

CENTRE FOR THE SUSTAINABLE USE OF NATURAL AND SOCIAL RESOURCES (CSNR)



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.....EMPOWERMENT
.....SOCIO-CULTURAL HARMONY
.....SUSTAINABILITY

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VISION

A just and environmentally rich society composed of sustainability, socio-cultural harmony and empowered communities with informed, dignified, mutually respectful individuals

MISSION

Empowerment of the most marginalised and vulnerable sections of the society so they can assert their rights and entitlements; have access and participate to functional community institutions; protect their own culture and identity; preserve their environment and livelihoods and contribute to peace-building in their region, ensuring both gender and caste/class equality.

CORE VALUES

Respect to Human Rights
Non-violence
Social Justice
Gender Equity
Accountability
Transparency
Secular
Non-Political
Democracy

CORE FOCUS AREAS

Protection and Promotion of Human Rights
Societal Peace and Conflict Resolution
Community Empowerment
Participatory Governance
Gender Sensitivity
Climate Justice
Research and Policy Analysis
Advocacy, Campaign & Networking
Health and Sanitation
Access to Safe Drinking Water
Women & Child Empowerment
Elderly and Disability Issues
Education
Capacity Building
Livelihood Promotion
Humanitarian Assistance
Awareness Generation

Centre for the Sustainable Use of Natural and Social Resources (CSNR) is a registered non-profit and non-governmental organization started during 1996. Initially, it played a crucial role in extending humanitarian assistance during post 1999 super-cyclone in Erasama block of Jagatsingpur and Korei block of Jajpur districts.

In 2008, CSNR has modified its strategic focus and revamped its activities vigorously and actively on human rights issues through awareness and networking for peace and communal harmony in Kandhamal district following the communal violence. After which it has been working relentlessly.

CSNR has been working for strengthening civil society on human rights and democratization with an aim to uphold the values and principles of the Constitution of India and the Universal Declaration on Human Rights.

Particularly, CSNR is actively involved in building capacities of Human Rights Defenders (HRD) and activists on fact-finding and documentation of case histories by using democratic institutions, mechanisms, norms and forums towards redressing the grievances of the poor and marginalized population affected due to human rights violations.

It is engaged to organize regional and local level dialogues among HRDs, CSOs, community leaders and others on various issues important to human life, livelihood and dignity of the adivasis, dalits, minorities, elderly, disabled, women, children and other marginalized as well as vulnerable sections of the society.

CSNR works at both the grassroots level and macro level – directly with communities and with the policy makers, which crafted its empowerment model, a unique one. It also actively contributes to policy research, networking and advocacy initiatives at the state level.

CSNR Objectives:

- 1. CSNR shall try to establish people's rights over natural resources for a sustainable living and sustainable management of natural resources.*
- 2. CSNR shall promote people's organization and social action for a equitable and sustainable society where the forest wild-life, ecology and the forest living people can survive together.*
- 3. CSNR shall implements' action projects area like women and child welfare, Counseling and welfare of the weaker section, for their betterment in collaboration with Governmental and Non-Governmental agencies.*

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4. *CSNR shall develop the Cultural/Scientific/Fine Arts/Literature/Sports and Games activities among general people.*
 5. *CSNR shall provide Medical and Educational facilities to the weaker sections of the society and collect natural history mechanical, philosophical invention and designs.*
 6. *CSNR shall encourage and practice of thrift/participates in co-operative efforts/create and fester the community service.*
 7. *CSNR shall spread the knowledge for cottage industries and other sources for self-employment.*
 8. *CSNR shall take research action, documentation, publication, dissemination, advocacy, people's mobilization and other necessary programmes.*
 9. *CSNR shall take housing, sanitation and water shed programmes among the weaker communities in order to make them to get their basic requirements.*
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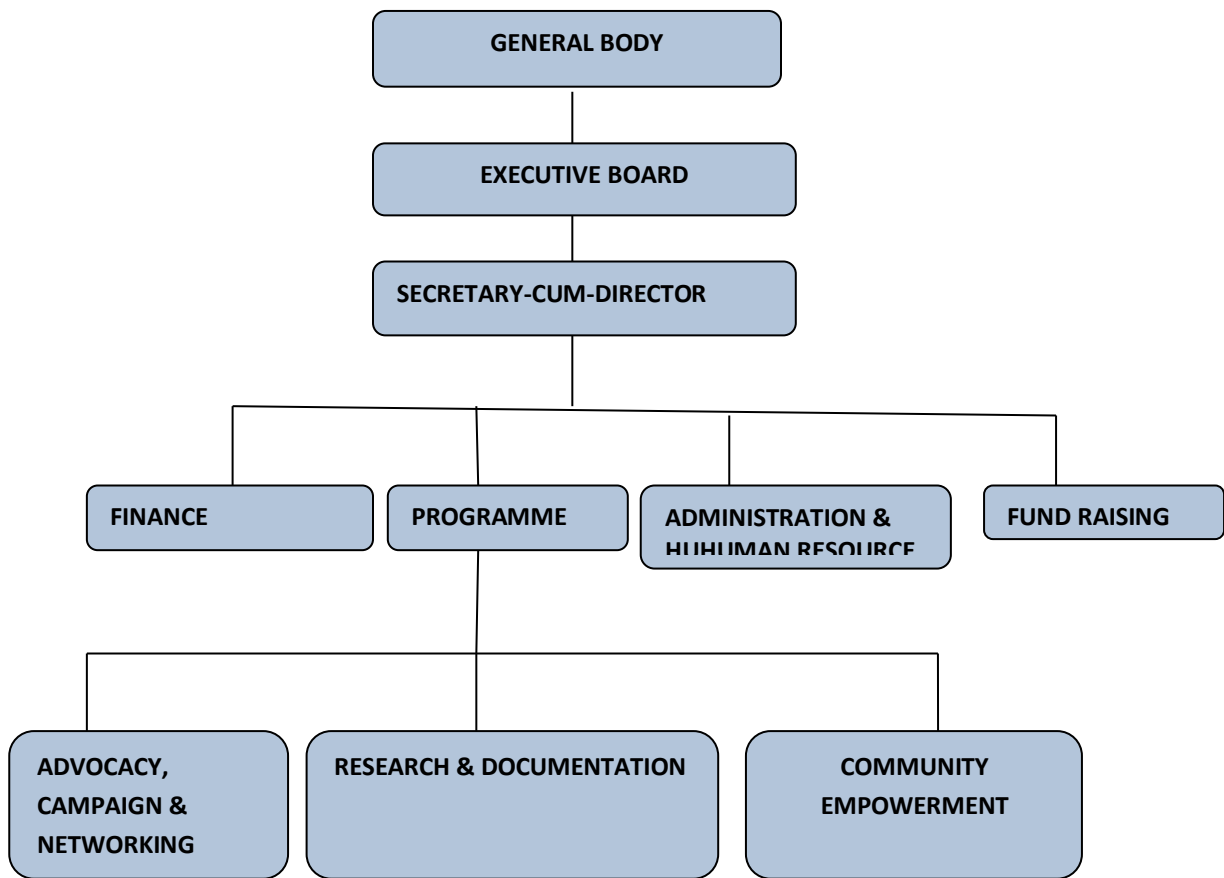
LEGAL STATUS

Registered under Societies' Registration Act 1860,
Registered under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act 2010,
Reregistered under 12 AA of Income Tax Act 1961
Registered under Income Tax Act. PAN and TAN
Registered in Professional Tax under Commercial Tax Department, Govt. of Odisha,
Registered under Employees' Provident Fund (EPF)
Registered under Niti Aayog-NGO DARPAN under Government of India
Granted UN ECOSOC status

OPERATIONAL AREA

CSNR works in different places of the country as per the needs.

ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE



GENERAL BODY

<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
Ms. Prava Pattanaik	President	Teacher
Mr. Dharendra Panda	Secretary	Social Worker
Mr. Prasanta Kumar Panda	Finance Secretary	Social Worker
Ms. Jijnaasaa C. Dash	Member	Social Worker
Dr. Ratikanta Panda	Member	Prof. IIT Bombay
Mr. Nilamani Pradhan	Member	Farmer
Adv. Sujata Jena	Member	Lawyer, Odisha High Court
CMA Niranjana Mishra	Member	Expert, Finance Management
Adv. Chandranath Dani	Member	Expert, Human Rights

PROGRAMS

ADVOCACY, CAMPAIGN & NETWORKING PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Social Facilitation Centre: Human Rights Clinic:

Two Social Facilitation centre started functioning in two slums of Bhubaneswar affected due homelessness and landlessness, eviction, sanitation issues etcetera. Counselling, guidance and supports were provided to 150 marginalized people by CSNR.

Legal Action and Petition field:

Five no. of petitions are filed before the NHRC where action taken report are been asked from the state authorities.

Regarding the pollution in the 13 revenue villages petition filed before Governor, Odisha and copy served to Tahasildar, District Collector and Regional office of pollution Control board.

Outcome:

1. The capacities of the Human Rights Defenders were building up to assert their rights over their natural resources and entitlements and to undertake own efforts for justice and development.
2. About 100 affected households are provided with free legal counseling and supports for accessing justice at various legal platforms
3. Participants developed a better understanding on legal awareness and the legally redressal mechanism.
4. Knowledge and skill were enhanced for using RTI mechanism, Land Rights and the method of implementation of forest right Act and others related to their area.
5. Legal aid to 6 cases were provided

AWARENESS AND CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

TRAINING PROGRAMME ON “IMPLEMENTATION OF FOREST RIGHT ACT

One three **Training programme on “Implementation of Forest Right Act** was organised at Centre for youth and social development, Bhubaneswar on dated 16th to 18th of Jan, 2020. There were 64 participants (HRDs) from 9 different districts of Odisha working/interested to land and forest rights (adivasi, dalit, minority, project affected persons and others). The purpose of the programme was to enhance knowledge, skill and attitude (KSA) of community volunteers and human rights defenders drawn from various people’s organisations/people’s movements based in different parts of Odisha so that communities will be capable to use available legal means, mechanisms and institutions for asserting their rights and entitlements relating to land, forest, environment, food security, livelihoods and other issues as per the needs of the communities.



Outcome:

1. Developed understanding of the Self-governance, PESA, forest rights laws – particularly on community forest rights.
2. 64 HRDs are made aware of how they can follow the process of submission of application, gram (palli) sabha resolution, verification, get record of rights and use of rights conferment.

3. Knowledge and skill were enhanced for using grievance redressal mechanisms on issues related to forest rights.
4. Participants also learnt on how to use community forest right to protect their natural resources and habitat



FREE MOBILE LEGAL AID CLINICS:

Three numbers of Mobile Legal Aid Camps has been organised to render services to the helpless and marginalised victims with necessary supports and services such as counselling, rescuing victims of HRVs, building confidence, collecting necessary evidences of violations, documenting cases, preparing complaints/writs, helping to register complaints/cases at police stations, N/SHRIs or Courts, linking with experts and organisations for legal aid, trauma counselling, shelter etc. To conduct this session pro-bono lawyers and human rights expert has been involved and it has been conducted in different parts of Odisha.

Two legal camp was organised at

- i) Kalinga Nagar, Jajpur District
- ii) Laxmipur, Koraput district

Kalinga Nagar :

To support affected communities directly at their own locality and to assist the HRDs working in the area a one day session of Mobile Legal Aid Clinic was organised to know the constraints arisen following evictions, threat of displacements, pollution etc. and the remedies and solutions. About 32 affected villagers and HRDs participated in the camp. Six cases relating to the illegal occupation and conversion of land were discussed, which was representing problems of more than 1000 villagers in the region.

Two cases of police harassment also discussed. The participants were made aware on how to file a complaint /FIR electronically without going to police station.

The Facilitator Team included:

1. Dr.Sricharan Behera
2. Adv.Chandranath Dani
3. Ms Swati Mishra
4. Mr.Ranjit Sutar



Follow up – Feedbacks/Actions

Villagers and HRDs were provided with necessary counselling and made aware of use of existing laws to address the problems. The HRDs/Community leaders expressed their interest to know rules/laws on Environment clearance, Conversion of Forest land under Forest rights act, grievance redressal mechanisms available for HRDs protection.

Hence it was decided to organize an indepth training covering their needs and interests.

A state level training was organised in Bhubaneswar.

Laxmipur:

At Laxmipur, Koraput district a one-day camp was organised with a local youth organization (Club). they are facing worst situation for pollution. For which they had written to many authorities but no result till date. Private land are used for dumping, transportation of heavy vehicles as public roads.

Club member requested to have a discussion on this accordingly the FF team sat in the Youth Club house and 60 persons from nearby villages participated in the meeting representing causes of 1500 people.

Issues discussed:

- Pollution caused by transportation
- Pollutant in the natural streams
- Health Hazards due to pollution and
- Police harassment

Team having a one hour discussion decided to organize a separate awareness meeting at Koraput next day. About 50 person from different villages participated in the legal awareness camp. Most of the cases belong to land actuations and non receipt of adequate compensation.

Here also it is observed that people are ignorant about the Conversion of Forest land under Forest rights act and provision of PESA, hence team decided to have a combined training program for HRDs. The combined training program was organised at Bhubaneswar

TRAINING ON PARTICIPATORY GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC SERVICES FOR SLUM DWELLERS

A capacity Building training on participatory governance and public services was held on 30th & 31st December 2019, at CSNR office. Programme team and 4 organiser form project area were imparted trained. The objective of the training was

- To develop knowledge on 73rd and 74th Amendment Acts.
- Accessibility to Effective Public Services, Schemes & Entitlements.
- Housing and Land Rights to Slum Dwellers

In this training there was a clear discussion on Area Sabha, Ward Sabha and the role and responsibilities of the slum dwellers. There was also a discussion on the 3-tier process of 74th Amendment Act.

The training was imparted with the help of group work for a better understanding of the community.



Outcome:

1. Developed understanding of the participatory-governance, rights of slum dwellers, community accessibility to public services, schemes and entitlements..
2. 10 Project staff and community leaders were made aware of how they can follow the process of ward sabha, how they could effectively access public services, schemes and entitlements.
3. Knowledge and skill were enhanced for using grievance redressal mechanisms on issues related public services.
4. Participants also learnt on how to use their knowledge to protect their rights.

TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM ON DIFFERENT SCHEMES FOR THE SLUM DWELLERS

A training and capacity building training programmes was organized by CSNR at Rupayaan Office on dated 27th-29th of January, 2020. The participants of the training were the project staff. The purpose of the training was to enhance the capacity of the staff on different government schemes (Food Security, National Maternity Benefit Scheme-Mamata/JSY/JSSYSocial Security Pension IGNOAP, MBPY, Disable Pension, Atal Pension, Sukanya), grievance redressal mechanisms and others.



Report Sharing

Workshop: One study report sharing workshop was organized and the findings of the baseline study report were shared on 13th March 2020. There were 60 participants in the workshop. The participants were duty bearers, political party leaders, community organisers, community leaders and civil society members. The findings of the report were shared in the workshop and a strategic plan was prepared to move forward.



Report Launch Workshop on “The state of crime and policing in Odisha”: CSNR and CHRI jointly organized the report launching workshop on 9th Nov, 2019 at The Press Club of Odisha, Master Canteen Square, Bhubaneswar. Nearly 70 people from various sectors like members from the civil society and members of different NGOs joined this workshop. This workshop, remarks as Honorable guest Prof. (Dr.) Sri Krishna Deva Rao, Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Odisha, Mr. Soumya Ranjan Patnaik, Editor, Sambad (A dally Odia Newspaper). And also, Ms. Devika Prasad, Programme Head, Police Reforms Programme, CHRI, Ms. Aditi Datta, CHRI, Mr. Dharendra Panda, Secretary CSNR, Dr. Pragnya Parimita Jena, programme coordinator, CSNR, Mr. Prakash ku. Samantsinghar, RTI Expert attended as guests. And More than 15 media representatives from Prameya, Sambad, Nitidin, ETV Bharat, Indian Express, Odishapost, The Hindu and others participated in the workshop.

Report sharing workshop on “The state of crime and policing in Odisha”-Kandhamal: The state of crime and policing in Odisha report was shared on 13th Dec, 2019 at SambadikaBhavan, Phulbani, Kandhamal. There were more than 30 people from various sectors of the government as well as from Civil society members and members of different NGOs joined this Programme. Adv. Bijay Pattnaik, District Court, Phulbani, Mr. Narendra Mohanty, Social Activist, Mr. Dharendra Panda, Secretary CSNR, Dr. Pragnya Parimita Jena, programme coordinator, CSNR, Mr. Prakash ku. Samantsinghar, RTI Expert attended as guests.



Report sharing workshop on “The state of crime and policing in Odisha”-Jajpur: The state of crime and policing report was shared on 15th Dec 2019, at The DRDA Conference Hall” Jajpur Town, Jajpur. There were 70 participants from various sectors of the government as well as from Civil society members and members of different NGOs joined this Programme. Dr. Shashankar

Sekhar Panigrahy, Principal, Biraja Law College, Jajpur, Mr. Dharendra Panda, Secretary CSNR, Dr. Pragnya Parimita Jena, programme coordinator, CSNR, Mr. Prakash ku. Samantsinghar, RTI Expert attended as guests. And More than 5 media representatives participated in the workshop.



Report sharing workshop on “The state of crime and policing in Odisha”-Cuttack: The state of crime and policing report was shared on 18th Dec 2019 at Gandhi Bhavan, Cuttack. There 40 people from various sectors of the government as well as from Civil society members and members of different NGOs joined this Programme. Adv. Sujta Jena, High Court, Cuttack, Ms. Dolly Dash , Social Activist, Mr. Dharendra Panda, Secretary CSNR, Dr. Pragnya Parimita Jena, programme coordinator, CSNR, Mr. Prakash ku. Samantsinghar, RTI Expert attended as guests.



MONITORING HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

Human rights violations in Odisha are being tracked regularly through newspaper, calls from HRDs, Social Media and TV. Each month one news pack is being prepared and shared widely. At need, complaints/memorandums were filed/ sent to appropriate authorities. The violations related land, environment and livelihoods rights in Odisha have been monitored throughout. 23 news items related to Land and Environment rights were shared.

FACT-FINDING VISITS

Five numbers of Fact-Finding visits were conducted by CSNR involving Experts and Senior Human Rights Defenders in different parts of Odisha. The Fact-finding Team collected evidences and documented the cases and then complaints were registered with the respective authorities in due course of time.

1. ROURKELA:

Issue:

Forceful displacement by National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) in village Dandiapali, GP-Garjan, Block-Lathikata, PS-Bramanitarang Dist-Sundergarh to construct an approach road for the second bridge over the Bramani River. Even the evicted villagers are not compensated properly by the NHAI authorities.

Objectives: Find out the ground situation of the eviction, understand the position of the evicted villagers (if they had compensated well as per the law or not) and know the situation of the HRD who is arrested with false charges

Team:

- Mr.Basudev Mohapatra, Journalist follows issues of environment & land rights
- Dr.Srichran Behera, Researcher on PESA Gram Sabha and FRA implementation
- Deme Oran – Adivasi Activist
- Adv.Sankar Pani – Environment Lawyer
- Adv.Chandranath Dani- Lawyer activist

Meet: The team went for a FF on dated, July 29th 2019 and interacted with villagers, PRI members, Gram Sabha leaders of Dandiapali, HRDs, one local lawyer Mr. Bipin Jojo, Officer of Brahmanitarang Police Station, Additional District Magistrate, Rourkela and Land Acquisition Officer of NHAI and others.

Broad Finding:

- The notice for land acquisition was not served properly by the NHAI authorities.
- No Gram Sabha was organised nor there was Free and Prior Informed Consent from the villagers
- The compensation amount given or declared are not adequate as per the LAAR Act
- The NHAI authority has issued the second and third notice in urgent mode and did the forceful eviction.
- Villagers Biresh Tirkey, Sunil Topo and Bhusan Kher were arrested illegally at late night without any warrant or complaint against them, Biresh was left from police station with personal bond and two others were forwarded to the Court with false charges
- Rights of Women & Men HRDs working for their community including other individuals are subjected to judicial harassment for which the State Human Rights Commission should take necessary action to make the authorities comply with human rights standards (UDHR etc.)

Follow-up Feedbacks/Actions:

A writ petition has already been filed before the High Court praying to stay this land accusation process and provide appropriate compensation. FF team decided to analyse the strength of the case and do necessary follow up after obtaining due consent from the parties concerned.

Also, the Team filed another complaint with the OHRC.

2. KODINGAMALI (Koraput) :

Issue:

A mining contractor, **Mythri Infra**, was hired by OMC for excavation and mining of bauxite ore at Kodingamali. The company has been illegally using the village road and private agricultural lands for the ore transportation and waste disposal which caused severe pollution in a perennial stream – the only source of water in the villages. As a result, both human health and agricultural productions in 13 revenue villages are found to be affected.

When these villagers united to protest against this act, most of them are charged with false cases, arrested and forwarded to Court.

Fact Finding Team:

1. Dr. Sricharan Behera, FRA Activist and Independent Consultant.
2. Mr. Basudev Mohapatra, Senior Journalist.
3. Mr. Guptaeswar Panigrahi, Pro-Bono Senior Lawyer from Koraput
4. Mr. Purna Jani, Activist, Koraput
5. Mr. Chandranath Dani, Lawyer

Objectives: Find out the ground situation (nature and extent of violation of human rights), understand the position of the villagers, know the situation of the HRD who is arrested with false charges and assess needs of legal aid and counselling.

Meet: Villagers, HRDs, Community Leaders – mostly frightened and hiding

Broad Findings:

- The said mining violates the Forest Rights Act blatantly
- The area falls under 5th Schedule of the Constitution, where Gram Sabha was supposed to be the key for any decision for above activities, but the Gram Sabha was never given priority.

- Gram Sabha never organised neither the Free & Prior Informed Consent was taken from the villagers. Even the environment impact assessment (EIA) report was not done properly and there was no ‘public hearing’ as per the law.
- The private agricultural land has been forcefully used by the company, its contractors for movement of trucks for transportation.
- Villagers have been continuing their protests – dharna (Sit-in), rally, press-release, court cases etc.
- The villagers wanted to use the provisions of forest rights act – to assert community ownership.

- HRDs are legally being harassed by the miners and the police as well.

Follow up feedbacks/Actions:

The villagers who had sat on a dharana to stop the pollution occurred due to the truck movements on their lands are harassed with false cases. 53 HRDs and others are named in the FIR so the bail was to be followed in the lower court level by pro-bono advocate Mr Panigrahi and Adv.P.K.Jena at High Court level. Now they are on bail.

Petition regarding the pollution, illegality and police atrocity is filed before the Governor by the villagers facilitated by the team.

Land owners (those having record of rights) are advised to file a complaint petition before the Tahasildar and also to the Governor (who entrusted with responsibility to look after the administration within a Scheduled Area.

The villagers don't have knowledge on the forest land conversion laws and also use of community forest rights provisions to assert their rights over common property forest resources. FF team recommended for an intensive training Forest Land Laws, Forest Rights Acts and protection of HRDs.

Subsequently, a 3-day training on FRA and LAAR was organised at Bhubaneswar by CSNR.

3. TALCHER (Bhalugadia village)

Issue : About 41 dalit families forcefully evicted by local police in the midnight for extension of coal mines area (Hingula Mines) by the Mahanadi Coal Field (MCL). The families are neither compensated nor rehabilitated properly.

Fact Finding Team:

- Mr.Sangram Mallick, Dalit Activist Lohia Ambedkar Vicharmanch
- Ms Sagarika Choini, HRD

- AdvChandranath Dani, Lawyer
- Adv Sankar Pani, Lawyer
- Mr Ranjit Sutar, Activist HLRN

Meet : Villagers, Community Leaders, HRDs and General Manager, Hingula Mines



Broad Findings:

- There was not adequate compensation to the affected families.
- Eviction was not notified to people before.
- Villagers got their houses and household articles destroyed in-front of their eyes.
- As told by the MCL, one of the family members should have been provided with a job, which was denied to 50% of villagers

Follow up – Feedbacks/Actions:

- The evicted people must be compensated adequately with the structure based payment.
- Socio-economic study of villagers should have been done before the eviction – RTI will be filed to know the truth.
- The Committee for Rehabilitation of Project Displaced People (RPDC) meeting proceedings will be collected using RTI.
- Jobs or alternative sources of livelihood should be provided to people
- A petition on right to shelter has been filed before the NHRC and letter sent to the collector on the problems of PWD people affected due to displacement. Now the petition is registered and notice issued to the Chief Secretary for action taken report.
- Two applications were filed under RTI to the Office of the District Collector. One data received and the RPDC details is still awaited.

4. Eviction of Farm Gate Slum , Bhubaneswar

Issue:

Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation (with Bhubaneswar Development Authority, Public Works Department, Bhubaneswar Airport Authority and Police) demolished the houses of

110 families of the Farm-gate slum for expansion of Biju Pattanik International Airport. Male, female, children were forcibly taken to another slum Pandakudia and were placed in make-shift tent houses in the cold.

Fact-finding team:

1. Adv.Chandranath Dani
2. Dr.Pragnya Paramita Jena
3. Ranjit Sutar
4. Sagarika Choini



- School going Children had to discontinue their study as their schools located at the older place.
- Daily workers had take auto-rickshaw and buses to reach their work places where they were doing it earlier. Female and Children are the worst sufferers.

Findings:

- A small compensation was given to some families to build up their own houses and some families were not.
- They were given only lunch and dinner and dal, rice was of poor quality. No baby food or foods for pregnant women was not given.
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Follow-up feedbacks/Actions:

A Campaign meeting was organised with affected families.

An urgent petition was filed before the Odisha State Human Rights Commission. The OHRC asked for a reply from authorities that made the authorities to improve the quality of dal and

provision of baby foods. Also, the Commission decided to send its own representative to visit the affected people and observe their situation and report.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Awareness Activities:

3 types materials has been developed/collected and shared among 500 people

FELLOWSHIP SUPPORT TO LAND AND ENVIRONMENT HRDS:

One Human Rights Defenders working for the promotion of rights (related to land, environment, self-governance and livelihoods) of communities has been provided with Fellowship supports to continue her engagements. The selected fellow has been provided with necessary training/orientations after selection. The works completed by the fellow under fellowship period are - Liaise with People's Groups and field W / HRDs, Sharing Information about day today violation news with the team, Assist team in Fact Finding, Organizing Trainings, Meetings and Legal aid Camp, Help and support in documentation, Organize at least two legal aid Camps, Assist in at least in one Fact Finding mission.

INFORMATION COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION - UPDATE HRDS AND COMMUNITIES

Information and updates on various schemes, laws, government notices/announcements and updates relating to the status of their applications already submitted are collected and shared with community members regularly. Responses of duty bearers, authorities, Statutory Human Rights Institutions, Court Orders, best practices in field are gathered and disseminated among HRDs, CSOs, CBOs regularly. Policy related updates, official orders/notices and documents/reports from various government sources and web-portals were collected. Reports and documents of other relevant stakeholders related to human rights situation over land, forest, water, environment and linked livelihood situation are collected, analysed and used for community education, advocacy for justice and development. Also, information are collected from news/reports published in various media (print, electronic and digital), social media, different websites, telephonic information collected directly / indirectly from CSOs, CBOs, HRDs and community members.

The relevant and updated Information are circulated through email groups, Social Media regularly and e-newsletters among HRDs, CSO, CBOs and community members. Issues of newsletters across the thematic areas are disseminated.

- A website is functional to provide information online. The viewers of CSNR website has increased. HRDs and associate members of CSFHR are using it to seek information and updates. Resource materials on HR (relevant to Odisha) are being collected and updated

- regularly in the website. CSNR also decides to improve its website quality and presentation in order to comply Google standards for raising donations through ads.
- Twitter, Instagram and facebook page has also been created by CSNR and is extensively used as a tool to build public opinion in favor of justice to victims and influence the decision makers (policy makers, executives, NHRI's) in a regular manner.
- A monthly news-pack on human rights violations have been developed and circulated among HRDs, different NGOs and others.
- Newspapers and periodicals are being subscribed regularly.
- From time to time resource materials in hard-copy or soft-copy are being collected from different sources and shared among HRDs and Community volunteers.

ADVOCACY

ADVOCACY ACTIONS – CASE BASED

Legal Support in defense of Communities rights

Submission of Applications for Grievance Reddressal:

Human Rights Clinic-Counselling, guidance and supports were provided to 60 marginalise people through under HR Clinic. Some of them visited to the Clinic or CSFHR staffs/volunteers visited to them or telephonically it was provided to them. Complaints were filed with various duty bearers including District officials, Odisha Human Rights Commissions, Odisha State Commissions for Women and National Human Rights Commissions.

Complaint Filing- More than 120 complaints have been filed with the respective commissions by CSFHR from 1st April 2019 onwards till January 2020.

Strategic Litigation: A human rights defender suffered due to police repression for his continuous work against the human rights violation on issues of livelihood, land, environment, displacement and police atrocity. He is being provided with legal aids and supports to fight cases in High Court.

ADVOCACY ACTIONS - ISSUE BASED

Due emphasis has been laid on various advocacy actions with aims to address cases of violation of rights of individuals and communities, to facilitate justice to the affected communities, to influence the duty bearers, authorities for better implementation of existing laws/polices and to facilitate process for changes at policy level keeping in view the just needs of people. In this

context a research study has been conducted and 25 media campaigns has been done to improve the current practices, systems and policies towards addressing the issues related to ensure the

rights of communities related to forests, lands, water, environment, self-governance, food security, livelihoods as provided under the Constitution of India and Universal Declaration of Human Rights

STUDY AND RESEARCH

- a. **Reaching Communities and Human Rights Defenders in Odisha – A Status Report-** A study report has been developed by probing the cases of the HRDs through qualitative approach. Through the study report the strengths, weaknesses, threats, opportunities issues, achievements and needs of the people’s movements and HRDs working for the movements has been identified. The internal dynamics of movements – reflections, trajectories, relationships, leadership, participation, conflict management, resource mobilisation were understood .The role and contribution of supporters and allies were understood. A set of recommendations has been developed for movements, civil, society organisations and HRDs. A report has been developed and shared for feedback.
- b. **Studying the Situation of Policing and Crimes in 4-Districts of Odisha:** A study was conducted in collaboration with Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative covering reported crimes, police personnel, Benefits, complaints against police personnel, accountability. The Report was published and shared widely.
- c. **Baseline Study:** A base line study has been conducted to assess the present situation of the targeted communities with the purpose to find out the real needs of the community. The types of deprivation of their rights, entitlements and human rights they have to undergo, relevant practical needs of the community, steps taken so far by the community itself to address human rights/governance-related problems have been found out. Available community-based institutions and organisations and their strengths and limitations have been identified. Information was collected from both Primary and Secondary sources. Primary data was collected with help of a structured questionnaire, by interviewing with the key Informants from the slums, 6 numbers of FDGs at different locations in the slums were conducted, data were also collected through observation and social mapping for both the slum were done. And secondary data were collected from websites, government offices, study reports and others. A database was developed for 2226 households (597 HH in Panadakudia and 1629 HH in Sikharchandi Nagar). The total population covered are 8463 (2140 population in Pandakudia and 6323 population in Sikharchandi Nagar). The study report was prepared and shared in the report sharing workshop.
- d. **Assessment of Functioning of State Human Rights Institutions:** The Study is underway. Information is being collected through use of RTI.

SOME OTHER ACTIVITIES:

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS:

- A study on “State of Policing and Law & Order in Odisha ” has been conducted to know the status of Policing in four districts (UPD Bhubaneswar, UPD Cuttack, Jajpur and Kandhamal) of Odisha . The Report is published.
- 1136 persons were provided with legal aid and counseling and poor affected people could get compensation orders amounting more than 12 lakhs rupees.

Impacts:

Some of the positive impacts were

- Increase in capacities of human rights defenders
- Improvement in human rights monitoring Policing in Odisha
- Improvement of accessibility to legal counseling of victims of human rights violations
- Improvement in functioning of human rights defenders collective
- Discourses on the accountability and role of the statutory human rights institutions started in Odisha.

ORGANISATIONAL LEVEL UPDATE:

Participated in an advocacy training organized by National Centre for Advocacy Studies - Pune at CYSD Bhubaneswar dated 28th January to 31st January 2020.



Participated in a workshop on ‘Rights & the welfare of seasonal migrant workers- Policies and gaps’ on the eve of International Migration Day, on 18th Dec, 2019 at Hotel Suryansh, Bhubaneswar.

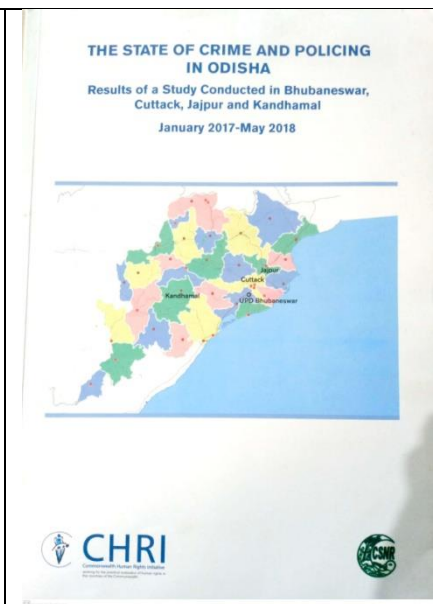
Participated in a consultation workshop on “Regional Consultation for VNR 2020, Migrants and Urban Poor, Bhubaneswar, Odisha on dated on 16th January 2020, at IMAGE (Mini Conference Hall), Siripur,(Near OUAT), Bhubaneswar.

INTERNSHIP

Interns are an integral part of our organization and we greatly value their efforts and contributions towards our work. Our interns go back with the commitment to contribute to society through the experience they have gained while working with us. CSNR provides internship programme to those students from Universities committed to human rights in India. The interns are provided guidance and theoretical training along with wider field exposure to enhance their knowledge and understanding on different dimensions of rights and justice. In 2019-20, 2 students from National Institute of Social Work and Social Science (NISWASS) college, Bhubaneswar have undergone internship on Human Rights.

PUBLICATIONS

CSNR and Commonwealth Human Rights Initiatives (CHRI) has undertaken a study on state of crime and policing in Odisha with the aim of evaluating police capacity against the volume of crime. The study was completed within six months time period. The study had focused on the capital city of Bhubaneswar, Urban Police District Cuttack, Police District Kandhamal and Police District Bhubaneswar (4 Districts) as a sample Districts. It has documented registered crimes, police vacancies and complaints against the police across all police stations in these 4 districts of Odisha. Data has been gathered through RTI.



List of Publications:

1. The State of Crime and Policing in Odisha.
2. White Paper The state of Crime and Policing in Bhubaneswar.
3. From Responsibilities to Results –Functioning Of the Odisha State Commission for Women –A Study
4. Strengthening Odisha Human Rights Commission- A Review of Its Mandate and Functioning
5. Health care as a Human Right
6. A Handbook for Human Rights Defenders on Fact Finding and Documentation
7. A Handbook for Human Rights Defenders on Fact Finding and Documentation on sexual assault cases

8. Unjust Compensation –An Assessment of Damage and Loss of Private Property during the Anti-Christian Violence in Kandhamal.

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SHARING

CSNR/ CSFHR has developed an E-group namely 'odishahrd', a Facebook Page (Civil Society Forum on Human Rights – CSFHR/ <https://www.facebook.com/csfhr?fref=ts>) and a web portal (www.csfhr.com) to create a resource pool on Human Rights and to help the Human Rights Defenders with update and real time information. In addition to these, CSNR has also initiated the regular circulations of News Pack and E-Newsletter. Resource materials such as news items, articles, special stories published on Human Rights (relevant to Odisha) are being collected and circulated regularly with the CSOs, HRDs and others significant through email.

The development and publication of monthly E-Newsletter, which started in November 2014, is a noble effort to share information and experiences of the HRDs related to human rights movement in Odisha. It comprises of the activities and events of CSNR, news related to human rights violation cases, recent orders and judgments by the Supreme Court of India, the Odisha High Court, important actions taken by Human Rights Institutions and the success stories of Human Rights Defenders.

Apart from this, the activists associated with CSNR/ CSFHR are involved in a regular process of dissemination of information from daily newspapers on human rights violations and circulating the same among the civil societies through Social Media, Mobile Calls, SMS, Whats App etc. for their knowledge and further action.

NEWS PAPER PUBLICATION

- a. About 22 news items published in various news papers and TVs etc. based on fact-finding reports, workshop/meeting reports, memorandums submitted to various authorities. Generally, cases were reported with press.
- b. More than 20 news items and reports are released through social media after the HRD intervention.

Some of the news paper publications are:

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ଯାଜପୁର, ୧୫.୦୫.୨୦୧୯ (ସାପ୍ତାହ) : ଯାଜପୁର ଜିଲ୍ଲାରେ ଅପରାଧର ସ୍ଥିତି ଓ ପୁଲିସ ବ୍ୟବସ୍ଥା ସଂପର୍କିତ କର୍ମଶାଳା ଆୟତ୍ତ ହୋଇଛି । ଜିଲ୍ଲା ମୁଖ୍ୟ ଉପାଧ୍ୟକ୍ଷ ଡାକ୍ତର ସୁଧାଂଶୁ କୁମାରଙ୍କ ସମ୍ପାଦନାରେ ଏହି କର୍ମଶାଳାରେ ଜିଲ୍ଲାର ପୁଲିସ ଅଧିକାରୀମାନଙ୍କ ସହିତ ଆଲୋଚନା କରାଯାଇଛି ।

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