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VISION STATEMENT

*** VISION**

To be a leader among the influential national and international think tanks engaged in the activities of undertaking public policy research and education for moulding public opinion.

*** OBJECTIVES**

The main objectives of the Centre for Policy Research are:

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;
3. to provide advisory services to Government, public bodies, private sector or any other institutions including international agencies on matters having a bearing on performance, optimum use of national resources for social and economic betterment;
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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PRESIDENT's REPORT

It would be difficult for a short preface to do justice to the excellence and wide ranging achievements of my colleagues. The contents of this Annual Report point to a especially productive year at CPR. Across different fields CPR continued to produce important work in several different genres. It produced the kind of books that Vikram Seth once described as ones that 'strain your purse and sprain your wrist': comprehensive, academically deep field defining books that become the indispensable starting point for all conversation in the field. This year, for instance, CPR was involved in the publication of *The Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution*, and *The Oxford Handbook of Indian Foreign Policy*, both of which have editors from CPR and were projects based at CPR. My colleagues, produced serious and path breaking academic monographs on subjects ranging from international relations to climate change law, India's contemporary economy to political theory. There was steady output of articles in learned journals. This was complemented by articles in less learned journals, but ones which serve the cause of public outreach. CPR faculty engaged with important reports from the IPCC to Indian Railways. My colleagues unflinchingly did public service, serving on Committees, engaging with a range of policy makers from civil servants to parliamentarians, from NGOs to research institutions. In these engagements they enriched the policy discourse, and enriched themselves as well (though the latter more metaphorically than literally!). I hope you will find time to go through the contents of this Report and engage with the various publications listed therein.

We hope some of this work will convey the sense of intellectual excitement we experience at CPR. Trying to snatch snippets of order and intellectual coherence from an increasingly chaotic world is not an easy task. It is always awkward to be judged in one's own cause, so we leave it to you, to assess our success and failures. What we are proud of is the fact that this intellectual effort has been undertaken in good faith, without preconception, prejudice or partisanship. As President, I have the privilege of eavesdropping on a range of intellectual endeavours and conversations of my colleagues. I am constantly grateful that within CPR we are blessed with an environment where there is genuine curiosity, openness to evidence, an ability to play with different arguments and a genuine attempt to try and figure things out. We do not always succeed, but if our work conveys some of that sense of excitement, we will have succeeded.

CPR, as you doubtless know, works in a wide variety of areas. We are broadly organised into five fields: International Relations and Security; Law, Regulation and the State, Environmental Law and Governance, Urbanisation and Economic Policy. Under these broad rubrics there are several initiatives, networks, collaborative projects that bring together teams of researchers; and researchers also produce their individual work. The work in these areas has placed CPR at the forefront of the important issues of our time: accountability, sanitation, urbanisation, land rights, climate change, technology and society, environmental law, state capacity, infrastructure, social conflict, great power politics, identity politics, election studies, and so forth. Going through the work listed here will not just be of academic interest: it will provide a sense of the big issues and arguments confronting India and its place in the world in different ways.

There are people at the centre of all this intellectual activity; people whose example and integrity shape so much of what we do. It would be remiss of me not to mention the fact that CPR still misses three impeccable stalwarts: K.C. Sivaramakrishnan, Ramaswamy Iyer and George Varghese, men of incredible commitment, integrity, intellectual range and wise intelligence. But it is a matter of some solace to us that the body of work they have left behind, still guides us, even more so in era when the values they stood for seem in ever shorter supply. CPR, and

its faculty have been recognised in many different ways. But I should mention two particular awards we are proud of this year: Navroz Dubash was the recipient of the TN Khoshoo Memorial Award. I know Navroz's stature in the field means that he honours the award more than the award honours him, but still this is just a small example of the way in which CPR has been recognised. I am also pleased to point out that CPR got its second Infosys Prize. This prestigious prize went to Srinath Raghavan, a scholar whose productivity and brilliance also seem superhuman. This kind of validation simply gives us more encouragement to do better.

Such wide ranging intellectual activity would not be possible without three kinds of support. The first is the support of the Board of CPR, under the leadership of Eric Gonsalves. The Board has guided us through an increasingly complex environment with exemplary far sightedness and integrity. I am deeply grateful to them. The second is the support of our funders, who are listed in this Report. The trust they have reposed in us and their commitment to our independence has enabled unfettered inquiry. The third is the administrative staff of CPR, led by Mr. Ravi, that goes beyond the call of duty to ensure that our academics and policy makers can do what they do best. Our communications team, headed by Richa Bansal, has also set new benchmarks in making the vibrancy of CPR more accessible. I am deeply grateful to them. I am also deeply grateful to all my colleagues for setting high standards, to our young research associates who bring such marvellous intellectual energy and technical knowledge. I hope this Report will provoke you into engaging with CPR and supporting us. Your support will mean a lot.

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

The following research publications were brought out during the year 2015-16:

A. Major Books Published

1. *Why India Is Not A Great Power(Yet)*, Bharat Karnad, Oxford University Press, 2015
2. *The Oxford Handbook of Indian Foreign Policy*, Srinath Raghavan, Oxford University Press, 2015
3. *Fixing Electoral Boundaries in India: Laws, Processes, Outcomes, and Implications for Political Representation*, K C Sivaramakrishnan, Oxford University Press, 2015
4. *Sanitation Law and Policy in India: An Introduction to Basic Instruments*, Philippe Cullet, Oxford University Press, 2015
5. *Living Rivers, Dying Rivers*, Late Ramaswamy R. Iyer, Oxford University Press, 2015
6. *The Cunning of Rights: Law, Life, Biocultures*, Rajshree Chandra, Oxford University Press, 2016
7. *India's War: The Making of Modern South Asia, 1939-1945*, Srinath Raghavan , Penguin, 2016

B. Articles Published by CPR Faculty

About **432 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:

ECONOMIC POLICY

1. Talk on “Impact of the Partition of India on Local Economic Development” by Mr Siddharth E. George, PhD candidate, Harvard University and Economist, Office of Chief Economic Advisor on 1 April 2015 at CPR
2. Talk on “India’s Inflation Story” by Mr Gangadhar Darbha, Head of Algorithmic Trading Strategies and Execution Services, Nomura Securities on 27 April 2015 at CPR
3. Roundtable on “Freedom and Development in the Fifth Schedule Areas” on 29th April 2015 at CPR
4. Talk on “Economic Sources of Political Violence in Rural India” by Dr Emmanuel Teitelbaum, Associate Professor in Political Science, Mr George Washington University, Washington DC on 8 May 2015 at CPR
5. Talk on “Comparative Work Ethic Cultures: Comments on India, US and China” by Professor R S Khare, Professor, University of Virginia, USA on 14 July 2015 at CPR
6. Presentation on “Socio-Economic and Caste Census: What is it?” by Ms Rinku Murgai, Lead Economist, World Bank and Dr Himanshu, Associate Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University on 22 July 2016 at CPR.
7. BSE-CPR Macroeconomic Seminar Series: “Indian Finance Code (IFC) – Is It a Good Framework for Monetary Policy?” on 26 October 2015 at 25th Floor Boardroom, P.J. Tower, Dalal Street, Fort, Mumbai
8. BSE-CPR Macroeconomic Seminar Series: “Channelling household savings to productive uses through the capital markets” at IDFC Institute, Mumbai on 30 November 2015 at CPR
9. Presentation on “Framework for thinking about Indian Economy” by Dr Arvind Subramanian, Chief Economic Advisor, Government of India on 22 December 2015 at CPR.
10. 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
11. BSE-CPR Macroeconomic Seminar Series: “Banking Sector Reforms in India” on 27 January 2016 at Conference Room, Bombay Stock Exchange, Corporate office, Philoze Jeejeebhoy Towers, Dalal Street, Mumbai
12. 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

13. 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

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND GOVERNANCE

1. Talk on “International Environmental Law and Climate Change: A Thirty Percent Solution?” by Dr Catherine Redgwell, Chichele Professor of Public International Law, University of Oxford and CPR Climate Initiative Visiting Fellow at Oxford on 17 April 2015 at CPR
2. Talk on “The Internationalization of Energy Law” by Dr Catherine Redgwell, Chichele Professor of Public International Law, University of Oxford and CPR Climate Initiative Visiting Fellow on 22 April 2015 at CPR
3. Seminar and discussion on “Informing India’s Energy and Climate Debate: Policy Lessons from Modelling Studies” by CPR in collaboration with IIASA, led by Dr Ajay Mathur, Director General, Bureau of Energy Efficiency and Member, Prime Minister’s Council on Climate Change on 29 April 2015 at CPR
4. Seminar on “Negotiating the 2015 Climate Agreement: Issues relating to Legal Form and Nature” on 3 July 2015 at CPR.
5. Talk on “BP Statistical Review of World Energy 2015” by Dr Kaushik Deb, Economist, British Petroleum on 17 July 2015 at CPR
6. Climate Initiative’s Media Briefing on the INDC process on 8 September 2015 at CPR
7. Consultation on “Proposed New Water Laws in Rajasthan” on 19 September 2015 at CPR
8. Seminar on “The Future of INDCs: How to Make National Contributions Effective in the 2015 Paris Agreement?” on 6 October 2015 at Residence of France Ambassador, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi
9. Roundtable on “India’s INDC” with Shri Ashok Lavasa, Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests and Climate Change, Government of India on 8 October 2015 at CPR
10. Consultation on “Institutional Framework and Data Access Issues for the National Energy Policy” on 12 October 2015 at CPR
11. Roundtable on “Preparing for Paris: Should India Seek to Leverage Up or Leverage Down the Global Climate Agreement?” on 20 November 2015 at India International Centre, New Delhi.
12. Dialogue on “Coastal Governance in Odisha” jointly organised by Centre for Policy Research, Coast Council, United Artists’ Association and Odisha Traditional Fish Workers’ Union (OTFWU) on 21 November 2015 at Red Cross Bhavan, Bhubaneswar
13. Seminar on “Coastal Governance in Kerala” jointly organised by Centre for Policy Research and University of Kerala on 4 December 2015 at University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
14. CPR Discussion on the Paris Agreement by Dr Lavanya Rajamani, Professor, Centre for Policy Research on 18 December 2015 at CPR

15. Talk on “Climate Change and the Humanities” by Professor Dipesh Chakrabarty, Department of History, The University of Chicago, USA on 1 March 2016 at CPR
16. Conference on “Development Mitigation and Futures: MAPS and DDPP experiences” jointly organised by Centre for Policy Research; Mitigation Action Plans and Scenarios (MAPS); and Deep Decarbonisation Pathways Project (DDPP) on 3-4 December 2015 in Paris, France
17. Interaction on “How will INDCs shape development? Views from Chile, China, Colombia, India, Peru & South Africa (Official COP21 Side Event)”, jointly organised by Centre for Policy Research; University of Cape Town (UCT); and SouthSouthNorth Projects Africa (SSN Africa) on 8 December 2015 at Observer Room 2, COP21 conference site, Le Bourget, Paris
18. Workshop on “Towards Methodologies for Multiple-Objective Based Energy Policy” by Centre for Policy Research and Prayas in collaboration with the Delhi Science Forum on 21 May 2015 at CPR

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND SECURITY

1. Talk on “Before 1962: The Case for 1950s Sino-Indian History” by Professor Arunabh Ghosh, Assistant Professor, Harvard University, USA on 14 July 2015 at CPR
2. Talk on “Private Wealth, the State and Popular Reaction: Parallels and Contrasts between Contemporary India and the US Gilded Age” by Professor Michael Walton, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, USA and non-resident Fellow at CPR on 30 July 2015 at CPR
3. Talk on “The US-EU GM crops controversy: A case for epistemic subsidiarity?” by Dr Sheila Jasanoff, Pforzheimer Professor of Science and Technology Studies, Harvard Kennedy School, USA on 7 August 2015 at CPR
4. Book Discussion on “Creating a New Medina: State, Power, Islam, and the Quest for Pakistan in Late Colonial North India” by Dr Venkat Dhulipala, Associate Professor, University of North Carolina Wilmington, USA on 10 August 2015 at CPR
5. Talk on “China's Power Sector Transition to a Low Carbon Future: Prospects and Challenges” by Frederick Weston, Principal and Director, China Program, The Regulatory Assistance Project, USA on 4 November 2015 at CPR
6. Talk on “Remnants of a Separation” by Ms Aanchal Malhotra, a multidisciplinary artist, received a MFA in Studio Art from Concordia University and Dr Pallavi Raghavan, Fellow, Centre for Policy Research on 11 December 2015 at CPR
7. Seminar on “South Asian constitutionalism” by Professor Mark Tushnet, William Nelson Cromwell Professor Law, Harvard Law School; Mr Madhav Khosla, Ph.D. student, Harvard University; Professor Upendra Baxi, University of Warwick; Professor Niraja Gopal Jayal, Jawaharlal Nehru University; Professor Gilles Verniers, Ashoka University; Mr Osama Siddique, Law and Policy Research Network, Lahore; Mr Prashant Jha, Hindustan Times; Mr Arun K Thiruvengadam, Azim Premji University; and Professor Aparna Chandra, National Law University on 20 January 2016 at CPR
8. 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

9. Workshop on “Inclusive and Informed Politics: Transboundary Governance of Kosi between India and Nepal” by Dr Srinivas Chokkakula, Senior Reseacher, CPR on 28 August 2015 at Hotel Vivanta by Taj-Ambassador, New Delhi
10. 5th South Asia Regional Meeting: Think Tank Initiative from 18-20 November 2015 at Westin, Sohna, Gurgaon, Haryana.
11. India-US-China Trilateral Meeting on 17-18 December 2015 at Taj Mahal Hotel, New Delhi.

LAW, REGULATIONS, AND THE STATE

1. Talk on “Striking Back: Parliamentary Responses to Judicial Review in India and the United Kingdom” by Mr Chintan Chandrachud, PhD candidate, University of Cambridge on 9 April 2015 at CPR
2. Presentation of a film on “Santhara: A Challenge to Indian Secularism?” by Mr Shekhar Hattangadi, Mumbai-based professor of constitutional law and an award-winning documentary film maker on 10 April 2015 at CPR
3. Roundtable on “No-Detention and the CCE: Failed Policy or Failed Implementation?” on 30 April 2015 at India International Centre, New Delhi.
4. Seminar on “PAISA 2015: Studies Tracking Social Sector Spending in India” on 8 May 2015 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.
5. Talk on “Poverty, Markets and Elementary Education in India” by Dr Geetha B. Nambissan, Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi on 5 June 2015 at CPR
6. Talk on “Private Enterprise in Public Education: Cautionary Tales from the US” by Dr Hema Ramanathan, Associate Professor, University of West Georgia, USA on 13 July 2015 at CPR
7. Talk on “Implementation of Forest Rights Act 2006: Lessons from the ground” by Mr Barun Mitra, Head, Liberty Institute on 21 July 2015 at CPR
8. Talk on “Local Development Funds as a Tool for Energising Local Governance” by Mr T R Raghunandan, Consultant, CPR on 28 July 2015 at CPR
9. Talk on “Institutional Reforms and the Effective Delivery of Entitlements: Lesson from India and Beyond” by Dr Prakash Kashwan, Assistant Professor, University of Connecticut, USA on 29 July 2015 at CPR
10. Seminar on “The Numbers Game: A look beneath the surface - A seminar on education data and policy” on 19 August 2015 at India International Centre, New Delhi.
11. Talk on “Evidence based interrogation of proposals to amend the law of land acquisition in India” by Mr Venkatesh Nayak, Programme Coordinator, Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, New Delhi on 15 September 2015 at CPR
12. Consultation on “The National Education Policy 2015” organised by Centre for Policy Research in collaboration with The Forum for Deliberations on Education (The Forum) and Ambedkar University Delhi (AUD) on 26 September 2015 at Faculty Lounge, Ambedkar University , New Delhi
13. Discussion on “Role of School Management Committees (SMCs) in the Indian Education System” jointly organized by the Centre for Policy Research and Central Square Foundation (CSF) on 28 September 2015 at CPR.

- 14.** Talk on “Teachers in the education system. Main insights from a nine-state study” by Dr Vimala Ramachandran, Professor, National University of Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi on 20 October 2015 at CPR
- 15.** Talk on “Tilting at Titling: Will We Ever Get it Right?” by Mr Deepak Sanan, Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Himachal Pradesh on 19 November at CPR
- 16.** Talk on “What do good schools look like? Self-assessment tools for schools” by Kavita Anand, Executive Director, Adhyayan and Professor Nargis Panchapakesan, retired Professor, University of Delhi on 20 November at CPR
- 17.** Talk on “Bihar, Bahar, and Beyond: An Analysis of the 2015 Bihar Election” by Dr Neelanjan Sircar, Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Research; Mr Bhanu Joshi, Research Associate, Centre for Policy Research; and Mr Ghanshyam Tiwari, spokesperson JD (U) on 30 November 2015 at CPR
- 18.** Talk on “Judicial Reputation: A Comparative Theory” by Professor Tom Ginsburg, Deputy Dean and Mr Leo Spitz, Professor of International Law, University of Chicago Law School, USA on 15 December 2015 at CPR
- 19.** Talk on “Monitoring Systems in Education: A Study of 5 States in India” by Ms Kiran Bhatta, Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Research; Ms Priyanka Varma, Research Associate, Centre for Policy Research; and Ms Radhika Saraf, Research Associate, Centre for Policy Research on 17 December 2015 at CPR
- 20.** Workshop on a “Draft Anti-discrimination Bill” on 18 December 2015 at CPR.
- 21.** 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
- 22.** 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
- 23.** Book Discussion on “The Cunning of Rights: Law, Life, Biocultures authored by Ms 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
- 24.** 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
- 25.** Public Forum: “Enacting Policy Reform and Building Political Capital”, jointly organised by Centre for Policy Research and Australia National University, Canberra on 1 March 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi
- 26.** Lecture on “Children with Disabilities: Analysis of their Right to Education” by Ms Radhika M Alkazi, founder ASTHA on 11 March 2016 at CPR

27. 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
28. Roundtable on “Patents & Intellectual Property Practices in Indian IT/ITeS Industry” on 22 March 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi
29. Seminar on “The Fundamental Rights to Education: Enforceable now, enforced when?” on 25 March 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi.
30. Roundtable on “The Right to Adequate Housing – a National and Global Perspective” on 27 March 2016 at India International Centre, New Delhi
31. 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.

URBANISATION

1. Talk on “Emerging Global Frameworks for Analyzing Urban Sanitation Needs: Putting Evidence-based Sanitation Research into Practice in East Asia” by Ms Isabel Blackett, Senior Sanitation Specialist for the World Bank’s Water and Sanitation Program on 22 April 2015 at CPR
2. Niti Aayog – CPR 1st Open Seminar on “Open Defecation Free (ODF) Communities: A key step towards Swachh Bharat” on 22 May 2015 at Niti Ayog, New Delhi
3. Niti Aayog – CPR 2nd Open Seminar on “Conceptualising zero-waste in India under Swachh Bharat: possibilities and challenges” on 29 June 2015 at Niti Ayog, New Delhi
4. Talk on “Listening into others: An ethnography of performing self in an Indian slum” by Ms Tripta Chandola, an independent Researcher and Ethnographer on 30 June 2015 at CPR
5. Talk on “Training Engineer Elites: Admission, Academic Trajectory and Employability at the Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur” by Professor Odile Henry, Senior Researcher, Centre for Social Sciences and Humanities, New Delhi and Mr Mathieu Henry of CPR on 8 July 2015 at CPR.
6. Talk on “Spatial and Social Dynamics of Capital Liquidity in Real Estate –the Experience of the Hong Kong REITs” by Dr Natacha Aveline, Faculty Member, French National Centre for Scientific Research, Paris on 13 August 2015 at CPR
7. Conference on “Urban Transformations in India” on 25-26 August 2015 at India International Centre and India Habitat Centre, New Delhi
8. Talk on “Generating Fiscal Space: A Suggested Framework” by Dr Mukul Asher, Professorial Fellow, National University of Singapore on 21 September 2015 at CPR
9. CPR-CII conference on “Towards Swachh Bharat: Creating Demand & Building Partnerships - National Conference on Sanitation” on 24 September 2015 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi
10. Talk on “Debt Bondage and the Tricks of Capital” by Ms Isabelle Guérin, Senior Sanitation Specialist for the World Bank’s Water and Sanitation Program on 28 September 2015 at CPR

11. Talk on “Ganges Water Machine: Constructing a Dynamic Atlas of the Ganga River Basin” by Mr Anthony Acciavatti, an architect, historian and cartographer on 14 October 2015 at CPR
12. Conference on “Water Regimes Questioned from the “Global South”: Agents, Practices and Knowledge” from 14-16 January 2016 at CPR
13. 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 Mr Ashwin Parulkar, Centre for Policy Research (Moderator) on 10 March 2016 at M. L. Bhartia Auditorium, Alliance Française New Delhi
14. CPR-CSH Workshop on “We are visioning it: Availing the Futures of the Delhi Metro” by Dr Rashmi Sadana, Assistant Professor of Anthropology at George Mason University in the Washington DC on 28 April 2015 at CPR
15. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Public Interest Litigation as a Slum Demolition Machine” by Dr Anuj Bhuwania, Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology at South Asian University, New Delhi on 26 May 2015 at CPR
16. CPR-CSH Workshop on “The Radical Ambiguities of Diversity Politics in a Global City: Lessons from London” by Dr Mike Raco, Professor, Bartlett School of Planning, University College London on 28 July 2015 at CPR
17. CPR-CSH Workshop on “UN-Habitat’s Vision and Approach to Developing Smart Cities in India” by Dr Kulwant Singh, Asia Regional Director of UN Habitat on 25 August 2015, CPR
18. CPR-CSH Workshop on “Welfare and Poverty: Trends Over a Quarter Century on Delhi’s Margins” by Dr Devesh Vijay, Associate Professor, Zakir Husain College, University of Delhi on 29 September 2015 at CPR
19. CPR-CSH “Workshop on Urban Planning and the Production of Violence on the Urban Periphery: The Case of Bombay Hotel, Ahmedabad” by Ms Renu Desai, Researcher and Coordinator, CEPT University, Allahabad on 27 October 2015 at CPR
20. CPR-CSH Urban Workshop on Decentralized urban governance in Gujarat and West Bengal? Evidence from the field of the urban environment in small cities by Dr René Véron, Professor; Ms Natasha Cornea, Ph.D. candidate; and Ms Anna Zimmer, Postdoc Research Fellow of Institute of Geography and Sustainability of the University of Lausanne (Switzerland) on 24 November 2015 at CPR
21. Consultative Workshop on the “Role of Intermediate Public Transport in Kolkata” jointly organised by Centre for Policy Research and iTrans, with the support of the Centre for Urban Economic Studies, University of Kolkata on 15 December 2015 at Centre for Humanities and Sciences, University of Calcutta, Kolkata
22. CPR-CSH Urban Workshop on “The Effect of Metro Expansions on Air Pollution in Delhi” by Dr Deepti Goel, Assistant Professor, Delhi School of Economics and a Research Fellow with IZA, Institute for the Study of Labor on 29 December 2015 at CPR
23. 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

24. 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
25. 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

CPR DISCUSSION GROUP

1. Talk on “Stuck in rentals? How Low-income Migrants Negotiate Gurgaon's Informal Rental Housing Market” by Ms Mukta Naik, Senior Research Associate, on 7 April 2015 at CPR.
2. Talk on “Criminalising Africans in Khirki Extension: Gentrifications through notions of Morality” by Ms Persis Taraporevala, Research Associate on 18 November 2015 at CPR.
3. Talk on “Urban Voting and Party Choices in Delhi: Matching Electoral Data with Property Category” by Mr Bhanu Joshi, Research Associate, Mr Kanhu Charan Pradhan at CPR and Mr Pranav Sidhwani, Student, Harvard University on 16 December 2015 at CPR
4. 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.
5. Talk on “The Evolution of Climate Institutions in India” by Ms Neha B Joseph, Research Associate, CPR on 18 March 2016 at CPR.

BOOK/REPORT LAUNCH

1. Launch of “The Oxford Handbook of INDIAN FOREIGN POLICY” edited by Mr David Malone, Mr D Raja Mohan and Mr Srinath Raghavan, jointly organized by Centre for Policy Research, Oxford University Press and Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi on 11 September 2015 at India International Centre, New Delhi
2. Release of “Living Rivers, Dying Rivers”, authored by Late Ramaswamy R Iyer on 23 September 2016 by Mr Jairam Ramesh, former Minister of Rural Development, Government of India at India International Centre, New Delhi
3. Launch of “Why India is Not a Great Power (Yet)” authored by Mr Bharat Karnad, by Gen. V K Singh (retd.), Minister of State for External Affairs followed by a Panel Discussion on 24 September 2016 at India Habitat Centre New Delhi.
4. Launch 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

CPR's INITIATIVES

I. Accountability Initiative

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.

Accountability and Public Finance

Accountability Initiative's Public Finance research aims at studying plans, budgets and fund flows in key social sector programs to promote greater transparency, participation and accountability for improved outcomes. This is achieved through PAISA Studies and Budget Briefs.

This body of research is aimed at generating a wider public debate both within and outside government on the strengths and limits of the current inter-government transfer systems and to debate mechanisms to align social sector financing with the goal of accountability for improved service delivery outcomes.

PAISA Studies

PAISA – Planning, Allocations and Expenditures, Institutions Studies in Accountability is AI's flagship project. PAISA is an effort to understand implications of the inter-governmental transfer systems on the delivery of social sector programmes at the front line. It does this by tracking plans, budgets, fund flows, and decision making systems across the administrative hierarchy.

Publications:

1. Power to the States: Making Fiscal Transfers Work - Yamini Aiyar, Avani Kapur, et al. (2015)
2. State of the Nation: RTE Section 12(1)(c) 2015 - Ankur Sarin, Sunaina Kuhn, et al. (2015)
3. Rules vs Responsiveness - Yamini Aiyar, Ambrish Dongre, Avani Kapur, Anit N Mukherjee, T.R. Raghunandan
4. State of the Nation: RTE Section 12(1)(c) Provisional- Ambrish Dongre, et al. (2016)
5. PAISA for Panchayat – TR Raghunandan, Swaroop Iyengar, Padmapriya Janakiraman (2016)
6. Taxes: Price of Civilization or Tribute to Leviathan?- Lant Pritchett, Yamini Aiyar (2015)

Budget Briefs

An annual series aimed at strengthening transparency in India's public management system and fostering greater engagement between citizens and government by making budget data more accessible.

Publications:

1. Integrated Child Development Services, GOI, (2016-16) - Avani Kapur, Ekta Joshi and Vikram Srinivas (2016)
2. Sarv Shiksha Abhiyaan, GOI, (2016-17)- Avani Kapur and Vikram Srinivas (2016)
3. Swachh Bharat Mission, Gramin, GOI, (2016-17)- Avani Kapur, Vikram Srinivas and Priyanka Roy Choudary (2016)
4. National Health Mission, GOI, (2016-17)- State of Social Sector Spending (2015-16)- Padmapriya Janakiraman and Avani Kapur(2016)
5. State of Social Sector Expenditure in 2015-16- Avani Kapur, Vikram Srinivas and Priyanka Roychoudary (2016)

Accountability and Public Administration

Our research on accountability and public administration is covered through two domains- evaluating social accountability and understanding bureaucracy.

Social Accountability

The research in this area focuses on documenting and evaluating the many social accountability experiments that have unfolded in India over the last decade. The objective of this research is to contribute towards efforts at building a robust analytical framework on the theory of social accountability and its impact on citizen participatory and the quality of services delivered.

Publications:

1. Rights, Accountability and Citizenship- Yamini Aiyar, Michael Walton (2015)

Understanding Bureaucracy

The research in this domain is focused towards studying public administration in India. The emphasis of this research is on building a greater body of knowledge on the understanding how the Indian state bureaucracy works particularly at the level of implementation. It is aimed at understanding the everyday practices of local bureaucrats, the decision-making systems within which they function and the organizational culture and norms that this fosters.

Publications:

1. Education reforms, bureaucracy and the puzzles of implementation: A case study from Bihar- Yamini Aiyar, Ambrish Dongre, Vincy Davis (2015)
2. The Post Office Paradox-Yamini Aiyar, Sharanya Bhattacharya (2016)
3. Role of Activity Mapping in Democratic Good Governance (Book Chapter)-Vincy Davis(2015)

II. Climate Initiative

Over the last year the Climate Initiative continued to contribute to research and dialogue on international and domestic issues in the field of climate, energy and environment. Some notable contributions were:

1. A research report authored in collaboration with International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) that compared 7 recent modelling studies that explored India's energy and emissions futures.
2. A set of 5 policy briefs that addressed the need for a sustainable development led climate policy for India, a methodology for multi criteria decision analysis for energy policy and a review of effectiveness of established institutions for climate governance.
3. A journal article (published in the Modern Law Review) and a policy brief on differentiation in the 2015 climate agreement and a second brief on the legal nature of the 2015 agreement.
4. Articles in the Economic and Political Weekly on
 - Methodologies for operationalising a multiple objective framework for development and climate policy.
 - Addressing loss and damage from climate change impacts. Analysis of India's intended nationally determined contribution.

Some of the events organised were:

1. A workshop in collaboration with Energy Research Centre, University of Cape Town and Prayas (Energy Group), Pune that focused on a ways forward for multiple objectives approach to energy policy
2. A roundtable for 20 parliamentarians, in collaboration with GLOBE India, to discuss India's position and interests at COP21.
3. A consultation organized on "Institutional Framework and Data Access Issues" as an input to the National Energy Policy (NEP) being led by Niti Aayog
4. A roundtable with Shri Ashok Lavasa, former Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, to discuss India's intended climate contributions.
5. An official side event at COP21 in Paris focusing on the intended climate contributions of India, China, Chile and Peru and how they will impact their domestic development processes.
6. A post COP21 debrief event that unpacked the Paris Agreement and its implications for India.

CI was also directly engaged in various high-level national and international fora on climate and energy issues:

1. Navroz K Dubash was Lead Author of the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change's Working Group III report and author of the synthesis of the Fifth Assessment Report. He was also a member of the steering committee for the 2015 UNEP Emissions Gap Report.
2. Lavanya Rajamani was part of the core drafting and legal advisory team to the Secretariat of the UNFCCC at COP21.

3. Navroz K Dubash and Shibani Ghosh actively participated in the drafting of a new renewable energy law as part of a committee convened by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.

Our public engagement in the past year included launching a Climate Initiative blog in the run up to the COP21, publishing 18 opinion pieces in leading international and domestic media outlets, and organising an interaction with journalists prior to the release of India's climate contribution.

III. Governance and Public Policy Initiative

Governance and Public Policy Initiative (GPPI) aims to provide a cross functional international network of think tanks and academic institutions to continuously strengthen our public policy initiatives. Set up with the objective of strengthening parliamentary diplomacy that binds India and the world, GPPI intends to promote thoughtful debate and dialogue on issues which exemplify the key challenges on the global governance agenda.

The primary focus of GPPI is on key domestic issues through a series of interactive discussions with leading institutions & NGOs to facilitate wider exchanges of views and dialogue between Members of Parliament and experts, civil society and key government officials. Keeping this objective in mind, GPPI-CPR has organized numerous interactive discussions of Parliamentarians focusing on political discourse, social issues, maternal and child health, sanitation, urban issues, financial inclusion and climate change with noted civil society members and experts.

GPPI also conducts bespoke academic programs for Indian Members of Parliament with world class Universities such as Princeton, King's College London, Yale, Oxford, University of Sydney, Australia National University, Tel Aviv University and Hebrew University

Listed below are activities which took place during this period

The Governance and Public Policy Initiative (GPPI) continued with its ongoing overseas academic outreach programmes for Indian Parliamentarians, and also organised domestic discussions on sectors such as Sanitation, Agriculture, Digitizing India, and Child Survival. Key activities included:

Domestic:

1. Post the announcement of the budget in 2016, GPPI organised a discussion on *The Challenges Facing Indian Agriculture*, featuring key national experts. The discussion identified policy reforms and initiatives required, drawing on best practices from Indian states.
2. With the present government's Swachh Bharat Campaign, sanitation has gained tremendous impetus and political attention. To get a brief overview of the general sanitation situation in rural & urban India today and the overarching challenges faced in meeting the target for a Swachh Bharat in the next 4 years, GPPI organised an interactive discussion on "*Swachh Bharat: Key Challenges in Rural & Urban Sanitation*" with a group of 27 Members of Parliament on August 11, 2015.
3. GPPI organised a discussion on "*Digitizing India: Cashless, paperless and presence-less service delivery – the future of India?*" on Dec 14, 2015 to discuss the enormous emphasis placed on improving online infrastructure and online activity particularly in the Banking and Finance sector (with initiatives such as Jan Dhan Yojna) which has a huge potential to transform India in its digital

platforms enabling a cashless, paperless and presence-less service delivery system powered by India-Stack.

International Academic Programs:

1. *Princeton:* As part of its academic outreach programme, GPPI took a group of six multi-party political leaders for the fourth leg of the *Princeton-GPPI-CPR Strategic Affairs Program* at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public & International Affairs from April 5 - 9, 2015.
2. *King's College London:* A multi-party group of eight Parliamentarians attended the 2015 *Chevening - CPR Parliamentarians Fellowship Program* from November 1 – 7, 2015 accompanied by Mr Ramesh Chandran, Director GPPI & Senior Fellow. This exclusive seven day program is held at the Department of War Studies and the India Institute at King's College London. The program also included a working lunch at the House of Lords with peers and MPs led by Lord Bilimoria as well as an interaction with Rt. Hon. Hugo Swire at the House of Commons.
3. *Australia:* A delegation of six Indian political leaders participated in a week long program in 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 at the Australia National University from May 13 - 20, 2015 - organised in partnership with Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.
4. *Israel:* In partnership with the Israel Foreign Office, GPPI organised a 5 day delegation visit of a select group of political leaders which included discussions at the Tel Aviv University besides meetings with senior Israeli government officials and Members of the Knesset (Parliament) and onsite visits relating to agriculture; drip irrigation and water management projects.

FUNDED RESEARCH PROJECTS

I. CPR-Namati Collaborative Programme on Environmental Justice

The Centre for Policy Research- Namati Environmental Justice Program has created a network of grassroots legal professionals, who research questions regarding environment law implementation and citizens' empowerment by participating in the process of resolving environmental non compliance and related impacts that affect communities. The program's paralegals are trained in basic law and in skills like mediation, education, and legal doctrine. Through this process, the Program builds an epistemic community geared towards finding solutions to environmental challenges.

The methodological assumption is that only through participation in the crafting of remedies do we truly understand the impact of legislation and institutional action. The purpose of this participation in the life of law is to strengthen both citizens and institutions. By performing the necessary task of interface and interaction between citizen and state these paralegals help institutions understand better where citizens are coming from; and they help citizens understand better the issues involved in regulation.

The program actively uses data collected by paralegals to inform the implementation of laws and policies on the environment. It engages in

1. Analysis of institutional structures and practices for environmental governance
2. Drafting recommendations and responding to policy and legal changes on the environment, and
3. Creation of avenues for discussions on environmental law implementation with policy makers, regulators and citizens.

Key highlights from 2015-16:

Research and Advocacy on Coastal Governance

Coastal Zone Management Authorities (CZMAs) were set up in 1998 in all coastal states and the national level for the implementation of the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification. While the notification itself has been reviewed multiple times, these authorities have not been studied. With eight to fifteen members each, these Authorities are required to manage a coastline of approximately 8000 km.

The EJ program analysed this institution over the last three years and published its analysis and findings in the report titled “CZMAs and Coastal Environments: two decades of regulating land use change on India’s coastline”. The report got a wide coverage from the print and online media and more than 15 stories based on the findings of the report were carried in the three months of its publication. Post the publication of the report, the EJ program has been tracking the changes being introduced to the CRZ Notification by the Central Government. By highlighting the impact of these changes in the light of the performance of CZMAs and the status of implementation of the CRZ Notification, the program has informed the discourse on coastal governance in the media and policy arenas.

Findings of the report were shared through state level meetings in Odisha, Kerala and Karnataka. The meetings helped in contextualizing the findings of the report and initiating dialogue around the challenges to land use management on the coast. The meetings were covered by the regional media, which helped creating a wider awareness on concerns pertaining to coastal governance.

Reviewing and Strengthening Institutions Created for Environmental Compliance Monitoring

The core area of the EJ program has been to reduce the compliance gap in environmental regulation. Three teams of trained community paralegals research the status of compliance of projects in Gujarat, North Karnataka and Chhattisgarh. They engage the regulators and affected people to attend to these projects and suggest remedial actions within the framework of law. In 2015-16, they identified 75 cases related to water pollution, solid waste management, blocking of access to public spaces and illegal sand mining. Along with identifying appropriate remedies their ongoing research has analysed institutional responses and actions to complaints and the factors affecting grievance redressal. Practical measures have been suggested to strengthen the decentralized institutions of governance to address these issues.

Inputs into Policy Making

An ongoing activity of the program has been to respond to policy changes proposed by the government. The program has participated in government's meetings to discuss policy changes. It has also made submissions based on the program's research findings to the legal amendments proposed. In 2015-2016, the following submissions were made:

1. Recommendations to the Joint Parliamentary Committee constituted to examine the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (Second Amendment Bill, 2015) in writing and through a deposition.
2. Recommendations on the draft amendment to the CRZ Notification, 2011
3. Recommendations on the Draft Environment Laws Bill, 2015 proposing amendments to Environment Protection Act, 1986 and National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.
4. Recommendations on the Draft Ecologically Sensitive Areas' Notification for Western Ghats.
5. Recommendations on the Draft amendment to the Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 referring to mining of sand and minor minerals. *Five of the recommendations/suggestions were incorporated in the final amendment issued by the Central Government*
6. Recommendations on the Draft amendment to the Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 referring to accreditation of consultants to prepare Environment Impact Assessment Reports.
7. Participation in a MoEF committee to review amendments to the EIA notification, 2006 and written inputs on guidelines under the notification.
8. Participation in National Stakeholder Consultation Workshop on "National Forest Policy - Review and Revision" on 15th Dec, 2015 and inputs to the process of reviewing the national forest policy.

II. Mapping Urban Healthcare

Mapping Urban Healthcare is the first project in a series examining the urban healthcare space in India. Urban vulnerable groups often pushed to the fringe of society, face the greatest challenges to their health and in access to health services. Government of India, as part of its commitment to providing Universal Health Coverage to all its citizens, launched the National Urban Health Mission in 2013. In doing so, it expanded its existing role as a stakeholder in the field. Several other actors also play significant roles in different aspects of urban healthcare. This research sought to map all stakeholders whose role is critical to India's urban healthcare landscape, delineate the scope of their work and the challenges posed to them during their efforts. In doing so, it looked to generate discussion on the experiences and incentives of

stakeholders, spur dialogue on possible coordinated action and contribute to the urban health mission through development of systematized platforms for finding solutions to the urban health conundrum.

The project team conducted an extensive mapping of urban health stakeholders in the country detailing the period, scope and limitations of their work. The stakeholders documented include the public sector, international and national donor and aid organizations, non-government organizations, research organizations, universities with public health schools, autonomous organizations, the private sector and civil society organizations.

A submission on the research entitled ‘Mapping Urban Healthcare Stakeholders for Universal Health Coverage in India’ has been made to the World Health Organization (WHO-ICO).

A policy brief ‘Urban Health Stakeholders in India: Learnings for UHC’ has also been shared with WHO-ICO for further dissemination.

III. Scaling-Up Urban Healthcare Services in India

The National Urban Health Mission was launched in 2013 with the aim of universalizing urban healthcare in India. While the complexities of the urban scenario present impediments that make provision of healthcare for its most marginalized populations a challenge for policymakers, there is widespread acknowledgement that the pace of implementation of the mission needs to be substantially improved if the most vulnerable are not to be passed over in the process of economic growth. For this goal to be achieved, there is need to better understand the obstacles to governance and the gaps in capacities of decision makers and implementers. The present research is second in a project series on urban healthcare. It aims to document the different frameworks of governance that oversee urban health in India in an attempt to flesh out the bottlenecks that policy makers and implementers face in rolling out services. It also seeks to explore the capacities of public health professionals and their training needs. The overall objective of the study is to propose practical strategies for accelerating the scale up of the urban health mission.

The project started towards the end of 2015-16. Since then, the research team has carried out comprehensive review of the varying governance structures for urban health across Indian states and capacities of public health professionals to deliver universal healthcare with special focus on the marginalized groups. An analytical framework for study of the lacunae in delivery of services has been developed.

Current field research is being conducted in 4 states. The team is working closely with national, state and city level public sector health structures and officers to conduct the study.

IV. 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.

V. Creating a Comprehensive Indian Development Cooperation Database- Phase 2

India's development cooperation program has evolved considerably since India's independence. It has witnessed a significant growth over the last decade and is comparable to the foreign aid budgets of some of the high income smaller European countries. Moreover, the only difference between these and India's development assistance budget is that India's budget is growing at a much more rapid pace than them. However, despite the pivotal position of India's development cooperation as a foreign policy tool, there has been major drawbacks when it comes to understanding India's development assistance program. One of this is lack of a comprehensive database of Indian development assistance.

Thus, the Indian Development Cooperation Research (IDCR) program at the Centre for Policy Research have tried to address this issue by creating one of its kind comprehensive, consistent and internationally comparable database of India's development cooperation. The database takes a detailed look into India's development initiatives extended towards foreign governments through instruments such as the Lines of Credit and Grants. Importantly, our database provides detailed knowledge of such kind of financial assistance, providing insights on the sector, geographical location, and costs of the project. Furthermore, the program has also looked into the specific purpose of the financial assistance, amount committed (both total and on annual basis), expenditure incurred, financing agency involved, technical component and environmental impact assessment of such assistance.

The past financial year has been crucial for India's economic diplomacy including its ever expanding development cooperation program. The IDCR program has augmented its database by capturing all the announcements, commitments and the expenditure incurred by the Indian government towards its development cooperation program as well as looked into commitments made towards International Financial Institutions and crucial programs including the flagship ITEC program and other initiatives such as the Pan African e-Network. This involved incorporating data from Union budget documents as well as keeping tap on announcements made during bilateral visits and multilateral events including the third India-Africa Forum Summit. Furthermore, the program also analyzed the amount extended towards programs such as the ITEC program and the amount extended in form of Lines of Credit (LOC) by the EXIM bank of India and also the ongoing operative LOCs. Importantly, the specific ministry involved in such assistance and mode and means of such commitments and the purpose involved has also been given due attention. Amounts extended towards multilateral institutions as well as the incoming foreign assistance towards India have also been captured during the FY 2015-16. Overall, database has become much more comprehensive and has better a much higher explanatory power attached to it.

VI. 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.

A two-day conference was organised in August 2015 to discuss and debate ideas emerging from the outputs of this project. Researchers, policy makers, government officials as well as community representatives and activists participated in this conference.

VII. Informed and Inclusive Politics for Transboundary Water Sharing in South Asia

The research, funded by the Asia Foundation, New Delhi, looks at nonstate actors’ engagement in transboundary governance of the Kosi river between India and Nepal. Transboundary water governance is essentially statist project with no formal avenues for nonstate actors’ participation. Yet nonstate actors engage in politics and practices that shape the outcomes. The research probes into the multiscale politics in the Kosi river basin along the border in both India and Nepal; and, also in Delhi Kathmandu. The purpose is to delineate nonstate actors’ strategies to engage and influence state’s high politics. An additional interest is also to understand how better access to information may enable and/or empower their strategies.

The methodology involved extensive secondary source material review supported by some archival research; field work in Kosi basin: in the state of Bihar in India and, in Saptari and Sunsari districts of Nepal; and, key informant interviews and consultations in Delhi and Kathmandu with state functionaries, policy makers and NGOs. At the end of the research, a dissemination workshop in Delhi has been organized. The workshop was attended by representatives from several key government agencies of India, including the Central Water Commission and the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation.

Policy inputs

1. The research has shown that the existing transboundary governance arrangements, the legal and institutional mechanisms in place, are outdated and inadequate to meet variety of challenges, which include: disaster prevention and response, climate change, and other uncertainties. It is necessary to review the Kosi agreement for comprehensive engagement with transboundary governance

issues.

2. The research mapped the multiscalar sub-national politics to explain how and why the status quo is preferred and maintained, for flood protection and response in the Kosi basin. The politics of embankment economies in Bihar, and the sustained antagonistic politics between India and Nepal are contributing to this stagnant situation, frustrating progressive interventions for better and enduring transboundary coordination and governance.
3. Absence of formal avenues for participation, and lack of access to accountable and authentic information are adding to the production of the antagonistic politics in the basin.

VIII. Mobilizing the state: India's economic diplomacy in the 21st century

While economic diplomacy has always been an integral part of India's foreign policy, it has started receiving much wider attention ever since the liberalization of Indian economy in the 1990s. With the onset of twenty first century especially during the past decade or so, Indian state has provided substantial impetus to its economic relations abroad. This has been analyzed much more in detail during the workshop organized by the Indian Development Cooperation Program (IDCR) program in June, 2014, which analyzed the nature of India's economic diplomacy abroad, looked at the current shortcomings of India's approach in this respect and mapped out crucial recommendations for making India's diplomacy much more effective.

Importantly, India's development cooperation program constitute one of the pivotal foundation of India's growing economic diplomacy. Furthermore, it is being manifested majorly through extension of financial grants, concessional credit lines (Lines of Credit) and technical cooperation in form of measures such as scholarships and training programs. Indian government has also been putting sincere emphasis in increasing the efficiency of its program of development cooperation and further strengthening it as an instrument of India's economic diplomacy. Thus, understanding the crucial nature of India's development cooperation program in enhancing India's bilateral and multilateral ties as well as adding weightage to its overall bargaining power in the global development landscape, the IDCR program was formed. The main objective of the program is to provide public with detailed insight on India's large and rapidly growing development cooperation program. This has been targeted through the following:

1. Development of a comprehensive, consistent and internationally comparable database on Indian development cooperation.
2. Public dissemination of Narratives on India's bilateral and multilateral development partnerships.

The past financial year has been truly remarkable for the Indian development cooperation abroad. It saw Indian government extend its development partnership both at bilateral and multilateral level as well as enhance India's position in the global development architecture through active participation in negotiations surrounding the Addis Ababa Action Agenda and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Importantly, over the past financial year the IDCR Program developed detailed insights into India's development initiatives. Some of the crucial narratives written during this time period include analysis of India's relations with the Indian Ocean Region, Africa, and Central Asia region as well as with countries in its immediate neighborhood. Importantly, for the first time the program also looked at the other side of coin and analyzed India's position as a recipient of foreign aid by analyzing in detail India's relation with Japan. These have been further disseminated to public. Importantly, the program also

upgraded its database to make it much more comprehensive and explanatory in nature.

IX. Land Rights Initiative

India faces serious challenges in constructing development paths that are socially inclusive, ecologically sustainable, and economically and politically feasible. Conflicts over land between different groups, and between different groups and the state, have historically slowed down and sometimes stalled the development juggernaut. The Land Rights Initiative was set up in November 2014, to create an institutional space for facilitating systematic research on the state's relationship to land in India. This is important because both the colonial and post-colonial Indian state, have been constantly reshaping property rights in India, in pursuance of their broader goals of economic development and social redistribution. Moreover, the Indian state is the largest owner and controller of land in India, and yet both the nature and extent of the state's ownership and control of land is insufficiently mapped. Through our work, we seek to meaningfully intervene in current policy debates on these issues and contribute to a robust public discourse.

Following projects were undertaken under this initiative during this year:

Land Conflicts project: The goal of this project is to develop a better understanding of conflicts relating to land acquisition by the state, by building systematic knowledge on the subset of legal disputes that have been litigated before the Supreme Court of India. Despite its contentious nature, the debate on land acquisition has been marked by a lack of systematic and comprehensive data in support of particular positions. Existing studies on land acquisition have tended to focus on particular issues, like compensation, or on particular conflicts, or have been otherwise limited in terms of geography and time. In this recently concluded study, the Land Rights Initiative team has compiled findings from a systematic study of all cases on land acquisition decided by the Supreme Court of India from 1950 to 2015. The LRI team analysed these cases along various metrics, such as public purpose, procedure, compensation, invocation of the urgency clause, pendency of claims, and tracked trends with respect to distribution of conflicts across geography and time, and central and state laws.

Land Rights in the Scheduled Areas: This project investigates why despite the existence of constitutional protections for the Scheduled Tribes, enshrined in the Fifth and Sixth Schedules of the Constitution, the STs continue to be the most vulnerable and marginalised groups in India. Though Scheduled Tribes constitute only 8.2% of the total population, they constitute 55% of the people displaced since independence. Through archival research and case studies of four states, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, and Meghalaya, the first three of which are Fifth Schedule states, and the last is a Sixth Schedule state, we are mapping the separate legal regime that governs property rights in the Scheduled areas. Our preliminary findings indicate that significant legal and institutional continuities between the colonial and post-colonial Indian state in terms of management of rights to land, forests, and mineral resources, run counter to the protective constitutional provisions, thereby facilitating the displacement and impoverishment of the Scheduled Tribes.

X. Reducing Trade Barriers to Food Trade in India

The project titled 'Reducing Trade Barriers to Food Trade in India' was initiated in July 2015 between Centre for Policy Research and CUTS International with support from The Asia Foundation. The project

entailed two activities – research and advocacy that were undertaken by CUTS and CPR individually. The purpose of the research project was to identify product and port-specific non-tariff measures to imports of a few selected agricultural, food and processed food items from South Asian countries especially Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Pakistan into India. The main objective was to provide policy makers, government officials and other relevant stakeholders with a set of recommendations to eliminate identified non-tariff measures at their respective levels. The research was undertaken by the CUTS team at four land ports – Attari, Agartala, Petrapole and Raxaul and two sea ports – Mumbai and Chennai. After collecting and reviewing data and other information gathered from several ports in India, along with discussions and meetings with local level stakeholders, a research report was prepared jointly by CUTS and CPR researchers, which was released in February 2016. CPR team organized many review meetings for the project between September and October 2015 and invited officials from government agencies such as customs, plant/animal quarantine, warehousing, Food, Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), among others. Many private stakeholders like exporters and importers of selected agricultural products from different regions also participated in the review meetings organized regularly by CPR in New Delhi. Post the dissemination meeting for the project organized by CPR in February 2016, the CPR team moved ahead with its advocacy agenda that involved creating a reform coalition between researchers, think tanks, importers/exporters and relevant government agencies to undertake discussions on strategies to advance on the identified bottlenecks in the report. The CPR team held discussions with several government officials at regional and national levels on the identified issues in cross-border trade between India and her South Asian neighbours (as highlighted in the research report) and invited them to participate in the reform collation agenda pursued by CPR and CUTS. After these meetings, a narrative report along with four policy briefs, highlighting the issues and challenges at regional and national levels, was prepared by CPR and submitted to The Asia Foundation in May 2016 that marked the end of the project activities.

XI. The Creation of Smaller States Promoting Inclusive Development?

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, the study uses the political settlements approach to characterise sub-national political settlements in these two newly created states, and deploy it to explain variations in the two states' approach to promoting inclusive development in selected arenas. 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 of study, going beyond the state-level to the district, block and village levels in order to capture granular details of the subject for a more comprehensive understanding.
2. An in-house workshop was organized at Centre for Policy Research in August 2015 in order to facilitate an initial discussion on presentations following fieldwork in four districts in the two states.
3. Additional follow-up fieldwork was carried out in the year 2016 to better understand certain key aspects of the domains so as to provide a more nuanced explanation to what is already a part of existing literature.

XII. Agricultural Biotechnology and the Changing Architecture of Property and Rights

Work on the ICSSR Post-Doctoral Fellowship – a book project - began in December 2013. The submitted report (June, 2015) is divided into two sections. Chapters 1- 4 form Section I of the book and deal with the making of biogenetic/biotic property. Chapters 4-6 form Section II – they engage with a range of biocultural entitlements that emerge from biotic property

Section I – concerns itself explicitly with the “architecture of biological property” the technological, and juridical innovations that together frame IP law and create within it objects of biocultural property. I examine the discursive modes by which technology, law, and moral rhetoric stabilize innovation claims in entities that are self propagating and self organizing.

Section II looks at the three biocultural entitlements – benefits (access and benefit sharing entitlements), privileges (farmers’ privileges) and rights (farmers’ rights).

This section is divided into 3 chapters. Chapter 4 analyses the framework of benefit sharing entitlements. It evaluates the content of the entitlements in terms of publicized benefit sharing cases – Kani, San, Aguaruna, Mayan. Chapter 5 examines “farmers’ privilege” and its progressive devaluation by UPOV amendments and the unfreedoms of the farmers especially in countries like the US and Canada, demonstrated through examples and case laws. And finally I examine in detail the sui generis provision of farmers’ rights in the India in chapter 6, its stated intent, its content, its strategy of overlapping rights, its discursive commitment to individual rights and its legislative commitment to the socio-economic location of small and marginal farmers.

Chapter 7 concludes by making the assertion that three entitlements enact the cunning, the sly civility that mimics and universalizes the “properties” of techno-scientific innovation. It also argues that the rhetoric of legal pluralism mutates into a practice of political culturalism, where culture is wielded as a political resource and is reconstituted in the process, both juridically in the text of IP law and legally in the practice of TRIPS.

The report was completed and submitted to ICSSR in June 2015

XII. Sensitizing Elected Representatives on Maternal and Child Health, Digital Financial Inclusion, Sanitation and Agriculture

GPPI-CPR has an ongoing project with BMGF on Sensitizing Elected Representatives on Maternal and Child Health, Sanitation, Digital Financial Inclusion and Agriculture. 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.

Some of the activities undertaken under this project include –

1. Interactive Discussion on "Reproductive, Maternal, Neonatal and Child Health in India: Status & Challenges" with a multi-party group of MPs and presentations by Dr K Srinath Reddy, President, Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI); and Prof. Vinod Paul, Professor and Head, Department of Pediatrics, AIIMS, New Delhi.
2. Interactive Discussion on "Swachh Bharat: Key Challenges in Rural & Urban Sanitation" to discuss and to get a brief overview of the general sanitation situation in rural & urban India today and the overarching challenges faced in meeting the target for a Swachh Bharat in the next 4 years.
3. Interactive Discussion on "Digital Financial Inclusion in India" & "Banking Every Indian" to understand the various nuances about financial inclusion, the significance and need for digital financial inclusion in India for bridging the poor households with the formal financial systems, where are we today in terms of achieving it, the Jan Dhan Yojana scheme and its status, and what basic steps the government could take to make it achievable and meaningful.
4. Interactive Discussion on "Digitizing India: Cashless, Paperless, Presence-less Service Delivery - the Future of India?" to discuss the enormous emphasis placed on improving online infrastructure and online activity particularly in the Banking and Finance sector (with initiatives such as Jan Dhan Yojna) which has a huge potential to transform India in its digital platforms enabling a cashless, paperless and presence-less service delivery system powered by India-Stack.
5. Interactive Discussion on "The Challenges Facing Indian Agriculture" - how the agriculture sector has evolved in the country economically, in terms of production, prices, outputs etc. over the past one decade; focus of 2016 budget on farm policies and challenges and what kind of interventions need to be carried out in terms reforms, budget and policy initiatives and how welfare schemes such as Prime Minister Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMSKY) should be refocused and reformed for improved & better developments in agriculture sector.

XIV. Collaboration on Intergovernmental Transfers for Health in India

In 2014, Accountability Initiative partnered with the Centre for Global Development (CGD), Washington DC to formulate a joint working group on understanding intergovernmental fiscal transfers for health. The study reviews past policies related to fiscal transfers for health, to understand the effectiveness of the current inter-governmental transfer system in incentivizing equity and performance. In conclusion, the paper looks ahead to the implications of its 14th Finance Commission report vis-à-vis health financing at the state level. As part of the study 2 working group meetings were held with a number of stakeholders including civil society organizations, research institutes and government officials in December 2014 and May 2015. The working group report was published at the end of 2015.

XV. 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. The project has both contributed to, and benefitted from the dynamic policy situation in India focusing on sanitation. The project team has contributed to this by its continued support to the national government as well as to Odisha, and in Rajasthan, to the city government of Udaipur. We have extended our engagement to both the Urban Development (responsible for SBM (Urban)), as well as to the Drinking Water & Sanitation ministries; the latter being the nodal ministry for SBM in India.

During this period,

1. The project deepened its engagement with the NITI Aayog to curate an Open Seminar series to deliberate models for urban sanitation through a series of thematic seminars. Two seminars were organised as follows:
 - “Open Defecation Free (ODF) Communities: A key step towards Swachh Bharat” in May 2015; and
 - “Conceptualising zero-waste in India under Swachh Bharat: possibilities and challenges” in June 2015
2. In September 2015, the Project, in partnership with CII (Confederation of Indian Industries), organised a national conference titled “Towards Swachh Bharat: Creating Demand and Building Partnerships”, where a report on Swachh Bharat: Industry Engagement–Scope and Enterprise was released. It was attended by the Union Minister for Urban Development, Shri Venkaiah Naidu, and saw participation from across sectors: government, corporates, NGOs, social entrepreneurs and practitioners, and domain experts in public finance, corporate social responsibility, sanitation, and PPP.
3. 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. Three seminars were organised this year:
 - “Urban Sanitation Services for everyone and serving the unserved: Snapshots of global developments and from East Asia” on 22nd April 2015, Isabel Blackett, Senior Sanitation Specialist, World Bank's Water & Sanitation Program, Jakarta;
 - “Generating fiscal space: A suggested space”, Mukul Asher, Professorial Fellow, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore; and
 - “Ganges Water Machine: Constructing a Dynamic Atlas of the Ganga River Basin” on 14th October 2015, Anthony Acciavatti, Columbia University, New York
4. The “Water Regimes” workshop, which focused on the key players implementing policies and contributing to the doxa on water management, was organised in collaboration with the Centre de Sciences Humaines (New Delhi), UMI iGlobes (CNRS, University of Arizona), French Institute of Pondicherry and the support of the Indo French Water Network (Embassy of France) ANR Engind in January 2016.
5. Along with its partner in the state, Practical Action, the project team hosted an official delegation, led by the Secretary, Housing and Urban Development Department, Government of Odisha, to Malaysia for an exposure to faecal sludge management (FSM) systems.

6. A report titled Faecal Waste Management In Smaller Cities Across South Asia: Getting Right the Policy and Practice was presented at the SACOSN VI conference in Dhaka, Bangladesh in January 2016.

XVI. Patent and Intellectual Property Practices in Modern Knowledge-Intensive Services and Industries

Modern Knowledge-Intensive Business Services, particularly computer and information services have led India's integration into the global economy. An effective IP regime is critical to sustaining the growth and innovation in booming IT and e-commerce sectors and maximizing their contribution to the public interest at large. The Centre for Policy Research undertook a small exploratory project directed by Dr Anupam Khanna during FY2015-16 on Patents & Intellectual Property Practices In Modern Services Industries. Supported by the Prosperity Fund of the UK High Commission, the endeavor compiled relevant evidence within a coherent framework to inform the policy debates relating to patenting of software and business methods in India. In addition to statistics from the national patent office and a historical review of the policy and guidelines on computer-related inventions, structured interviews were conducted with a cross-section of firms, particularly small and medium enterprises and startups.

Recent experience in selected countries (e.g. Europe, Japan, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States of America) was also distilled to identify emerging policy issues of relevance to India including current controversies relating inter alia to Standard-Essential Patents (SEP), royalty stacking, and patent assertion entities ("trolls") are specifically considered. A roundtable of industry, international academics, think tanks, and government was organized in late March, 2016, the highlights of which included an update on the government's policy agenda by the Secretary, DIPP and the Patent Office; lessons of experience in the US (and other countries) by the founding Chief Economist of the US Patent Office and by the White House Adviser on patent reform; and a lively debate between key industry groups (including their legal advisers) especially related to mobile telecommunications. The activities and preliminary findings were shared during the course of the project by Dr Khanna at a number of conferences and discussions in Delhi, Bengaluru, Stanford and the European Patent Office in Munich. A policy brief is under revision.

XVII. 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 in May last year the project's progress has been slow. An editor who was engaged by Prof. KC

Sivaramakrishnan had submitted a revised manuscript which is pending revisions as substantial portions of the chapters might require editing and fact – checking.

XVIII. Study on Census Towns in India

Emerging spaces like Census Towns, which are ‘urban’ areas still governed by ‘rural’ administrative units or the *Panchayats*, are often left out of policy conversations. A report for the World Bank titled, *India– Understanding India’s urban frontier: what is behind the emergence of census towns in India?*, co-authored by Partha Mukhopadhyay and Marie-Helene Zerah and released in August 2015, focused on specific economic and governance characteristics of census towns. The report was an outcome of the World Bank funded project titled ‘The Missing Middle in India’s Transformations’ focusing on the governance and economic structures of Census Towns in Eastern India. CPR researchers based their findings on qualitative fieldwork in census towns in West Bengal, Bihar and Jharkhand. As per the report, in addition to service provision, other axes of contestation in these spaces were the role of taxes and public schemes, the effect of non-farm activity on land use changes, and local socio-political formations.

XIX. Development of an Institutional and Regulatory Framework for Intermediate Transport 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. For this research, CPR has collaborated with Innovative Transport Solutions Private Limited (iTrans) and Centre for Urban Economic Studies, University of Kolkata.

Specifically, the project has regulatory and operational aspects of Kolkata’s auto rickshaws, which have been growing in importance in the city’s transportation network. The project used secondary sources to collate data on regulatory context; however, primary research including surveys and focus group discussions with auto rickshaw drivers and operators as well as passengers were the main sources of information. The project found that auto rickshaws were not intermediate or ‘last mile’ but rather primary modes of transport for Kolkata’s commuters, providing a relatively environmentally friendly alternative to private vehicles. Users found autos to be affordable, safe and convenient as they offered door-to-door connectivity. Informal stakeholders like operator unions played a significant role in the functioning of the auto rickshaw system; and hence, any moves towards improvement and integration would necessarily need to involve stakeholders beyond the formal realm.

CPR submitted an interim report to funder, Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation, during this year. Additionally, CPR and its partners presented preliminary findings at a consultative workshop in Kolkata in December 2015. The workshop saw a variety of stakeholders, including the traffic police, engage with the subject and participate in a discussion on how best auto rickshaws can be integrated with the city’s transportation networks. A final report basis a deeper analysis of primary data and incorporating feedback from the workshop is under preparation.

XX. 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.

XXI. 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.

No updates for this project during the reported period.

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

The IND-URBBS initiative started this year, 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.

This year, 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. In December 2015, Kanhu Charan Pradhan, Senior Researcher, CPR along with Dr C Chandrashekhara of IGIDR, have conducted a training for doctoral students at the University of Burdwan on methodologies of using NSSO data.

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

Following the important work achieved in 2014-15 under the SHRAMIC project, including bringing out a special issue of papers authored by NGOs reflecting on migration a grassroots perspective, the project

has focused on building the knowledge repository on migration on its portal www.shram.org. CPR, which is a partner in this initiative, has been active in this effort, both on matters of content and dissemination. Additionally, in December 2015, CPR researchers have visited Odisha to enquire on the utilisation of the funds of the Building and Other Construction Workers Board (BOCW) towards building rental accommodation in urban destinations. Through interviews with bureaucrats, BOCW officials, NGOs and academicians, CPR has contributed to SHRAMIC's work by raising concerns and making suggestions on processes of beneficiary selection, location of rental housing facilities, as well as operations and maintenance issues in the future. This year, Dr Partha Mukhopadhyay, Senior Fellow, CPR was appointed by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Government of India to head a Working Group on Migration focusing on the impact of migration on housing, infrastructure and livelihoods.

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:

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. My outrage and yours, *The Indian Express*, 7 April 2015
- ii. How we failed Ambedkar, *The Indian Express*, 15 April 2015
- iii. The new progressive, *The Indian Express*, 22 April 2015
- iv. For Better or For Worse, *The Indian Express*, 25 April 2015
- v. On shakier ground, *The Indian Express*, 2 May 2015
- vi. Reactions to Salman Khan verdict: That 'eat cake' moment, *The Indian Express*, 12 May 2015
- vii. One year of Narendra Modi sarkar: Expectations were unrealistically high, *The Financial Express*, 17 May 2015
- viii. Work fatigue, *The Indian Express*, 23 May 2015
- ix. The elusive Modi, *The Indian Express*, 26 May 2015
- x. K C Sivaramakrishnan: God's own civil servant, *The Indian Express*, 29 May 2015
- xi. Higher abdication, *The Indian Express*, 2 June 2015
- xii. Book Review: Muslim Cosmopolitanism in the Age of Empire, *The Indian Express*, 6 June 2015
- xiii. Army's Myanmar strike: Governments don't sing about covert operations, *The Indian Express*, 12 June 2015
- xiv. At risk, in Delhi, *The Indian Express*, 16 June 2015
- xv. The Right Posture: The paradox of the Yoga debate, *Open Magazine*, 19 June 2015
- xvi. Lalit Modi row: PM Narendra Modi should speak up, *The Indian Express*, 20 June 2015
- xvii. All of Indira's Men and Women, *The Indian Express*, 27 June 2015
- xxviii. The drummer's silence, *The Indian Express*, 3 July 2015
- xix. Nalanda is a syndrome, *The Indian Express*, 14 July 2015
- xx. Many little Emergencies, *The Indian Express*, 20 July 2015
- xxi. Return of the pantomime, *The Indian Express*, 25 July 2015
- xxii. Yakub Memon's ghost, *The Indian Express*, 31 July 2015
- xxiii. Loud but silent: Modi's actions are opposite to the mythology surrounding him, *The Indian Express*, 7 August 2015
- xxiv. Being Free to Be Free, *Open Magazine*, 14 August 2015
- xxv. Independence ennui, *The Indian Express*, 15 August 2015
- xxvi. PM Narendra Modi has gone from bully pulpit to counsel for defence, *The Indian Express*, 16 August 2015
- xxvii. Death and the sovereign, *The Indian Express*, 19 August 2015
- xxviii. The good word, *The Indian Express*, 1 September 2015
- xxix. Mumbai meat ban: 'Get off the ban-wagon', *The Indian Express*, 13 September 2015
- xxx. "A book on how Gita Press became a success in redirecting Hinduism", *The Indian Express*, 19 September 2015
- xxxi. Dadri reminds us how PM Narendra Modi bears responsibility for the poison that is being spread, *The Indian Express*, 3 October 2015
- xxxii. As India stays away, *The Indian Express*, 9 October 2015
- xxxiii. Shiv Sena wants to openly acknowledge that criminality and democracy have been fused, *The Indian Express*, 14 October 2015
- xxxiv. Whom do you trust?, *The Indian Express*, 16 October 2015

- xxxv. A lesser evil: Collegium has grave deficiencies, but it compromises structural independence of judiciary less, *The Indian Express*, 17 October 2015
- xxxvi. The Hijacking of meaning, *Nagaland Page*, 31 October 2015
- xxxvii. Intolerance protest: It doesn't take an iota of intelligence to indict Congress on charges of hypocrisy, *The Indian Express*, 5 November 2015
- xxxviii. A vote against hubris, *The Indian Express*, 9 November 2015
- xxxix. Europe's challenge, *The Indian Express*, 18 November 2015
 - xl. Why every patriot should be worried, and, yes, ashamed, *The Indian Express*, 27 November 2015
 - xli. Kathmandu nights, *The Indian Express*, 8 December 2015
 - xl.ii. Book review – Kissinger: 1923-1968: The Idealist, *The Indian Express*, 11 December 2015
 - xl.iii. The coming storm, *The Indian Express*, 19 December 2015
 - xl.iv. Upside down state, *The Indian Express*, 25 December 2015
 - xl.v. In thrall to the past, *The Indian Express*, 25 December 2015
 - xl.vi. Turning Back the Page: The stand-out books of the year 2015, *The Indian Express*, 26 December 2015
 - xl.vii. The recovery of idealism, *The Indian Express*, 1 January 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. The Indian Supreme Court and the Art of Democratic Positioning in *Unstable Constitutionalism: Law and Politics in South Asia*, edited by Mark Tushnet and Madhav Khosla, Cambridge University Press, 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Took a Session on Public Policy in India: A Socio Political Context, organised by Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA) at LBSNAA, Mussoorie on 10 April 2015
- ii. Keynote speaker at the “17th Annual Morgan Stanley India Summit” organised by Morgan Stanley Infrastructure, Mumbai at Taj Lands End Hotel, Mumbai on 9 June 2015
- iii. Delivered a Lecture to the Members of Supreme Court Bar Association on Crisis of the Professions organised by the Supreme Court Bar Association at Indian Society of International Law, Bhagwan Dass Road, New Delhi on 15 July 2015
- iv. Discussant at the release of Report on “Democracy in India: A Citizen's Perspective” organised by Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi at India International Centre, New Delhi on 6 August 2015
- v. Delivered a Talk on 'India's Failed Transition's' organised by Surajmal Memorial Education Society, New Delhi in Surajmal Memorial Education Society, New Delhi on 24 August 2015
- vi. Speaker at a Session on “Can the Emerging Economies become the engines of global growth?” Institutional Investment Summit-2015 organised by Fidelity Worldwide Investment, London at Hotel Okura, Amsterdam on 16-18 September 2015
- vii. Inaugural Address in the National Conference on Sanitation - Towards Swachh Bharat organised by Centre for Policy Research, New Dehli and CII, New Delhi at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi on 24 September 2015
- viii. Keynote Speaker at a “Discussion on School Management Committees (SMCs) in the Indian Education System” organised by Accountability Initiative, CPR and Central Square Foundation in Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi on 28 September 2015

- ix. Delivered Keynote Address at the Conference on Smart Cities at India's New Urban Imperatives, Inaugural Session organised by Centre for Public Affairs, NOIDA and India International Centre, New Delhi in India International Centre, New Delhi on 28 September 2015
- x. Delivered K C Sivaramakrishnan Memorial Lecture on India's Development Challenges organised by West Bengal State Administrative Staff College, Kolkata in West Bengal State Administrative Staff College, Kolkata on 9 October 2015
- xi. Speaker at "EVOKE 2015: Democracy" organised by British Deputy High Commission Mumbai, The Columbia Alumni Association of India, and The Princeton Club of India in Mumbai University Convocation Hall, Fort on 10 October 2015
- xii. Delivered Lectures at Columbia University on (1) The Indian Constitution Today: Challenges and Compromises. (2) India's Democracy: A Conversation. (3) Modern India's Intellectual History organised by Columbia University in Columbia University from 15 October to 2 November 2015
- xiii. Convocation address on "Being free to be free" organised by Sikkim University in Sikkim University on 10 November 2015
- xiv. Keynote Address on "India's Democracy and Development" organised by Asian Development Research Institute, Patna in Asian Development Research Institute, Patna on 28 November 2015
- xv. Took a Session on "How the Constitution has worked" organised by Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA) in LBSNAA, Mussoorie on 3 December 2015
- xvi. Keynote Speaker at a "Conference on the Sociology of Indian Elites" organised by Ashoka University, CSH, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi in Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi on 4 January 2016
- xvii. Keynote Lecture at the Inaugural Conference -The State of the Profession organised by Urban Design Research Institute, Mumbai in National Gallery of Modern Art, Mumbai on 12 January 2016
- xviii. Delivered a talk at Hotel Leela, Gurgaon on 14 January 2016
- xix. Speaker at a Memorial Meeting: Celebrating Susanne Hoeber Rudolph organised by CSDS, New Delhi in India International Centre, New Delhi on 15 January 2015
- xx. Closing Remarks at a Seminar on South Asian constitutionalism organised by Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi and South Asia Institute, Harvard in Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi on 20 January 2016
- xxi. Speaker at the ZEE Jaipur Literature Festival organised by Teamwork Arts Pvt Ltd, New Delhi in Diggi Palace, Jaipur on 21-25 January 2016

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

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- i. Failed Afghan peace strategy, *The Korean Herald*, 19 April 2015
- ii. Dragon's game: India needs to reformulate its China policy, *Hindustan Times*, 24 April 2015
- iii. Pakistan key to the advance of China's global interests, *The Japan Times*, 27 April 2015
- iv. Why the U.S. Must Support Constitutional Reform in Japan, *China & US Focus*, 29 April 2015
- v. China reinvents 'string of pearls' as Maritime Silk Road, *Nikkei Asian Review*, 29 April 2015
- vi. Why is Narendra Modi going to China?, *Live Mint*, 30 April 2015

- vii. China and Pak: Little in common yet closest of allies, *Hindustan Times*, 5 May 2015
- viii. China takes sea route to great power status, *The National*, 9 May 2015
- ix. In a heating pot of water, *The Navhind Times*, 10 May 2015
- x. Obama's lesson in how to not make peace in Afghanistan, *The Japan Times*, 12 May 2015
- xi. Modi in China, *Project Syndicate*, 18 May 2015
- xii. What Are Chinese Submarines Doing in the Indian Ocean?, *The Huffington Post*, 19 May 2015
- xiii. Narendra Modi: The global pragmatist, *Open Magazine*, 22 May 2015
- xiv. Beijing's bendable principles, *The Japan Times*, 2 June 2015
- xv. The Persistence of Nukes: Why Nuclear Weapons Remain Central to International Power, *Russia in Global Affairs*, 15 June 2015
- xvi. For China, border row with India a means to keep it under pressure, *Hindustan Times*, 13 June 2015
- xvii. A Healthy, Climate-Friendly Diet, *Project Syndicate*, 23 June 2015
- xviii. China's Indian Ocean strategy, *The Japan Times*, 23 June 2015
- xix. World's geopolitical center of gravity shifts to Indian Ocean, *Nikkei Asian Review*, 27 June 2015
- xx. Tibet After the Dalai Lama, *Project Syndicate*, 1 July 2015
- xxi. A strategic asset: Why India must help find the next Dalai Lama, *Hindustan Times*, 6 July 2015
- xxii. Saving Tibet's unique heritage, *The Japan Times*, 7 July 2015
- xxiii. Built on hype, deflated by reality, *The Hindu*, 14 July 2015
- xxiv. The forgotten nuclear deal, *The Japan Times*, 17 July 2015
- xxv. Water (problems), water (problems) everywhere, *Nikkei Asian Review*, 23 July 2015
- xxvi. Sri Lanka's Chinese Election, *Project Syndicate*, 11 August 2015
- xxvii. Sri Lanka vote deals blow to China, *Nikkei Asian Review*, 19 August 2015
- xxviii. China's investment in Mahinda Rajapaksa has backfired, *Hindustan Times*, 20 August 2015
- xxix. Bottled Risk, *Project Syndicate*, 15 September 2015
- xxx. Why Japan Should Rearm, *Project Syndicate*, 19 October 2015
- xxxi. Why Japan should rearm, *The Times of Oman*, 19 October 2015
- xxxii. Tokyo must rearm but focus on defence, *Bangkok Post*, 22 October 2015
- xxxiii. Murky politics hobble progress on climate change, *Asian Review*, 29 October 2015
- xxxiv. China's freshwater grab, *The Japan Times*, 2 November 2015
- xxxv. America's broken Pakistan policy, *Live Mint*, 2 November 2015
- xxxvi. How the U.S. Bolsters China's Pakistan Strategy at Its Own Expense, *China & US Focus*, 9 November 2015
- xxxvii. Why the U.S. must fix its broken Pakistan policy, *Nikkei Asian Review*, 12 November 2015
- xxxviii. The Western Roots of Anti-Western Terror, *Project Syndicate*, 16 November 2015
- xxxix. Anti-Western terror Its Western roots, *The Himalayan*, 19 November 2015
 - xl. Terror and alliances of convenience, *Live Mint*, 19 November 2015
 - xli. How alliances of convenience spur deadly terrorist attacks, *The Japan Times*, 20 November 2015
 - xl.ii. The Western roots of anti-Western terror, *The Jordan Times*, 22 November 2015
 - xl.iii. China's rush to dam rivers flowing to other nations, *Stagecraft and Statecraft*, 26 November 2015
 - xl.ii. India must treat water as strategic resource, fight China's throttlehold, *Hindustan Times*, 28 November 2015
 - xl.ii. Stability key in Indian Ocean, *Nikkei Asian Review*, 29 November 2015
 - xl.ii. How not to combat terror, *The Japan Times*, 10 December 2015
 - xl.ii. Obama's costly missteps in war on Islamist terror, *The Nation*, 12 December 2015
- xl.ii. Unaccountable China, *Project Syndicate*, 18 December 2015
- xl.ii. Saudi Arabia's Phony War on Terror, *Project Syndicate*, 21 December 2015
 - l. Chinese militarisation should raise a red flag, *Irish Examiner*, 21 December 2015
 - li. India's Nepal problem, *Live Mint*, 24 December 2015
 - lii. Nepal's democracy on the brink, *Nikkei Asian Review*, 28 December 2015

- liii. Loosening Japan's pacifist bonds, *The Washington Post*, 3 January 2016
- liv. If peace is to endure in Asia, Japan needs to be proactive, *The National*, 4 January 2016
- lv. Saudi Arabia's Phony War on Terror, *Sri Lanka Guardian*, 5 January 2016
- lvi. Forge a united front to keep Chinese expansion in check, *The Japan Times*, 8 January 2016
- lvii. Pathankot attack: 26/11 again, in a different mode, *Live Mint*, 11 January 2016
- lviii. India yet again feels the wrath of terrorism, *The Japan Times*, 17 January 2016
- lix. Japan's China-Aided Political Rise: How the U.S. Can Benefit, *China US Focus Digest*, 18 January 2016
- lx. Upholding the Asian Order, *Project Syndicate*, 22 January 2016
- lxi. Why a Stable Balance of Power in Asia Calls for a Resurgent Japan, *The Huffington Post*, 25 January 2016
- lxii. Upholding the Asian Order, *Project Syndicate*, 22 January 2016
- lxiii. Why a Stable Balance of Power in Asia Calls for a Resurgent Japan, *The Huffington Post*, 25 January 2016
- lxiv. Order of influence in the balance, *Bangkok Post*, 25 January 2016
- lxv. India's Pakistan policy has zigzagged under every prime minister, *Hindustan Times*, 1 February 2016
- lxvi. A resurgent Japan can ensure lasting peace in Asia, *The Globe and Mail*, 2 February 2016
- lxvii. China Flexes Its Naval Muscles to Project Power Far Beyond Its Shores, *China US Focus*, 5 February 2016
- lxviii. When drama undercut diplomacy, *The Japan Times*, 9 February 2016
- lxix. Refugees, jihad and the specter of terrorism, *The Japan Times*, 17 February 2016
- lxx. China's Thirst Threat, *Project Syndicate*, 17 February 2016
- lxxi. The Limits of Capitalism with Communist Characteristics, *Project Syndicate*, 4 March 2016
- lxxii. Obama has misled Modi on Pakistan and made him a paper tiger, *Hindustan Times*, 11 March 2016
- lxxiii. Why the U.S. and China Must Tackle the Saudi Menace of Jihadism, *China US Focus*, 14 March 2016
- lxxiv. China's dam boom stokes concerns in Asia, *Nikkie Asian Review*, 16 March 2016
- lxxv. Will Cuba's path lead to authoritarian capitalism?, *The Japan Times*, 21 March 2016
- lxxvi. Tackling the jihadi menace, *The Japan Times*, 27 March 2016
- lxxvii. How to shut down the 'jihad factories', *The Globe and Mail*, 31 March 2016

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Bad Policy, Geostrategics Will Go against India, *Indian Express*, 13 May 2015
- ii. India-US N-Deal: Was a Deep N-Game at Play in India's Containment?, *The Quint*, 20 July 2015
- iii. Not in the spirit of indigenization, *Business Standard*, 30 July 2015
- iv. Time for China to turn the page on the 'War of Resistance', *Sri Lanka Guardian*, 11 September 2015
- v. Foreign Military Bases: How India Shoots Itself On The Foot, *Swarajya Magazine*, 5 October 2015
- vi. India rescuing western defence firms, not developing domestic ones, *Hindustan Times*, 18 October 2015
- vii. India can resist pressure but cannot influence countries, *Indian Express*, 28 October 2015
- viii. India's strategic diffidence, *European Council of Foreign Relations*, 10 November 2015
- ix. India of 'strategic importance' for US, *Mehr News Agency*, 8 December 2015
- x. Do not label foreign-made military hardware as 'indigenous', *Hindustan Times*, 24 December 2015
- xi. Endangering the Russia Connection, *Indian Defence News*, 3 January 2016
- xii. Endangering the Russia Connection, *Indian Defence News*, 3 January 2016

- xiii. IAF and MOD, predictably, blowing it at the Bahrain air show, *Indian Strategic Studies*, 6 January 2016
- xiv. A thermonuclear test by the ‘rogue triad’ imminent?, *Indian Strategic Studies*, 8 January 2016
- xv. Taking Off, *The Indian Express*, 15 February 2016
- xvi. Force 18 Multi-nation Military Drill: Will Indian Army Host Well?, *The Quint*, 2 March 2016
- xvii. India in America's Coils?, *The Citizen*, 11 March 2016
- xviii. Securing realism at the Washington summit, *Hindustan Times*, 15 March 2016
- xix. Nothing major in Mauritius, *Security Wise*, 21 March 2016
- xx. India in America's Coils?, *Indian Strategic Studies*, 22 March 2016
- xxi. Fear an impetuous Modi at Washington nuclear security summit, *Security Wise*, 31 March 2016

Book(s)

- i. *Why India is Not a Great Power (Yet)*, Oxford University Press, 2015

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. India's Strategic Diffidence in *What Does India Think?* Edited by Francois Godement, November 2015

Working Papers

- i. Backing out of Delusional Policies, 18-19 May 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Roundtable Discussion on Applying multipolar nuclear concepts to Asia organised by United Service Institution and the US National Bureau of Research on Asia in New Delhi on 10 August 2015
 - ii. Keynote Speech on “India: A great Power?” organised by European Council on Foreign Relations in New Delhi on 29 September 2015
 - iii. Addressed members of the European Council on Foreign Relations on “How should the West regard India in a multipolar world?” organised by European Council on Foreign Relations in London on 9 November 2015
 - iv. Panel Discussion on “Why India is not a great power” organised by Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington, DC on 12 November 2015
4. During the year under review, Professor **Lavanya Rajamani** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Shaping the deal in Bonn, *The Indian Express*, 17 May 2015
- ii. The Climate in Bonn, *The Indian Express*, 4 September 2015
- iii. What do India’s climate contribution goals mean, and are they implementable?, *The Economic Times*, 23 October 2015
- iv. Why India must up the stakes in Paris, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, *The Hindu*, 30 November 2015

- v. Paris Triumph, *The Indian Express*, 16 December 2015
- vi. Towards Paris: Negotiating challenges for India, *Climate Initiative Blog*, 19 October 2015
- vii. Articulating & Operationalizing Differentiation in the 2015 Climate Agreement: A Roadmap for India in Paris, *Climate Initiative Blog*, 27 November 2015

Journal Articles

- i. "Negotiating the 2015 Climate Agreement: Issues relating to Legal Form and Nature", *Mitigation Action Plans and Scenarios* Issue 28, 27 May 2015
- ii. Addressing Loss and Damage from Climate Change Impacts, *Economic and Political Weekly* Vol. L No 30, 25 July 2015
- iii. The Devilish Details: Key Legal Issues in the 2015 Climate Negotiations, *Modern Law Review* Vol. 78(5), September 2015
- iv. Symposium: The Pope's Encyclical and Climate Change Policy: The Papal Encyclical & The Role Of Common But Differentiated Responsibilities in the International Climate Change Negotiations, *American Society of International Law*, 25-November 2015
- v. Ambition and Differentiation in the 2015 Paris Agreement: Interpretative Possibilities and Underlying Politics, *International and Comparative Law Quarterly* 2016, pp 1-25, 16 March 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Multilateral Diplomacy on Climate Change in *The Oxford Handbook of Foreign Policy in India*, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, edited by David M Malone, Srinath Raghavan, and C Raja Mohan, Oxford University Press, July 2015
- ii. International Law and the Constitutional Schema in Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution, Edited by Sujit Choudhry, Madhav Khosla, and Pratap Bhanu Mehta, Oxford University Press, March 2016

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Differentiation in a 2015 climate agreement, June 2015
- ii. Key legal issues in the 2015 climate negotiations, co-authored with Daniel Bodansky, June 2015

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Legal Advisor, UNFCCC
- ii. Rapporteur for the ILA Committee on Legal Principles Relating to Climate Change

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Opening Remarks at the New Research for Effective Action at Paris and Beyond: Strengthening Research Policy Interface in International Climate Negotiations“ in the session for Loss and Damage organised by Climate Strategies, Oak Foundation, The Stanley Foundation in New Delhi, India on 30 April- 1 May 2015
- ii. Informal dialogue meeting on legal issues relating to the 2015 Climate Change Agreement a session on “Significance of the legal nature for NDCs” organised by "Stockholm Environmental

Law and Policy Centre, Department of Law, Stockholm University in Stockholm, Sweden on 28-29 May 2015

- iii. IDDRI Dialogue a session on “Designing the COP 21 outcome: Legal aspects of policy issues” organised by IDDRI in Paris, France on 12-13 June 2015
- iv. Speaker at the Negotiating the 2015 Climate Agreement: Issues relating to Legal Form and Nature organized by The Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 3 July 2015
- v. "DPG-IHC Neighborhood Lecture Series; Panel Discussion on Climate and Energy: The Stakes for India" a session on “Differentiation, Legal Issues and Structure of the 2015 Agreement” organized by Delhi Policy Group in New Delhi on 3 November 2015
- vi. Annual Media Briefing on Climate Change 2015, as session on “Bottom-up and top-down approaches for a global climate deal” organized by Centre for Science and Environment in New Delhi on 5-6 November 2015
- vii. CPR discussion on the Paris Agreement organized by The Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 18 December 2015

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. India Is Elsewhere, *Open Magazine*, 3 April 2015
- ii. Around the world in 9 days: Did PM Narendra Modi betray a lack of strategic focus in his latest trip?, *The Economic Times*, 21 April 2015
- iii. At arm's length, *The Telegraph*, 24 April 2015
- iv. The Battle Within Indian Army For Promotions, *NDTV*, 5 May 2015
- v. India as the pivot in Asia, *The Hindu*, 9 May 2015
- vi. Pushing the envelope in foreign policy, *The Hindu*, 25 May 2015
- vii. Why Ajit Doval Must Not Make Throwaway Comments on the China Border, *The Wire*, 25 May 2015
- viii. Why PM's Bangladesh visit couldn't be better-timed, *Rediff News*, 2 June 2015
- ix. Decoding OROP and the Politics at Play, *NDTV*, 2 June 2015
- x. Integrating defence into strategic thinking, *Seminar*, 2 June 2015
- xi. Book Review: ‘The Indian army and the end of the raj’ and ‘Army and nation: the military and Indian democracy since independence’, *Seminar*, 2 June 2015
- xii. Book Review – The Pakistan Paradox: Instability and Resilience , *The Indian Express*, 13 June 2015
- xiii. What Emergency Meant For Big Business in India, *NDTV*, 24 June 2015
- xiv. Modi Had No Choice But To U-turn on Pak, *NDTV*, 11 July 2015
- xv. Commemorating the 1965 War Is a Good Idea, the Proposed ‘Victory Carnival’ Isn’t, *The Wire*, 14 July 2015
- xvi. Congress' Accusations Of Intel Failure Are Vacuous, *NDTV*, 29 July 2015
- xvii. All form, little substance, *The Hindu*, 30 July 2015
- xviii. Diplomacy after Dinanagar? *The Hindu*, 2 August 2015
- xix. Modi's Instincts On Pak Are Proving Correct, *NDTV*, 6 August 2015
- xx. War embers that continue to simmer, *The Hindu*, 17 August 2015
- xxi. Henry Kissinger: The Soft Power of Super K, *Open Magazine*, 20 November 2015
- xxii. A conversation with historian Srinath Raghavan, *Business Standard*, 18 December 2015
- xxiii. Reading the Lives of Others, *Open Magazine*, 25 December 2015

- xxiv. Dialogue with Pakistan will have no effect on terrorism; India must rethink its approach to diplomacy and incursions, *First Post*, 12 January 2016
- xxv. Europe Reimagined, *Open Magazine*, 11 March 2016

Book(s)

- i. *The Oxford Handbook of Indian Foreign Policy*, Edited by David M Malone and C Raja Mohan, Oxford University Press, 2015
- ii. *India's War: The Making of Modern South Asia, 1939-1945*, Penguin, 31 March 2016

Journal Articles

- i. Modi's Opportunity in China, *Economic & Political Weekly*, 25 April 2015
- ii. Making Sense of the Iran Nuclear Deal, *Economic & Political Weekly*, 25 July 2015
- iii. One-Rank-One-Pension Logjam: Is There a Way Out?, *Economic and Political Weekly*, 26 December 2015
- iv. Looking Back on the Seventieth Anniversary of Japan's Surrender, co-authored with John Delury, Sheila A. Smith and Maria Repnikova, *Journal of Asian Studies*, November 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Presented at a Workshop on Emergency 40 years on, organised by King's College in London on 25 June 2015
- ii. Talk on Economic Consequence of War (India 1939 - 45) organised by Yale University in USA on 5 September 2015
- iii. Book launch: The Oxford Handbook of Indian Foreign Policy organised by Oxford University Press on 11 September 2015

Awards & Other Honours and Accomplishments

- i. Awarded, The Infosys Prize 2015 in Social Sciences – International Relations and Strategic Studies, February 2016

- 6. During the year under review, Visiting Professor **G Parthasarathy** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. The welcome rehabilitation of Iran, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 9 April 2015
- ii. Implications of nuclear deal, *The Tribune*, 9 April 2015
- iii. Crime and no punishment, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 22 April 2015
- iv. Sponsoring terrorism abroad, *The Tribune*, 23 April 2015
- v. China-Pakistan bhai, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 6 May 2015
- vi. Separate rhetoric from reality, *The Tribune*, 7 May 2015
- vii. India still a pawn on the strategy board, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 20 May 2015
- viii. India Must Set its House in Order to Gain from China, *The Indian Express*, 23 May 2015
- ix. There's trouble brewing to our west, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 3 June 2015

- x. New security challenges, *The Tribune*, 4 June 2015
- xi. An eye to Myanmar's sensitive spots, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 17 June 2015
- xii. India Needs to Reconsider its Policies on Role of SAARC, *The Indian Express*, 20 June 2015
- xiii. So that Pakistan ceases to matter, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 1 July 2015
- xiv. Look East for economic integration, *The Tribune*, 2 July 2015
- xv. Complexities on Eastern Borders as China Steps in, *The Indian Express*, 4 July 2015
- xvi. Terrorism dominates Indo-Pak Ufa discussions between PM Narendra Modi and Nawaz Sharif, *The Economic Times*, 11 July 2015
- xvii. For diplomacy with a Buddhist touch, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 15 July 2015
- xviii. Multi-pronged Pak Strategy Better than Dialogue Hopes, *The Indian Express*, 18 July 2015
- xix. The hazards of summit diplomacy, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 29 July 2015
- xx. Avoid Arab-Iran Enmity and Facilitate Peace, *The Indian Express*, 2 August 2015
- xxi. Look West for energy, *The Tribune*, 13 August 2015
- xxii. Talks an Excuse for Pak to Sidestep Domestic Woes, *The Indian Express*, 14 August 2015
- xxiii. China shadow looms over Naga Accord, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 26 August 2015
- xxiv. Modi Visit Heralds New Chapter with Arab Gulf, *The Indian Express*, 29 August 2015
- xxv. The army rules over Nawaz Sharif, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 9 September 2015
- xxvi. Mending fences with Sri Lanka, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 23 September 2015
- xxvii. Modi Should Aim to Realign Relations, Halt Russian Drift, *The Indian Express*, 26 September 2015
- xxviii. India's ties with Russia are freezing over, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 7 October 2015
- xxix. Plotting Pakistan, Blundering US Pushing Afghans into Chaos, *The Indian Express*, 10-October 2015
- xxx. Mumbai Travails of Kasuri Bury Background of Amity, *The Indian Express*, 24 October 2015
- xxxi. A response to Chinese aggression, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 4 November 2015
- xxxii. Containing China, *Indian Defence News*, 5 November 2015
- xxxiii. The bomb next door that's ticking away, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 18 November 2015
- xxxiv. Pakistan's Islamic Bomb, *Indian Defence News*, 19 November 2015
- xxxv. Separate Electoral Politics in States from Diplomacy, *The Indian Express*, 21 November 2015
- xxxvi. What Suu Kyi's victory really means, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 3 December 2015
- xxxvii. A crown of thorns, *The Tribune*, 3 December 2015
- xxxviii. Blame the West for the rise of IS, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 16 December 2015
- xxxix. Make No Mistake, Power in Pakistan Army Chief's Hands, *The Indian Express*, 19 December 2015
- xl. Indo-US ties on a sound footing, *The Hindu (Business Line)*, 30 December 2015
- xli. Stray Incidents of Bigotry Can't Set National Trend, *The New Indian Express*, 2 January 2016
- xl.ii. The Pathankot Siege and its Lessons, *Rediff.com*, 7 January 2016
- xl.iii. Reading past the Pathankot attack, *The Hindu Business Line*, 13 January 2016
- xliv. Call Pakistan's bluff, *The Tribune*, 14 January 2016
- xl. Chinese Diplomatic Designs Show its Duplicity on Terror, *The New Indian Express*, 16 January 2016
- xlvi. The oil-rich are on a slippery slope, *The Hindu Business Line*, 27 January 2016
- xl. Turmoil in the Islamic world, *The Tribune*, 28 January 2016
- xl. Pashtun Ops: Pak Army Bites Off More than it Can Chew, *The Sunday Standard*, 30 January 2016
- xlix. Are the Saudis in the wrong corner?, *The Hindu Business Line*, 10 February 2016
- l. Nurturing Relations with Sri Lanka, *The Hindu Business Line*, 24 February 2016
- li. India Must Keep Away from Vortex of Regional Rivalries, *The New Indian Express*, 27 February 2016
- lii. Watch out for China's naval aggression, *The Hindu Business Line*, 9 March 2016
- lii. Trump, Hillary, and the US elections, *The Hindu Business Line*, 23 March 2016
- liv. Reworking ties with US, *The Tribune*, 24 March 2016
- lv. JNU Events Today Would've Saddened its Founding Fathers, *The New Indian Express*, 26 March

7. During the year under review, Associate Professor **Nimmi Kurian** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Will China Export its Water Crisis?, *Live Encounters*, December 2015
- ii. India's New Power Brokers? Border States and Energy Trade in South Asia, *SARCist*, February 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Tibet and the Himalayan Borderlands: Thinking Sub-regionally about Sustainable Development in *State of Ecology in the Tibetan Plateau*, edited by L. M. S. Palni, Academic Foundation, 2016
- ii. BCIM Sustainability Dialogue(s): A Network Approach to Capacity Building in *BCIM: Subregional Cooperation for the Development of Peripheral Areas*, edited by Joshua Thomas and Gurudas Das, Pentagon, 2016
- iii. Chapter on Sustainable Development in the *BCIM Economic Corridor, India Country Report*, BCIM Economic Corridor Joint Study Group, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India

Journal Articles

- i. K C Sivaramakrishnan (1935-2015), *Economic & Political Weekly*, 27 June 2015
- ii. Subterranean Subregionalism: Interrogating the Role of Borders in Indian IR, *Research Journal of*

Policy Briefs and Reports (1&2), 2016.

- i. Indian IR's Subregional Moment: Between a Rock and a Hard Place?, November 2015
- ii. The Road Less Travelled: Forks and Bends in India's Subregional Transport Diplomacy, December 2015
- iii. Schizophrenic Subregionalism: Method and Madness in India's Border Fencing Project, March 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. "Let's Talk About Borders: Territorial, Political and Epistemological Considerations", Public Talk at the India China Institute, The New School, New York, 29 April 2015
- ii. Discussant, India China Conversations, Fourth Interdisciplinary Symposium for Emerging Scholars on India China Studies organised by the India China Institute, The New School, New York on 16 April, 2015
- iii. 'Framing Kailash as a Subregional Commons: The Borderlands as a Site of Conservation', at the first international project workshop on 'SacredHimalaya Initiative: Sacred Landscapes and Sustainable Futures' organised by the India China Institute, The New School, New York, November 2015

- iv. Discussant, Asian Economic Integration Report 2015, organised by The Asian Development Bank and Center on Asia and Globalization, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, 8 December 2015
- v. Keynote speaker, 'BRICS, An Evolving Institution of Global Governance' presented at the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA) Dialogue with Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs (CPIFA), Beijing, 7 March 2016
- vi. Keynote speaker, 'Broad-basing the India-China Relationship: Creating Constituencies of Support', People's Institute of Foreign Affairs (CPIFA), Beijing, 7 March 2016
- vii. Presentation on 'An India-China Subregional Dialogue on SDGs' at the Round Table Dialogue organised by the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, Shanghai, 10 March 2016

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Invited to join the Core Group of Mentors for the China India Scholar-Leaders Fellowship Programme (2016-2019) based at the India China Institute, The New School, New York.
 - ii. Member, Government of India Joint Study Group (JSG) on the BCIM Economic Corridor (BCIM EC) BCIM Economic Corridor Joint Study Group, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India
8. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Partha Mukhopadhyay** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. State-produced inequality in an Indian city, co-authored with Patrick Heller, *India Seminar*, 19 August 2015

Journal Articles

- i. Data, Urbanisation and the City, coauthored with Anant Maringanti, *Economic & Political Weekly*, 30 May 2015

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Feasibility of Fiscal Support for Local Governments Centre-State Relations in *Indian Fiscal Context Essays in honour of B P R Vithal*, Edited by C H Hanumantha Rao, R Radhakrishna, S.Galab and N Sreedevi, Academic Foundation, 2015

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. National Advisory Committee Member, British high Commission funded project at Jadavpur University, Fulbright-Nehru Academic Excellence Fellowship, 23 July-September 2015
- ii. Chairperson of Working Group on Migration, Working Group of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Govt. of India, September 2015-March 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. "Discussant: Leveraging Capital: Trade, consumption, and migration and India-China border dispute: assessing boundary-making from 1895-1914 and its impact on shaping of material

- realities the unequal treaties ", Emerging Scholars Conference organised by India China Institute, New School, New York on 16 April 2015
- ii. Discussant at Roundtable on Improving Informal Public Transport systems in Indian cities, TERI on "Improving Informal Public Transport systems: The lifeline of Indian cities", organised by TERI in New Delhi on 24 June 2015
 - iii. Roundtable Panelist on 'Direct benefits and basic income transfers', organised by UNDP in New Delhi on 2-3 July 2015
 - iv. Discussant: Land and Real Estate Dynamics in India and China organised by IFP in Pondicherry on 16-19 July 2015
 - v. Panelist: International Conference on Sustainable and Inclusive Urban Development in India on "Planning for Sustainable and Inclusive Urbanisation in India" organised by IHD in New Delhi on 1 August 2015
 - vi. Participated in Urban policy dialogues organised by IIHS in Bangalore on 19-20 August 2015
 - vii. Discussant at the "Second Research Workshop on Cities, Rural Migrants and the Urban Poor – Issues of Violence and Social Justice on "Conditions of migrant workers in Delhi and their location in the policy regime of the National Capital Territory" organised by Mahanirban Calcutta Research Group (MCRG) in Kolkata on 21-22 August 2015
 - viii. 5th Asia Pacific housing Forum (APHF5), Cities and sustainable development in Asia: Building Shelter for All, organised by Habitat for Humanity in Gurgaon, India on 4 September 2015
 - ix. Lila PRISM Series Chair: Slum Communities And Transformative Governance organised by Lila PRISM in New Delhi on 3 September 2015
 - x. National Consultation on Children and Internal Migration in India, Panelist on "Towards Equal and Inclusive Policies For Migrant Children In Cities" organised by Action Aid in New Delhi on 23 September 2015
 - xi. Geoeconomics: Mapping the Changing Terrain of Geoeconomics, Spain-India Think tank's Dialogue organised by Spain-India Think tank's Dialogue in Madrid, Spain on 7 October 2015
 - xii. Presentation on China at the Mid career training program phase 5 for IAS officers organised by LBS in Mussorrie on 31 October 2015
 - xiii. Part of India Team: Food Chain Reaction: A Global Food Security Game organised by WWF in Washington DC on 9-10 November 2015
 - xiv. Seminar on BRICS Large City Governance, made a presentation on Delhi in Shanghai, China on 22-23 November 2015
 - xv. Consultative workshop on Intermediate Public Transport in a Megacity Region, Kolkata, framing the research organised by CPR-iTrans-CUES in Kolkata on 15 December 2015

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals:

- i. Food and the Fictional Sleuth, Open Magazine, 3 April 2015
- ii. You are the way you cook, Open Magazine, 1 May 2015
- iii. Food: Gourmands versus stoics, Open Magazine, 29 May 2015

- iv. Idle Thoughts of an Idle Feaster, Open Magazine, 3 July 2015
- v. Poison Pot, Open Magazine, 7 August 2015
- vi. The Cook, the Chef and the Gender Gap, Open Magazine, 9 October 2015
- vii. How to Win a Cooking Show, Open Magazine, 13 November 2015
- viii. Serial Thriller, Open Magazine, 13 November 2015
- ix. Food For the Gods, Open Magazine, 11 December 2015
- x. From An Imperial To A National Cuisine, Open Magazine, 15 January 2016
- xi. Thought For Food, Open Magazine, 19 February 2016
- xii. The Originality of Evil, Open Magazine, 18 March 2016
- xiii. The Hunger Games, Open Magazine, 25 March 2016

Journal Articles

- i. A Juridical Voyage of “Essential Practices of Religion” From India to Malaysia and Pakistan, *American Behavioral Scientist* 0002764215613380, 20 October 2015
- ii. Is the Rule of Law an Antidote for Religious Tension? The Promise and Peril of Judicializing Religious Freedom, co-authored with Benjamin Schonthal, Tamir Moustafa and Matthew Nelson, *American Behavioral Scientist* 0002764215613380, 20 October 2015
- iii. Judicial Restraint in an Era of Terrorism: Prevention of Terrorism Cases and Minorities in India, *Socio-Legal Review*. Vol. 11(1). 2015, 18 December 2015
- iv. Secularism and Hinduism's Imaginaries in India, *Soft Power* Vol. 1, Number 2, July-December 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. “The Concept of Justice in 19th Century Hyderabad Courts”, Constitutionalism, Religious Freedom and Human Rights: Constitutional Migration and Transjudicialism beyond the North Atlantic, Schloss Herrenhausen, co-organized and funded by the Volkswagen Foundation in Hannover, Germany on 3-7 June 2015
- ii. Co-Convenor of the Closing Symposium in August 2015 of the international cluster at ZiF entitled Inclusiveness, Representation, and Religious Accommodation in Constitutions and Constitutionalism organised by ZiF, University of Bielefeld in Germany In July 2015
- iii. Interdisciplinarity and Pluralism: The Practice of Intellectual History and Conceptual History’. A Civic Constellation II Workshop in cooperation with the Institute of Intellectual History and Concept: International Research School in Conceptual History and Political Thought organised by University of St Andrews in St. Andrews, Fife, Scotland on 4-5 September, 2015
- iv. Talks at FGV on India's Constitutionalism, and at CEBRAP on Indian Courts and Conversion, 11-13 November 2015

Awards & Other Honours and Accomplishments

- i. Invited Scholar, Constitutional law and political theory foreign scholar series, University of Sao Paulo Law School, 3-10 November 2015

9. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Yamini Aiyar** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. How Will—Unprepared—States Handle A \$29-Billion Budget Bonanza?, co-authored with Avani Kapur and Vikram Srinivas, *India Spend*, 2 April 2015
- ii. Policy goes missing amid slogans, *Live Mint*, 25 May 2015
- iii. Education reform and frontline administrators: A case study from Bihar - I , co-authored with Vincy Davis and Ambrish Dongre, *Ideas for India*, 15 October 2015
- iv. Education reform and frontline administrators: A case study from Bihar – II, co-authored with Vincy Davis and Ambrish Dongre, *Ideas for India*, 16 October 2015
- v. Building an outcome-focused approach to elementary education financing in India, *Ideas for India*, 23 November 2015
- vi. When the Frontline is the Bottomline, co-authored with Lant Pritchett, *The Indian Express*, 27 November 2015
- vii. In the Garb of Promoting Federalism Has the Centre Diluted Its Duty to National Priorities?, *The Wire*, 21 February 2016
- viii. Social Sector Investments in Budget 2016 No Different Than Previous Year, *The Wire*, 29 February 2016
- ix. Budget 2016 and the social sector, *Live Mint*, 1 March 2016
- x. Unpacking cooperative federalism and social policy, *Live Mint*, 1 March 2016

Journal Articles

- i. Spectators or Participants? Effects of Social Audits in Andhra Pradesh, co-authored with Soumya Kapoor Mehta, *Economic and Political Weekly* Vol 50 Issue 7, 14 February 2015
- ii. The Post Office Paradox: A Case Study of the Block Level Education Bureaucracy, co-authored with Shrayana Bhattacharya, *Economic and Political Weekly* Vol II no 11, 12 March 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Rights, Accountability and Citizenship: Examining India’s Emerging Welfare State, co-authored with Michael Walton in *Governance in Developing Asia Public Service Delivery and Empowerment*, edited by Anil B Deolalikar, Shikha Jha and Pilipinas F Quising, Edward Elgar Publishing , 2015

Working Papers

- i. Taxes: Price of Civilization or Tribute to Leviathan?, co-authored with Lant Pritchett, 2 September 2015
- ii. Education reforms, bureaucracy and the puzzles of implementation: A case study from Bihar, co-authored with Ambrish Dongre and Vincy Davis, 10 November 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Seminar PAISA 2015: Studies on Tracking Social Sector Spending in India organised by The Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 8 May 2015
- ii. Paper presentation at the Bihar Growth Conference organised by International Growth Centre in Patna in July 2015

- iii. Paper presentation on Rules vs Responsiveness at the IDFC - Carnegie dialogues organised by IDFC and Carnegie in Goa on March 2016
 - iv. Paper presentation on Rules vs Responsiveness at the ADRI 25th anniversary conference ADRI in Patna on 16 March 2016
10. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Rajiv Kumar** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Land Bill: PM Narendra Modi is going in the right direction, *The Economic Times*, 7 April 2015
- ii. Export pessimism again: Trade policy of Modi government falls short on ambition and ideas, *The Times of India*, 9 April 2015
- iii. Walking a fine line, *Civil Society*, 1 April 2015
- iv. Liberate farmers from fields, *Civil Society*, 1 April 2015
- v. Test match, not T20, *The Times of India*, 7 May 2015
- vi. One year of Narendra Modi sarkar: Well begun is not half done, *The Financial Express*, 17 May 2015
- vii. Barking Up The Wrong Tree, *The Times Group*, 3 June 2015
- viii. India's economy; Fastest-growing, or just recovering?, co-authored with Geetima Krishna, *The Financial Express*, 12 June 2015
- ix. Not skyfall for us: Unfolding Greek tragedy need not have an Indian translation, *The Times of India*, 1 July 2015
- x. Will Modi lead India to new heights?, *East Asia Forum*, 15 July 2015
- xi. RBI's role needs to change: Draft Indian Financial Code prides open the black box of monetary policy making, *The Times of India*, 30 July 2015
- xii. Reforms: From Now Till 2019, *Swarajya Magazine*, 3 August 2015
- xiii. Investment cycle: Signs of an upturn, co-authored with Geetima Krishna, *The Financial Express*, 5 August 2015
- xiv. Why Centre should leave land to the states, *The Indian Express*, 24 August 2015
- xv. Modi's babu problem: Expectations high from PM but he must fix bureaucratic talent crunch to deliver, *The Times of India*, 23 September 2015
- xvi. Cash economy turns turtle: Black money crackdown is hurting now but will yield gains before the next parliamentary poll, *The Times of India*, 21 October 2015
- xvii. विदेशी दौरो का घरेलू एजेंडा, *Dainik Jagaran*, 30 September 2015
- xviii. 66% cos miss street Q2 rev estimates: What's driving this?, *Money Control-CNBC TV*, 4-November 2015
- xix. The coming trade storm: Tides are shifting, India must decide fast on a strategy to cope with post-TPP era, *The Times of India*, 20 November 2015
- xx. India needs to gear up to tackle TPP, co-authored with Geetima Krishna, *Engineering Export Promotion Council of India- Monthly Magazine*, 1 December 2015
- xxi. Nurture the good news: The economy looks up at long last, don't let politics become the spoiler, *The Times of India Blog*, 16 December 2015
- xxii. The Environment: Optimise Utilisation of Coal Reserves, *Business Today*, 17 January 2016
- xxiii. Government must raise public capital expenditure, *The Hindu*, 11 February 2016
- xxiv. It's the revenue deficit, stupid: Instead of setting a fixed fiscal deficit target, budget must raise capital expenditure, *Times of India Blog*, 12 February 2016
- xxv. Mr Governor, please explain, *The Financial Express*, 18 February 2016
- xxvi. Car insurance policy: Tick the right boxes, *The Indian Express*, 26 February 2016
- xxvii. Eco Survey 2016: Warns of growth trajectory, *The Economic Times Blog*, 27 February 2016

- xxviii. Jaitley's Budget 2016 shows Modi's grand vision, *DailyO*, 1 March 2016
- xxix. A smart Budget in difficult circumstances, *Hindustan Times*, 1 March 2016
- xxx. Rating Jaitley's budget on the most important measure of all: Jobs for youth, *Times of India Blog*, 10 March 2016

Journal Articles

- i. Indian Exports: Loss of Global Competitiveness, co-authored with Geetima Krishna, *Economic & Political Weekly* Vol. 1 no 20 34, 22 August 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Exports and Exchange Rate, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 8 April 2015
- ii. Indian Exports: Loss of Global Competitiveness, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 23 June 2015
- iii. Early Signs of Rise in Investment, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 28 July 2015
- iv. Monetary Policy Part I, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 24 September 2015
- v. Monetary Policy Part II, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 28 September 2015
- vi. Monetary Policy Part III, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 8 October 2015
- vii. TPP: Trans-Pacific Partnership, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 12 November 2015
- viii. Impact of 7th Pay Commission, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 23 November 2015
- ix. Indian Finance Code (IFC) – Is It a Good Framework for Monetary Policy?, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 16 November 2015
- x. Channelling household savings to productive uses through the capital markets, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, December 2015
- xi. Banking Sector Reforms in India, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 22 February 2016
- xii. Global Headwinds Affecting India, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 23 March 2016

Working Papers

- i. Background Research paper on 'Indian Finance Code (IFC) – Is It a Good Framework for Monetary Policy?', co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 2 November 2015
- ii. Background Research paper on 'Banking Sector Reforms in India', co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, January 2016
- iii. Background Research paper on 'Global Headwinds Affecting India' co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, February 2016

Notable Seminars and Conferences

- i. Participated in “Background Research paper on 'Indian Finance Code (IFC) – Is It a Good Framework for Monetary Policy?’” at the 1st BSE-CPR Seminar Series organised by Bombay Stock Exchange in Mumbai, November 2015

Targeted Meetings with Policymakers, Multilateral Organizations or Donors & Advocacy NGO's

- i. State of Indian Economy meeting with Nomura Global Team, 1 July 2015

- ii. India's Trade Policy meeting with Mr Ravi Dammu, J S, Ministry of Commerce, 5 October 2015
 - iii. State of Indian Economy meeting with IMF team, 7 December 2015
11. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Ramesh Chandran** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Targeted Meetings with Policymakers, Multilateral Organizations or Donors & Advocacy NGO's

- i. Princeton - GPPI-CPR Strategic Affairs Program at Princeton University meeting with Members of Parliament, 5-9 April 2015
 - ii. Academic Program for Indian MPs in collaboration with the Australian Foreign Ministry, 12-20 May 2015
 - iii. Meeting of the Core Members of the Political Leaders, Forum on Child Survival, 6 August 2015
 - iv. Swachh Bharat: Key Challenges in Urban and Rural Sanitation with Members of Parliament, 11 August 2015
 - v. Chevening CPR Parliamentarians Fellowship Programme for Indian leaders at King's College London with Members of Parliament, 1-7 November 2015
 - vi. Meeting of the Core Members of the Political Leaders, Forum on Child Survival, 26 November 2015
 - vii. Digitizing India: Cashless, paperless and presence-less service delivery – the future of India? with Members of Parliament, 14 December 2015
 - viii. Delegation visit of a select group of MPs to Israel - in collaboration with the Israel Foreign Ministry, 20-15 December 2015
12. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Shubhagato Dasgupta** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Sanitation effort must not go waste, India Today, 15 August 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Urgency of Understanding Sanitation Drivers in 'Smaller Cities' in India: National & International Relevance [ISAS Brief, No. 400, National University of Singapore, Institute of South Asian Studies], 28 December 2015

Working Papers

- i. Swachh Bharat: Industry Engagement - Scope & Example, co-authored with DTV Raghu Ramaswamy, Kimberly Noronha, Smitha Rao, Seetharaman R, Nikhil George, Amandeep Singh, Tripti Singh, Swati Dhiman and Aditya Bhol, 15 December 2015
- ii. Faecal Waste Management in Smaller Cities across South Asia: Getting Right the Policy & Practice, co-authored with Ramisetty Murali, Nikhil George and Depinder Kapur, 2 February 2016

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Task Team Member, India Traffic Lights Paper for SACOSAN VI, September 2015-January 2016
- ii. Member, National Working Group on FSM, January 2016 – ongoing
- iii. Member, G/o Odisha, Project Nirmal: Project Steering Committee, August 2015 – ongoing
- iv. Member, J-Pal Urban Services Initiative (USI) - Board for proposals (Round: 2015), October 2015 - December 2015
- v. Member, India Sanitation Coalition, 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Presentation at Niti Aayog – CPR 1st Open Seminar on “Open Defecation Free (ODF) Communities: A key step towards Swachh Bharat” “Framing the Open Defecation Free measurement question” organised by Niti Aayog in New Delhi on 22 May 2015
- ii. Presentation at the Third International Faecal Sludge Management Conference (FSM3) on “Evolution of Water and Sanitation Policies and Programs in India: Getting the Scale Right!” organised by International Water Association (IWA) and World Smart Capital in Hanoi, Vietnam on 6 June 2015
- iii. Presentation at “Zero Waste in India: Some Policy Questions” NITI Aayog – CPR 2nd open seminar on “Conceptualising zero-waste in India under Swachh Bharat: possibilities and challenges” organised by NITI Aayog in New Delhi on 29 June 2015
- iv. Presentation at India's Worlds of Waste Workshop on “Understanding Sanitation Challenges in “smaller cities” in India” organised by Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore in Singapore on 1 July 2015
- v. Presentation on “Evolution of Sanitation policies and Programs in India” at a special lecture organised by CDD, Bangalore in Bangalore on 1 August 2015
- vi. Theme Presentation: “Inclusive and sustainable “Swachh” Urban India: Prioritizing outcomes over infrastructure creation” at the International Conference on Sustainable and Inclusive Urban Development in India: Learning from International Experiences and Devising Future Strategies organised by Institute for Human Development (IHD), Department of Urban & Regional Planning, University of Florida and NITI Aayog in New Delhi on 3 August 2015
- vii. Presentation: “Urban Sanitation-Challenges Faced in India” at the 5th Asia Pacific Housing Forum (APHF5) organised by Habitat for Humanity in New Delhi on 3 September 2015
- viii. Presentation on the Report: Key findings & recommendations at CII-CPR National Conference on Sanitation - Towards Swachh Bharat: Creating Demand & Building Partnerships organised by CPR & CII - joint organization in New Delhi on 24 September 2015
- ix. Presentation: “Prioritising outcomes over infrastructure creation” at the New Generation Seminar Program on “Rising India: Shifting Regional Power Dynamics, Meeting Domestic Challenges” organised by East-West Centre, University of Miami in Mumbai on 25 September 2015
- x. Presentation: “Conceiving an inclusive and sustainable “Swachh” Urban India” at the Special Lecture, Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Bangkok organised by AIT Bangkok in Bangkok on 1 October 2015

- xi. Ganges Water Machine: Constructing a Dynamic Atlas of the Ganga River Basin organised by Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 14 October 2015
- xii. Presentation: "Policy limitations due to limited urban research" at the Urban Thinkers Workshop organised by National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) in New Delhi on 1 November 2015
- xiii. Presentation: "Smart Innovations for city-wide urbanisation" at Training on Urban Sanitation for 100 smart cities organised by M/o Urban Development, Govt. of India, and Bloomberg Foundation in New Delhi on 2 November 2015
- xiv. Presentation on Urban Sanitation at the CSOs regional meeting on SWA, SACOSAN, SAARC, and the SDGs organised by FANSA in Colombo, Sri Lanka on 25-27 November 2015
- xv. Moderator for roundtable discussion on "Waste-full Cities: Ground-level challenges and research questions" at the 8th INSEE Bienial Conference on "Urbanisation and the Environment" organised by Round-table Curated by CPR. Conference organised by Department of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE), and National Institute for Advanced Studies (NIAS) in Bengaluru on 5 January 2016
- xvi. Presentation on CPR-FANSA research report titled: "Faecal Waste Management in Smaller Cities Across South Asia: Getting right the policy and practice" organised by Governments of the South Asian Region (including India) hosted by the G/o Bangladesh in Dhaka, Bangladesh on 16 January 2016

Targeted Meetings with Policymakers, Multilateral Organizations or Donors & Advocacy NGO's

- i. Meetings with the NITI Aayog on urban sanitation with NITI Aayog CEO; Additional Secretary; Advisors, on going
 - ii. Discussion on the National Urban Housing & Habitat Policy 2007 and it's revisions with the Joint Secretary (Housing), December 2015
 - iii. Regular meetings with Secretary (HUDD); Dy. Secretary (HUDD) & Mission Director (SBM); Jt. Director (SBM) & Director, Technical Cell, Odisha Water Supply & Sewerage Board, Ongoing
 - iv. Meetings with BMGF (Project Donors) to discuss current project commitments and new project possibilities", ongoing
 - v. Regular meetings with the G/o Rajasthan, the District Administration for Udaipur, and Udaipur Municipal Corporation, Secretary, Urban Development & Housing Department, G/o Rajasthan; District Magistrate & Collector, Udaipur; Commissioner, Udaipur Municipal Corporation; Mayor, Udaipur Municipal Corporation, ongoing
13. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Navroz K Dubash** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Air, an Election Issue, co-authored with Shibani Ghosh, Radhika Khosla, *The Indian Express*, 20 April 2015

- ii. Getting the climate story right, co-authored with Radhika Khosla and K Rahul Sharma, *The Hindu*, 12 June 2015
- iii. The climate for cuts co-authored with Radhika Khosla and K Rahul Sharma, *The Indian Express*, 18 July 2015
- iv. India's Climate Contribution Statement Passes The Diplomatic Test, *The Wire*, 8 October 2015
- v. Climate realpolitik, *The Indian Express*, 8 October 2015
- vi. Understanding India's Emissions Intensity Pledge co-authored with Radhika Khosla, *Climate Initiative Blog*, 13 October 2015
- vii. Understanding India's Emissions Intensity Pledge, co-authored with Radhika Khosla, *Wordpress*, 13 October 2015
- viii. What does India's INDC imply for the Future of Indian Electricity?, co-authored with Radhika Khosla, *Wordpress*, 15 October 2015
- ix. What does India's INDC imply for the Future of Indian Electricity? Co-authored with Radhika Khosla, *Climate Initiative Blog*, 15 October 2015
- x. Why India must up the stakes in Paris co-authored with Lavanya Rajamani, *The Hindu*, 30 November 2015
- xi. Why India Has a Point at the Paris Climate Talks co-authored with Radhika Khosla, *Time Magazine*, 7 December 2015
- xii. A climate more congenial to India, *The Hindu*, 16 December 2015

Journal Articles

- i. Who determines transformational change in development and climate finance?, co-authored with Harald Winkler, *Climate Policy*, 18 April 2015
- ii. Building Productive Links between the UNFCCC and the Broader Global Climate Governance Landscape, co-authored with Michele Betsill, Matthew Paterson, Harro Van Asselt, Antto Vihma, and Harald Winkler, *Global Environment Politics* Vol. 15, 11 May 2015
- iii. Integrating Global Climate Change Mitigation Goals with Other Sustainability Objectives: A Synthesis, co-authored Christoph Von Stechow, David Mccollum, Keywan Riahi, Jan C Minx, Elmar Kriegler, Detlef P Van Vuuren, Jessica Jewell, Carmenza Robledo-Abad, Edgar Hertwich, Massimo Tavoni, Sevastianos Mirasgedis, Oliver Lah, Joyashree Roy, Yacob Mulugetta, Johannes Bollen, Diana ürge-Vorsatz, and Ottmar Edenhofer, *Annual Review of Environment Resources* Vol. 40, 1 November 2015
- iv. Neither Brake Nor Accelerator: Assessing India's Climate Contribution, co-authored with Radhika Khosla, *Economic and Political Weekly* Volume L no 42, 17 October 2015
- v. Towards Methodologies for Multiple Objective-Based Energy and Climate Policy, co-authored with Radhika Khosla, Ashok Sreenivas, Srihari Dukkupati and Brett Cohen, *Economic and Political Weekly* Vol - L No. 49, 5 December 2015
- vi. Evolution of Institutions for Climate Policy in India, co-authored with Neha B Joseph, *Economic and Political Weekly* Vol L1, No 3, 16 January 2016
- vii. An approach to sustainable-development-based energy and climate policies in India, co-authored with Radhika Khosla, Srihari Dukkupati, Ashok Sreenivas and Brett Cohen, *Energia Ambiente e Innovazione* n.1 Gennaio-Marzo 2016, March 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Multilateral Diplomacy on Climate Change in *The Oxford Handbook of Foreign Policy in India*, co-authored with Lavanya Rajamani, edited by David M Malone, Srinath Raghavan, and C Raja Mohan, Oxford University Press 2015, 23 July 2015

- ii. Climate Change through the Lens of Energy Transformation in New Earth Politics: Essays from the Anthropocene edited by Simon Nicholson and Sikina Jinnah, MIT Press on March 2016

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Informing India's Energy and Climate Debate: Policy Lessons from Modelling Studies, co-authored with Radhika Khosla, Narasimha D Rao, and K Rahul Sharma, 30 April 2015
- ii. India's Sustainable Development Led Approach to Climate Mitigation for Paris, co-authored with Radhika Khosla, 27 August 2015
- iii. An Approach to Sustainable Development Based Energy and Climate Policy, co-authored with Radhika Khosla, Srihari Dukkupati, Ashok Sreenivas, and Brett Cohen, 27 August 2015
- iv. Development and Climate Policy Synergies: Insights from global modelling studies, co-authored with Narasimha D Rao, David Mccollum and Radhika Khosla, 15 June 2015
- v. Building Institutions for Climate Policy in India, co-authored with Neha B Joseph, 10 July 2015
- vi. India's Energy and Climate Policy: Lessons from Modelling Studies, co-authored with Radhika Khosla, Narasimha D Rao, and K Rahul Sharma, 10 July 2015

Working Papers

- i. The Institutionalisation of Climate Policy in India: Designing a Development-Focused, co-Benefits Based Approach, co-authored with Neha B Joseph, 20 May 2015

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Committee Member in the Committee on New Draft Law on Renewable Energy, January 2015 to December 2015
- ii. Member, UNEP Gap Report, July to December 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Panelist at Our Common Future under Climate Change on "New Pledges (INDC's) for 2025/2030" organised by CNRS, Ecole Polytechnique, UNESCO, IDDRI, AgroParisTech, INRA, ICSU and CINRA in Paris, France on 8 July 2015
- ii. Our Common Future under Climate Change on "India's Energy and Climate Debate: Uncertainties in Future Emissions and the Scope for Co-benefits" (Presented at the session on Socio-economics and Instruments for Transforming the Energy Sector) organised by CNRS, Ecole Polytechnique, UNESCO, IDDRI, AgroParisTech, INRA, ICSU and CINRA in Paris, France on 9 July 2015
- iii. Presenter at India Policy Forum on "India's Primary Energy Evolution" organised by India Policy Forum on 14 July 2015
- iv. Panelist at New perspectives on climate resilient drylands development on "Climate resilience – planning and mainstreaming" organised by CSSP-JNU, CSIR-NISTADS, RRA Network and RLN in New Delhi on 21 August 2015
- v. Presenter at Climate Resilience for Sustainable Communities on "Mainstreaming Climate Change into Sustainable Development through a Multiple Objectives Approach" organised by INECC in New Delhi on 16 September 2015

- vi. Presenter at Stakeholder Consultations for CD-Links on " Integrating Climate and Development Priorities" organised by IIASA in Vienna, Austria on 30 September 2015
- vii. Presenter at "Thematic Interaction on "Environment & Ecology" organised by Mr Jamshyd N Godrej and Ms Rohini Nilekani in Mumbai on 16 October 2015
- viii. Presenter at National Conference on Transition in Electricity Sector- Dilemmas, Challenges and Impact on " Renewable Energy Implications of India's INDC" IN New Delhi on 28 October 2015
- ix. Panelist at Neighbourhood Lecture series on Climate and Energy: "The stakes for India" organised by Delhi Policy Group in New Delhi on 3 November 2015
- x. Panelist at Official COP21 Side event: How will INDCs shape development? Views from Chile, China, Colombia, India, Peru & South Africa organised by CPR, South SouthNorth, University of Cape Town in Paris, France on 6 December 2015
- xi. Speaker at 'Where are the big emitters China and India heading?' Organised by Centre for International Climate and Energy Politics (CICEP) in Paris, France on 8 December 2015

Awards & Other Honours and Accomplishments

- i. Awarded TN Khoshoo Memorial Award on 26 October 2015, Bangalore, India

Targeted Meetings with Policymakers, Multilateral Organizations or Donors & Advocacy NGO's

- i. Meeting with CDKN, May 2015 and August 2015
- ii. Meeting with Oak Foundation, August 2015
- iii. Meeting with GIZ, August 2015

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Paying for multilateralism, *Business Standard*, 7 April 2015
- ii. Indo-US nuke deal significantly boosted bilateral ties, *The Economic Times*, 14 April 2015
- iii. A fallen Chinese passport, a bride in wedding finery, *The Indian Express*, 27 April 2015
- iv. An Out of the Box Solution to the India-China Boundary Dispute, *The Wire*, 12 May 2015
- v. Revisiting India's growth strategy, *Business Standard*, 12 May 2015
- vi. On foreign policy, Modi must walk the talk, *Hindustan Times*, 20 May 2015
- vii. The Bumpy Road to an Asian Century, *The Inter Press Service*, 1 June 2015
- viii. Trailing indicators of destruction, *Business Standard*, 4 June 2015
- ix. An IMF boost for China's currency, *Business Standard*, 9 June 2015
- x. Modi's World: Expanding India's Sphere of Influence, *The Indian Express*, 19 June 2015
- xi. The Pope Wades in Where Angels Fear to Tread, *The Wire*, 25 June 2015
- xii. The Beijing paradox, *Business Standard*, 7 July 2015
- xiii. Pakistan's puzzling resilience, *Business Standard*, 8 July 2015
- xiv. The Indo-U.S. civil Nuclear Agreement – Ten Years After, *South Asia Monitor*, 22 July 2015
- xv. US' Afghanistan script comes undone, *Business Standard*, 11 August 2015
- xvi. An inconvenient truth, *The Indian Express*, 11 August 2015
- xvii. What can India Do about Pakistan? , *The Wire*, 25 August 2015

- xviii. A transformed global economic landscape, *Business Standard*, 31 August 2015
- xix. Adapting to the demands of advanced markets, *Business Standard*, 1 September 2015
- xx. A bridge to the East, *Business Standard*, 8 September 2015
- xxi. Red lines on a green field: What India should do at climate talks, *Hindustan Times*, 9-September 2015
- xxii. What China's One Belt and One Road Strategy Means for India, Asia and the World, *The Wire*, 10 September 2015
- xxiii. Constitutional error, *The Indian Express*, 26 September 2015
- xxiv. India opts for caution on climate change strategy, *Live Mint*, 6 October 2015
- xxv. The diminishing idea of India, *Business Standard*, 6 October 2015
- xxvi. India opts for caution on climate change strategy, *Live Mint*, 6 October 2015
- xxvii. India-Africa Cooperation on Global Issues, *Ministry of External Affairs*, 23 October 2015
- xxviii. Modi has infused energy in Indo-Africa ties, *CNBC Money Control*, 30 October 2015
- xxix. Pakistan's nuclear program threatens the world, not just India, *Hindustan Times*, 6 November 2015
- xxx. Africa: What the Future Holds for India-Africa Relations, *All Africa*, 9 November 2015
- xxxi. Put neighbourhood policy back on track, *Business Standard*, 10 November 2015
- xxxii. Interview: Ambassador Shyam Saran on India's place in a new world order, *The Interpreter*, 10 November 2015
- xxxiii. Paris climate talks: Developed countries must do more than reduce emissions, *The Guardian*, 23 November 2015
- xxxiv. India & a contested geo-political terrain, *The Tribune*, 23 November 2015
- xxxv. India and Australia: From a Shared Ocean and Shared Values to Strategic Convergence, *The Wire*, 27 November 2015
- xxxvi. The Paris template, *The Indian Express*, 30 November 2015
- xxxvii. India-Nepal relations: Close neighbours tread a precarious path, *Rediff.com*, 10 Dec 2015
- xxxviii. 'Climate Technology is a Public Good, it Can't be Driven by Market Principles Entirely', *The Wire*, 7 December 2015
- xxxix. Nepal treads a perilous path, *Business Standard*, 8 December 2015
 - xl. A long way from Rio, *The Indian Express*, 15 December 2015
 - xli. A risky political gamble?, *Business Standard*, 26 December 2015
 - xlvi. Fix governance gaps to avoid Pathankot like security challenges, *Hindustan Times*, 6 January 2016
 - xlvi. Delivering on good governance, *Business Standard*, 12 January 2016
 - xlv. Revisiting Pakistan: A self-confident India should engage friendly constituencies in Pakistan even as it confronts the hostility of the establishment, *Business Standard*, 9 February 2016
 - xlv. Pakistan diaries, *Business Standard*, 20 February 2016
 - xlvi. Local Projects should get better exposure, *Business Standard*, 11 March 2016
 - xlvii. Kathmandu's triumphalism about China is misplaced, *Hindustan Times*, 31 March 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Strategic Engagement and Regional Cooperation in India-Singapore Commemorative Book highlighting India-Singapore relations, Ananta Aspen Centre, 2015

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Independent Director, Indian Oil and ONGC (V) (Till June, 2015)
- ii. Co-Chair, India-Bhutan Eminent Persons' Group
- iii. Chairman, Research and Information System for Developing Countries
- iv. Chairman, ASEAN-India Centre
- v. Director (Independent) of the Press Trust of India Ltd. (since Dec 2015)

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Participated in conversation with Dr Manoj Joshi of ORF on China in New Delhi on 20 April 2015
- ii. Lecture at the 3rd Annual India-US Defence & Security Forum in New Delhi on 6 May 2015
- iii. Delivered a Key Note address at the PM Modi's China Visit: Launching an Asian Century or Confronting a Chinese Century? organised by Ananta Aspen Centre in New Delhi on 12 May 2015
- iv. Delhi Policy Group Round Table on Assessment of PM's visit to China in New Delhi on 21 May 2015
- v. Launch of study India-APEC: An Assessment organised by RIS in New Delhi on 21 May 2015
- vi. Talk on Negotiating for India – diplomacy today, nuclear deal and climate change organised by Ashoka University in Sonapat on 9 June 2015
- vii. Valedictory Address and distributed certificates to the participants of Myanmar Research and Capacity Building Programme organised by RIS in New Delhi on 13 June 2015
- viii. Chairperson's address at the Inaugural Session for Launch of RIS South Asia Development and Cooperation Report 2015 by Minister of Railways organised by RIS in New Delhi on 25 June 2015
- ix. Opening remarks at ASEAN-India Eminent Person Lecture, India-Philippines Relations: Ways and Means of Strengthening' it by Evan Garcia, Foreign Affairs Under Secretary of Philippines organised by RIS in New Delhi on 17 July 2015
- x. Opening address at the Inaugural Session and welcome addresses at two other sessions of International Conference on ASEAN-India Cultural Links organised by New Delhi on 23-24 July 2015
- xi. Singapore Symposium 2015 and made opening remarks as Session Chairman and moderated the Interactive Session with Minister K. Shanmugam, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Law of Singapore in Chennai on 27 July 2015
- xii. Lecture at National Defence College on Seizing the Initiative in a Rapidly Changing Strategic Neighbourhood – Opportunities & Challenges for India on 29 July 2015
- xiii. Lecture to the 20th batch of MBA students organised by New Delhi Institute of Management in New Delhi on 4 August 2015
- xiv. Interacted with Faculty and delivered Fourth K. Subrahmanyam Memorial Public Lecture on Climate Change and Energy Security: The Twin Challenges Confronting India organised by NIAS in Bangalore on 11 August 2015
- xv. Talk followed by Q&A session on India's National Security Challenges organised by Association of Indian Diplomats in New Delhi on 14 August 2015
- xvi. Chaired and delivered welcome remarks at the Launch of Report on India's Strategy for Economic Integration with CLMV organised by RIS in New Delhi on 14 August 2015
- xvii. Delivered remarks at Financing for Development and Post 2015 Agenda: Way Forward from Addis by MoS, Finance organised by RIS in New Delhi on 2 September 2015
- xviii. Delivered remarks at Inaugural Session on High Level Consultation on Sustainable Development Goals organised by RIS in New Delhi on 9 September 2015
- xix. Lecture on SAARC and Cooperation with International Organizations and Observers' at Seminar 'Revitalizing SAARC organised by NDC in New Delhi on 9 September 2015

- xx. Speaker at Opening Session of ICRIER-CSIS Track 1.5 Conference on India-US Security Relations in New Delhi on 10 September 2015
- xxi. Talk on Impact of Emerging Trade Blocs on India's Economic Prospects' to officers of Tata Steel and interaction with students and faculty of Xavier Labour Relations Institute on 'Climate Change' in Jamshedpur on 12 September 2015
- xxii. Launched a book on Media at Work in China and India: Discovering and Dissecting' (based on workshops convened by ISAS) – Edited by Prof. Robin Jeffrey & Ronojoy Sen in New Delhi on 21 September 2015
- xxiii. Made remarks at inaugural session of Roundtable on ASEAN-India Air Connectivity organised by RIS IN New Delhi on 28 September 2015
- xxiv. Keynote speaker at the public session in the series on "What does China's Global Economic Strategy Mean for Asia, India and World?" with a focus on the "One Belt One Road" Initiative organised by Ananta Aspen Centre in New Delhi on 30 September 2015
- xxv. Lecture on Democracy and Foreign Policy Making in India with Focus on Post Cold War Period to a MEA sponsored refresher course for a group of students from Mandalay University, Myanmar organised by JNU in New Delhi on 14 October 2015
- xxvi. Made opening remarks at the 2nd Nehru-Rizal Memorial Lecture by Albert Del Rosario, Foreign Minister of the Philippines organised by MEA, JNB in New Delhi on 14 October 2015
- xxvii. Made remarks at inaugural session of Roundtable on ASEAN-India: Integration and Development & Released 'ASEAN-India Development and Cooperation Report 2015' of AIC-RIS organised by RIS in New Delhi on 27 October 2015
- xxviii. Participated in India-US-China Trilateral Dialogue in New Delhi on 17-18 December 2015
- xxix. Spoke and participated in discussion at book launch on 'Remembering Jawaharlal Nehru' edited by Shri Anand Sharma organised by Academic Foundation in New Delhi on 17 December 2015
- xxx. Spoke and participated at the Commemorative Function for expression of gratitude from India to His Holiness Dalai Lama at The Oberio Hotel, New Delhi 4 January 2016
- xxxi. Delivered Valedictory Address at 'National Consultation on Road to Sustainable Development Goals: Focus on Health and Education' organized by RIS in collaboration with Niti Aayog and UN at IIC, New Delhi, 10 February 2016
- xxxii. Delivered Special Remarks at South Asia Regional Consultation on Agricultural & Food Systems for Nutrition in the Era of Sustainable Development' organized by Global Panel, RIS and PHFI at IHC, New Delhi, 11 February 2016
- xxxiii. Delivered Keynote address at the Inaugural Session for Delhi Policy Group Conclave on a 'National Security Doctrine for India' at IIC, New Delhi, 15 February 2016
- xxxiv. Spoke at Book Release and participated in discussion on Muchkund Dubey's book on 'India's Foreign Policy' at, JNU, 2 March 2016
- xxxv. Delivered lectures to participants of Management Programme at Mohali School of Public Policy, Bharti Institute of Public Policy, Indian School of Business, Mohali, 5-7 March 2016
- xxxvi. Delivered Foundation Day lecture at Land Port Authority of India on the "Economic Dimensions of Border Management" at Nehru Memorial Museum & Library Auditorium, New Delhi, 8 March 2016

xxxvii. Delivered a lecture at IIT, Guwahati on 'Role of Border States in India's Foreign Policy' under Distinguished Lecture Series of Ministry of External Affairs, 29 March 2016

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

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Expanding opportunities in India, December 2015
- ii. Positive Discrimination and Expanding Opportunities in India, January 2016

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Member, CII Committee on Affirmative Action, 5 October 2015 – Present

16. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Anjali Chikersal** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Urban sanitation in India: Lessons from Brazil, *India Water Portal*, 14 May 2015
- ii. Urban Sanitation a Distant Dream, *The Pioneer*, 19 May 2015
- iii. Only a Change in Government Behaviour Can Clean Up India, *The Wire*, 27 September 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Physician Shortages in Indian Public Sector, 2 June 2015
- ii. Urban Sanitation in India: Why Brazil Matters, co-authored with Aditya Bhol, January 2016
- iii. Mapping Urban Healthcare Stakeholders for Universal Healthcare in India, January 2016
- iv. Urban Healthcare Stakeholders in India: Learnings for UHC, February 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Workshop on Chronic Diseases organised by ICRIER in New Delhi on 24 April 2015
- ii. Workshop on Improving Rural Water Quality in Punjab a session on "Disease Burden in Punjab due to Environmental Pollutants: Current Knowledge and Way Forward", organised by Govt. of Punjab, Dept. of Drinking Water in Chandigarh on 12 October 2015
- iii. Workshop - Menace of Heavy Metal Contamination in Punjab Drinking Water a session on "Arsenic in Punjab: Health Impacts and Surveillance Needs " organised by Govt. of Punjab, Dept. of Drinking Water in Chandigarh on 18 January 2016
- iv. International Conference on 'Delivering on the Promise of Universal Health Coverage in India: Policy Options and Challenges' a session on "Human Resources for Health: Unaddressed Needs and Bill Impasse", organized by O P Jindal Global University in Sonapat on 24 January 2016

Targeted Meetings with Policymakers, Multilateral Organizations or Donors & Advocacy NGO's

- i. Meeting with Sindhushree Khullar, CEO Niti Ayog on 7 April 2015 and 22 May 2015

- ii. Meeting with the Mission Director, National Rural Health Mission, Punjab on 12 October 2015
 - iii. Meeting with the Technical Officer, WHO - Dr Chandrakant Lahariya on 17 November 2015
 - iv. Meeting with the Senior Program Officer, Gates Foundation, Madhu Krishna on 15 December 2015
 - v. Meeting with the Director, National Urban Health Mission, Preeti Pant on 15 January 2016
 - vi. Meeting with the Director Health Services, Punjab, Dr Bali on 19 January 2016
 - vii. Meeting with the Principal Secretary, Health, Punjab, Vini Mahajan on 22 January 2016
17. During the year under review, Senior Fellow **Neelanjan Sircar** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Bihar Polls: Shifting Goalposts, co-authored with Bhanu Joshi and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 7 October, 2015
- ii. It's Not about caste or beef, but vikas (development), co-authored with Bhanu Joshi and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 28 October, 2015
- iii. How will Bihar Shake Out, co-authored with Bhanu Joshi and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 6 November 2015
- iv. How Modi surrendered Bihar, co-authored with Bhanu Joshi and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 9 November 2015
- v. After Bihar, politics seeks a new normal, co-authored with Bhanu Joshi, Ashish Ranjan and Gilles Verniers, *The Hindu*, 4 December 2015
- vi. What Bihar says about Indian politics?, *The Hindu Business*, 5 January 2016

Working Papers

- i. What do Bihar's Voters Want?, co-authored with Bhanu Joshi and Ashish Ranjan, October 2015
- ii. How will Bihar Shake Out, co-authored with Bhanu Joshi and Ashish Ranjan, November 2015
- iii. Assessing Party Performance and Alliance Dynamics in the 2015 Bihar Election, co-authored with Gilles Verniers, 28 March 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Indo- Brazilian Dialogue on Green Perspectives of New Middle Class held between 13 -14 April 2015 in Development Alternatives, India."Being Middle Class in India" American Political Science Association Annual Meeting,
- ii. "Being Middle Class in India" organised by ASPA in Washington, DC on 4 September 2015
- iii. Talks at IIM Bangalore on "Analyzing Randomized Experiments with Spillovers" and "A Look Back at Bihar" organised by IIM Bangalore in Bangalore on 25 November 2015
- iv. Speaker at the workshop on "Bihar, Bahar and Beyond" organised by Centre for Policy Research on 30 November 2015

- v. Panelist in a panel discussion on “Voting patterns in Delhi” organised by Centre for Policy Research on 16 December
 - vi. Talk on “Bihar and Beyond: The 2015 Bihar Election and its Implications for Indian Politics” organised by Brown India Initiative, Brown University on 2 December 2015
 - vii. Political Economy Workshop on “A Tale of Two Villages: Kinship Networks and Political Preference Change in Rural India” organised by Center for the Advanced Study of India, University of Pennsylvania on 4-5 December 2015
18. 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 has gone wrong with the Right to Education, *Governance Now*, 1 April 2015
- ii. Starving Education of Government Funds is No Way to Have ‘Sabka Vikas’, *The Wire*, 25 May 2015
- iii. A Convenient Alibi to Degrade Schooling for Poor Kids, *The Wire*, 2 June 2015
- iv. The UN Report on Out-of-School Kids is Bad News for India. The Real Picture May Be Worse, *The Wire*, 7 July
- v. Don’t Make Experts the Enemy in Framing a New Education Policy, *The Wire*, 18 September 2015
- vi. You Can’t Get the New Education Policy Right by Asking the Wrong Questions, *The Wire*, 12 November 2015
- vii. The New Education Policy: addressing Institutional Issues, *Ideas 4 India*, 22 December 2015
- viii. The Economic Survey is a Bad Omen for the Education Budget, *The Wire*, 28 February 2016
- ix. A Budget that Evades the Real Issues in the Social Sector, *The Wire*, 29 February 2016

Journal Articles

- i. *The Public Education System and What the Costs Imply*, Economic and Political Weekly, 1 August 2015
- ii. A Vision for Quality Education, *Yojana*, January 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. People's Participation in the Right to Education: the scope for citizen monitoring in *Implementing the Right to Education*, Routledge, 2016

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Guidelines for School Social Audits, 1 October 2015
- ii. Shiksha Samvad (Education Dialogue): Strengthening People's Engagement with Education, co-authored with Radhika Saraf, Priyanka Varma and Parash Ram Banjara, 16 October 2015
- iii. No-Detention Policy [NDP] and Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation [CCE], co-authored with Prof Geetha Nambissan, Poonam Batra, Gunjan Sharma, Anuradha De and Anjali Mody, 26 October 2015
- iv. Grievances Redress Mechanism for RTE, 26 October 2015
- v. School Education in the New Education Policy, co-authored with Gunjan Sharma, 26 October 2015

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. A Member in the Management and Information Systems for Education and DISE Advisory Board
- ii. A Member in the Forum for Deliberations on Education

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. “The Numbers Game: A look beneath the surface” - A seminar on education data and policy, 19 August 2015, New Delhi
- ii. A Seminar on “Strategic Legislation on RTE-A Comparative Study of India, South Africa, Brazil & USA”, organised by OPF in New York, USA on 15 September 2015
- iii. A Roundtable on Education Policy, organised by UNESCO in New Delhi on 21 September 2015
- iv. Experiments in citizen empowerment organised by Jindal University in New Delhi on 13 October 2015
- v. Talk on “What do good schools look like? Self-assessment tools for schools”, organised by The Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 20 November 2015
- vi. Talk on “Monitoring Systems in Education: A Study of 5 States in India”, organised by The Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 17 December 2015
- vii. Paper presentation on “Public vs. Private Provision of Elementary Education: Challenges facing the Right to Education in India”. on 14-15 January 2016

Targeted Meetings with Policymakers, Multilateral Organizations or Donors & Advocacy NGO’s

- i. Meeting with Delhi Dialogue Commission, 22 April 2015
- ii. Meeting with Global Head for Education Oxford Policy Management, May 2015
- iii. Meeting with Ms Silvia, Global Director, Statistics, 22 July 2015
- iv. Meeting with Atshi Marlena, Advisor to Education Minister, New Delhi, July 2015
- v. Meeting with Secretariat Elementary Education Minister of Human Resource Development, August 2015
- vi. Meeting with UNESCO and UNICEF, October 2015
- vii. Meeting with Mr Reddy, 15 November 2015
- viii. Meeting with the New Education Policy (NEP) Drafting Committee, 17 December 2015

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Développement: Une occasion manquée?, *Le Courrier (Geneva)*, 23 October 2015

Journal Articles

- i. Inter-Sectoral Water Allocation and Conflicts: Perspectives from Rajasthan, co-authored with Lovleen Bhullar and Sujith Koonan, *Economic & Political Weekly*, August 2015

Book(s)

- i. *Sanitation Law and Policy in India: An Introduction to Basic Instruments*, Oxford University Press, 2015

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Governing the Environment without CoPs – The Case of Water in *International Environmental Law and Governance*, edited by Malgosia Fitzmaurice and Duncan French, Leiden: Brill, August 2015
- ii. Human Rights and Climate Change – Broadening the Right to Environment in *The Oxford Handbook of International Climate Change Law*, Edited by Cinnamon Carlarne, Kevin Gray & Richard Tarasofsky, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 24 March 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Keynote: Sustainable Development Goals and Water Regulation: The case of Groundwater at National Conference on “Water and Sustainable Development” organised by Central University of Jharkhand on 8 January 2016

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Committee Member to Draft National Water Framework Law, December 2015-March 2016
- ii. Committee Member to Re-draft the Draft Model Bill for Conservation Protection and Regulation of Ground Water, 2011, October 2015-March 2016
- iii. Committee to Draft River Basin Management Bill--set up in October, 2015, to work further on the Draft River Basin Management Bill, 2012

Awards & Other Honours and Accomplishments

- i. Awarded Vermont Law School Distinguished International Environmental Law Scholar in June 2015 in Vermont, USA

Targeted Meetings with Policymakers, Multilateral Organizations or Donors & Advocacy NGO's

- i. National Consultation on Proposed New Water laws in Rajasthan, 19 September 2015

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

Journal Articles

- i. Quality of Tuberculosis Care in India: A Systematic Review, co-authored with Srinath Satyanarayana, Ramnath Subbaraman, Priya Shete, Genevieve Gore, Adithya Cattamanchi, Kenneth Mayer, Dick Menzies, Anthony D Harries, Phillip Hopewell and Madhukar Pai, *International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease* Vol.19(7): 751-63, April 2015

- ii. First use and validation of the standardized patient methodology to assess quality of tuberculosis care: a pilot, cross-sectional study, co-authored with Ada Kwan, Ben Daniels, Srinath Satyanarayana, Ramnath Subbaraman, Sofi Bergkvist, Ranendra K Das, Veena Das, and Madukar Pai, *Lancet Infectious Diseases*, Vol. 15(11): 1305-1313, 9 August 2015

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. The Evolution of Mortality Rates by Sex: The Experiences of the Rich and the Uncertainties of the not-so-rich in *An Anthropology of Living and Dying in the Contemporary World*, co-authored with Rabia Ail, edited by Veena Das and Clara Han, University of California Press, November 2015
- ii. Delivering education: a pragmatic framework for improving education in low-income countries in *Handbook of International Development and Education*, co-authored with Tahir Andrabi, and Asim Khwaja, edited by Pauline Dixon, Steve Humble and Chris Counihan, Edward Elgar Publishing, 2015
- iii. Conducting Ethical Economics Research: Complications from the Field in *The Oxford Handbook of Professional Economic Ethics*, co-authored with Harold Alderman, and Vijayendra Rao, edited by George E DeMartino and Deirdre N McCloskey, Oxford University Press, 2016

Working Papers

- i. Use of standardised patients to assess quality of tuberculosis care: a pilot, cross-sectional study, co-authored with Ada Kwan, Benjamin Daniels, Srinath Satyanarayana, Ramnath Subbaraman, Sofi Bergkvist, Ranendra K Das, Veena Das and Madhukar Pai, 11 August 2015

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Flanders Visiting Professor in McGill University, 2015
- ii. Advisory Committee Member in Harvard BMJ committee on Universal Health Care, 2015
- iii. Advisory Committee Member in Harvard Global Health Advisory Committee, 2015

Awards & Other Honours and Accomplishments

- i. Stockholm Challenge Award for Outstanding ICT projects in the Public Administration Category for www.risepak.com, in Pakistan

21. During the year under review, Senior Visiting Fellow **Rani D Mullen** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Indian Assistance to Nepal in the Wake of the 2015 Himalayan Earthquake, co-authored with Hemant Shivakumar, Kailash K Prasad, *Indian Development Cooperation Research at the Centre for Policy Research*, 26 May 2015
- ii. Trends in Indian Development Assistance in the Energy Sector, co-authored with Hemant Shivakumar and Kailash K Prasad in *Indian Development Cooperation Research at the Centre for Policy Research*, 26 May 2015
- iii. Update on Afghan-India Relations, co-authored with Hemant Shivakumar and Kailash K Prasad, *Indian Development Cooperation Research at the Centre for Policy Research*, 26 May 2015

- iv. Second Summit of the Forum for India Pacific Islands Cooperation (FIPIC), co-authored with Kashyap Arora, *Indian Development Cooperation Research at the Centre for Policy Research*, 16 September 2015

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. India's Resurgent Foreign Policy in Africa and India-Afghanistan Relations in *India's Foreign Policy: Retrospect and Prospect*, edited by Sumit Ganguly, Oxford University Press

Journal Articles

- i. The New Great Game , co-authored with Cody Poplin, *Foreign Affairs Magazine*, 29 September 2015
- ii. Building BRICS Against Tuberculosis, co-authored with Patrick Mullen ,*Global Policy*

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Bangladesh: Deepening Economic Cooperation and Development Assistance, co-authored with Hemant Shivakumar, Kailash K Prasad and Kashyap Arora, 13 June 2015
- ii. India-Central Asia Relations: An Update, co-authored with Kailash K Prasad, 17 July 2015

22. During the year under review, Project Director **Manju Menon** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Ignoring the institutions that can save our coastal regions, *India Together*, 13 April 2015
- ii. Unnatural Gas, *The Caravan*, 1 October 2015
- iii. Growing forests in the air, co-authored with Kanchi Kohli, *The Hindu*, 26 October 2015
- iv. What Lies Behind Environmental Law Making, co-authored with Kanchi Kohli, *The Wire*, 18 November 2015
- v. The new MoEFCC bill is all too quick to monetise environmental impacts caused by mining, port and other industrial projects, co-authored with Kanchi Kohli, *Counter View*, 20 November 2015
- vi. Condoning illegalities on Kutch coast, co-authored with Kanchi Kohli and Bharat Patel, *The Hindu*, 8 March 2016

Journal Articles

- i. Environmental Regulation in India: Moving 'Forward' in the Old Direction, co-authored with Kanchi Kohli, *Economic and Political Weekly*, 12 December 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Five Policy briefs on Coastal Regulation Zones (CZMAs): CRZ Report Cards, co-authored with Kanchi Kohli, Meenakshi Kapoor, Preeti Venkatram and Satnam Kaur, June 2015

23. During the year under review, Fellow **Ambrish Dongre** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. A good way to implement RTE, *The Daily Pioneer*, 6 April 2015
- ii. Education reforms and frontline administrators: A case study from Bihar – I, co-authored with Yamini Aiyar and Vincy Davis, *Ideas for India*, 15 October 2015
- iii. Education reforms and frontline administrators: A case study from Bihar – II, co-authored with Yamini Aiyar and Vincy Davis, *Ideas for India*, 16 October 2015
- iv. Reservation under RTE: Status of Implementation and Way Forward, co-authored with Ankur Sarin, *Ideas for India*, 11 January 2016

Journal Articles

- i. Do Private Tuitions improve Learning Outcomes?: Evidence from India using ASER Data, co-authored with Vibhu Tewary, *Economic & Political Weekly* Vol. 50, 10 October 2015

Working Papers

- i. Rules vs Responsiveness: Towards building an Outcome-focused Approach to governing Elementary Education Finances in India, co-authored by Yamini Aiyar, Avani Kapur, Anit Mukherjee and T R Raghunandan, May 2015
- ii. Comprehensive Examination of the State of Implementation of RTE Section 12(1)(c): Findings from a Nation-wide Study, co-authored with Ankur Sarin, Sunaina Kuhn, Bikkrama Singh, Praveen Khangtha, Ekta Joshi, Arghya Sengupta, Rukmini Das and Faiza Rahman, June 2015
- iii. Education Reforms, Bureaucracy and the Puzzles of Implementation: A Case Study from Bihar, Yamini Aiyar and Vincy Davis, November 2015

Chapters in Reports

- i. Reimbursements to Private Schools: Rules Vs. Practice in State of the Nation: RTE Section 12(1)(c) 2015 report, March 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Conference on Fiscal Policy Space for Children, session on “Tracking Public Expenditure: The PAISA Programme” organised by Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad and UNICEF in Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad on 25 November 2015
- ii. Workshop on Research on Elementary Education using DISE Data, a session on “Understanding Implementation of 25% Reservation Policy for Disadvantaged Students under the Right to Education Act: Analysis using DISE Data” organised by Dept. of EMIS, NUEPA, Delhi in NUEPA, New Delhi on 29 December 2015
- i. 2nd International Conference on Contemporary Debates in Public Policy and Management, a session on “Management Lessons from Time-Use Study of Education Sector’s Frontline Administrators”, co-authored with Vincy Davis to present, organised by Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta in Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta, 15 January 2016
- ii. National Policy Seminar on Rights Based Approach to Education and Development: Policy, Premises and Practice, presented a paper on “Status of Implementation of Section 12(1)(c) of RTE” organised by National University of Education Planning and Administration (NUEPA) in Delhi on February 15-16, 2016

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Reducing pendency of cases in the Judiciary, *Rajasthan Patrika*, 7 April 2015
- ii. The Story of Jairam Rajya, *India Today*, 15 June 2015

Journal Articles

- i. Agrarian Reform and the First Amendment, *Journal of Economic and Social History of the Orient*, 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. The Right to Property in the Indian Constitution in *Oxford Handbook on the Indian Constitution*, edited by Pratap Bhanu Mehta, Sujit Choudhry and Madhav Khosla, Oxford, 1 March 2016
- ii. The Fundamental Right to Property in the Indian Constitution in *Oxford Handbook on the Indian Constitution* edited by Sujit Choudhry, Pratap Bhanu Mehta and Madhav Khosla, Oxford University Press, 24 March 2016

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Conference presentation in a panel "Land Rights in the Scheduled Areas" project at the First SJD Conference, organised by Harvard Law School in USA on 8-9 May 2015
- ii. Seminar presentation at "The right to livelihoods in India" organised by Bergen Exchanges on Law and Social Transformation in Norway on 17 August 2015
- iii. Seminar on "Land Rights in the Scheduled Areas" organized by Bergen Exchanges on Law and Social Transformation in Norway on 20 August 2015
- iv. Conference presentation in a panel "Land Conflicts and Investment Risk in India" organised by National Council for Applied Economic Research in New Delhi and the Rights and Resources Institute in Washington D.C. in New Delhi on 3 September 2015
- v. "Agrarian Reform, the Supreme Court and the First Amendment to the Indian Constitution" at Conference on the Efficacy of the Supreme Court as an agent of Law and Social Change, organised by University of Chicago Department of Politics and Law School, Columbia University Law School and Azim Premji University in New Delhi on 11 December 2015
- vi. Roundtable on "Dynamics of Property Rights, Informal Economy and Poverty in Developing Economies" organised by Centre for Policy Research, Liberty Institute, and Centre for Development and Enterprise in New Delhi on 21 March 2016
- vii. Social & Economic Rights Litigation – The Next Generation: “SER and property rights to land in India” organised by Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in IIC, New Delhi on 24-27 March 2016
- viii. Social & Economic Rights Litigation – The Next Generation: “Human Rights and Economic Development, Mega Projects and their impacts” organised by Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in IIC, New Delhi on 24-27 March 2016

Targeted Meetings with Policymakers, Multilateral Organizations or Donors & Advocacy NGO's

- i. Made Submissions to the Joint Parliamentary Committee on the Land Acquisition Act (Amendment) Bill, 2015, 7 June 2015
- ii. Meeting on Land titling and land acquisition with Government of India, September and November 2015
- iii. Meeting with The Norwegian Embassy on Land Rights in the Scheduled Areas, 22 April 2015 and 20 October 2015
- iv. Meeting with Landesa on Land tenancy law, 9 September 2015
- v. Meeting with Asia Foundation on Legal conflict over land acquisition, April 2015, 20 May 2015 and 15 June 2015

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Air, an Election Issue, Shibani Ghosh, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, *The Indian Express*, 20 April 2015
- ii. Getting the climate story right, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash and K Rahul Sharma, *The Hindu*, 12 June 2015
- iii. The climate for cuts co-authored with Navroz K Dubash and K Rahul Sharma, *The Indian Express*, 18 July 2015
- iv. Understanding India's Emissions Intensity Pledge co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, *Climate Initiative Blog*, 13 October 2015
- v. Understanding India's Emissions Intensity Pledge, co-authored Navroz K Dubash, *Wordpress*, 13 October 2015
- vi. What does India's INDC imply for the Future of Indian Electricity?, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, *Wordpress*, 15 October 2015
- vii. What does India's INDC imply for the Future of Indian Electricity? Co-authored with Navroz K Dubash *Climate Initiative Blog*, 15 October 2015
- viii. Why India Has a Point at the Paris Climate Talks co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, *Time Magazine*, 7 December 2015

Journal Articles

- i. Neither Brake Nor Accelerator: Assessing India's Climate Contribution, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, *Economic and Political Weekly* Volume L no 42, 17 October 2015
- ii. Towards Methodologies for Multiple Objective-Based Energy and Climate Policy, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, Ashok Sreenivas, Srihari Dukkupati and Brett Cohen, *Economic and Political Weekly* Vol - L No. 49, 5 December 2015
- iii. Closing the Policy Gap: Building Energy Code Lessons from Andhra Pradesh, *Economic and Political Weekly* Vol L1, No 2, January 2016
- iv. An approach to sustainable-development-based energy and climate policies in India, co-authored with Navroz K. Dubash, Srihari Dukkupati, Ashok Sreenivas and Brett Cohen, *Energia Ambiente e Innovazione* n.1 Gennaio-Marzo 2016, March 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Energizing India-Japan Cooperation on Clean Energy, co-authored with Shyam Saran in *Poised for Partnership: Deepening India–Japan Relations in the Asian Century*, edited by Rohan Mukherjee and Anthony Yazaki, Oxford University Press, 11 January 2016

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Informing India’s Energy and Climate Debate: Policy Lessons from Modelling Studies, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, Narasimha D Rao, and K Rahul Sharma, 30 April 2015
- ii. India’s Sustainable Development Led Approach to Climate Mitigation for Paris, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, 27 August 2015
- iii. An Approach to Sustainable Development Based Energy and Climate Policy, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, Srihari Dukkupati, Ashok Sreenivas, and Brett Cohen, 27 August 2015
- iv. Development and Climate Policy Synergies: Insights from global modelling studies, co-authored with Narasimha D Rao, David Mccollum and Navroz K Dubash, 15 June 2015
- v. India’s Energy and Climate Policy: Lessons from Modelling Studies, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, Narasimha D Rao, and K Rahul Sharma, 10 July 2015
- vi. A MCDA Approach to Sustainable Development Based Energy and Climate Policy” TISS Conference paper, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash, Srihari Dukkupati, Ashok Sreenivas and Brett Cohen, July 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Informing India’s Energy and Climate Debate: Policy Lessons from Modelling Studies organised by The Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 29 April 2015
- ii. Workshop Toward Methodologies for Multiple-Objective Based Energy Policy organised by The Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 21 May 2015
- iii. Panel Discussion at Mint Annual Energy Conclave Invite on “India’s new energy security paradigm” organised by Live Mint Newspaper in New Delhi on 28 August 2015
- iv. CPR roundtable on India’s INDC with Shri Ashok Lavasa, Secy, MoEFCC organised by The Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 8 October 2015
- v. Panelist: Preparing for Paris: Should India Seek to Leverage Up or Leverage Down the Global Climate Agreement? organised by The Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 20 November 2015
- vi. Panelist: Urban Labs Innovation Challenge: Delhi organised by University of Chicago, Delhi Center in New Delhi on 1 December 2015
- vii. CPR Discussion on the Paris Agreement organised by The Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi in New Delhi on 18 December 2015

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. Outdoor air pollution working group member, Ministry of Health Steering Committee on Health Related Issues on Air Pollution (Office Order No T.21022/41/2013-NCD)

26. During the year under review, Fellow **Pallavi Raghavan** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Book Review, The Longest August: The Unflinching Rivalry between India and Pakistan, co-authored with Dilip Hiro, *The Wire*, May 2015
- ii. Lost Chance to Make the Subcontinent's History More Nuanced, *The Wire*, 20 May 2015
- iii. India begins celebrations of 1965 war but Pakistan claims it was the real winner, *Scroll*, 28 August 2015
- iv. Partition's Political Legacies: The Evacuee Property Ordinance, *Scroll*, 2016

Journal Articles

- i. On the Quest for Pakistan: Review of 'Creating a New Medina, co-authored with Venkat Dhulipala, *Economic and Political Weekly*, 13 February 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Setting up the Ministry of External Affairs in *Handbook on Indian Foreign Policy*, edited by Srinath Raghavan. C Raja Mohan and David M. Malone, OUP, Oxford, July 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. The Making of the India-Pakistan Dynamic: Nehru, Liaquat and the No War Pact Correspondence of 1950 at International Studies Association, Atlanta in Atlanta USA on March 2016
- ii. Presentation at South Asia University in New Delhi in April 2015

27. During the year under review, Honorary Research Professor **Late K C Sivaramakrishnan** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Eye on capital, loss in vision, *The Hindu*, 20 May 2015

Book(s)

- i. *Fixing Electoral Boundaries in India: Laws, Processes, Outcomes, and Implications for Political Representation*, Oxford University Press, 2015

28. During the year under review, Honorary Research **Late Ramaswamy R Iyer** was involved in the following research and allied activities

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Rivers in distress, OUP Blog, 1 August 2015

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. The Curious Case of Farmers' Rights in India, *Australian India Institute Journal*, June 2015
- ii. The Left and Right have swapped traditional positions in the Rajiv Malhotra plagiarism row, *Scroll*, 28 July 2015

Book(s)

- i. *The Cunning of Rights: Law, Life, Biocultures*, Oxford University Press, January 2016

Journal Articles

- i. Partial Publics. The Political Promise of Traditional Medicine in Africa, co-authored with Stacey Langwick, *Current Anthropology (U Chicago press)*, 4 November 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Emerging Leaders' Report Volume Six, 5 November 2015

Working Papers

- i. The Inscription of Technology in Life, 15 May 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Global Law and Policy Conference: Understanding Change With (in) Law in the post colony: Two Lawful Stories organised by IGLP, Harvard Law School in Cambridge on 2 June 2015

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Air, an election issue, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash and Radhika Khosla, *The Indian Express*, 20 April 2015
- ii. Is India's pollution control agency weakening pollution regulation?, *Scroll*, 31 October 2015
- iii. Climate Litigation in India: gaining traction?, *Climate Initiative Blog*, 15 January 2016
- iv. Moving beyond odd-even, *The Indian Express* on 4 Feb 2016

Working Papers

- i. Reforming the Liability Regime for Air Pollution in India, 30 December 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Panel Discussion on "Creating Space for Public Voice: Policy Dialogue on Public Participation and Environment Protection" organised by The American Center in New Delhi on 22 April 2015

- ii. Discussion on the Report of the High level Committee chaired by TSR Subramanian reviewing Indian environmental laws organised by Department of Humanities and Social Sciences in New Delhi on 23 April 2015
- iii. Lecture at the 2nd National Training Programme on Introduction to Environmental Auditing organised by International Centre for Environmental Audit and Sustainable Development in Jaipur on 7 May 2015
- iv. Seminar meeting to Understand and Progress the Discourse between Nuclear Energy Experts, Government, and the Public organised by American Academy of Arts & Sciences and Teri University in New Delhi on 13-15 July 2015

ACTIVITIES OF RESEARCH ASSOCIATES

The Research Associates of CPR were involved in the following research and allied activities during the year 2015-16

1. Srinivas Chokkakula, Senior Researcher

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. The water tribunal trap, *The Hindu*, 3 June 2015
- ii. Kosi River and the (un)making of a disaster: What will happen the next time disaster strikes?, Policyforum.net, 19 October 2015

Notable Seminar and Conference Presentations

- i. Asia Pacific Housing Forum 5 a session on “Community sanitation: challenges” organised by Habitat for Humanity India in Hotel Leela Ambience, Delhi NCR on 3-4 September 2015

2. Geetima Das Krishna, Senior Researcher

Journal Articles

- i. Indian Exports: Loss of Global Competitiveness, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, *Economic & Political Weekly*, 22 August 2015
- ii. Impact of China Slowdown, *The SARCist*, ISSN 2455–1775, March 2016

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. The myth of foregone revenue, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, *Mint*, 25 February 2015
- ii. India’s economy; Fastest-growing, or just recovering?, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, *The Financial Express*, 12 June 2015
- iii. Investment cycle: Signs of an upturn, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, *The Financial Express*, 5 August 2015
- iv. Pay panel doles out mixed bag, *Deccan Herald*, 29 November 2015
- v. India needs to gear up to tackle TPP, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, *Engineering Export Promotion Council of India- Monthly Magazine*, December 2015
- vi. Don’t push for stronger rupee, it will hurt overall growth, *Deccan Herald*, 8 February 2016

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Exports and Exchange Rate, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 8 April 2015
- ii. Indian Exports: Loss of Global Competitiveness, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 23 June 2015
- iii. Early Signs of Rise in Investment, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 28 July 2015
- iv. Monetary Policy Part I, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 24 September 2015
- v. Monetary Policy Part II, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 28 September 2015
- vi. Monetary Policy Part III, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 8 October 2015
- vii. TPP: Trans-Pacific Partnership, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 12 November 2015
- viii. Impact of 7th Pay Commission, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar 23 November 2015

- ix. Indian Finance Code (IFC) – Is It a Good Framework for Monetary Policy?, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 16 November 2015
- x. Channelling household savings to productive uses through the capital markets, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, December 2015
- xi. Banking Sector Reforms in India, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 22 February 2016
- xii. Global Headwinds Affecting India, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 23 March 2016

Working Papers

- i. Background Research paper on 'Indian Finance Code (IFC) – Is It a Good Framework for Monetary Policy?', co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, 2 November 2015
- ii. Background Research paper on 'Channelling household savings to productive uses through the capital markets', December 2015
- iii. Background Research paper on 'Banking Sector Reforms in India', co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar, January 2016
- iv. Background Research paper on 'Global Headwinds Affecting India' co-authored with Rajiv Kumar, February 2016

3. Mukta Naik, Senior Researcher

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Death on Aravalli: Stopping the squeeze on India's oldest range between Gurgaon and Faridabad, *The Alternative*, 15 May 2015
- ii. Changing gears: Can the open defecation conversation move beyond subliminal patriarchal messaging?, co-authored with Kimberly N Noronha, *CPR Urban Blog*, 6 June 2015
- iii. Before Cities Can Become Smart, They Must First Be Empowered, *The Wire*, 27 August 2015
- iv. Outside Delhi, informal rentals provide affordable housing, *urb.im*, 25 November 2015
- v. Delhi's informal waste recyclers reduce ill effects of climate change, *urb.im*, 21 December 2015
- vi. Diversifying income sources for rural households: Assessments from 70th round of NSSO, *Shram blog*, 24 December 2015
- vii. In peri-urban Delhi, experiments with decentralized sanitation, *urb.im*, 14 January 2016
- viii. Lofty ideals, baby steps: Delhi's experiments with participatory budgeting, *urb.im*, 16 February 2016
- ix. Mobile app Safetipin bets on big data to push for women's safety, *urb.im*, 10 March 2016

Journal Articles

- i. Informal Rental Housing Typologies and Experiences of Low-income Migrant Renters in Gurgaon, India, *Environment and Urbanisation ASIA*, Vol. 6(2) 154–175, August 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Comments on Draft Rental Housing Policy of Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, 3 December 2015

4. Kimberly Noronha, Senior Researcher

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Changing gears: Can the open defecation conversation move beyond subliminal patriarchal messaging?, co-authored with Mukta Naik, *CPR Urban Blog*, 6 June 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Swachh Bharat: Industry Engagement – Scope & Examples. SCI-FI: Sanitation Initiative, Research Report, co-authored with "Shubhagato Dasgupta, D T V Raghu Ramaswamy, Smitha Rao, Seetharaman R, Nikhil George, Amandeep Singh, Tripti Singh, Swati Dhiman and Aditya Bhol, December 2015

5. Avani Kapur, Senior Researcher

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. How Will—Unprepared—States Handle A \$29-Billion Budget Bonanza?, co-authored by Yamini Aiyar and Vikram Srinivas, *India Spends*, 2 April, 2015
- ii. Round table consultation discussion paper, co-authored with Vikram Srinivas, *Accountability Initiative*, 1 July, 2015
- iii. Deconstructing Union Budget 2015-16: what has changed?, *Down To Earth*, July 2015
- iv. How data can mislead in analysing social policy, *Business Standard, Punditry*, 20 August, 2015
- v. The wrong way to fix government schools, *Business Standard, Punditry*, 3 September, 2015
- vi. The vicious cycle of unspent balances - Part 1, *Business Standard, Punditry*, 18 September, 2015
- vii. The vicious cycle of unspent balances - Part 2, *Business Standard, Punditry*, 6 October 2015
- viii. Four challenges that India faces in achieving sustainable development goals, *Business Standard, Punditry*, 26 October 2015
- ix. Lessons from Bihar's model of Development, *Business Standard, Punditry*, 12 November, 2015
- x. The state of social sector spending in 15-16, co-authored with Vikram Srinivas, *Mint*, 24 February, 2016
- xi. Social Sector gets lip service, co-authored with Vikram Srinivas, *Deccan Herald*, March 2016
- xii. Why the Centre needs to give states more control over schemes it co-finances, co-authored with Vikram Srinivas, *Scroll*, 29 March 2016

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, GOI 2015-16, co- authored with Smriti Iyer, 7 July, 2015
- ii. The Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan GOI 2015-16, co- authored with Ameet Misra, 7 July, 2015
- iii. National Health Mission GOI 2015-16, co- authored with Vikram Srinivas, 7 July, 2015
- iv. Swachh Bharat Mission GOI 2015-16, co- authored with Smriti Iyer 7 July, 2015
- v. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme GOI 2015-16, co- authored with Anindita Adhikari, 7 July, 2015
- vi. Backward Regions Grant Fund GOI 2015-16, co- authored with Vikram Srinivas, 7 July, 2015
- vii. State of Social Sector Expenditure in 2015-16, co-authored with Vikram Srinivas and Priyanka R Choudhury, 26 February 2016
- viii. Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, GOI, 2016-17, co-authored with Vikram Srinivas, 26 February 2016
- ix. Swachh Bharat Mission - Gramin, GOI, 2016-17, co-authored with Vikram Srinivas and Priyanka R Choudhury, 26 February 2016
- x. Integrated Child Development Services, GOI, 2016-17, co-authored with Vikram Srinivas and Ekta Joshi, 26 February 2016
- xi. National Rural Health Mission GOI, 2016-17, co-authored with Padmapriya Janakiraman, 26 February 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Fund Flows and Expenditure in Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan: A Case Study of School Based Grants at Nalanda District, Bihar in *Right to Education in India Resources, institutions and public policy*, edited by Praveen Jha and P Geetha Rani, Routledge India, 2015

Working Papers

- i. Rules vs Responsiveness: Towards building an Outcome-focused Approach to governing Elementary Education Finances in India, co-authored with Yamini Aiyar, Avani Kapur, Anit Mukherjee and T R Raghunandan, May 2015
- ii. Review of Intergovernmental Fiscal Transfers for health: Lessons learned and looking ahead, co-authored with Anit Mukherjee, Victoria Fan, Smriti Iyer, and Rifaiyat Mahbub, May 2015
- iii. Power to the States: Making Fiscal Transfers Work for Better Health: Intergovernmental Fiscal Transfers for Health Working Group, co-authored with Smriti Iyer, H K Amarnath, Rifaiyat Mahbub, Victoria Fan, Anit Mukherjee, Amanda Glassman, and Yamini Aiyar, 12 July 2015

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Ignoring Institutions that can save our coastal regions, co-authored with Manju Menon and Meenakshi Kapoor, *India Together*, 13 April 2015
- ii. Growing Forests in the Air, co-authored with Manju Menon, *The Hindu*, 26 October 2015
- iii. What Lies Behind Environmental Law Making, co-authored with Manju Menon, *The Wire*, 18 November 2015
- iv. Norms go from pre to post, *Civil Society Magazine*, 9 December 2015
- v. Burying the law to make way for a coal mine, *Wire*, 19 February 2016
- vi. Condoning illegalities on Kutch coast, co-authored with Manju Menon and Bharat Patel, *The Hindu*, 8 March 2016
- vii. How non-compliance is condoned a short story, *India Together*, 30 March 2016

Journal Articles

- i. Environmental Regulation in India: Moving ‘Forward’ in the Old Direction, co-authored with Manju Menon, *Economic and Political Weekly* Vol. 50, Issue 50 13 December 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Five Policy briefs on Coastal Regulation Zones (CZMAs): CRZ Report Cards, co-authored with Manju Menon, Meenakshi Kapoor, Preeti Venkatram and Satnam Kaur, June 2015

Policy and Advisory Committees

- i. A member in the Committee to consider the objections/suggestions of stakeholders and finalize the Draft Notification No. S.O. 2773(E) dated Oct. 9, 2015, 8 January 2016 onwards for two months
- ii. A member in the MoEF committee to review amendments to the EIA notification, January 2016

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

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Ignoring Institutions that can save our coastal regions, co-authored with Manju Menon and Kanchi Kohli, *India Together*, 13 April 2015
- ii. The Holes that make our coasts vulnerable, *India Together*, 4 May 2015
- iii. Easing Building Regulations- where is the ground work?, *India Together*, 7 September 2015
- iv. Skewed composition of coastal authorities threaten climate resilience, *India Spend*, 23 November 2015
- v. Why India's independent coastal authorities are not so independent after all, *Scroll*, 23 November 2015
- vi. Government officials control independent, faltering coastal authorities, *Business Standard*, 23 November 2015
- vii. For our nation's precious coasts, *Deccan Herald*, 1 December 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Five Policy briefs on Coastal Regulation Zones (CZMAs): CRZ Report Cards, co-authored with Manju Menon, Kanchi Kohli, Preeti Venkatram and Satnam Kaur, June 2015

8. Aditya Bhol, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. India's sanitation puzzle: Missing the complete picture?, *India Together*, 13 July, 2015
- ii. Let's celebrate Gandhi by purging manual scavenging, *Dailyo*, 1 October, 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Urban Sanitation in India – Why Brazil Matters, co-authored with Anjali Chikersal, 31 January 2016

Notable Seminars and Conferences

- i. Participated in "Sustainable Development Goals for Water and Sanitation: Strategies for India" organised by Water Aid in IHC, New Delhi on 14 September, 2015

9. Amandeep Singh, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. For the Net by the Net: Initial thoughts on India's Save the Internet Campaign, co-authored with Nikhil George, *LSE Blog*, 13 May, 2015

Journal Articles

- i. Revisiting Discrepancies in Sanitation Statistics of Rural India, co-authored with Nikhil George, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol 26-27, 27 June, 2015

10. Bhanu Joshi, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Smart Cities Mission: Project Not Policy, *Swarajya Magazine*, 5 May 2015
- ii. Bihar Polls: Shifting Goalposts, co-authored with Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 7 October, 2015
- iii. It's Not about caste or beef, but vikas (development), co-authored with Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 28 October, 2015
- iv. In Rajasthan civic polls, cities get defeated, *Hindustan Times*, 2 November, 2015

- v. How will Bihar Shake Out, co-authored with Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 6 November 2015
- vi. How Modi surrendered Bihar, co-authored with Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, *The Hindu*, 9 November 2015

Journal Articles

- i. State versus Municipal Funds: Rethinking Urban Finance in Delhi, co-authored with Shahana S, *Economic & Political Weekly*, 16 May, 2015
- ii. Urban Voting and Party Choices in Delhi: Matching Electoral Data with Property Category, Co-authored with K C Pradhan and P Sidhwani, *Review of Urban Affairs, Economic & Political Weekly*, December 2015

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Delimiting Boundaries of the Third Tier of Democracy: A Note in *Fixing Electoral Boundaries in India Laws, Processes, Outcomes, and Implication for Political Representation*, edited by Mohd. Sanjeer Alam & K C Sivaramakrishnan, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, August 2015

Working Papers

- i. What do Bihar's Voters Want?, co-authored with Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, October 2015
- ii. How will Bihar Shake Out, co-authored with Neelanjan Sircar and Ashish Ranjan, November 2015

11. Eesha Kunduri, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Exploring the role of worksite(s) on migrant women's labour market decisions in Delhi, co-authored with Sonal Sharma, *Migration Narratives: The Shram Blog*, 16 September

Journal Articles

- i. Of Law, Language and Labour: Situating the need for a legislation on domestic work, co-authored with Sonal Sharma, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Web Exclusive; 50(28), 11 July 2015
- ii. Working from home is better than going out to factories (?): Spatial Embeddedness, Agency, and Labour-Market Decisions of Women in the city of Delhi, co-authored with Sonal Sharma, *South Asia Multi Disciplinary Academic Journal*, 7 September 2015

12. Hemant Shivakumar, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. India's assistance to the energy Sector: Key developments, *IDCR News Brief*, April 2015
- ii. Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Bangladesh: Deepening Economic Cooperation and Development Assistance, *IDCR News Brief*, 13 June 2015
- iii. Food Security without tears, *The Hindu*, 29 October 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Reducing Non-Tariff Barriers to Food Trade between India and South Asia: Eliminating Phyto-Sanitary and Sanitary Issues, co-authored with Shiva Sharma, 15 September 2015

13. Kanhu Charan Pradhan, Research Associate

Journal Articles

- i. Urban Voting and Party Choices in Delhi: Matching Electoral Data with Property Category, co-authored with Bhanu Joshi and Pranav Sidhwani, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol.51, Issue:5, 30 January 2016

14. Kashyap Arora, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. An overview of energy cooperation and its challenges in South Asia, *The SARCist*, 16 September 2015

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Bangladesh: Deepening Economic Cooperation and Development Assistance, co-authored with Dr Rani D Mullen, Hemant Shivkumar and Kailash K Prasad, 13 June 2015

15. Meghna Shrivastav, Research Associate

For the list of conferences, seminar and targeted meeting, please refer to the listing under Fellow Ramesh Chandran

16. Nikhil George, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. For the Net by the Net: Initial thoughts on India's Save the Internet Campaign, co-authored with Amandeep Singh, *LSE Blog*, 13 May, 2015

Journal Articles

- i. Revisiting Discrepancies in Sanitation Statistics of Rural India, co-authored with Amandeep Singh, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol 26-27, 27 June, 2015

17. Neha, Research Associate

Journal Articles

- i. Evolution of Institutions for Climate Policy in India, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash , *Economic and Political Weekly* Vol L1, No. 3, 16 January 2016

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Building Institutions for Climate Policy in India, co-authored with Navroz K Dubash. July 2015

Working Papers

- i. Elaborating the INDC Context, September 2015

18. Persis Rustom Taraporevala, Research Associate

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Creating Subjects: Citizenship in a Private City in *Critical Cities* edited by Deepa Naik and Trenton Oldfield, Myrdle Court Press, 2015

19. Radhika Saraf, Research Associate

Journal Articles

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

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Shiksha Samvad (Education Dialogue): Strengthening People's Engagement with Education, co-authored with Kiran Bhatti, Priyanka Varma and Parash Ram Banjara, 16 October 2015

20. Sabah Ishtiaq, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. SAARC Visa: A case of regional integration, *South Asia Monitor, Eurasia Review & The SARCist*, 18 and 19 November 2015
- ii. The road to nowhere: SAARC at 30, *South Asia Monitor*, 11 December 2015

21. Sakshi Bhardwaj, Research Associate

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Indian Finance Code (IFC) – Is It a Good Framework for Monetary Policy?, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar and Geetima Das Krishna, 16 November 2015
- ii. Banking Sector Reforms in India, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar and Geetima Das Krishna, 22 February 2016
- iii. Global Headwinds Affecting India, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar and Geetima Das Krishna, 23 March 2016

Working Papers

- i. Indian Finance Code (IFC) – Is It a Good Framework for Monetary Policy?', co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar and Geetima Das Krishna, 2 November 2015
- ii. Channelling household savings to productive uses through the capital markets', co-authored with Vardhana Pawaskar, Geetima Das Krishna, 27 November 2015
- iii. Indradhanush-Banking Sector Reforms, co-authored with Dr Rajiv Kumar and Geetima Das Krishna, 25 January 2016
- iv. Impact of China Slowdown on India, co-authored with Geetima Das Krishna, 24 February 2016

22. Sama Khan, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Lessons in Urban Development Ignored, *The Pioneer*, 5 May 2015

23. Sonal Sharma, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. Exploring the role of worksite(s) on migrant women's labour market decisions in Delhi, co-authored with Eesha Kunduri, *Migration Narratives: The Shram Blog*, 16 September
- ii. The Delhi Jal Board: Seeing Beyond the Planned, co-authored with Shahana Sheikh and Subhadra Banda, *Cities of Delhi*, April 2015

Journal Articles

- i. Of Law, Language and Labour: Situating the need for a legislation on domestic work, co-authored with Eesha Kunduri, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Web Exclusive; 50(28), 11 July 2015
- ii. Working from home is better than going out to factories (?): Spatial Embeddedness, Agency, and Labour-Market Decisions of Women in the city of Delhi, co-authored with Eesha Kunduri, *South Asia Multi Disciplinary Academic Journal*, 7 September 2015
- iii. Rasoi ka Kaam/ Bathroom ka Kaam: Perspectives of Women Domestic Workers, *Economic and Political Weekly Volume: 51; Issue: 7*, 13 February 2016

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Housing, Spatial Mobility and Paid Domestic Work: Narratives of Women Domestic Workers in *Space, Planning and Everyday Contestations in Delhi*, edited by Surajit Chakravarty and Rohit Negi, Springer India, 2016

24. Stanzin Yumchen, Research Associate

For the list of conferences, seminar and targeted meeting, please refer to the listing under Fellow Ramesh Chandran

25. Swati Dhiman, Research Associate

Working Papers

- i. Evolution of Housing Typologies and Sanitation facilities: A case study of Udaipur, ongoing
- ii. User's manual - Septic tank design, co-authored with Amandeep Singh, ongoing
- iii. Project NIRMAL - Piloting appropriate and sustainable sanitation service delivery in two cities of Odisha, co-authored with Anju Dwivedi, ongoing

26. Tripti Singh, Research Associate

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. Report on Swachh Bharat: Industry Engagement - Scope & Examples, co-authored with Shubhagato Dasgupta, D T V Raghu Ramaswamy, Kimberly Noronha, Smitha Rao, R Seetharaman, Nikhil George, Amandeep Singh, Swati Dhiman and Aditya Bhol, 2015

27. Vikram Srinivas, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. The state of social sector spending in 15-16, co-authored with Avani Kapur, *Mint*, 24 February 2016
- ii. Why the Centre needs to give states more control over schemes it co-finances, co-authored with Avani Kapur, *Scroll*, 29 March 2016
- iii. How Will—Unprepared—States Handle A \$29-Billion Budget Bonanza?, co-authored by Yamini Aiyar and Avani Kapur, *India Spends*, 2 April, 2015
- iv. Round table consultation discussion paper, co-authored with Avani Kapur, *Accountability Initiative*, 1 July, 2015
- v. Social Sector gets lip service, co-authored with Avani Kapur, *Deccan Herald*, March 2016

Policy Briefs and Reports

- i. National Health Mission GOI 2015-16, co- authored with Avani Kapur, 7 July, 2015
- ii. Backward Regions Grant Fund GOI 2015-16, co- authored with Avani Kapur, 7 July, 2015
- iii. State of Social Sector Expenditure in 2015-16, co-authored with Avani Kapur and Priyanka R Choudhury, 26 February 2016
- iv. Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, GOI, 2016-17, co-authored with Avani Kapur, 26 February 2016
- v. Swachh Bharat Mission - Gramin, GOI, 2016-17, co-authored with Avani Kapur and Priyanka R Choudhury, 26 February 2016
- vi. Integrated Child Development Services, GOI, 2016-17, co-authored with Avani Kapur and Ekta Joshi, 26 February 2016

28. Vincy Davis, Research Associate

Articles in Non-Reviewed Periodicals

- i. The Anatomy of Indian Administration, *Accountability Initiative blog*, 1 June 2015
- ii. Functional Assignment: Some Thoughts on the Evolving Subject, *Accountability Initiative blog*, 19 October 2015
- iii. Functional Assignment: Some (more) Thoughts on the Evolving Subject, *Accountability Initiative blog*, 20 October 2015

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- i. Role of Activity Mapping in *Democratic Good Governance in Claiming India from Below : Activism and Democratic Transformation*, edited by Vipul Mudgal, Routledge India, November 2015

Working Papers

- i. Education reforms, bureaucracy and the puzzles of implementation: A case study from Bihar, co-authored with Yamini Aiyar and Ambrish Dongre, November 2015

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION & DISSEMINATION SERVICES

During the year 2015-16, 130 books were added to the library of the Centre. The acquisition programme of the library was mainly restricted to books relating to 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 10601 books after weeding a few old books. The library subscribed to 49 journals, and received gratis 40 periodicals during the year. 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 configured and provided to users as per their requirement.
2. 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.
3. Following hardware & software licenses were procured
 - a. Five (5) Desktops, Sixteen (16) laptops, Three (3) HP laser printers, Seventy (70) Tablets (Samsung make) & a Projector (Casio LED) were purchased, configured and installed as per requirements of the users.
 - b. Academic Licenses of Acrobat Professional (1 no.), Adobe Indesign CC (3 nos.), Adobe Photoshop CC (1 no.) & Adobe Illustrator CC (1 no.) were purchased and installed.
4. Maintenance, Configuration and up gradation of Centre's Local Area and Wi-Fi Network, Hardware and software were carried out as per requirement. System support services were provided to all the users of the Centre for their IT related requirements. Support services related to seminars and conferences held at the Centre during the year were also provided. Administrative support was extended to allot maintenance contract for Centre's website (cprindia.org)

GRANTS

The CPR received the following grants from the ICSSR during the financial year 2015-16 (in lakhs):

1.	Recurring grant (Non Plan)	Rs. 90.00
2.	Recurring grant (Plan)	Rs. 40.00

	Total:	Rs.130.00

The CPR gross corpus fund now stands at Rs. 888.82 lakh. CPR's gross receipts (including specific project receipts) during the year was Rs. 2288.62 lakh. ICSSR recurring grant is 5.68% 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. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, USA
2. Centre for Global Development, UK
3. Chr. Michelsen Institute, Norway
4. Ford Foundation, USA
5. Foreign and Commonwealth Office, British High Commission
6. IDRC, Canada
7. Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi
8. Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai
9. Institute of Research and Development, France
10. London School of Economics and Political Science, UK
11. NAMATI Inc., USA
12. Oak Foundation
13. Omidyar Network Foundation, USA
14. Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation, New Delhi
15. The Asia Foundation, USA
16. UNDP
17. University of Manchester, UK
18. UNOPS
19. William & Flora Hewlett Foundation, USA
20. 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.

CPR FACULTY AND STAFF

(As on 31 March 2016)

Professors

- | | | |
|----|---|----------------|
| 1. | Pratap Bhanu Mehta
Ph.D.(Princeton University) | August 2004 |
| 2. | Brahma Chellaney
Ph.D. (Jawaharlal Nehru University) | July 1993 |
| 3. | Bharat Karnad
M.A. (University of California) | April 1996 |
| 4. | Lavanya Rajamani
D.Phil (University of Oxford) | September 2006 |
| 5. | Srinath Raghavan
Senior Fellow | |

Professor Emeritus

- | | | |
|----|---------------------------------|----------------|
| 6. | Charan Wadhva (Ph.D, Yale, USA) | September 2005 |
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Honorary Research/Visiting Professors

- | | |
|-----|----------------------------|
| 7. | Subhash C Kashyap |
| 8. | Ved Marwah (Retd. IPS) |
| 9. | Ajit Mozoomdar (Retd. IAS) |
| 10. | K R G Nair |
| 11. | R. Rangachari |
| 12. | B.N. Saxena |
| 13. | Sanjib Baruah |
| 14. | Sanjoy Hazarika |
| 15. | G. Parthasarathy |

Associate Professors

- | | |
|-----|--------------------------|
| 16. | Nimmi Kurian Ph.D. (JNU) |
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Senior Fellows

- | | |
|-----|---------------------|
| 17. | Partha Mukhopadhyay |
| 18. | Shylashri Shankar |
| 19. | Yamini Aiyar |
| 20. | Rajiv Kumar |
| 21. | Ramesh Chandran |
| 22. | Shubhagato Dasgupta |
| 23. | Navroz Dubash |
| 24. | Shyam Saran |
| 25. | Dr Shyam Babu |
| 26. | Dr.Anjali Chikersal |
| 27. | Dr.Neelantan Sircar |
| 28. | Kiran Bhatta |

Senior Visiting Fellows

- | | |
|-----|-----------------|
| 29. | Phillipe Cullet |
| 30. | Jishnu Das |
| 31. | Dr.Rani Mullen |

Project Directors

- | | |
|-----|-------------|
| 32. | Manju Menon |
|-----|-------------|

Fellows

- | | |
|-----|-------------------|
| 33. | Ambrish Dongre |
| 34. | Geetanjali Chopra |
| 35. | Namita Wahi |
| 36. | Radhika Khosla |
| 37. | Pallavi Raghavan |
| 38. | Arkaja Singh |
| 39. | Shibani Ghosh |

Senior Researchers

- | | |
|-----|-----------------------------------|
| 40. | Geetima Das Krishna |
| 41. | Srinivas Chokkakula |
| 42. | Avani Kapur (Lead Public Finance) |
| 43. | Mukta Naik |
| 44. | Ajay Kumar |
| 45. | Madhura Joshi |
| 46. | Padmapriya Janakiraman |
| 47. | Kimberly M Noronha |
| 48. | Anju Dwivedi |

49. Shamindranath Roy

Senior Research Analysts

50. Ameer Mishra

Program Managers

51. Meenakshi Kapoor

52. Mahabaleshwar Hegde

Research Associates

53. Kanhu Charan Pradhan

54. Sandeep Bhardwaj

55. R Seetharaman

56. Stanzin Yumchen

57. Sama Khan

58. Hemant Shivakumar

59. Swati Dhiman

60. Neha Joseph

61. Preeti Venkatram

62. Sarah Khan

63. Sonal Sharma

64. Parash Ram Garasiya

65. Ankit Bhatia

66. Vidushi Bahuguna

67. Ekta Joshi

68. Vikram Srinivas

69. Kashyap Arora

70. Aditya Bhol

71. Nikhil George

72. Ashish Kumar

73. Bhanu Joshi

74. Amandeep Singh

75. Falak Raza

76. Priyanka Roy Choudhary

77. Meghna Shrivastav

78. Tripti Singh

79. Krithika A Dinesh

80. Persis Taraporevala

81. Anantakrishna Boddapati

82. Manish

83. Radhika Saraf

84. Abhishree Aggarwal

85. Sakshi Bhardwaj

86. Basanta Kumar Jena

Research Associates (Part-Time)

87. Eesha Kunduri

88. Spandana Battula

89. Pallav Shukla

Research Analysts

90. Vincy Davis

Outreach and Learning Associates

91. Nithya Savioni Devaraj

Program Coordinators

92. Nilanjan Chaudhury

Research Assistants

93. Preety Bhogal

94. Soumya Jha

95. Prashant Arya

Field Coordinators

96. Vimal Kalavadiya

Project Assistants (Part-Time)

97. Jessy Thomas

Administration, Accounts, IT, Communications & Other Services

98. L. Ravi

Chief, Administrative Services

99. Ajay Nayyar

Senior System Analyst

100. Richa Bansal

Director (Communications)

101. Priyanka Anand Chadha

Learning and Development Officer

102. Aditi Sahay

Communications Officer

103. Madhura Dasgupta

Communications Officer

104. Anushree Sharma

Digital Content Officer

105. Bipin Bihari Nayak

Junior Designer

106. Jagmohan Chander

Administrative Officer

107. Pradeep Khanna

Chief Accounts Officer

108. Vivek Bhargava

Assistant Administrative Officer

- 109. M.C. Bhatt
Accounts Officer
- 110. Ramesh Kumar
Accounts Assistant
- 111. V.K. Tanwar
Assistant System Analyst & Assistant
Programmes
- 112. Dinesh Chandra
Senior Supervisor
- 113. Shiv Charan
Senior Supervisor
- 114. Y.G.S. Chauhan
Assistant Librarian
- 115. Sunil Kumar
Associate to President
- 116. Pramod Kumar Malik
Associate to President
- 117. Sonia Bhutani Gulati
Public Relations Associate

- 118. Vinod Kumar
Deputy Supervisor
- 119. Sarala Gopinathan
Secretarial Assistant
- 120. Satnam Kaur
Finance and Admn. Manager
- 121. Ajit Kumar Misra
Finance and Admn. Associate
- 122. Ravi Raunaq Robin
Administrative Assistant

Other Supporting Staff

- 123. Ranjit Singh
- 124. Poona Ram
- 125. Gajendra Sahu
- 126. Rohan



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 2016 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 2016; 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

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

Place: NEW DELHI
Dated: 23.09.16

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

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CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH						
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2016						
						<i>Amount in Rs.</i>
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES	Sch		As on 31.3.2016			As on 31.3.2015
CORPUS FUND	1		881,82,405			856,82,405
CAPITAL FUND (ASSETS)	2		91,49,426			182,68,522
CAPITAL RESERVE			44,08,025			44,08,025
ENDOWMENT FUND			7,00,000			7,00,000
RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCIES			102,00,000			102,00,000
UNSPENT BALANCES IN SPECIFIED PURPOSES/ PROJECTS	3		1761,61,110			1826,62,394
GRANT - NATIONAL KNOWLEDGE COMMISSION	4		10,81,532			10,81,532
PROVISIONS	5		125,22,644			82,18,644
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT			320,50,726			201,87,059
CURRENT LIABILITIES	9		6,03,120			10,93,065
TOTAL			3350,58,988			3325,01,646
PROPERTY & ASSETS						
FIXED ASSETS	6					
Gross Block		348,41,996		329,06,215		
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		256,92,570	91,49,426	239,17,330		89,88,885
INVESTMENTS (including Corpus Fund Investments)	7		3073,23,386			2986,91,124
CURRENT ASSETS, LOANS AND ADVANCES:	8					
Stock of Special Stationery	8(a)	-		2,80,818		
Cash and Bank Balances	8(b)	68,10,732		156,41,659		
Advances recoverable/ adjustable	8(c)	117,75,444	185,86,176	88,99,160		248,21,637
TOTAL			3350,58,988			3325,01,646
Accounting policies and notes on accounts	10		-			-
sd						For and on behalf of
<u>AS PER OUR REPORT OF EVEN DATE.</u>						CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH
FOR V.SANKAR AIYAR & CO.						
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS						sd
(Firm's Registration No. 109208W)						(PRATAP BHANU MEHTA)
sd						PRESIDENT
(M.S.BALACHANDRAN)						
PARTNER (M.No. 24282)						
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PLACE: NEW DELHI		(PRADEEP KHANNA)				(L RAVI)
DATED: 23.09.16		CHIEF ACCOUNTS OFFICER				CHIEF - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

	CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH				
	INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2016				
					<i>Amount in Rs.</i>
	INCOME		2015-16		2014-15
	Educational Testing & Exam Contribution (Net)		-		1,06,529
	Grant-in-Aid from ICSSR		130,00,000		120,00,000
	Interest on Investments:				
	Endowment and corpus Interest	38,09,490		33,74,839	
	Dividend income on Corpus	1,77,336		1,62,387	
	Interest on Income Tax Refunds	36,608		1,92,274	
	Other interest income	67,23,383	107,46,817	50,08,767	87,38,267
	Miscellaneous Income		8,02,993		2,19,035
	Transfer from Grants		162,28,853		153,42,550
	Rental receipts		93,168		6,23,016
	Completed Projects - Balances written back (Net)		9,73,770		57,144
	Profit on sale of assets		4,464		846
	TOTAL		418,50,065		370,87,387
	EXPENDITURE		2015-16		2014-15
	<u>SALARIES, WAGES & BENEFITS TO STAFF</u>				
	Salaries and wages	236,50,628.00		231,14,307	
	Contribution to Provident Fund	15,48,498.00		14,51,898	
	Contribution to Gratuity Fund (LIC)	10,00,000.00		10,00,000	
	Contribution to / payment of Leave Encashment Benefits	10,00,000.00		10,00,000	
	Medical Insurance & other Staff Welfare	3,81,621.00	275,80,747	3,77,524	269,43,729
	Travel and conveyance		3,68,616		2,46,731
	Rates and taxes		7,37,233		9,20,430
	Printing, stationery, office supplies		1,48,358		1,75,483
	Communication expenses		2,61,767		2,62,657
	Electricity and water		5,33,981		5,50,043
	Office maintenance and repairs		10,86,479		6,66,879
	Hospitality and common courtesy		1,92,490		2,24,245
	Insurance		37,492		38,026
	Library books, newspapers and periodicals		3,52,677		4,36,670
	Audit and other fee		3,25,302		2,30,338
	Miscellaneous expenses		1,29,869		49,584
	Membership and subscriptions		63,025		50,562
	Bank charges		7,403		4,929
	Conference and Programmes		5,92,847		4,22,626
	Advertisement		3,90,549		-
	Vehicle maintenance		82,456		62,750
	Legal and professional		3,92,000		2,71,904
	I T support		-		58,614
	Stock of Special Stationery written off		2,80,818		
	TDS Recoverable written off		8,67,237		
	Depreciation		24,47,124		21,50,230
	Total C.O.		368,78,470		337,66,430

	EXPENDITURE			2015-16	2014-15
	Total B.F.			368,78,470	337,66,430
	Provisions/ Appropriations:				
	CPR Building Repairs and Maintenance	47,00,000		-	
	Pay revision	-		-	-
	Corpus Fund	-	47,00,000	-	
			415,78,470		337,66,430
	Surplus for the year after appropriations		2,71,595		33,20,957
	Surplus brought forward		201,87,059		168,66,102
	Amount transferred from Capital Fund		115,92,072		
	Accumulated surplus carried to Balance sheet		320,50,726		201,87,059
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					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)				
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				(PRATAP BHANU MEHTA)	
	sd				PRESIDENT
	(M.S.BALACHANDRAN)				
	PARTNER (M.No. 24282)				
		sd			sd
	PLACE: NEW DELHI		(PRADEEP KHANNA)		(L RAVI)
	DATED: 23.09.16		CHIEF ACCOUNTS OFFICER		CHIEF-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

	CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH				
	SCHEDULES TO STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2016				
					<i>Amount in Rs.</i>
	PARTICULARS		As on 31.3.2016		As on 31.3.2015
	<u>CORPUS</u>				Schedule - 1
	As per last Balance Sheet		856,82,405		856,82,405
	Add: Corpus received during the year		25,00,000		-
	Add: Transfer from Income and Expenditure A/c		-		-
	Total		881,82,405		856,82,405
	<u>CAPITAL FUND (ASSETS)</u>				Schedule - 2
	As per last Balance Sheet		182,68,522		166,83,315
	Add: Assets purchased out of Specific purpose/ Project Fund		24,72,976		15,85,207
	Less: Amount transferred to Income and Expenditure Account		(115,92,072)		-
	Total		91,49,426		182,68,522
	NATIONAL KNOWLEDGE COMMISSION				Schedule - 4
	BALANCE OF UNUTILISED GRANT				
	As per last Balance sheet		10,81,532		9,91,895
	Interest on Investments		-		89,637
	Total		10,81,532		10,81,532
	Represented by:				
	Fixed Deposit with Canara Bank		10,46,373		10,46,373
	Canara Bank C/A NO 5827		11,010		11,010
	TDS Recoverable		24,149		24,149
	Total		10,81,532		10,81,532
	<u>PROVISIONS</u>				Schedule - 5
	<u>Pay Revision:</u>				
	As per last Balance Sheet	-		35,77,258	
	Add: Transfer from Income and Expenditure A/c	-		-	
	Less: Paid during the year	-	-	35,77,258	-
	<u>Provision for Repairs and Maintenance</u>				
	As per last Balance Sheet	82,18,644		89,45,193	
	Add: Transfer from Income and Expenditure A/c	47,00,000			
	Less: Paid during the year	3,96,000	125,22,644	7,26,549	82,18,644
	Total		125,22,644		82,18,644

CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH										
BALANCE OF CONTRIBUTION FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSES/PROJECTS AS ON 31.03.2016										
S. No.	NAME OF SPONSOR AND PROJECT	Opening Balance	Receipts during	Interest/	Transfer to	Disbursements	Completed	Closing Balance	SCHEDULE - 3	
		DR.	CR.	the year	Dividend	Income and Exp	during the year	projects	DR.	(AMOUNT IN Rs)
	FOREIGN CONTRIBUTION GRANTS									
1	THE ASIA FOUNDATION- CREATING A COMPREHENSIVE INDIAN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION DATABASE-PHASE-II	1,40,156	-				(1,40,156)	-		-
2	THE ASIA FOUNDATION- MOBILIZING THE STATE INDIA'S ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY IN THE 21ST CENTURY	-	2,88,710	1,35,018		4,23,728		-		-
3	THE ASIA FOUNDATION- THE SOUTH ASIA INTERREGIONAL TRADE NEWS LETTER (II)	2,35,230		2,01,632			(33,598)	-		
4	THE ASIA FOUNDATION-EXPLORING NEW AVENUES FOR TRADE AND INVESTMENT-INDIA,PAKISTAN, SRI LANKA	35,358	-	1,35,358		1,00,000		-		-
5	THE ASIA FOUNDATION - INCLUSIVE AND INFORMED POLITICS FOR TRANSBOUNDARY WATER SHARING IN SOUTH ASIA	-	1,68,118	98,176		2,66,294		-		-
6	THE ASIA FOUNDATION-LEGAL RIGHTS ON LAND ACQUISITION			17,86,752		14,85,426				1,27,076
7	THE ASIA FOUNDATION-REDUCING TRADE BARRIERS TO FOOD TRADE IN INDIA	-	-	5,51,084	-	13,47,132		9,25,013		-
8	BILL MILINDA GATES FOUNDATION- STRENGTHENING AWARENESS OF ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES ON MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH AND DIGITAL FINANCIAL INCULSIONS IN INDIA (GPPI)		44,15,722	79,11,484	3,18,663	9,75,356	66,86,813			49,83,700
9	BILL MILINDA GATES FOUNDATION- SCI FI	-	713,89,729	-	66,48,137	29,56,277	208,20,560	-		542,61,029
10	BILL MILINDA GATES FOUNDATION- SUPPLIMENTARY GRANT NO.	-	-	195,71,332		84,831	5,65,538			189,20,963
11	BILL MILINDA GATES FOUNDATION- NIRMAL STUDY	-	122,22,547	-	1,51,513	9,45,812	64,12,905	-		50,15,343
12	BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION - PATENT, INTELLECTUAL CLIMATE AND DEVELOPMENT KNOWLEDGE NETWORK (CDKN) - TOWARDS ROBUST CLIMATE COMPATIBLE DEVELOPMENT PLANNING IN INDIA	3,88,729	-	18,30,762	-	3,37,428	46,70,047	31,76,713		-
13	CEBRAP BRAZIL - POLICY PROCESS IN INDIA-RIGHT TO INFORMATION, SOCIAL AUDIT AND PARTICIPATORY IRRIGATION MANAGEMENT	-	4,91,867				82,77,761			1,21,821
14	CENTRE FOR GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT- PROPOSED COLLABORATION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFERS FOR HEALTH IN INDIA	2,75,986	-	4,73,078			1,56,650	-		3,35,217
15	CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL GOVERNANCE INNOVATION (CIGI)-COMPILING SCHOLARLY MATERIAL ON INDIA'S FOREIGN POLICY: HISTORY, INSTITUTIONS AND RELATIONS	-	15,17,037	-		1,33,597	6,579	-		1,90,513
16	CMI- LAND RIGHTS, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION URBANIZATION IN INDIA	-	17,64,565	29,07,209		4,50,000	13,35,967	-		47,473
17	CENTER DE SCIENCES HUMAINES - SUBURBIN ON SUBALTERN URBANIZATION IN INDIA	-	4,00,949				26,15,873	-		16,05,901
18	THE FORD FOUNDATION CORPUS INCOME FOR TRACK II DIALOGUES	-	75,65,769		27,64,963	-	1,06,650	-		2,94,299
19	THE FORD FOUNDATION- FOREIGN CURRENCY CORPUS INCOME	-	28,90,787		6,83,265	-	21,34,037	-		81,96,695
20	FORD FOUNDATION - PERPETUITY CHAIR-SARC	-	103,25,367		55,14,236	-	7,87,195	-		27,86,857
21	THE FORD FOUNDATION (INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION) - KOLKATTA EXPERIENCE	-	-				(1,69,316)	-		158,39,603
22	THE FORD FOUNDATION - ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE	8,37,531	-				6,45,517	-	14,83,048	-
23	GERMAN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION DEUTSCHE GESELLSCHAFT FUR INTERNATIONALE ZUSAMMERARBEIT (GIZ)- NATIONAL URBAN SANITATION POLICY IN INDIA (PHASE -II)	-	3,65,809	51,675	-			4,17,484		-
24	GLOBAL HEALTH STRATEGIES EMERGING ECONOMIES - GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC POLICY INITIATIVE	-	5,56,528	38,00,000	-	2,52,845	25,28,455	-		15,75,228
25	GOOGLE.ORG.- URBAN LOCAL GOVERNANCE	-	143,61,357	-	13,41,023		103,20,558	-		53,81,822
26	HEINRICH BOELL STIFTUNG	-	-	6,25,000		-	6,03,546			21,454
27	HARVARD UNIVERSITY SOUTH ASIA INST.	-	-	67,492			67,492	-		-
28	INNOVATION FOR POVERTY ACTION- GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAM TO ACCESS THE AVAILABILITY AND DELIVERY HEALTH SERVICES IN INDIA AND INDONESIA	-	46,04,598	-			27,875	-		45,76,723
29	INSTITUTE OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FRANCE (IRD)	-	-	10,20,629		56,917	5,69,167			3,94,545
30	INSTITUTE OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FRANCE (IRD) CONTRIBUTION TO CONFERENCE EXPENSES	-	-	1,89,291			1,89,291			-

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		DR.	CR.						DR.	CR.
32	INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTRE- THINK TANK INITIATIVE PHASE II	-	27,27,030	225,54,129	65,178		243,48,601		-	9,97,736
33	INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTRE (IDRC)- THINK TANK INITIATIVE - 5TH SOUTH ASIA REGIONAL MEETING	-	-	56,13,856			56,13,837	19	-	-
34	IDRC-CANADA-SCHOLARSHIP MATERIAL ON INDIA'S FOREIGN POLICY HISTORY, INSTITUTIONS AND RELATIONS-BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL RELATIONS- STUDY	1,86,270	-	2,18,718			50,000	(17,552)	-	-
35	JOHN D. AND CATHERINE T. MAC ARTHUR FOUNDATION-OBSTACLES TO A REVOLUTION:THE PROSPECTS OF REGIONAL CO-OP IN S.ASIA	-	91,56,485		5,54,965		97,11,877	(427)	-	-
36	JAPAN CENTRE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH- JAPAN'S ROLE IN SOUTH ASIA	-	1,70,481			-	-		-	1,70,481
37	AND GROWTH POTENTIAL OF AGRICULTURE IN INDIA LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE - OUTLAYS TO OUTCOME	5,94,861	-	9,09,553	-	28,123	2,81,236		-	5,333
38	LIBERTY INSTITUTE- REIMBURSEMENT OF WORKSHOP EXPENSES - LAND RIGHTS WORKSHOP	-	-	25,000	-	-	20,625	4,375	-	-
39	MRS CHANDRIKA PATHAK AND MR DALIP PATHAK-RESEARCH ON DRINKING WATER IN INDIA		5,45,977	-	-					5,45,977
40	NAMATI- ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE	-	2,30,656	154,77,876	-	16,35,966	116,21,233		-	24,51,333
41	OAK FOUNDATION- UNRESTRICTED SUPPORT -CLIMATE INITIATIVE	-	22,55,860	-		2,62,204	18,13,522	1,80,134	-	-
42	OAK FOUNDATION- UNRESTRICTED SUPPORT -CLIMATE INITIATIVE - II	-	-	65,01,997	-	4,60,348	34,07,523		-	26,34,126
43	OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE- CLIMATE INITIATIVE	-	14,12,867	-	-	-	8,86,451	5,26,416	-	-
44	OMIDYAR NETWORK FUND -ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE	17,510	-	83,08,750		11,24,435	74,48,425		2,81,620	-
45	SHAKTI SUSTAINABLE ENERGY FOUNDATION - RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AN INSTITUTIONAL AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR INTERMEDIATE PUBLIC TRANSPORT	-	17,44,188	17,25,664		3,15,441	31,54,411		-	-
46	SOUTH AFRICA CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENTERPRISE- WORKSHOP REIMBURSEMENT	51,986	-	51,986	-	-	-		-	-
47	SEPHIS-NEETHERLANDS	-	8,69,622	-	1,28,182	-			-	9,97,804
48	UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER- STATES DELIVERING FOR POOR PEOPLE , IMPROVING OUTCOMES THROUGH STRONGER EVIDENCE	-	8,83,016	11,74,428		1,33,760	18,38,832		-	84,852
49	WARBURG PINCUS LLC -NEW YORK-USA- RESEARCH ON DRINKING WATER IN INDIA		17,87,729	-	13,866		15,71,039			2,30,556
50	WILLIAM & FLORA HEWLETT FOUNDATION- ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE-STAPEE IN INDIA (GRANT NO. 2012-7948)	-	79,43,351	187,51,600	12,47,520	34,68,839	244,65,980	7,652	-	-
51	WILLIAM & FLORA HEWLETT FOUNDATION- ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE-NEW INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT	-	-	166,68,125	1,90,363	8,99,131	94,17,141	-	-	65,42,216
52	IDRC-CANADA-ROLE OF SMALL CITIES IN SHAPING YOUTH EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES IN INDIA	-	-	33,11,494	-	-	-	-	-	33,11,494
	SUB TOTAL	27,63,617	1630,56,721	1514,37,459	196,21,874	148,24,525	1786,32,473	9,44,347	58,66,394	1428,17,486
	DOMESTIC GRANTS									
1	ARGHYAM TRUST- CREATING STATE PROFILES ON SANITATION DATA	-	1,30,061	-	-				-	1,30,061
2	BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE			2,47,111			2,08,104		-	39,007
3	INDIAN COUNCIL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH-PPP MATERNAL CARE	-	19,940						-	19,940
4	INDIAN COUNCIL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH-CENTRE HEALTH POLICIES RESEARCH WITH EMPHASIS ON REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH MATTERS	-	9,523						-	9,523
5	ICSSR-SECULARISM & SOCIAL CAPITAL AMONG THE MARGINALISED	-	17,989						-	17,989
6	ICSSR-INDIA'S MIDDLE CLASS	20,280	-	12,00,000			31,381		-	11,48,339
7	ICSSR- URBAN TRNASFORMATION IN INDIA	1,95,318	-	12,00,000			9,61,539		-	43,143
8	ICSSR- AGRICULTURAL BIOTECHNOLOGY	13,61,129	-	8,20,924			6,48,970		11,89,175	-
9	ICSSR- ENVIRONMENTAL JURISPRUDENCE	2,63,146	-				1,590		2,64,736	-
10	ICSSR- AGE DIVIDEND ANALYSIS AND IMPLICATIONS	-	-	1,40,000			1,40,000		-	-
	ICSSR ORIENTATION PROGRAMME- FOR RESEARCH SCHOLARS AND FACULTY UNDER SC COMPONENT		6,63,528	3,00,000			1,01,284		-	8,62,244
11	IGD/SHRAMIC - STRENGTHEN AND HARMONIZE RESEARCH AND ACTION ON MIGRATION IN THE INDIAN CONTEXT (SHRAMIC)	-	21,44,128				15,56,294		-	5,87,834
12	JAMNALAL BAJAJ FOUNDATION	-	-	100,00,000	1,80,363					101,80,363
13	MEGHNA ENGINEERING AND INFRASTRUCTURE- GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC POLICY INITIATIVE	-	-	25,00,000		2,24,598	22,45,979	29,423	-	-

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		DR.	CR.						DR.	CR.
15	MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS- BCIM 10TH DIALOGUE 18-19 FEB 12 AND BCIM 11TH DIALOGUE 23-24 FEB 2013	-	1,12,699						-	1,12,699
16	MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS- GOVERNMENT OF INDIA- JOINT STUDY GROUP	-	2,46,296				14,938		-	2,31,358
17	MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA-CORPUS INCOME FOR TRACK II DIALOGUES	-	10,11,415		61,644		91,478		-	9,81,581
18	MINISTRY OF FINANCE-GOVERNMENT OF INDIA-CORPUS INCOME	-	5,439		4,72,162	4,64,000	405		-	13,196
19	NATIONAL COMMISSION ON POPULATION - CORPUS INCOME	-	108,48,333		31,67,886	-	-		-	140,16,219
20	UNOPS/WSSCC - DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RESEARCH IN INDIA ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS TO SAFE DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION	-	31,35,171	-	-	44,496	2,96,640		-	27,94,035
21	UNDP - RESOURCE ENTRE FOR COMMUNITY MONITORING AND SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN EDUCATION	1,18,585	-	44,85,398		3,11,138	39,72,252		-	83,423
22	UNESCO	-	-	4,11,758		6,093	1,00,217		-	3,05,448
23	UNICEF- ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE UNDER THE PROGRAMME COOPERATION AGREEMENT (I)	-	11,52,644	(67,379)	-	70,999	10,14,266		-	-
24	UNICEF- ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE UNDER THE PROGRAMME COOPERATION AGREEMENT (II)			33,21,653		3,36,813	29,84,840			-
25	UNICEF- ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE UNDER THE PROGRAMME COOPERATION AGREEMENT (III)			1,48,065			1,48,065			-
26	UNICEF- ACCOUNTABILITY INITIATIVE UNDER THE PROGRAMME COOPERATION AGREEMENT (IV)			-	-		1,49,819		1,49,819	-
27	WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION (WHO)	-	-	4,51,590			4,51,590			-
28	WORLD BANK - CENSUS TOWNS IN INDIA	1,80,836	-	8,91,555		3,888	33,392		-	6,73,439
29	WORLD BANK - INDIA AND HER NEIGHBOURS	-	1,08,507	41,72,335		4,06,303	27,80,756		-	10,93,783
	TOTAL	49,02,911	1826,62,394	1816,60,469	235,03,929	166,92,853	1965,66,272	9,73,770	74,70,124.00	1761,61,110
		NOTE:	TRANSFERRED TO ENDOWMENT INTEREST INCOME A/C							



CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH					
SCHEDULES TO STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2016					
					<i>Amount in Rs.</i>
	PARTICULARS		As on 31.3.2016		As on 31.3.2015
	INVESTMENTS (At cost)				Schedule - 7
	(including Corpus Fund Investments)				
	GOI 8 % Savings (Taxable) Bonds		100,25,000		216,90,000
	Fixed Deposits with Banks		1963,99,944		1764,93,057
	Fixed Deposits with HDFC Ltd		309,60,554		384,07,273
	Fixed Deposits with PNB Housing Finance Ltd		227,73,998		337,94,904
	Fixed Deposits with LIC Housing Finance Ltd		403,87,000		215,29,000
	Fixed Deposits with HUDCO		41,80,000		41,80,000
	Units of UTI		20,96,890		20,96,890
	Units of Canara Robeco Mutual Fund		5,00,000		5,00,000
	Total		3073,23,386		2986,91,124
	CURRENT ASSETS, LOANS AND ADVANCES:				Schedule - 8
	a) STOCK OF SPECIAL STATIONERY FOR PROJECTS		2,80,818		2,80,818
	(Chargeable against reimbursable fee)				
	At cost (As certified by the Management)				
	Less: Written Off during the year 2015-16		(2,80,818)		
	Sub-total		-		2,80,818
	b) CASH AND BANK BALANCES				
	In current Accounts with:				
	Canara Bank C/A NO-0157201000348 - F/C		3,84,324		65,45,105
	Canara Bank - C/A NO-0157201004775		55,47,179		62,14,688
	Canara Bank -C/A 0157201005222		8,419		5,439
	Punjab National Bank - C/A 1736002100011174		8,44,889		28,50,901
	Canara Bank -C/A 0157201005827 (NKC)		11,010		11,010
	Cash in hand - FC	4,177			4,505
	Cash in hand - Non-FC	10,734	14,911		10,011
	Sub-total		68,10,732		156,41,659
	c) ADVANCES RECOVERABLE/ ADJUSTABLE				
	(Unsecured - considered good and recoverable)				
	Staff Imprest and Advances to others		6,86,881		11,44,979
	Security Deposits		1,25,245		1,03,745
	Tax Deducted at Source		34,93,194		27,47,525
	Debit balances in Specified Grants/ Projects		74,70,124		49,02,911
	(excess spent in anticipation of Grant) (Refer Schedule - 3)				
	Sub-total		117,75,444		88,99,160
	Total		188,66,994		248,21,637
	CURRENT LIABILITIES				Schedule - 9
	Outstanding liabilities		6,03,120		10,49,623
	Advance payment against examination		-		43,442
	(Reimbursable fee)				
	Total		6,03,120		10,93,065

	CENTRE FOR POLICY RESEARCH				
					Schedule - 10
	Significant Accounting Policies and Notes on Accounts				
1	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.				
	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.				
2	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.				
3	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.				
4	INVENTORY: The stock of special stationery has been written off during the Financial Year 2015-16.				
5	INVESTMENTS: Investments are valued at cost.				
6	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS				
	The Centre makes regular contributions to duly constituted fund in respect of Provident fund and Gratuity. The Centre has taken up policies under the Group Gratuity and Leave Encashment Schemes of LIC for meeting the liability. It is accounted for, when paid. The accruing liability for future payment is ascertained.				
7	FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS				
	Foreign currency transactions are generally recorded at the exchange rate prevailing on the date of transaction.				
8	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 2015–16 (relating to FY 2014–15). 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.				
9	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 2014-15.				
10	The Planning Commission [as a nodal agency for providing services to the National Knowledge Commission (NKC)] 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 grant and expenses thereon are reflected separately.				
11	Claims against the society, not acknowledged as debts. – Subsequent to 31 March 2016, counter claim towards damages alleging deficiency in examination conducting service, which the Society has not accepted-Rs.11.73 crore.				

12	Estimated amount of outstanding Capital Contracts - Rs. NIL					
13	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.					
	<u>SIGNATURES TO SCHEDULES 1 TO 10</u>					sd
						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			sd
	PLACE: NEW DELHI		(PRADEEP KHANNA)		(L RAVI)	
	DATED: 23.09.16		CHIEF ACCOUNTS OFFICER		CHIEF - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	

