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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

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 ACTIVITES/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. Educational Testing and Personnel Policy Research;
- 13. Dialogues with Strategic Partner Countries for Enhancing Engagement with focus on South Asian and other Asian Countries;

- 14. Sectoral Policies for Infrastructural Development (Energy including Electric Power, Telecommunications, Roads, Ports, Airports etc.); and
- 15. Regional Development among States with special reference to Northeast India and Kashmir.

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4. Dr. Pratap Bhanu Mehta
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The year 2006-2007 was another year of greater consolidation at CPR. The first objective was to associate new faculty with CPR. It is a matter of great satisfaction for us that CPR has been able to attract these people of proven academic skills who would find their place in the best institutions in the world. Their academic accomplishment, policy engagement and scholarly productivity have added a considerable amount of intellectual ballast to CPR. The new faculty include:

- 1. Dr. Bibek Debroy
- 2. Dr. Lavanya Rajamani
- 3. Prof. Syed Iqbal Hasnain
- 4. Dr. Jishnu Das

The pattern of faculty recruitment also suggests that CPR is building a niche for itself in certain important areas. CPR has decided to focus on new and emerging areas. With the addition of Bibek Debroy, Lavanya Rajamani and Shylashri Shankar, CPR now has considerable talent at the intersection of law and the social sciences. Each of them has worked on critical evaluation of legal and judicial systems. For instance, Shylashri's work is amongst the first to empirically examine the effectiveness of Courts as the protector of social and economic rights. Her project promises to be a landmark study of the Indian judiciary's judging practices. Lavanya Rajamani is one of the foremost scholars in the world in the field of international law. Her range of expertise, from unequal treaty negotiations in international environmental law to the PILs in India sets a new benchmark in legal scholarship in India. Bibek Debroy's work in the area of judicial, economic and policy reforms has received much acclaim. He will continue some of that work this year. My own publications focused squarely on the challenges of constitutional governance in India.

The second big cluster of work emerging is on issues of urbanization. Mr. K.C Sivaramakrishnan is already an acknowledged authority on the subject and his paper on urbanization has provoked a good deal of discussion. Partha Mukhopadhyay brings a unique set of skills to this area. He is a trained economist, with vast expertise in infrastructure related issues. He has also the unique distinction of working on India and China urbanization in comparative perspective, as a recipient of the India China fellowship at the New School of Social Research, New York. To help with issues of immediate concern, Mr. S.N. Menon has also been drafted into a study of the SEZs. Taken together these three scholars are expected to do cutting edge work in the area of urbanization.

CPR has also ventured into the domain of global warming related issues. Dr. Rajamani has the unique distinction of participating in the Kyoto negotiations, and her work is influential in the evolution of international environmental law. In addition, Prof. Syed Hasnain, brings a scientific concern to these issues, in particular the challenge of glacier melting and their effects on India.

CPR also considerably augmented its strength in the field of the political economy of service delivery. Jishnu Das's work on the delivery of health care and education in India and Pakistan is acknowledged internationally. His work has set new benchmarks in our thinking about the quality of health care. In addition CPR has continued its work in its traditional niches. In foreign policy CPR emerged as a strong source of arguments coming from the realist tradition and was a central player in the debates over the Indo-US nuclear deal. CPR also continued good work in the areas of agriculture innovation, water and governance.

This was also a remarkable year in the range of conferences and meetings that CPR organized. Some of them are: A jointly organized Two-day Conference with East West Center, Washington on "Second Northeastern Study Group Meeting" at Hotel Inter Continental The Grand, New Delhi (9-10 August 2006); Half-a-day Seminar on "The Maldivian Situation" (21 September 2006); Half-a-day Workshop on "Hydrological Impacts and Hazards in Northern India from Climate-driven Change in Himalayan Snow and Ice" (1 March 2007); Two-day Workshop on a proposed book entitled Water and the Laws in India, (27-28 March 2007). CPR is expected to produce three major books from these conferences. Sanjib Baruah is working on a book on Rethinking Conflicts in the North East. Mr. Ramaswamy Iyer's path breaking book on Water and the Laws in India, and a volume on Indian and American Democracy in a Tocquevillian frame are in the works. The talks and conferences focused on issues of contemporary interest and catalysed are a wide range of debates.

The past year has been significant for PRS Legislative Research in a number of ways. PRS completed one year of its existence during this period. One key task was to further strengthen the research and production process for all PRS research products. Simultaneously, it was important for the PRS team to think about additional products and services that would contribute to the overall mission of the PRS initiative of strengthening the legislative process by making it better informed, more transparent and participatory.

During the year, PRS grew from a team of four professionals to seven. Regular interaction with MPs has helped PRS develop a good understanding of the additional inputs that MPs would be able to use in their efforts to prepare for debates in Parliament. A number of new products were developed to meet these needs.

It has also been a very rewarding year in several ways. An increasing number of MPs have started using PRS inputs. Other stakeholders have also begun to look forward to inputs from PRS on legislative issues.

This year was bitter sweet for CPR in many ways. The sad demise of Mr. P.K. Dave, Chairman of our Governing Board deprived us of a dedicated friend and sound advisor. But we are glad that Mr. K.C. Sivaramakrishnan has assumed the position of Chair. There was also significant turnover in the administrative staff: Mr. L. Ravi replaced Mr. V.K. Bhal as Chief, Administrative Services.

CPR is now a vibrant academic institution. I would like to thank all the faculty, staff and research associates for making 2006-2007 a success. We look forward to taking the institution to new heights in the coming years.

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

The following research studies were brought out during the year 2006-07:

A. Books Published (under CPR imprint)

 i. A J & K Primer:From Myth to Reality By B.G. Verghese New Delhi; India Research Press, 2007 78p

B. CPR Working Paper Series 2006-07: New Series

 i. Fungible Borders and Informal Regionalism: Rethinking China's International Relations By Nimmi Kurian New Delhi; Centre for Policy Research, 2006 16p [CPR Working Paper No.21]

C. CPR Occasional Papers Series 2006-07

 i. Growth in Urban India: Issues of Governance By K.C. Sivaramakrishnan New Delhi; Centre for Policy Research, 2006 128p [Occasional Paper No.13]

 ii. A Jammu and Kashmir Primer: From Myth to Reality By B.G. Verghese New Delhi; Centre for Policy Research, 2006 36p
 [Occasional Paper No.14]

 Project India - Human Resource Development and Capacity Building - The Ford Foundation in India: 1952-2002 By B.G. Verghese New Delhi; Centre for Policy Research, 2006 65p [CPR Occasional Paper No.15]

D. Articles Published by CPR Faculty

About 200 articles were also published by CPR Faculty Members in the major national/international dailies and popular journals during the year.

DISCUSSIONS, MEETINGS AND SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS

During the year under review, the CPR organized 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:

i. Present Situation and Prospects of India's Foreign Trade (19 April 2006)

Speaker : Mr. S.N. Menon, Commerce Secretary

Government of India

- ii. An Interaction Session with a Pakistani Delegation of Journalists (5 June 2006). The journalists included the following individuals:
 - Mr. Kashif Haneef Abbasi, Sr. Correspondent, ARY One TV, Islamabad
 - Mr. Tahil Ali, Correspondent, The Post, Islamabad
 - Mr. Shaukat Mahmood Piracha, Aaj TV, Islamabad
 - Mr. Choudhry Rehmatullah Shamsi, Deputy Editor, Ausaf, Islamabad
 - Mr. Muhammad Saleem Khilji, News Editor, Delhi Times, Islamabad
 - Mr. Mobarik Ahmed Virk, Sr. Correspondent, The News, Islamabad
 - Mr. Tahir Khalil, Sr. Correspondent, Jang, Islamabad
 - Ms. Huma Amir Shah, Anchor, Breakfast Show, Aaj Shub, Aaj TV, Islamabad
 - Mr. Raza ur Rehman, Bureau Chief, Express, Quetta
- iii. Symposium to discuss paper by Mr. B.G. Verghese entitled A Jammu & Kashmir Primer: From Myth to Reality (14 July 2006)
- iv. Affirmative Action (24 July 2006)

Speaker(s) : Prof Yogendra Yadav, CSDS &

Prof Satish Deshpande, IEG

v. Nepal's Prospects for Future Progress (7 August 2006)

Speaker : Mr. Kanak Mani Dixit

Editor HIMAL South Asia & Publisher Himal Khabar Patrika

- vi. Jointly organized a Two-day Conference with East West Center, Washington on "Second Northeastern Study Group Meeting" at Hotel Inter Continental The Grand, New Delhi (9-10 August 2006)
- vii. Talk by Mr. Tarun Khanna on his forthcoming work on India & China (9 August 2006).
- viii. Brainstorming session to think through a Research & Policy Agenda in the Urban Sector led by Mr. K.C. Sivaramakrishnan (10 August 2006)
- ix. Second Workshop on the Project on "Rethinking Northeast India's Conflicts" (22 August 2006).

x. The Politics of Water Reforms: Lessons from Middle East for India (24 August 2006)

Speaker: Mr. V. Jaganathan,

Sector Manager (Water & Environment, Middle East and North Africa

Region, The World Bank)

Chair : Mr. Ramaswamy R. Iyer, CPR

xi. Discussion on Mr. Ashok Desai's book entitled *India's Telecommunications Industry* jointly organized with SAGE Publications (12 September 2006)

xii. Half a day Seminar on "The Maldivian Situation" (21 September 2006). The participants included:

- 1. Mohamed Shihab, Member, People's Majlis, Republic of Maldives
- 2. Mr. Ahmed Adhil, Member People's Special Majlis, Republic of Maldives
- 3. Ms. Mariya Ahmed Didi, Member, People's Majlis, Republic of Maldives
- 4. Mr. Ahmed Shafeeq, Member People's Special Majlis, Republic of Maldives
- 5. Mr. Ahmed Naseem, c/o MDP Office, Male
- 6. Mr. B.G. Verghese, Honorary Visiting Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 7. Mr. Suhas Chakma, Asian Centre for Human Rights, New Delhi
- 8. Mr. Virendra Gupta, Deputy Director, IDSA, New Delhi
- 9. Mr. Simon Long, *The Economist*, New Delhi
- 10. Maj. Gen. D. Banjerjee, IPCS, New Delhi
- 11. Mr. Mohamed Latheef, Founder Maldivian Democratic Party
- 12. Ms. Aminath Najeeb, Editor, *Minivan*, Republic of Maldives
- 13. Mr. Ibrahim M. Solih, Member, People's Majlis, Republic of Maldives
- 14. Mr. Mohamed Anil, New Delhi
- 15. Mr. S. Abdul Sattar, Maldives
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- 27. Mr. R. Iniyan Ilango, Consultant, Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, New Delhi
- 28. Mr. R.B. Lal, Deputy Secretary (Maldives), MEA, New Delhi
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- 30. Mr. K. Yhome, Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi
- 31. Mr. Paul Jones, Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi
- 32. Dr. Meenakshi Gopinath, WISCOMP, New Delhi
- 33. Mr. Ashok K. Mehta, New Delhi

xiii. Innovation Systems for Development: BRICS and enabling innovation in culture based industries, (19 October 2006)

Speaker(s) : Dr. Graziela Ferrero Zucoloto and Mr. Marcelo G. Pessoa de Matos,

Research Network on Local Productive and Innovative Systems Institute

of Economics, Brazil

- xiv. National Workshop on Indian Agriculture: Crisis and Ways Forward, (6 November 2006).
- xv. Interactive session with a visiting six member delegation from Shanghai Institute for International Studies, Beijing (5 January 2007). The delegation included the following people:

Prof. Yu Xintian, President of the SIIS (Leader of the Delegation)

Prof. Hao Gancheng, SIIS

Ms. Shao Yuqun, Deputy Director of South Asia Studies, SIIS

Mr. Wu Yongnian, Senior Fellow of South Asia Studies

Ms. Qiang Xiaoyun, Deputy Director of Russia and Central Asia Studies

Mr. Zhang Yao, Deputy Director of Russia and Central Asia Studies

- xvi. Interactive session with Senator Bob Kerry with select invitees. Senator Kerry has had a long and distinguished record in the US Senate. He was member of the 9/11 Commission, (6 January 2007).
- xvii. Lecture by Senator Bob Kerry on Indo-US Relations at India Habitat Centre, (6 January 2007).
- xviii. Redrawing the Global Map: Emerging Trends and Effects of the 21st Century, (9 January 2007)

Speaker : Prof. Peter Liotta

formerly at the US Naval War College and presently Professor of Humanities and Executive Director of the Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy, Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode

Island

xix. US Foreign Policy in the Years of George W. Bush: An Abyssful Era, (11 January 2007)

Speaker: Dr. Robert A. Pastor

Vice President of International Affairs and Professor of International

Relations at American University

xx. India's Water Management: Opportunities and Constraints, (22 January 2007)

Speaker : Prof. Asit Biswas

President, Third World Centre for Water Management, Mexico

xxi. An interactive session with a visiting delegation from Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS), University of Singapore (24 January 2007). The delegation included the following people:

Prof. Tan Tai Yong, Dean, FASS (Leader of the Delegation)

Prof. B.V.R. Chowdari, India Research Initiatives

Prof. John Richardson, Vice-Dean, FASS

Prof. Prakash Chander, Head, Department of Economics

Prof. Terry Nardin, Head, Department of Political Science

Prof. Gyanesh Kudaisya, Head, South Asian Studies Programme

Prof. Victor Savage, Department of Geography

Prof. Vineeta Sinha, Department of Sociology

Prof. Binod Khadria, Visiting Senior Fellow, Asia Research Institute

xxii. Why is Underdevelopment so Persistent (25 January 2007)

Speaker : Prof. Raghuram Rajan

Prof. Graduate School of Business, Chicago and Chief Economist, IMF

xxiii. Half-a-day Workshop on "Hydrological Impacts and Hazards in Northern India from Climate-driven Change in Himalayan Snow and Ice" (1 March 2007). The participants included:

- 1. Prof. Syed Hasnain, Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Research
- 2. Prof. S.K. Aggarwal, Dept. of Geography, Delhi School of Economics, New Delhi
- 3. Mr. Mandip Singh Soin, IBEX Expenditures, New Delhi
- 4. Mr. E. Somanathan, Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi
- 5. Mr. Hari Kumar, *The New York Times*, New Delhi
- 6. Dr. O.P. Sharma, DGF, New Delhi
- 7. Mr. H.C.S. Rawat, Indian Mountaineering Foundation, New Delhi
- 8. Dr. Ajit Mozoomdar, Honorary Visiting Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 9. Prof. Ramaswamy R. Iyer, Honorary Research Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 10. Prof. K.R.G. Nair, Honorary Visiting Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 11. Dr. Lavanya Rajamani, Associate Research Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 12. Ms. Narayani Ganesh, Journalist, *The Times of India*, New Delhi
- 13. Mrs. Sharda Joginder, New Delhi
- 14. Comdr. Joginder Singh, New Delhi
- 15. Dr. Pratap Bhanu Mehta, President, Centre for Policy Research
- 16. Dr. Nimmi Kurian, Associate Research Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 17. Mr. Ved Marwah, Honorary Visiting Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 18. Prof. Partha Mukhopadhyay, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Policy Research

xxiv. Brainstorming Session on Human Development in India, (7 March 2007)

xxv. Sri Lanka: The Challenge of Peace (12 March 2007)

Speaker : Mr. P. Sarvanamuttu

Executive Director, Centre for Policy Alernatives, Sri Lanka

xxvi. Fiscal Reforms for Economic Development in Kerala, (15 March 2007)

Speaker : Dr. Saumen Chattopadhyay

School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University

xxvii. Current Status of Planning and Development in Karachi and in Particular the Progress of the Orangi Project, (20 March 2007)

Speaker : Mr. Arif Hasan, well-known Architect and Planner from Karachi

xxviii. Understanding Political Incentives for Public Spending: What Can We Learn from the MPLADS Experience in India?, (26 March 2007)

Speaker : Ms. Stuti Khemani,

Economist, Development Research Group, World Bank, Washington

xxix. Two-day Workshop on a forthcoming book entitled *Water and the Laws in India*, (27-28 March 2007). The participants included:

- 1. Dr. Pratap Bhanu Mehta, President, Centre for Policy Research
- 2. Mr. K.C. Sivaramakrishnan, Chairman, Governing Board, Centre for Policy Research
- 3. Mr. Ramaswamy R. Iyer, Honorary Research Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 4. Prof. P.V. Indiresan, Member, Governing Board, Centre for Policy Research
- 5. Dr. Kamala Sankaran, Professor, Indian Law Institute, New Delhi
- 6. Ms. M.S. Vani, Development Centre for Alternative Policies, New Delhi
- 7. Dr. Radha D'Souza, School of Law, University of Westminister, London
- 8. Prof. K.J. Joy, SOPPECOM, Pune
- 9. Prof. Upendra Baxi, New Delhi
- 10. Dr. Kuntala Lahiri Dutt, Fellow, RMAP, The Australian National University
- 11. Mr. A. Gurunathan, Programme Leader, DHAN Foundation, Madurai
- 12. Ms. Manju Menon, Kalpavriksh, Delhi
- 13. Ms. Kanchi Kohli, Kalpavriksh, Delhi
- 14. Mr. Shyam Divan, Advocate, New Delhi
- 15. Mr. Prashant Bhushan, Advocate, New Delhi
- 16. Prof. T.N. Narasimhan, Materials Science & Engineering, Uni. of California, USA
- 17. Dr. Ajit Mozoomdar, Honorary Visiting Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 18. Ms. Amita Bhadmi, Society for Promotion of Wastelands Development, New Delhi
- 19. Mr. Hardeep Singh, Society for Promotion of Wastelands Development, New Delhi
- 20. Prof. K.R.G. Nair, Honorary Visiting Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 21. Prof. Partha Mukhopadhyay, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Policy Research
- 22. Mr. H. Thakkar, SANDRP, New Delhi
- 23. Prof. Rohan D'Souza, JNU, New Delhi
- 24. Prof. Shripad Dharmadhikary, Manthan Adhyanan Kendra, Badwani, MP
- 25. Mr. G. Parthasarathi, Honorary Visiting Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 26. Mr. Jagat Mehta, Former IFS, GOI
- 27. Dr. D.S. Kapur, WATERAID, New Delhi
- 28. Mr. Ved Marwah, Honorary Visiting Professor, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi
- 29. Mr. Chris Heymans, WSP, World Bank, New Delhi
- 30. Mr. Subhomoy Bhattacharjee, Financial Express, New Delhi

- 31. Prof. R. Rangachari, Honorary Visiting Professor, Centre for Policy Research
- 32. Prof. Navroz Dubash, CSLG, JNU, New Delhi
- 33. Mr. Sanjoy Hazarika, Centre for North East Studies, New Delhi
- 34. Mr. Anindo Saha, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi

RESEARCH PROJECTS COMPLETED

1. A Definitive Study in the Evolution and Operation of the Provisions of the Constitution of India

Research Project titled "A Definitive Study in the Evolution and Operation of the Provisions of the Constitution of India" funded by ICSSR was completed. Manuscript running into about 3600 pages has been sent for publication and also to ICSSR.

Dr. Subhash C. Kashyap, Honorary Research Professor was Director of this project.

2. Poverty Impact Pathways and Livelihood Patterns in the Indo-Gangetic Plains – A Synthesis of Lessons for the Priority Setting in the Rice Wheat Consortium, CIMMYT-IRRI.

(Sponsored by CIMMYT, New Delhi, December 2005-January 2007)

Dr. Rajeswari S. Raina, Senior Fellow has completed and submitted the above report to the CIMMYT, New Delhi.

3. New Insights into Promoting Rural Innovation: Learning from Civil Society Organizations about the Effective Use of Innovation in Development, In collaboration with UNU/INTECH, CRISP, NCAP, and Livelihood Services.

(Sponsored by UNU/INTECH, 2004-2006)

Dr. Rajeswari S Raina, Senior Research Fellow has completed the above project.

4. India's External Relations: Role of Education Sector

Dr. Kavita Sharma, Adjunct Research Professor has completed the above MEA sponsored Project.

5. Social and Economic Rights: Law, Politics and Impact –Study for the World Bank

The above research project has been completed.

Dr. Pratap Bhanu Mehta, President, CPR and Dr. Shylashri Shankar, Research Fellow were working on this project.

6. Rethinking Northeast India's Conflicts

Dr. Sanjib Baruah, Visiting Professor has completed the above project.

CONTINUING RESEARCH PROJECTS

CPR faculty continue to publish in a variety of areas. Listed below are projects formally under the auspices of CPR:

1. PRS Legislative Research

The past year has been significant for PRS in a number of ways. PRS completed one year of its existence during this period. One key task was to further strengthen the research and production process for all PRS research products. Simultaneously, it was important for the PRS team to think about additional products and services that would contribute to the overall mission of the PRS initiative of strengthening the legislative process by making it better informed, more transparent and participatory.

During the year, PRS grew from a team of four professionals to seven. Regular interaction with MPs helped PRS develop a good understanding of the additional inputs that MPs would be able to use in their efforts to prepare for debates in Parliament. A number of new products were developed to meet these needs.

It has also been a very rewarding year in several ways. An increasing number of MPs have started using PRS inputs. Other stakeholders have also begun to look forward to inputs from PRS on legislative issues.

The following are some specific details on PRS activities over the past year:

Publication and Dissemination

- i. PRS Legislative Research has published Legislative Briefs on a number of significant Bills during the past year. Each of these Legislative Briefs has been circulated to all Members of Parliament in both Houses, 1000 NGOs, and 600 journalists.
 - Communal Violence (Prevention, Control and Rehabilitation of Victims) Bill, 2005
 - The Scheduled Tribes (Recognition of Forest Rights) Bill, 2005
 - The Seeds Bill, 2004
 - The Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Amendment Bill, 2006
 - The Carriage by Road Bill, 2005
 - The Draft Indian Post Office (Amendment) Bill, 2006
 - The Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Bill, 2005
 - The Forward Contracts (Regulation) Bill, 2006
 - The Constitution 106th (Amendment) Bill, 2006 on the cooperative sector
 - Criminal Procedure Code (Amendment) Bill, 2006
 - The Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Bill, 2006
- ii. A number of MPs have requested PRS to provide backgrounders on a range of issues that came up in Parliament. These backgrounders contain essential basic information on the topic of discussion. These are designed to enable MPs to understand the facts and the major issues regarding the topic being debated. The backgrounders included topics such as the Indo-US Nuclear Deal, summaries of the Sachar Committee Report and the Swaminathan Committee Report, price rise in essential commodities, SEZs, etc.

- iii. During this past year, PRS has interacted with MPs on more than 100 different occasions to brief them on pending legislation and other debates that came up in Parliament. This is an important indicator of PRS becoming increasingly relevant and useful to our law makers.
- iv. PRS has also produced a number of one-page Summaries on Bills on which a Legislative Brief has not been prepared. These one-page summaries are designed to help MPs and other stakeholders get a quick understanding of the contents of a Bill pending in Parliament. These summaries are available on the PRS website.
- v. At the beginning of each Parliament session, PRS produced a Parliament Session Alert listing all likely legislative business that might be taken up in Parliament during each session. PRS also produced a Parliament Session Wrap at the end of each Parliament session covering the developments on the legislative front in that session. These have also been printed and circulated widely to MPs and other stakeholders. These Alerts and Wraps serve as a quick reference to anyone tracking legislation in Parliament.
- vi. PRS has also produced short notes on various aspects of the functioning of Parliament and has published the same under the title: Vital Stats. These periodic Vital Stats updates have been popular and have been used by a number of stakeholders.
- vii. A short *Primer on Engaging with Policy Makers Ideas on Contributing to the Process of Law Making* was written and published and is being circulated to a number of NGOs. This Primer has been found useful by a number of NGOs who have been keen to understand the legislative process.
- viii. The PRS website www.prsindia.org has been updated on a daily basis. It has many PRS publications and the latest news from Parliament. The website also has all Bills introduced in Parliament available for download, and other reports such as those submitted by Parliamentary Standing Committees. Many visitors to the website also find it useful to see the daily news updates on Parliament and Legislation.
- ix. PRS staff have published articles in leading newspapers such as *The Indian Express*, *Business Standard*, and *Economic Times* on a range of subjects. PRS has also been invited by several civil society organizations to make presentations about important Bills pending in Parliament that might affect the social sector and to explain the process of how a Bill becomes an Act.

Events

- x. A compendium of all Legislative Briefs produced till the end of 2006 was published and released on 7 March. This was an important event for PRS. The compendium titled *Legislation in 2006* was released by Dr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission. Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi, former Cabinet Minister and senior parliamentarian from the BJP, was the Guest of Honour on the occasion. Other Members of Parliament across political parties such as the INC, CPI(M), PMK and BJD also participated in the event.
- xi. PRS and India Habitat Centre jointly organized a "Curtain Raiser" for Members of Parliament on New Frontiers in Agriculture in March this year. The speakers included experts on three emerging areas: Genetically modified seeds, futures markets for agricultural commodities, and using information technology for procurement of farm produce.

- xii. PRS held an event at India International Centre on the Immoral Traffic Prevention (Amendment) Bill. Experts and stakeholders participated in the interactive session and exchanged ideas on the issues in the Bill before Parliament, as well as how it might be further strengthened.
- xiii. PRS team members made presentations in a number of seminars and conferences on issues such as water, pension reforms and alternate energy, as well as legislation related topics such as the legislative process, and some specific Bills.

Other Projects

xiv. PRS has partnered with UNICEF and UNDP to provide them with inputs pertaining to developments in Parliament on development issues. The briefs prepared by PRS on issues such as child labour, malnutrition and ground water provide MPs belonging to relevant parliamentary forums with data and issues in these areas. This research support enables MPs to participate in policy making in a more informed manner.

OTHER RESEARCH PROJECTS

1. Margins and Mainstreams: India-China Regional Imaginaries

The study looks at discourses within India and China that are beginning to look beyond their boundaries to integrate their respective peripheries with the extended neighbourhood. Currently working on the final chapter "Debating Issues of Peace, Representation and Governance" that looks at India-China subregional visions and debates whether these are likely to coincide or not. It focuses on their respective conceptions of peace and the challenges of legitimacy and participatory governance in their peripheries with special reference to Tibet and the Northeast.

Dr. Nimmi Kurian, Associate Research Professor is working on the above study.

2. Technology and Security – India's Long-Term Interests

This study is being conducted by Professor Brahma Chellaney.

3. Future of Nuclear Deterrence

This study is being conducted by Professor Brahma Chellaney

4. Optimising Forces for Conventional Wars and Low-Intensity Conflicts in a Nuclearised Southern Asia

Prof. Bharat Karnad is working on the Research Project on "Optimising Forces for Conventional Wars and Low-Intensity Conflicts in a Nuclearised Southern Asia".

5. A Role for India in the Israeli-Arab Conflict

Work is in progress on the Research Project on "A Role for India in the Israeli-Arab Conflict".

Prof. Bharat Karnad is working on this Research Project.

6. A Fresh Look on India's Look East Policy: Strategic Dimensions

A major part of the research material collection on the above project is already over. Prof. Ghoshal has also done field work in Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore and Japan and interviewed a cross section of the opinion and policy makers relating to their interactions with India. He has also made a draft on his paper based on tentative findings. He needs to do field research in Indonesia, the Philippines and Vietnam, which he could not do owing to his teaching assignment in Japan in the intervening period from October 2006 through March 2007.

Prof. Ghoshal proposes to complete the project by July 2007 after finishing his remaining field research.

7. Synergising the Rising Power of China and India in the Twenty-first Century for Global and Asian Economic Prosperity

Professor Charan Wadhva is continuing to work on his self-initiated above mentioned research project.

8. Water and the Laws in India

The work on the above titled publication, a CPR project, to be edited by Mr. Ramaswamy R. Iyer, Honorary Research Professor, CPR is proceeding. An important stage was the Authors' workshop held at CPR on 27 – 28 March 2007 where all the themes identified for papers were discussed at some length, on the basis of full, outline or preliminary presentations. Revised / final papers have been called for by early May 2007. Editing and the writing of introductory and concluding chapters will follow. The tentative plan is to submit the finished MS to the publishers by August – September 2007 with a view to publication in early 2008.

9. Public Private Partnership for Improving the Maternal Care/Safe Delivery Practices and New Born Care at Home Level

Dr. B.N. Saxena, Honorary Research Professor is working on the above research project, sponsored by the Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi

NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN

1. Special Economic Zones and Their Implications, in particular, Their Relationship to Issues of Urbanization

Mr. S.N. Menon, former Commerce Secretary is conducting this study.

Mr. K C Sivaramakrishnan, Honorary Research Professor and Dr. Partha Mukhopadhyay are actively engaged in this study.

2. Policy Issues of Urbanization, in particular, Those Relating to Land, Water, Migration, Energy and Governance

Mr. K C Sivaramakrishnan, Honorary Research Professor and Prof. Partha Mukhopadhyay, Senior Fellow are working on this study.

FACULTY NEWS¹

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

Conferences/Seminars/Lectures/Talks

- i. Presented a Paper on "Concepts of Statehood" in a Symposium on War, Markets & Democracy at United Nations Office, New York, USA during 11-14 April 2006.
- ii. Delivered a Lecture on "The End of Separation of Powers" at Indiana University, Bloomington, USA during 25-29 April 2006.
- iii. Delivered a Lecture on "Political Reforms in India" at Maurya Sheraton, New Delhi, organized by J.P. Morgan's on 9 May 2006.
- iv. Presented a Paper on "The Politics of Gradual Accommodation" in a Conference on India's Rise and Implications for China at Beijing, China organized by China Reform Forum during 24-27 May 2006.
- v. "Possibilities of Research Linkages with India" at Arlanda, Sweden, organized by Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA), New Delhi during 7-10 June 2006.
- vi. Panelist at a Workshop on the World Bank's Report entitled Inclusive Growth & Service Delivery: Building on India's Success held on 26 July 2006 at India Habitat Centre.
- vii. Delivered a lecture on "India's Economic Reforms" at the 25th Silver Jubilee Celebration of the Dubai Chapter of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, organized by ICAI, Dubai during 24-27 August 2006.
- viii. Delivered a lecture in a Seminar on "The Pros and Cons of Reservations for OBCs and Others" organized by the University of Delhi South Campus on 28 August 2006.
- ix. "Pluralism & Diversity" at India Congress on India on the Rise organized by Maleki Group, Frankfurt, 2-3 October 2006, Frankfurt Book Fair.
- x. "Globalization and the State" at the National Foundation of India's three-day Conference, 6-7 October 2006
- xi. "Economic Reforms in India" at ALCOA Foundation, New York 12-13 October 2006

¹ We regret that we are not able to report the activities of <u>all</u> Faculty Members owing to non-availability of information in some cases.

- xii. "Economic Reforms in India" in 2006 Asia Pacific Summit entitled North America Meets Global Asia, 25-28 October 2006, Vancouver, Canada organized by The Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada.
- xiii. Delivered lectures on the topics (a) "Asia's Ideological Deficit" at NUS and (b) "The Political Obstacles to Reform" at ISAS, Singapore during 7-10 November 2006 on the request of The High Commission of Republic of Singapore, New Delhi.
- xiv. "The Case for Decentralization" organized by World Bank in Bhubaneswar 13-15 November 2006
- xv. "The Obstacles to Decent Urbanization", at PUKAR: Seminar on Emerging Opportunities and Challenges: India & China at India International Centre, New Delhi
- xvi. Attended and participated in a two-day Global Think Tank Network Workshop at Tsinghua University, Beijing, organized by School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China held on 5-6 December 2006.
- xvii. Delivered a lecture on "Why is Liberalism Weak in India?" at Forum for Free Enterprise, Mumbai, 15 December 2006
- xviii. Delivered Madhu Bhasin lecture on "Freedom & Citizenship in Modern India" at Hindu College on 19 December 2006.
- xix. "How Would We Think about Institutions" in a Seminar on Political Institutions in India: Critical Perspective" organized by Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi on 18 January 2007.
- xx. Delivered a keynote address in a Seminar on Negotiating Globalization: India in the Twenty-first Century organized by Department of Political Science, University of Kolkata on 19 January 2007.
- xxi. "Growth, Governance and Inclusion" in the Eighth NBER-NCAER Conference held at Neemrana Fort Palace Resort, Rajasthan, 21-23 January 2007
- xxii. "The Architecture of International Governance" in a Breaking Global Deadlocks Project meeting, at Waterloo, Ontario, Canada organized by Gordon Smith, Director, Centre for Global Studies, University of Victoria, Canada, 28-31 January 2007
- xxiii. China in an Indian Perspective in a Conference on "The Future of China: Global Perspectives and Strategic Lesson" organized by Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, 5-6 February 2007.
- xxiv. "Economic Empowerment of Muslim Women" at the National Consultation on Social, Economic and Educational Implications of the Sachar Report on Muslim Women organized by The Guild Service: All India Democratic Women's Association at Gandhi Smriti Darshan Samiti, New Delhi on 10 February 2007.

- xxv. Addressed the meeting of International Advisory Board on Independent, London on India: Politics & Economy organized by *Dainik Jagran* at New Delhi on 12 February 2007.
- xxvi. "The India of L-14", in a 3rd Symposium on Breaking Global Deadlocks organized by Mr. Angel Gurria, Secretary General, OECD, France at the Chateau de la Muette, 12-13 March 2007
- xxvii. "Religion and Human Rights in India" in a Conference on Religion and the Global Politics of Human Rights, organized by Georgetown University, US, 16-17 March 2007
- xxviii. "The Brave New World" in India Today Conclave organized by *India Today*, 23-24 March 2007
- xxix. "Approaches to India's Intellectual History", in a Workshop on Writing Modern India's Intellectual History organized by Prof. Sunil Khinlani, Fellow at the Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin Institute, 28 March-3 April 2007

Articles

- i. "Do Courts Make a Difference: The Judicial Superintendence of Social & Economic Rights" Report for World Bank, June 2006
- ii. "Between Rights and Nation" in Ather Faroqui (ed.) *Urdu in Modern India* (Oxford University Press, 2006)
- iii. "Identity Politics in an Era of Globalization" in David Kelley (ed.) *India and China: Comparative Perspectives*, World Scientific Publishing (2006)
- iv. "Self Interest and Other Interests" in Knud Haakonssen (ed.) *The Cambridge Companion to Adam Smith* (2006)
- v. "Indian Judiciary: Promise of Uncertainty" in Pran Chopra (ed.) *The Supreme Court versus the Constitution* (Sage Publications, 2006)
- vi. "Accountability & Democracy" in M. Malhotra (ed.) *India: The Next Decade* (Academic Foundation, 2006)
- vii. "Five Balancing Acts", Seminar, 30 April 2006
- viii. "Citizenship and Accountability" in Ashutosh Varshney and A Dani (ed.) *Social Development* (Oxford University Press, 2007)
- ix. "Hinduism and Modernity" in Lawrance E Harrison (ed) *Developing Cultures* (Routledge, 2006)
- x. "Democracy, Disagreement and Merit", Economic & Political Weekly, 17 June 2006
- xi. "The End of Separation of Powers", National Endowment for Democracy, Washington DC, Working Paper, 2006
- xii. "Market, State and Trust", Seminar, 1 September 2006
- xiii. "L-14 and a New Governance Architecture" in Global Governance Journal, March 2007.
- xiv. "The Possibility of Religious Pluralism", Berkely Center, George Town University, Working Paper, 2006
- xv. "India and the Politics of Accommodation", Working Paper, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, 2006
- xvi. "Globalization, Democracy and New State Forms" in Samir Radwan and Manuel Riesco (ed) *The Changing Role of the State* (The Economic Research Forum, Egypt, 2007)
- xvii. "The Ethical Irrationality of the World: Weber and Hindu Ethics" in Purushottama Bilimoria, Joseph Prabhu and Renuka Sharma (ed) *Indian Ethics* (Ashgate, UK, 2007)

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

Book

Asian Juggernaut: The Rise of China, India and Japan: New Delhi; Harper Collins Publisher, India; 2006; 348p.

3. During the year under review, **Prof. Baladas Ghoshal**, Senior Research Fellow was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Meetings/Seminars

- i. Delivered a keynote speech on "Changing Face of Islam in Southeast Asia" in a Seminar on Indonesia organized by the South East Asia Centre at Yale University, New Haven on 3 March 2007.
- ii. Delivered a talk on "Changing Face of Islam in Southeast Asia" on 6 March 2007 at the American University, Washington, and gave two public lectures, one on "Islam in Southeast Asia" and the other on the "Rise of China and India and the Regional Responses" at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA.

Articles

- i. "Indonesia Under President Yudhoyono: Emerging Trends (Part 1)", *Journal of Indian Ocean Studies*, Vol. 14, no. 2. August 2006
- ii. "Two Japans," News Insight, http://www.newsinsight.net/columns/full_column27.html
- iii. "Evolving Japanese Defence Posture and the Regional Response Parts I & II," in *Strategic Affairs* (New Delhi), March and April 2007
- iv. "Changing Face of Islam in Indonesia", Yale Global, 3 April 2007
- 4. **Prof. Syed Hasnain** joined Centre for Policy Research as a Senior Fellow in January 2007. During this period, Prof. Hasnain was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Workshop

Organized one day Workshop on Hydrological Impacts and Hazards in North India from Climate Driven Change in Himalayan Snow and Ice on 1 March 2007. It was attended by 25 experts from various fields and had lively discussions on various policies pursued by Government of India.

Book

Islam and Modern Education: Lessons from South India, published by Pepper and Vine, Bangalore, to be launched in May 2007.

5. During the year under review, **Prof. Ramaswamy R. Iyer**, Honorary Research Professor was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Meetings

As a member/special invitee, Mr. Ramaswamy R. Iyer, attended several meetings convened by Ministry of Water Resources/Parliamentary Standing Committees related to the issues of Water Resources.

Conferences/Seminars

Among other Conferences/Seminars, Mr. Ramaswamy R. Iyer attended the following and presented papers there:

- i. Conference on Global Perspectives on Dams, Yale SFES, New Haven, Conn., USA, 3-5 November 2006 (Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies) and presented paper on "The Dams Debate in India and a Supplyside Conundrum".
- ii. Graduate Seminar on Forced Displacement at the University, 6 November 2006 (Clark University, Worcester, Mass, USA) and presented paper on "Displacement and Rehabilitation: Advance and Retreat In India".
- iii. International Forum on Water and Food (in collaboration with the Mekong River Commission) at Vientiane, Laos, PDR, 12 17 November 2006 (CGIAR Challenge Programme on Water and Food [CPWF]) and was invited to speak at two sessions on Global Water Policy Issues: Topics for Research and on International Collaboration on Water and Trade (and also to be a member of the Policy and Practice Panel). (Written papers sent later; contributions incorporated in the Panel Report)
- iv. Water Ways 2007 Conference ('Water Ways Confluence of Art, Science, Policy and Philosophy' is a biennial Water Conference organized by the University, 13 15 March 2007 (Philosophy Department of the University of North Texas, Denton, Texas, USA), and presented paper on "Water in South Asia".
- v. Luncheon meeting related to the Conference, hosted by the Crowe Museum at Dallas, 15 March 2007, 9 University of North Texas and the Chairman of the Trammel and Margaret Crowe Collection of Asian Art, Dallas, USA, and gave a brief presentation on "Water in South Asia".

Contribution to Books

- i. "A Judicial Commission?", Chapter 13 in *The Supreme Court versus the Constitution*, ed. Pran Chopra, Sage Publications, 2006.
- ii. "River-Linking Project: A Critique" in *Interlinking of Rivers in India: Overview and Ken-Betwa Link*, ed. By Alagh, Pangare and Gujja, Academic Foundation, New Delhi 2006.
- iii. Chapter on Transboundary Conflicts in *Water Conflicts in India: a Million Revolts in the Making*, ed. K.J.Joy, Biksham Gujja, Suhas Paranjape, Vinod Goud and Shruti Vispute, Routledge, 2006.
- 6. During the year under review, **Mr. Bharat Karnad**, Research Professor completed his research for a book on Indian Nuclear Policy to be published by Praeger in the United States and was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Seminars/Conferences

He was invited to participate in

- i. the International Conference on Asian Strategic Futures at the Pell Center for International Affairs, Newport, USA, 19-21 September; and
- ii. the International Conference on Peace and Legitimacy, Brookings Institution, Washington, DC, 6-7 October

Lectures delivered on

- i. "India's Security Concerns in Emerging Global Scenario and the India-US Nuclear Deal" at the Senior Officers Study Week, II Corps, Indian Army, at Subathu, on 16 June;
- ii. "Nuclear Warfare" at an Armed Forces Seminar arranged by the Perspective Planning Directorate, Army HQrs, on 27 June;
- iii. "The Revolution in Military Affairs and the Future of Warfare in the Indian Context" at the National Defence College, on 30 June;
- iv. "Nuclear Doctrine and Policy" at the College of Defence Management, Secunderabad, on 7 September;
- v. "India's Nuclear Strategy" to the Higher Command Course, College of Air Warfare, Secunderabad, 31 October;
- vi. "National Defence Policy: Parameters and Imperatives" at the National Defence College, 8 November;
- vii. "Military Implications of the India-US Nuclear Deal", CORE (Combined Operational Review and Evaluation) Programme, Eastern Naval Command, Vishakhapatnam, January 4, 2007;
- viii. "India-China-Tibet: Strategic Triangle and Implications" at the Tibetan Youth Leadership Training Programme, 8 January;
- ix. "The Security Implications of the India-US Nuclear Deal", at the National Police Academy, Hyderabad, 1 February; and
- x. "The Situation in China, Global Developments and Implications for Tibet" to the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile and to the Secretariat of the Tibetan Government-in-Exile, Dharamsala, 29 February.

He was a discussant

- i. at a panel discussion to mark the release of the book *Call to Honour* -- authored by Jaswant Singh, MP, 27 July;
- ii. at a discussion on The Issues of Nationalism, Self-Determination and Sino-Indian Relations, Centre for Policy Alternatives, 10 August;
- iii. of a Paper on "Chinese Strategic Forces", Institute of Defence Studies and Analyses, 30 August;
- iv. of a paper written for a Workshop on Nuclear Weapons and Security in the 21st Century arranged by the East-West Center, in Singapore, 15-19 November; and
- v. of a Paper presented at the National Seminar on Emerging World Order, its Implications for the Security Calculus of the Extended South Asian Region, Centre for Land Warfare Studies, 22 February.

Publications

- i. "South Asia: The Irrelevance of Classical Deterrence Theory" in E. Sridharan (ed.), *The India-Pakistan Nuclear Relationship: Theories of Deterrence and International Relations* (London and New Delhi, Routledge, 2006)
- iii. "The Indian Nuclear Paradigm" in Imtiaz Alam (ed.) Security and Nuclear Stabilisation in South Asia (South Asian Policy Analysts Network, Lahore, 2006);
- iv. "Geostrategics and Army's Transformation Priorities", *Pinnacle: The ARTRAC Journal*, Army Training Command, April 2006
- v. "The Prospect for Military Jointness in a Disjointed Government System" in *Jointness in the Defence Forces: Challenges and the Way Ahead*, Annual Seminar 2006, College of Defence Management;
- vi. "Sialkot Grab' and Capturing the 'Corridor': Objectives and Tactics in a Nuclear Battlefield", War College Journal: The Professional Journal of the Indian Army, Autumn 2005 (published only in 2006)
- vii. "Blighted Strategic Future", Seminar, April 2006; and
- viii. "Minimum Deterrence and the India-US Nuclear Deal", Seminar Annual, January 2007.

Papers presented on

- i. "The Prospect for Military Jointness in a Disjointed Government System" at the National Seminar on Jointness in the Defence Forces: Challenges and the Way Ahead conducted by the College of Defence Management, Secunderabad, 23-24 November', and
- ii. "Nuclear Weaponized India and Pakistan and a Future South Asian Security System" at the International Conference on The Nuclearization of South Asia: Consequences, Challenges and Peace Prospects hosted by the Islamia University of Bahawalpur, Bahawalpur, Pakistan, March 12-14.
- 7. During the year under review, **Dr. Subhash C Kashyap**, Honorary Research Professor was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Meetings, Seminars etc. (written papers presented)

- i. PHISPC workshop at Guwahati: PowerPoint presentation on Development of Indian Polity, Governance and Constitutional Culture (May 2006)
- ii. D.D. Research Institute, Jaipur: Keynote address on Indianisation of Democracy (August 2006)
- iii. Ved Pratisthan, Rajkot: Address to Youth Assembly on "Core Values, Nation and Youth" (October 2006)
- iv. Madhya Pradesh Vidhan Sabha: Golden Jubilee Celebrations, address on 60 years of Parliamentary Democracy (October 2006)
- v. Nagaland Legislative Assembly: Address to legislators (including Chief Minister and other Ministers) on Reviewing the Constitution (November 2006)
- vi. National Defence College: PowerPoint presentation on Constituent Assembly and Framing of the Constitution (January 2007)
- vii. Nagpur University College: National Seminar on India's Parliamentary System Present and Future (February 2007)

- viii. Allahabad University: Keynote Address on Women's Human Rights in India (February 2007)
- ix. Tibetan Parliament-in-exile, Dharamshala : PowerPoint presentation on Parliamentary Committees (March 2007)

Books etc. (with CPR association mentioned)

- i. Parliamentary Procedure: Law, Privileges, Practice and Procedure, Universal, New Delhi, 2006 (one vol. ed.)
- ii. Indian Politics: Principles, Problems and Reforms (in Hindi), Radha, New Delhi, 2006
- iii. Constitution of India: Review and Reassessment (edited, with the basic theme paper), Universal, 2006
- iv. *Understanding India: Relevance of Hinduism* (edited, with the theme paper), Vitasta, New Delhi, 2007

Honours etc.

Continued as the President of (i) Citizenship Development Society and (ii) Rashtriya Jagriti Sansthan; Chairman, Academy of Grassroots Studies & Research; and Honorary Editor, *South Asia Politics*.

8. During the year under review, **Dr. Nimmi Kurian**, Associate Research Professor was engaged in the following research and allied activities:

Working Paper

i. "Fungible Borders and Informal Regionalism: Rethinking China's International Relations", *CPR Working Paper* No. 21, June 2006.

Papers

- i. Presented paper on "Future of China Studies in India" at the China Studies Review Workshop organized by the Institute of Chinese Studies, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, 20-21 December 2006.
- ii. Presented paper on "The Centrality of Marginality: India-China Peripheries" at an interactive session at the Centre for Policy Research with students from the Institute for Global Leadership, Tufts University, Boston, February 2007.
- iii. Presented paper on "Issues in India-China Subregional Visions" at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at the four-day International Symposium on Asia's Rising Giants: India and China organized by the Tufts University, Boston, 22-25 February 2007.
- iv. Completed paper on "India-China Relations: Lessons in Conflict Resolution" for the National Seminar on India's Foreign Policy: Emerging Trends in the New Century, University of Kerala.
- v. Working on a research paper on "Creating Ripple Effects: China's Water Debate and the Subregion" that looks at issues in China's water debate particularly in the context of growing

concerns of an impending water crisis and the implications these hold for the subregion. The paper identifies a set of four major challenges that China's water policy needs to address so as to facilitate the transition to a more effective regional water governance system.

9. During the year under review, **Dr. Rajeswari S Raina**, Senior Research Fellow was engaged in the following research and allied activities:

Services/ Assignments

- i. End of Project Review of "Indo-U.K. Oilseeds Collaboration Project Phase II (1998-2006)" for DFID (India), March-April 2007.
- ii. Member, Task Force on Biodiversity & Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) for the Environment & Forests Sector for the Eleventh Five Year Plan. Planning Commission of the Government of India, August-November 2006, Planning Commission: New Delhi.
- iii. Resource person to lead the VIGYAN PRASAR Satellite Network Group Discussion on Agricultural Biotechnology: Bane or Boon, with stakeholders and scientists on satellite network from Bhubaneswar, Shimla, Pondicherry, 10.30 AM to 12.30 PM, 7 September 2006, Vigyan Prasar office, New Delhi.
- iv. Resource person at the Roundtable on The Fabric of Cotton: Seeds, Farmers and Textiles. What should be India's Cotton Agenda? organized by the National Academy of Agricultural Sciences, the National Commission on Farmers and the Centre for Science and Environment, 10 July 2006, Committee Room 1, National Academy of Agricultural Sciences, New Delhi.
- v. Discussant /panelist at the Expert Workshop on Innovation Systems in Agriculture, World Bank, 12 June 2006, World Bank, Washington, D.C.
- vi. Author and member of the Scenario Planning Team, National Agricultural Innovation Project (NAIP), and presented "Scenario Planning to Guide Agricultural Innovation in India" at the ARD, World Bank, 9 June 2006, World Bank, Washington D.C.
- vii. Resource Person and Co-ordinating Lead Author for the International Assessment of Agricultural Science and Technology for Development (IAASTD), Sub-Global Assessment in the East-South Asia and Pacific Region, November 2005-July 2007.

Publications

Papers in Journals

- i. Rajeswari S. Raina (2006) "Researching the Drylands," *Seminar*, No. 546. August 2006, pp 25-29.
- ii. Rajeswari S. Raina, Sunita Sangar, Rasheed V. Sulaiman, Andrew J. Hall (2006) "The Soil Sciences in India: Policy Lessons for Agricultural Innovation" *Research Policy*, Vol 35 (5): 691-714.

Papers in Books / Conference Proceedings

i. Rajeswari S. Raina and Rasheed V. Sulaiman (2007 forthcoming) "From Technology Development and Dissemination to Learning Approaches: Institutional Change for Rural Development," in Ballabh, V. and Parthasarathy (Eds.) *Institutions and Governance in Agriculture*, Proceedings of the Symposium, IRMA, December 2004. Academic Foundation: New Delhi.

Policy Briefs/ Reports / Working Papers

i. Sunita Sangar, R. S. Raina and I. P. Abrol (2006) "Sustainable Agriculture: The Role of Professional Associations in the Agricultural Sciences," Meeting Report, CASA, June 2006.

Papers presented in Seminars / Conferences

- i. "Rural Innovation: Lessons for the State and Industry," paper presented at the Seminar on Trade, Technology and the Impact of Globalization, organized by Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, IIM-Bangalore, IIM-Calcutta, 30-31 March 2007, in IIM-Bangalore.
- ii. "Promoting Knowledge Applications in Agriculture: Understanding the Norms that Govern Agricultural Research in India," presentation made to the National Knowledge Commission, Meeting on Agricultural Research and Extension, organized by the National Knowledge Commission, 15 January 2007, in CPR, New Delhi.
- iii. "Utilizing S&T for Eco-friendly Rural Development: the Policy Conundrum in India," presented at the Session on Science for Policy, at the International Conference of the International Society of Ecological Economics, 15-18 December 2006, at the India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.
- iv. "From Traditional Crafts to Rural Industry: Policy and Investment Gaps in the Food Processing Sector" paper presented at the National Seminar on Food Security Through Food Processing, Lekshmi N. Menon Institute for Women's Empowerment, and The All India Women's Conference, 28 November 2006, CMD, Trivandrum, Kerala.
- v. "Pro-poor Rural Innovation Are There Lessons for Agricultural Biotechnology?" presented at the Workshop on Integrated Policies for Bio-innovations in Agriculture and Health in Asia, organized by IDRC, AIT and Rockefeller Foundation, on 13-14 November 2006, at AIT, Bangkok, Thailand.
- vi. "Interactive Policy Research for Rural Innovation" presented at the International Conference on S&T Policy Research and Statistical Indicators, organized by the NSF and NASTEC, Sri Lanka, and the NAM S&T Centre, New Delhi, on 8-10 November, at the Galle Face Hotel, Colombo, Sri Lanka.
- vii. "Development and Diffusion of Energy Efficient Devices: Lessons for Pro-poor Innovation from TIDE," presented at the Session on 4th GLOBELICS Conference, 4-7 October 2006, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.
- viii. "Scenario Planning to Guide Investment in Agricultural Innovation" presented at the ARD, World Bank, 9 June 2006, with the other members of the writing team of the Scenario Planning exercise, NAIP (ICAR: World Bank).

- ix. "Pro-poor Innovation in Rural Energy The Case of TIDE and BVT" presented at the project workshop organized by CRISP-LINK/ UNU-Merit, at Green Park Hotel, in Hyderabad, 10 May 2006.
- x. "Poverty Pollutes: Lessons from Rural Innovation," presented at the Seminar on Facing the Challenge of Poverty in India, JNU and Indian Academy of Social Science, at JNU, 30 March to 4 April 2006.

Miscellaneous Publications

Book reviews in national and international journals:

- i. "Changing the Rules of the Game", *Science, Technology & Society*, Vol. 11 (1): 232-237 (April 2006).
- ii. Review of Padaki, Vijay and Manjulika Vaz (2004) *Institutional Development in Social Interventions Towards Inter-Organizational Effectiveness*, Sage Publications: New Delhi/Thousand Oaks/London.

Workshops/ Seminars Organized

- i. Workshop on the Crisis in Indian Agriculture and Ways Forward, organized by CPR, as a workshop to plan the CPR Policy Colloquium on Indian Agriculture, on 6 November 2006, at CPR, New Delhi.
- ii. Rural Innovation Policy Working Group (RIPWG) Final workshop organized as part of the research project on Promoting Rural Innovations with UNU/INTECH, CRISP and NCAP, on 12 May 2006 at the Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi.
- 10. During the year under review, **Dr. Lavanya Rajamani**, Associate Research Professor was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Meetings/Seminars/Conferences

- i. Presented a paper titled, "Public Interest Environmental Litigation in India" at the Legal Education and Research Society (LEARS) & Yale Law School Conference on Access to Justice, IIC, New Delhi, August 2006
- ii. Ran a session on "International Environmental Law & Developing Countries" for negotiators from Developing Countries at the European Capacity Building Initiative (ECBI), Oxford, UK, August 2006
- iii. Delivered a series of lectures on "European Law" at the Osaka Gakuin University School of Law, Osaka, Japan, September 2006, and Cambridge, October 2006
- iv. Attended, as part of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Secretariat team, the 12th Intergovernmental Conference of Parties to the Climate Change Convention, Nairobi, Kenya, November 2006
- v. Presented a paper on "Climate Change Law & Negotiations: State of Play" IDGEC Conference, Bali, December 2006

- vi. Presented a paper on "India and Climate Change" at the Centre for Study of Law and Governance Seminar Series, JNU, March 2007
- vii. Presented a paper on "The Clean Development Mechanism in India" at the Centre for International Studies Seminar Series, JNU, April 2007
- viii. Attended, as part of the International Institute of Sustainable Development team, the UN Commission on Sustainable Development, New York, May 2007.

Publications

- i. Lavanya Rajamani, "Public Interest Environmental Litigation in India: Exploring Issues of Access, Participation, Equity, Effectiveness and Sustainability," *Journal of Environmental Law* (OUP, UK), (2007).
- ii. Lavanya Rajamani, "The Nature, Promise, and Limits of Differential Treatment in the Climate Change Regime," *Yearbook of International Environmental Law* (OUP, UK), (2007)
- iii. Lavanya Rajamani, "Implementing the Kyoto Protocol in India: The Clean Development Mechanism and Beyond" in Redgwell, Barreras et al. (edited), *Beyond the Carbon Economy*, International Bar Association Energy Group (OUP, Oxford, 2007)
- iv. Numerous opinion pieces in broadsheets, periodicals etc.

Research Work in Progress

- i. Paper on "Voluntary Commitments under the Climate Change Regime"
- ii. Paper on Human Rights to the Environment under National Constitutions for the *Review of European Community and International Environmental Law*
- 11. During the year under review, **Dr. Shylashri Shankar**, Research Fellow was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Conferences/Seminars/Talks

- i. Presented a paper titled "To Court or Not To Court: Judging Religious Conversion in India" at a Ford Foundation-JNU Conference on Pluralism and Democracy. A revised version of the paper will be part of an edited volume on the subject later this year.
- ii. Presented a paper titled "Courts and a Right to Health in India" at a Ford Foundation- ANU workshop on Nutrition-Poverty Traps.
- iii. Talks at Columbia University, New York at the Religion and Democracy Seminar, and Contentious Politics Seminar on the following: "Judging Minorities in Anti-Terror Cases The Behaviour of the Indian Supreme Court"; "Judiciaries and Wars on Terror in Democracies."
- iv. Talks at JNU Political Studies Centre, and Staff College on Judicial Activism and Social Rights.
- v. Talk at the World Bank, Washington DC on the impact of the Indian Judiciary on the Right to Education.

Publications

- i. Submitted a book manuscript to Oxford University Press titled "Do Courts Make a Difference? India's Supreme Court, Social Rights and Civil Liberties." The review process is underway.
- ii. Chapter on "Courting a Right to Health and Education in India" submitted to the World Bank for an edited book on "Rights-based Approaches to Social and Economic Policy in Developing Countries: Law, Politics and Impact."
- iii. Chapter titled "Constitutional Borrowing in South Asia: India, Sri Lanka and Secularism" written jointly with Dr Gary Jacobsohn for an edited volume on Constitutional Borrowing in South Asia, edited by Sunil Khilnani.
- iv. A paper titled "Does Politics Matter for Economic Freedom?" for an Economic Freedom Index Study by the Rajiv Gandhi Foundation.

Book Review

i. Neil De Votta (2006) Blowback: Linguistic Nationalism, Institutional Decay and Ethnic Conflict in Sri Lanka for Democracy and Security.

Some Ongoing Research Activities

- i. Research project with Dr. George Gavrilis, University of Texas at Austin on Courting Security: The Judiciary and Anti-Terror Laws in India, Sri Lanka, Israel, Turkey and the USA.
- ii. Dr. Shylashri Shankar received funding from AUSAID for a research project with Dr. Raghavendra Jha (ANU) and Raghav Gaiha (Delhi University) on Social Safety Nets in India Effectiveness, Nutritional Impact, and Political Economy. She will test the impact of new forms of representation and decentralization for the effectiveness of the NREG and PDS schemes in the three states. The pilot study is underway and the final study in Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra will begin in June 2007.
- iii. An analysis of the impact of collective action in Rajasthan on the Right to Information Act for a Harvard-Georgetown University comparative study titled "Accountability and Representation in Policy Contexts."
- 12. During the year under review, **Dr. Kavita Sharma**, Honorary Adjunct Research Professor was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Meetings/Seminars/Conferences

- i. Attended the Eighth CLAI Biennial International Conference South-South Dialogues: Tracing Literacy and Cultural Links, Department of Comparative Literature, CAS Programme, ASIHSS Programme, Jadavpur University, Kolkata from 18-20 January 2007.
- ii. Attended the XV meeting of the Academic Senate of Sri Padmavati Mahila Visvavidyalayam, Tirupathi on 28 February 2007.
- iii. Participated in the Indo-Bangladesh Dialogue on "Media and Culture" at Dhaka from 6 March to 9 March 2007.

iv. Attended the New Century Scholars Orientation and Goal Setting meeting at Buffalo, USA from 28 March to 1 April 2007.

Paper

i. "Education as a Constitutional Right – Its Evolution and Present Status". The final paper has been sent to Project of History of Indian Science, Philosophy and Culture, Darshan Bhawan, 36, Tughlakabad Institutional Area, New Delhi.

Publications/Books

- i. Two books namely (i) *The Windmills of the Mind*; and (ii) *The Queens of Mahabharata* published by Rupa & Co., Ansari Road, Daryaganj, New Delhi; 2006.
- ii. Co-edited *Interpreting Indian Diaspora Experience*, published by: Creative Books, 2004. "SHANTI", CB-24, Naraina, New Delhi.
- iii. Co-edited *Theorizing and Critiquing Indian Diaspora*, published by Creative Books, 2004. "SHANTI", CB-24, Naraina, New Delhi.

Articles

- i. "Efficacy of Prayer", *The Awakening Ray*, Vol. 9. Issue 1: Jan/Feb, 2005, Delhi: The Gnostic Centre.
- ii. "Learning From Within", *The Awakening Ray*, Vol.9. issue 5: Sept./Oct. 2005, Delhi: The Gnostic Centre.
- iii. "Tapasya of Power", *The Awakening Ray*, Vol 10. Issue 3: May/June, 2006, Delhi: The Gnostic Centre.

Honour

Awarded the Fulbright Fellowship New Century Scholar for the year 2007-08 programme for research on Higher Education in the 21st Century: Access and Equity by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.

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

Seminars/Conferences

- i. Participated in the inaugural conference of the India China Institute of the New School University, New York on the subject Cities in a World of Migration: India-China in Global Perspective on 28 and 29 April 2006 and presented a paper on "Governance and Planning". The conference discussions were held in five sessions and the papers presented are available at the relevant website of the New School University www.indiachina.newschool.edu
- ii. Visited Karachi, Pakistan to participate in the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations of the Karachi Metropolitan Corporation office between 16 and 18 January 2007.
- iii. Participated in a special conference organized by the Institute of Social Sciences, Delhi with the Administrative Reforms Commission on Panchayati Raj on 1 and 2 March 2007.

- iv. Visited Bangalore to participate in a meeting of the Expert Committee established by the Government of Karnataka for reorganizing the institutional arrangements in the Bangalore Metropolitan Region and Bangalore Corporation on 3 March 2007
- v. Participated in an International Conference organized by the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi held in Agra and presented a paper on "Urban Transport: Is Anyone Incharge"? on 2 March and 24 March 2007.

Research and Publications

- i. Revised the paper on "Growth in Urban India: Issues of Governance" after incorporating the outcome of the discussions during the workshop organised at the CPR on 21 February 2006. This has been brought out as a CPR Occasional Paper No.13 in June 2006.
- ii. The study on Panchayati Raj Jurisprudence which Mr. Sivaramakrishnan coordinated on behalf of the Institute of Social Sciences has been completed in three volumes, namely, the Analysis of Case Law, the review of State PR Legislations and a review of Subject Laws Related to the Functional Domain of the Panchayats. Mr. Sivaramakrishnan is currently engaged in revising and enlarging the case law portion of this study to include the cases relating to municipalities as well. This enlarged study is likely to be completed by September 2007.
- 14. During the year under review, **Dr. Charan D. Wadhva**, Emeritus Professor was involved in the following research and allied activities:

Meetings/Seminars

- i. Attended meetings of the Board of Governors of the Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi.
- ii. Attended meetings of the Governing Body of the Deen Dayal Upadhyay College of the University of Delhi.

Publications

Charan D. Wadhva, "Management of Rising Power by China and India in the 21st Century and Scope for Strategic Partnership", *Vikalpa* (Quarterly Journal of the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad), Vol. 31, July-September 2006, pp. 1-12.

Honour

Professor Charan Wadhva has been nominated as a member of the Planning Board of the Maharishi Dayanand University Rohtak with effect from November 2006.

- 15. During the year under review, **Dr. K P Garg**, Consultant was involved in the following research and allied activities:
- i. Attended an expert group meeting organized by the NCERT at its campus from 20 June to 22 June 2006 and presented a paper entitled "Mental Ability Tests and Items Types" at the meeting.

- ii. Developed Tests in Reasoning, General Awareness, Quantitative Aptitude for written examination on behalf of various public sector organizations, state police organizations and educational institutes.
- iii. Tests in specialised disciplines of Engineering, Computer Science, Chartered/Cost Accountancy/Financial Analysts, Law, Statistics, Actuarial Sciences and Business Administration were also got developed from outside experts

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION & DISSEMINATION SERVICES

Library

During the year 2006-2007, 258 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, Banking, 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 12466 volumes including bound periodicals. The library subscribed to 52 journals and received gratis 40 periodicals. These cover major policy fields of concern to scholars at CPR. In addition to these, 19 daily newspapers are being received in the library.

NETTLIB Library Software has been purchased and installed for Processing and Indexing of Books. Affixing of Bar Code labels on books is in progress.

During the course of the year, CPR continued to use its e-mail account with M/s VSNL for sending and receiving e-mail. The library continued to be a member of the Developing Library Network (DELNET), New Delhi. One fax machine and e-mail service are being used extensively for communication and information retrieval purposes. One Compaq Presario 6800 PC with Internet facility, provided by the ICSSR, is being used by CPR faculty/researchers.

With the help of two plain paper copiers, 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 review the following activities were undertaken by the Computer Centre.

- i. The Home page of the Centre's website was finalized and the website was shifted onto Yahoo's Server.
- ii. Broadband services of M/S Bharti Airtel was subscribed to in order to provide internet services to the Centre.
- iii. To support examination and testing work of ET&PPR Unit, Systems Analysis was done and necessary software/computer programmes were developed for data processing of pre and post examination work of recruitment/admission tests conducted for various posts and categories. In all the computer centre handled thirteen projects involving about 2,25,000 candidates and scanned about 2,01,688 reflex sheets.
- ii. To support the Research Work of ET&PPR Unit, statistical analysis of examination data of a State Police Organization was completed and the following tables were brought out.
 - a. Category wise score distribution with mean, medians and standard deviations were calculated.
 - b. Facility values of individual items were calculated.
- iii. The following new hardware was purchased
 - a. Eleven Compaq Presario Pentium-IV computers
 - b. Ten APC 0.5KVA UPS
 - c. One Dlink 24 port switch
 - d. One HP 2699N Colour laser, One HP 3055 all in one (pscf), Two HP 1160 mono laser printers and One Xerox laser printer.
 - e. One Bar code Reader
- iv. The following software and licenses were purchased
 - a. Sixteen MS Win XP with Media kit and one MS Office Prof. Academic paper licenses were purchased
 - b. Two MS Win vista and Two MS Office 2007 academic paper licenses were purchased.
 - c. NETTLIB Library Management system software
- v. System support services were provided for presentations related to seminars and conferences held at the Centre during the year. Maintenance and Upgradation of hardware and software of the Centre's computers were carried out as per requirement. The functioning of mailing services was looked after.

RESEARCH AND ADVISORY SERVICES

Educational Testing and Personnel Policy Research (ET & PPR) Unit

During the year 2006-07, the ET&PPR Unit undertook and completed the following projects:

i. On behalf of five major public sector organizations, the Unit conducted written examinations for recruitment of their officers in general as well as technical disciplines involving about 248000 candidates. Tests in Reasoning, General Awareness and Quantitative Aptitude were developed internally while tests in various professional disciplines like engineering, computer science, law, finance, management and statistics were got developed by outside experts.

- i. The Unit also assisted State Police and Home Guard organizations in their recruitment to various posts during the year involving around 60300 candidates.
- ii. On behalf of two educational institutions, the Unit conducted entrance examinations for admission to their graduate/post graduate courses involving 4500 candidates. Requisite objective tests for these examinations were also developed.
- iii. During the end of the period under report, the Unit was busy in making arrangements for written tests on behalf of three major public sector organizations.

POPULATION POLICY AND RESEARCH ADVISORY GROUP (PP-RAG) AS A UNIT OF CPR FOR PROMOTING SOUTH ASIAN REGIONAL COOPERATION

In the consultation meeting of the Steering Committee of the PPRAG some areas were identified (listed below) for research by PPRAG. Some consultations were held to give these areas concrete shape. We hope that in 2007 these will yield results.

- i. Delivery of services and logistical management in any two States viz. Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh
- ii. Reasons for achieving population stabilization goals by state of Andhra Pradesh
- iii. Financial management, why the funds could not be received by the end user in time
- iv. How effective is the two-child norm in states like Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh etc.
- v. How private sectors can be inducted in the Family Welfare Sector
- vi. Evaluation of Saheli in at least one district of Bangladesh
- vii. Need for enhancing of contraceptive basket
- viii. Adequacies for quality of services
- ix. Success of a few private sector initiatives like Janani
- x. Review of best practices in Family Planning in Sri Lanka
- xi. Communication strategies in religious pockets in Bangladesh
- xii. Role of Nurse Midwife in delivery of services in RCH and population stabilization
- xiii. Documentation of best practices in FW services in Southern States.

GRANTS

The CPR received the following grants from the ICSSR during the financial year 2006-07:

1.	Recurring grant (Non Plan)	Rs.	32.00 lakhs
2.	Recurring grant (Plan)	Rs.	16.00 lakhs
3.	Additional Grant (Non-Plan)	Rs.	18.00 lakhs
	(Non Recurring)		
4.	Additional Grant (Plan)	Rs.	3.00 lakhs
	(Non-Recurring)		
	Total:	Rs.	69.00 lakhs

The CPR gross corpus fund now stands at Rs. 650.82 lakhs. The CPR's gross expenditure (including capital expenditure but excluding depreciation) during the year was Rs. 231.23 lakhs and the total specific project research expenditure during the year including research project expenditure was Rs. 229.31 lakhs. The ICSSR recurring grant is 15.19% of CPR's receipts of Rs. 316.01 lakhs during the year.

INSTITUTIONAL AND NON-INSTITUTIONAL DONORS

A number of state governments, public sector undertakings/institutions and private sector corporations as named below continued their support to the Centre:

(A) List of Institutional Donors

1 M/s General Insurance Corporation of India Ltd.

(B) List of Corpus Donors/Providers of Endowment Grants

- 1 Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India
- 2 Ministry of Finance, Government of India
- 3 Government of Assam
- 4 Government of Karnataka
- 5 Government of Punjab
- 6 Government of Tamil Nadu
- 7 Delhi Administration
- 8 M/s Ashok Leyland Ltd.
- 9 M/s Associated Cement Company Ltd.
- 10 M/s Bajaj Tempo Ltd.
- 11 M/s Escorts Tractors Ltd.
- 12 M/s Exide Industries Ltd.
- 13 The Ford Foundation
- 14 M/s Hindustan Times Ltd.
- 15 M/s Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd.
- 16 M/s ICICI Ltd.
- 17 M/s Infrastructure Leasing and Finance Ltd.
- M/s Kamani Engineering Corporation Ltd.
- 19 M/s Larsen and Toubro Ltd.
- M/s Maharashtra Hybrid Seeds Co. Ltd.

- 21 M/s Marpol Chemicals Ltd.
- M/s Modi Rubber Ltd.
- 23 M/s Sutlej Cotton Mills Ltd.
- M/s Tata Chemicals Ltd.
- 25 M/s Tata Iron and Steel Company Ltd.
- 26 M/s Tata Power Company
- 27 M/s Wartsila Diesel Ltd.
- The Unit Trust of India
- 29 Mr. K R Venugopal
- 30 Lt. Gen. (Retd.) A.M. Vohra
- 31 National Commission on Population, New Delhi

(C) List of Project Grantees

- 1. Administrative Reforms Commission
- 2. Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada
- 3. CIMMYT
- 4. Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)
- 5. Institute of Development Studies, UK
- 6. Ministry of Defence, Government of India
- 7. Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India
- 8. Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India
- 9. National Resources International, UK
- 10. Planning Commission, Govt. of India
- 11. Royal Netherlands Embassy
- 12. SEPHIS
- 13. SSRC New York
- 16. Third World Centre for Water Management
- 17. UNDP
- 18. UNICEF
- 19. United Nations University, Institute for New Technology (UNU/INTECH)
- 18. World Bank
- 19. World Resources Institute, USA
- 20. Johns Hopkins University, Maryland, USA

Tax Exemption for Donations to CPR

CPR had been approved u/s 35(1)(iii) of the Income Tax Act 1961 which entitles the Donor under the present Income Tax Laws a weighted deduction @ 125% of the amount of donation till 31 March 2005. For the period beyond 31.3.2005 up to 31.3.2008, CPR has applied for extension of approval through Director of Income Tax (Exemptions) and the same is likely to be received in due course. CPR has also been approved u/s 80G(5) (vi) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 for the period from 1.4.2005 up to 31.3.2008 which entitles the donor 50% tax deduction of the net qualifying amount.

CPR FACULTY AND STAFF (As on 31 March 2007)

Faculty

racuity	President & Chief Executive	Year of joining
1	Pratap Bhanu Mehta Ph.D.(Princeton University)	August 2004
	Professors	
2	Brahma Chellaney Ph.D. (Jawaharlal Nehru University)	July 1993
3	Bharat Karnad M.A. (University of California)	April 1996
4	Bibek Debroy M.Sc (Trinity College – University of Cambridge)	March 2007
	Associate Professors	
5	Nimmi Kurian Ph.D. (Jawaharlal Nehru University)	Research Fellow since October 1996 Associate Professor since January 2002
6	Lavanya Rajamani D.Phil (University of Oxford)	September 2006
	Senior Fellows/Fellows	
7	Sudha Mahalingam Ph.D. (Jawaharlal Nehru University)	January 2005
8	Rajeshwari Raina Ph.D. (Kerala University)	July 2005
9	Baladas Ghoshal Ph.D. (Jawaharlal Nehru University)	December 2005
10	Partha Mukhopadhyay Ph.D. (New York University)	February 2006
11	Shylashri Shankar Ph.D. (Columbia University, New York)	February 2006

12	Syed Iqbal Hasnain Ph.D	January 2007
13	Jishnu Das Ph.D. (Harvard University)	January 2007
	PRS Legislative Research	
14	C.V. Madhukar Principal Researcher & Project Director MPA (John F. Kennedy School of Govt., Harvard University, USA) MBA, University of Houston, USA; B.E., Bangalore University	September 2005
15	M.R. Madhavan Senior Fellow B.Tech., IIT Madras PGDM, Fellow, IIM, Calcutta	January 2006
	Professor Emeritus	
16	Charan Wadhva Ph.D (Yale, USA)	Research Professor since July 1987 Professor Emeritus since September 2005
	Honorary Research/Visiting Professors	
17	K.C. Sivaramakrishnan, IAS (Retd) M.A., BL (Law) (Madras)	
18	Ramaswamy R. Iyer, IAAS (Retd) M.A (University of Bombay)	
19	Subhash C Kashyap M.A., LLB., Ph.D. (Allahabad University)	
20	Ved Marwah, IPS (Retd)	
21	Ajit Mozoomdar, IAS (Retd) D.Phil (Oxon), Bar-at-Law	
22	K R G Nair Ph. D. (Delhi School of Economics) University of Delhi	

23	V.K. Nayar Lt. Gen. (Retd) M.Sc. (Defence Studies, University of Madras)
24	R. Rangachari B.E. (Hons), Anna University
25	B.N. Saxena M.D (Lucknow University); F.A.M.S.
26	Sanjib Baruah Ph.D.(University of Chicago)
27	Sanjoy Hazarika Diploma in Journalism (London School of Journalism)
28	G. Parthasarathi B.E. (University of Madras)
29	B.G. Verghese BA (Hons.) (Delhi and Cambridge Universities)
30	Kavita Sharma Ph.D. (University of Delhi)
31	Kanta Prasad Garg Consultant Ph.D. (Jamia Milia Islamia)
	Chief Librarian and Programme Officer (CL&PO)
32	Kamal Jit Kumar M.A., M. Lib.Sc (University of Delhi)
	Senior System Analyst and Associate Programme Officer (SSA&APO)
33	Ajay Nayyar M.Sc., PGD in Computer Science (Kurukshetra University)

	Research Associates
34	Kaushiki Sanyal Senior Research Associate Ph.D. (Jawaharlal Nehru University)
35	Neha Simlai Assistant Analyst
36	Chakshu Roy Analyst
37	Priya Parker Consultant
38	Omair Ahmad Senior Analyst
39	Sonu Trivedi Research Associate M.A. (Jawaharlal Nehru University)
40	Vinod C.B. Research Associate L.L.B (Mahatma Gandhi University)
41	Mohit Sinha Research Associate B.A (Hons.) Delhi University
42	Anindya Saha Research Associate

Administration, Accounts & Other Services

1.	V.K. Bhal B.A. (University of Delhi)	Chief, Administrative Services (up to 30.6.2006)
2.	L. Ravi B.Sc. (Nagarjuna University) PGDIRPM (Bharatiya Vidya Bhawan) HDSM (NIIT)	Chief, Administrative Services (w.e.f. 1.7.2006)
3.	Jagmohan Chander B.Sc (University of Agra)	Administrative Officer (Admn. & Public Relations)

4.	Pradeep Khanna B.Com (University of Delhi)	Chief Accounts Officer
5.	Vivek Bhargava B.A. (University of Delhi)	Assistant Administrative Officer
6.	M.C. Bhatt B.Com (Kumaon University)	Accounts Officer
7.	V.K. Tanwar M.Sc. (Kurukshetra University)	Assistant System Analyst and Assistant Programmes (ASA&AP)
8.	Dinesh Chandra	Senior Supervisor
9.	Shiv Charan	Senior Supervisor
10.	Y.G.S. Chauhan Certificate Course in Library Science	Assistant Librarian
11.	Sunil Kumar B.A. (Hons.) (University of Delhi) PGDPR (Bharatiya Vidya Bhawan)	Associate to President
12.	Pramod Kumar Malik B.A. (University of Delhi)	Associate to President
13.	Sonia Bhutani Gulati B.Com (University of Delhi) MDBA (University of Pune) B.LIS (Annamalai University)	Public Relations Associate
14.	Vinod Kumar M.A. (Meerut University)	Deputy Supervisor
15.	Kusum Malik B.Com (University of Delhi)	Secretarial Assistant (Project based)
16.	Suman Sablok B.A. (University of Delhi)	Secretarial Assistant (Project based)
17.	Geddam Anand B.Sc (University of Delhi)	Assistant (Administration) (Project based)
18.	Priyanka Belwal	Receptionist-cum-Telephone Operator

Other Secretarial Staff

- 17. Ram Bahadur
- Ranjit Singh Ramu Dura 18.
- 19.
- 20. Poona Ram