,000	
Fixed Deposits with HUDCO		1,500,000		4,180,000	
Units of UTI		2,096,890		2,096,890	
Units of Canara Robeco Mutual Fund		500,000		500,000	
Total		379,373,247		307,323,386	
				Schedule - 8	
a) CASH AND BANK BALANCES					
In current Accounts with:					
Canara Bank C/A NO-0157201000348 - F/C		636,054		384,324	
Canara Bank - C/A NO-0157201004775		6,269,290		5,547,179	
Canara Bank -C/A 0157201005222		8,189		8,419	
Punjab National Bank - C/A 1736002100011174		791,950		844,889	
Canara Bank -C/A 0157201005827 (NKC)		11,010		11,010	
Cash in hand - FC	4,664			4,177	
Cash in hand - Non-FC	1,694	6,358		10,734	
Sub-total		7,722,851		6,810,732	
b) ADVANCES RECOVERABLE/ ADJUSTABLE					
(Unsecured - considered good and recoverable)					
Staff Imprest and Advances to others		1,055,744		686,881	
Security Deposits		125,245		125,245	
Tax Deducted at Source		2,791,446		3,493,194	
Debit balances in Specified Grants/ Projects		5,083,810		7,470,124	

(excess spent in anticipation of Grant) (Refer Schedule - 3)					
Sub-total			9,056,245		11,775,444
Total			16,779,096		18,586,176
CURRENT LIABILITIES					Schedule - 9
Outstanding liabilities			691,849		603,120
			-		-
Total			691,849		603,120
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					Schedule - 10
Significant Accounting Policies and Notes on Accounts					
BASIS OF ACCOUNTING					
The financial statements have been prepared under historical cost convention and on a going concern basis. For recognition of Income and Expenses, the Centre follows cash basis of accounting. However, in the case of specified projects the amount incurred by the project staff/ consultants is accounted through individual imprest account, as to exhibit correct utilisation of project funds.					
The primary objects and activities of the Society are in the field of Research and education. The Society has not carried on any activity this year in the nature of commercial, industrial and business and consequently the Accounting Standards issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India are not mandatory. However, the Standards are followed to the extent relevant and practical.					
FIXED ASSETS					
Fixed Assets are recorded at cost less depreciation. Fixed Assets purchased out of specific grants, an equal amount is transferred to capital fund. Fixed assets acquired out of non-projects fund (i.e., own funds), an equivalent amount is transferred from current year income and expenditure account. Depreciation though debited to Income and Expenditure Account, is met out of Capital Fund. Capital Fund shows the amount funds (own or projects) utilised for acquisition of assets, net of depreciation to date.					
DEPRECIATION					
Depreciation is charged on written down value method. In respect of additions, depreciation is charged for the full year. It is ignored on the deletion of assets.					
INVESTMENTS: Investments are valued at cost.					
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS					
The Centre makes regular contributions to duly constituted fund in respect of Provident , Gratuity and Leave Encashment. The Centre has taken up policies under the Group Gratuity and Leave Encashment Schemes of LIC for meeting the liability. The Centre makes adhoc contributions to the funds and the same is accounted for, as and when paid. The accruing liability for future payment is not ascertained.					
The Fund balance with the LIC as on 31.3.2017, (including interest credit on funded balances) for Gratuity Fund and Leave Encashment Policy are Rs.175.33 lakhs and Rs.106.34 lakhs respectively.					
FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS					
Foreign currency transactions are generally recorded at the exchange rate prevailing on the date of transaction.					

Income Tax:					
(i) CPR is registered u/s 12 A (a) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 bearing registration No.DLI (C) (I – 682) dt. 15.04.1976.					
(ii) The Permanent Account No. (PAN) allotted under the Act is AAATC0180H .					
(iii) CPR is regular in filing the income tax returns, the last one filed being for the Assessment year 2016–17 (relating to FY 2015–16). There are no demands in respect of income tax.					
(iv) CPR is also approved u/s 80G of the Act covering the period A.Y. 2012-13 and onwards vide letter of the Office of Director of Income Tax (Exemption) dt. 15.09.2011.					
CPR is registered under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 bearing Registration No. 231650007 and is regular in filing the annual return, the last one filed being for the financial year 2015-16. The Registration has been renewed by the Ministry of Home Affairs for a period of five years, ie., till 30th November, 2021, under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 and Rules made thereunder.					
The Planning Commission [as a nodal agency for providing services to the National Knowledge Commission (NKC)] had issued an order dt. 3.10.2005, which provided for CPR to act as a secretariat of NKC. The Order further stated that CPR shall maintain a separate account of the expenses of the Secretariat, to be met out of the grant in aid to NKC and would furnish an audited statement of accounts to the Planning Commission. Accordingly, the balance and the corresponding investment thereon are reflected separately.					
Claims against the society, not acknowledged as debts:- Subsequent to 31st March, 2016, counter-claim towards damages alleging deficiencies in examination conducting service, which the Society has not accepted - Rs.11.73 crore.					
Estimated amount of outstanding Capital Contracts - Rs. NIL					
The Office of the Director General of Audit, Central Revenues, New Delhi. carried out inspection of the accounts of CPR for the period 2004-2005 to 2006-2007. In their observations they have expressed their view that as per the terms and conditions stipulated in the sanction letters for grant issued by the ICSSR, the CPR has received excess grant of Rs.110.75 lakhs during the years 2005-06 and 2006-07, which is refundable. CPR has not accepted the conclusion reached by the government audit. Their report is under examination.					
Service tax cenvat credit pertains to earlier years accounted during the Financial Year 2016-17 as per the Service Tax Return dated 25.10.2016.					
<u>SIGNATURES TO SCHEDULES 1 TO 10</u>					
					For and on behalf of
					CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH
					sd
					FOR V.SANKAR AIYAR & CO.
					CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
					(Firm's Registration No. 109208W)
					sd
					(PRATAP BHANU MEHTA)
					PRESIDENT
					sd
					(M.S.BALACHANDRAN)
					PARTNER (M.No. 24282)
					sd
					(PRADEEP KHANNA)
					(L RAVI)
					CHIEF ACCOUNTS OFFICER CHIEF - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
					DATED: 03/07/2017

