

SECTOR WISE PROJECTS CONDUCTED BY RDI

SECTOR: HEALTH

Project Title	National Family & Health Survey – VI (ONGOING)
Client	International Institute of Population Sciences, Mumbai
Duration	2023-2024
Coverage/Location	UP West – 28 Districts, Bihar South – 20 Districts
Objective	The objective of the survey was to strengthen India's demographic & health database by estimating reliable national-level indicators of population, maternal and child health, HIV/AIDS and nutrition status. Hypermetric & Biometric tests were done for the respondents to collect database on their heights & weights. Blood tests were done for hemoglobin and HIV tests.
Sample Size	46,080 Households total
Research Tools	Interview Schedules will be conducted in CAPI (Computer Assisted Personal Interview), Biomarker

Project Title	National Family & Health Survey – V
Client	International Institute of Population Sciences, Mumbai
Duration	2019-2020
Coverage/Location	Manipur, Nagaland, Uttarakhand, UP West
Objective	The objective of the survey was to strengthen India's demographic & health database by estimating reliable national-level indicators of population, maternal and child health, HIV/AIDS and nutrition status. Hypermetric & Biometric tests were done for the respondents to collect database on their heights & weights. Blood tests were done for hemoglobin and HIV tests.
Sample Size	53,700 Households total
Research Tools	Interview Schedules will be conducted in CAPI (Computer Assisted Personal Interview), Biomarker

Project Title	Study on Global Ageing and Adult Health (SAGE Wave III)
Client	International Institute of Population Sciences, Mumbai
Duration	2019-20
Coverage/Location	Uttar Pradesh
Objective	The purpose of SAGE is to collect data on a broad range of self-reported assessments of health and well-being over time. This is a longitudinal study and 2 phases have already been completed. Key objective of the survey is to measure well-being, happiness, quality of life and to improve comparability across individuals, communities and populations.
Sample Size	1650 Individuals
Research Tools	Semi-structured, Interview Schedules will be conducted in CAPI (Computer Assisted Personal Interview), Biomarker

Project Title	Evaluation Study on Functioning of Integrated Rehabilitation Centers for drug Addicts (IRCAs)
Client	Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Duration	2017-18
Coverage	All states of India
Objective	The study aims to evaluate the Functioning of Integrated Rehabilitation Centers for drug Addicts (IRCAs) and to assess the infrastructure facilities, manpower available and quality of services provided to the beneficiaries.
Sample Size	398 Centers and 7700 beneficiaries
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules and In-depth Interviews

Project Title	Evaluation Study on Functioning of Old Age Homes/ Day Care Centers
Client	Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Duration	2017-18
Coverage	All states of India
Objective	The study aims to evaluate the Functioning of Old Age Homes/ Day Care Centers and to assess the infrastructure facilities, manpower available and quality of services provided to the beneficiaries.
Sample Size	410 Centers and 2950 beneficiaries
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules and In-depth Interviews

Project Title	“Longitudinal Ageing Study in India” (LASI)-Wave-I
Client	International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai
Duration	2016-17
Coverage/Location	Uttar Pradesh- 30 districts
Objective	The main objective of LASI is to provide a comprehensive evidence base on health and wellbeing of elderly population in India. LASI focus on demographics, household economic status, health and biomarkers, health insurance and health care utilization, family and social network, work and employment, and retirement.
Sample Size	4000 Households
Research Tools	Semi-structured, Interview Schedules will be conducted in CAPI (Computer Assisted Personal Interview)

Project Title	National Family & Health Survey – IV
Client	International Institute of Population Sciences, Mumbai
Duration	2015-16
Coverage/Location	Nagaland
Objective	The objective of the survey was to strengthen India’s demographic & health database by estimating reliable national-level indicators of population, maternal and child health, HIV/AIDS and nutrition status. Hypermetric & Biometric tests were done for the respondents to collect database on their heights & weights. Blood tests were done for hemoglobin and HIV tests.
Sample Size	11180 Households
Research Tools	Semi-structured, Interview Schedules will be conducted in CAPI (Computer Assisted Personal Interview)

Project Title	National Family & Health Survey – IV
Client	International Institute of Population Sciences, Mumbai
Duration	2015-2016
Coverage/Location	Mizoram
Objective	The objective of the survey was to strengthen India’s demographic & health database by estimating reliable national-level indicators of population, maternal and child health, HIV/AIDS and nutrition status. Hypermetric & Biometric tests were done for the respondents to collect database on their heights & weights. Blood tests were done for hemoglobin and HIV tests.
Sample Size	11180 Households
Research Tools	Semi-structured, Interview Schedules will be conducted in CAPI (Computer Assisted Personal Interview)

Project Title	Facility Mapping Survey
Client	State Innovations in Family Planning Services Project Agency (SIFPSA), Lucknow
Duration	2015-16
Coverage/Location	10 Districts of Uttar Pradesh
Objective	<p>The objective of the study were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To map the availability and accessibility of maternal, newborn and child health (MNCH) services in Public and Private Health Service units, ➤ To identify gaps in infrastructure, Human Resource, Equipments, drugs and supplies related to MNCH services. ➤ To develop a GIS map of health facilities of districts and to provide information on geographical distribution and the range of health services provided by these health facilities
Sample Size	3398 Government and Private facilities
Research Tools	Semi-structured interview Schedules, & GPS Devices

Project Title	Clinical Anthropometric Bio Chemical Tests Under Annual Health Survey (Bihar)
Client	Office of Registrar general of India , Ministry of Home Affairs
Duration	2013-2014
Coverage/Location	Bihar (20 Districts)
Objective	Conducting Clinical Anthropometric Bio marker test (Height, weight, blood pressure, glucose fasting and salt tests.
Sample Size	34381 households
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules

Project Title	Post Survey Audit of Annual Health Survey
Client	Office of Registrar General of India, Ministry of Home Affairs
Duration	2010-2012
Coverage/Location	Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, and Orissa
Objective	<p>Provide unbiased and objective feedback about the coverage of households and canvassing of different schedules thereof, particularly the woman schedule.</p> <p>An assessment on the content of these schedules and their quality.</p> <p>An objective opinion about the quality of field staff deployed by survey agencies. To provide information on events that might have been missed or incorrectly captured.</p>
Sample Size	1,35,000 households
Research Tools	Semi-structured, Interview Schedules

Project Title	Feasibility Study for Health Communication in Bihar
Client	Heroes Project, Mumbai
Duration	2012
Coverage	98 villages spread across 49 Blocks in 3 Districts of Bihar
Objective	To develop a strategy for the BCC activities, which is based on grassroots level information
Sample size	392 Focus Group Discussions & 980 in-depth interviews
Research tools	Guides for Focus Group Discussions and in-depth interviews

Project Title	Baseline Survey for PRACHAR Project – Phase III
Client	Pathfinder International
Duration	2009-10
Coverage/Location	Bihar Dist: Gaya Blocks- 9
Objective	To assess pre-intervention levels of process and outcome indicators of Prachar Phase III and comparison blocks. To compare the pre-intervention levels of indicators in intervention and comparison blocks. To develop the integrated package of RH/FP communication and services in the intervention blocks. To Prepare micro plan of intervention activities and to provide feedback to all stake holder.
Sample Size	Households: 12600
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules

Project Title	Mapping of urban health facilities in Bihar
Client	State Health Society, Bihar
Duration	Feb'08 – August'08
Coverage/Location	State: Bihar
Objective	The main objective of the survey was to map all health centers, (Govt. or private), diagnostic centers and ICDS centers in 37 cities/towns in Bihar. Manually made maps were converted into AutoCAD maps. One map represented approx. 50,000 populations. Along with it a brief description of the health facility was also obtained
Sample Size	Cities : 37 Maps : 126
Research Tools	Listing Schedule, Manual mapping

Project Title	Documentation of Initiatives Undertaken by Different Stakeholders on Prevention of Trafficking of Women & Children
Client	UNICEF, India Country Office Delhi
Duration	June, 2003
Coverage/Location	All the States & Union Territories of India
Objective	The objective of the study was to document the initiatives taken by various stakeholders like the police, government departments and the NGOs for preventing trafficking of women and children for commercial sexual exploitation. This entailed interviewing the concerned police, government officials and the NGOs and document initiatives taken, problems faced and strategies drawn for combating the problem. Another objective of the study was to compile the data related to trafficking of women and children in India. The study was carried out in all the states of India. Major source and destination areas were also identified.
Sample Size	30 States & Union Territories
Research Tools	Interview Guide

Some additional Projects:

- Communication Needs Assessment for Prevention of HIV/AIDS
- Labor Flexibility & Security Research Program
- Situational Analysis of TB Patients
- Customer Satisfaction Survey for Voucher System

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SECTOR: RURAL DEVELOPMENT / SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Project Title	National Level Monitors (NLMs) to districts for Regular Monitoring of Rural Development Programmes during 2022 – 23 (Phase-I)
Client	Ministry of Rural Development, GoI (Monitoring Division)
Duration	2022-2023
Coverage/Location	Four districts in Assam, two districts in Manipur
Objective	Monitoring of rural development programmes.
Sample Size	10 GPs each from of the 6 Districts, PRI members, Implementing agencies
Research Tools	Semi-structured interviews & In-depth interviews

Project Title	Consumer Satisfaction Survey
Client	Bihar State Power (Holding) Company Limited
Duration	2022-2023
Coverage/Location	Across all districts of Bihar
Objective	To find out consumer satisfaction with regard to power supply quality & reliability, ease of new service connection, billing & collection process, smart meters, grievance redressal mechanism & other key parameters across various tariff categories from different tariff class consumer of SBPDCL & NBPDCCL.
Sample Size	56,000 Household consumers
Research Tools	Semi-structured interviews, In-depth interviews & Focused group discussion

Project Title	Impact Assessment of Mission Rail Karmyogi Training In Customer/Citizen Centricity For Frontline Railway Staff
Client	Indian Railways Institute of Transport Management (IRITM)
Duration	2022-2023
Coverage/Location	14 States
Objective	Indian Railways Institute of Transport Management launched Rail Karmyogi Program wherein 91,000 railway staff officials were given training. For the purpose of understanding the impact of the training program, post – intervention from railway customers was conducted.
Sample Size	1600 Railway customers
Research Tools	Semi Structured interviews

Project Title	A Comprehensive Socio-Economic & Human Development Study for Benefited Areas of Western Koshi Canal Project
Client	Water Resource Department Government of Bihar
Duration	2022
Coverage/Location	Bihar – Darbhanga and Madhubani
Objective	Household survey to assess the impact of Western Koshi canal system on the lives and livelihood of population covered and find out the potential impact on the socio-economic conditions of the population in areas where canal work is to be completed and the development of the area as a whole.
Sample Size	15,190 Households
Research Tools	Semi Structured interviews

Project Title	National Level Monitors (NLMs) to districts for Regular Monitoring of Rural Development Programmes
Client	Ministry of Rural Development, GoI (Monitoring Division)
Duration	2021-2022
Coverage/Location	Jammu and Kashmir (2 Districts) and Punjab (4 Districts)
Objective	Monitoring of rural development programmes.
Sample Size	10 GPs each from of the 6 Districts, PRI members, Implementing agencies
Research Tools	Semi Structured interviews

Project Title	A Comprehensive Socio-Economic and Human Development Study in the Eastern Gandak Canal System in Bihar
Client	Water resource department, Government of Bihar
Coverage/Location	East Champaran, West Champaran, Muzaffarpur, Vaishali
Duration	2019-20
Objective	The major objective of the study was to assess the impact of Phase I canal system on the lives and livelihood of population covered and find out the potential impact of Phase 2 on the socio-economic conditions of the population and the development of the area as a whole.
Sample Size	13,200 Household
Research Tools	Household, survey, FGD, In-depth Interviews

Project Title	Resettlement (census and inventory of losses) Survey of Ara Canal Water Productivity
Client	Asian Development Bank
Duration	2018-19
Coverage/Location	Bihar- (Bhojpur, Rohtas and Buxar)

Objective	<p>The objective of the study were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To prepare a census of all (100%) affected persons ➤ To identify and consult the key stakeholders on their views about the project/subproject and resettlement effects ➤ To assess the Viability and Acceptability Specific Options for Relocation for various AP groups at different locations ➤ To conduct Gender analysis of the resettlement impacts ➤ To conduct Resettlement Impact Screening using proposed screening format ➤ To prepare a tenement list (which contains the names, addresses, type of impact, amount of structure/asset losses, tenure) and tenement particulars (using the survey boundary maps)
Research Tools	Semi structured Interview schedules, Gender Analysis and verification

Project Title	Agro-Socio-Economic Household Survey
Client	Asian Development Bank
Duration	2017-18
Coverage/Location	Bihar- (Bhojpur, Rohtas and Buxar)
Objective	<p>The objective of the study were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To determine potential differences in the supply of irrigation water at the head, middle and tail reaches of the Ara Main Canal, the Dumraon Branch Canal and the Bihiya Branch Canal and their associated distributaries and minor canals • To access the impact of such differences on farm production and incomes • To analyze variations in the pattern of landholding size across the project area.
Sample Size	2270 Respondents
Research Tools	Semi structured Interview schedules and physical verification

Project Title	Consumer Satisfaction Survey
Client	Jaipur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (JVVNL) Jodhpur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (JdVVNL) Ajmer Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (AVVNL), Govt. of Rajasthan
Duration	2017-18
Coverage/Location	Rajasthan-All Districts

Objective	<p>The objective of the study are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To find out peoples opinion on ease of getting a new electricity connection ➤ To assess consumers satisfaction over the billing process ➤ Awareness and perception of the consumer on the quality of the existing grievance Redressal Mechanism. ➤ To find out peoples opinion about the reliability of supply ➤ To find out the behavior of license personnel at different levels. ➤ To seek suggestions from all categories of users for improvement in electricity supply & billing grievance redressal mechanism
Sample Size	Jaipur DISCOM: 189 Sub divisions
	Jodhpur DISCOM: 155 Sub divisions Ajmer DISCOM: 191 Sub divisions
Research Tools	Semi structured Interview schedules, in-depth interviews and physical verification

Project Title	Disaster Risk Assessment Survey
Client	National Institute of Urban Development (NIUA)
Duration	2017-18
Coverage/Location	New Delhi- 10 urban villages
Objective	<p>The objective of the study were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To evaluate the extent, frequency, nature, scale, and variety of the risks posed by disasters including fire, earthquake, floods etc. ➤ To understand the perception of local risks by residents ➤ To elicit information regarding the improvement of disaster prevention, mitigation, preparedness and response in such locations through upgraded operational and policy interventions.
Sample Size	2500 Respondents
Research Tools	Semi structured Interview schedules, in-depth interviews and focus group discussions

Project Title	Evaluation Study on Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers
Client	Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India
Duration	2017-18 (3 Months)
Coverage/Location	Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand, Punjab, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Assam, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, and Odisha

Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To assess the employment status of manual scavengers, process of skill training, and availing loan facility. ➤ To assess whether the identified Manual Scavengers have received OTCA ➤ To evaluate whether the school going children are receiving scholarships. ➤ To find out whether the target group are engaged in other sustainable occupation ➤ To identify the cases of social exclusion in schools and work places.
Sample Size	3816 Identified manual scavengers across 13 states
Research Tools	Semi Structured Interview Schedules

Project Title	National Level Monitors (NLMs) to districts for Regular Monitoring of Rural Development Programmes during 2016 – 17 (Phase-II)
Client	Ministry of Rural Development, GoI (Monitoring Division)
Duration	February –April, 2017
Coverage/Location	Bihar (4 Districts) Manipur (2 districts) and Jharkhand (2 Districts)
Objective	<p>Monitoring of Rural Development Programmes of Ministry of R Development p, Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation and Ministr Panchayati Raj Viz': (: (MGNREGS, DAY-NRLM, DDUGKY, PMAY, NSAP, PM DILRMP, PMKSY (Watershed Component), , Basic verification of Panch etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of performance of the programme in terms of achieving its objectives. • Determining whether the programme inputs are well utilized; • Identifying problems facing the community and finding solutions through existing programmes; • Ensuring all activities are carried out properly by the right people and in time; • Using lessons from one project in another projects; and <p>Determining the appropriateness of programme planning for achieving its objectives.</p>
Sample Size	10 GPs each from 8 Districts, PRI members, Implementing agencies for each of the programmes
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules , Observation Checklist, Group Discussions and Focus Group Discussion

Project Title	Consumer's Satisfaction Survey with regard to quality of supply and distribution of electricity
Client	Bihar State Power holding company limited
Duration	2016
Coverage/Location	4 Districts (Kishanganj, Madhepura, Munger, and Sheikhpura)
Objective	<p>The objective of the study are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To find out peoples opinion towards overall quality of electricity supply ➤ To assess consumers satisfaction over the billing process i.e. spot billing at the doorstep in urban areas and camps in rural areas.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Awareness and perception of the consumer on the quality of the existing grievance Redressal Mechanism- Bill dispute redressal at camps & telephonic customer care ➤ To find out peoples opinion about incidence of corruption in electrification of habitation and billing etc. in general and to find out incidences for the case study if available ➤ To seek suggestions from all categories of users for improvement in electricity supply & billing grievance redressal mechanism
Sample Size	4600 Households and 1000 Computer Assisted Telephonic Interview (CATI)
Research Tools	Semi structured Interview schedule and Telephones

Project Title	Impact Assessment of Inter Personal Communication Campaign in Uttar Pradesh
Client	Broadcast Engineering Consultants India Limited (BECIL)
Duration	2016-17 (3 Months)
Coverage/Location	Uttar Pradesh (25 Districts)
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To assess impact, quality and effectiveness of the IPC campaigns and identify the gaps if any. ➤ To evaluate the extent of reach / exposure and relevance for each target groups specific to the campaign ➤ To evaluate target groups, different population strata, rural population, college students, women, senior citizen etc as the case may be recall comprehension and appeal of the theme of the campaign executed. ➤ To assess the impact, effectiveness and quality of the appropriate methodology adopted for IPC campaigns and suggest/recommend measure for corrective action. ➤ To identify communication gaps if any
Sample Size	11875 Respondents in 2375 Villages
Research Tools	Semi Structured Interview Schedules

Project Title	Process Implementation, Benefit Disbursement, and Satisfaction level beneficiaries of Rural Development Programmes
Client	Directorate of Economics and Statistics, (DES) Government of Rajasthan
Duration	2016
Coverage/Location	Rajasthan(All 33 districts)
Objective	The broad objective of the study was to assess the status of MGNREGA work and satisfaction of job card holders in the implementation of the scheme, water and sanitation which would include status of construction of toilets and it's use and availability of drinking water and it's quality; status of services on AtalSeva Kendra; status of payment of Palanharyojna, pension & Scholarship scheme; status of opening of Aanganwadicentres and the nursery and Pre schools running by it; availability of G.S.S. seeds & fertilizers and it's distribution process, mal practices and satisfaction level of farmers; and condition of rural roads and it's sustainability.
Sample Size	21000 Households
Research Tools	Semi structured interview schedules

Project Title	Monitoring of NamamiGange ODF Villages
Client	Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Govt. of India
Duration	2016-17
Coverage/Location	West Bengal (Malda & Murshidabad) districts
Objective	Regular monitoring to monitor various aspects of implementation of schemes of Ministry of Drinking water and Sanitation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To assess the selection of beneficiaries under the programme has been transparent, unbiased and fair ➤ To assess the quality and usefulness of the assets created to the community ➤ Field level verification of IMIS data ➤ Causes for non-implementation of the schemes ➤ Shortcomings in implementation and possible remedy
Sample Size	49 Villages
Research Tools	Semi structured interview schedules

Project Title	National Level Monitors (NLMs) to districts for Regular Monitoring of Rural Development Programmes during 2015 – 2016 (Phase-II)
Client	Ministry of Rural Development, GoI (Monitoring Division)
Duration	February 2016
Coverage/Location	Gujarat (4 Districts)
Objective	<p>Monitoring of Rural Development Programmes of Ministry of Rural Development, Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation and Ministry Panchayati Raj Viz': (: (MGNREGS, DAY-NRLM, DDUGKY, PMAY, NSAP, PM DILRMP, PMKSY (Watershed Component), NRDWP, SBM, Basic verification Panchayat etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of performance of the programme in terms of achieving its objectives. • Determining whether the programme inputs are well utilized; • Identifying problems facing the community and finding solutions through existing programmes; • Ensuring all activities are carried out properly by the right people and in time; • Using lessons from one project in another projects; and <p>Determining the appropriateness of programme planning for achieving its objectives.</p>
Sample Size	10 GPs each from 4 Districts, PRI members, Implementing agencies for each of the programmes
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules , Observation Checklist, Group Discussions and Focus Group Discussion

Project Title	National Level Monitors (NLMs) to districts for Regular Monitoring of Rural Development Programmes during 2016 – 17 (Phase-I)
Client	Ministry of Rural Development, GoI (Monitoring Division)
Duration	September 2016
Coverage/Location	Meghalaya (4 Districts) and Tripura (2 Districts)
Objective	<p>Monitoring of Rural Development Programmes of Ministry of Rural Development, Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation and Ministry Panchayati Raj Viz': (: (MGNREGS, DAY-NRLM, DDUGKY, PMAY, NSAP, PM DILRMP, PMKSY (Watershed Component), NRDWP, SBM, Basic verification Panchayat etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of performance of the programme in terms of achieving its objectives. • Determining whether the programme inputs are well utilized; • Identifying problems facing the community and finding solutions through existing programmes; • Ensuring all activities are carried out properly by the right people and in time;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using lessons from one project in another projects; and Determining the appropriateness of programme planning for achieving its objectives.
Sample Size	10 GPs each from 6 Districts, PRI members, Implementing agencies for each of the programmes
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules , Observation Checklist, Group Discussions and Focus Group Discussion

Project Title	District wide Survey in Rajasthan
Client	Employees state Insurance Corporation (ESIC),
Duration	2016
Coverage	Rajasthan (All 33 districts)
Objective	The main objective of the study was to assess for implementation of ESI scheme in state of Rajasthan
Sample Size	5054 interviews
Research Tools	Semi structured Interview schedule

Project Title	Evaluation Study of National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme
Client	Centre for Good Governance, HCM RIPA, Govt. of Rajasthan
Duration	May - July 2008
Coverage	Seven districts of Rajasthan - Dungarpur, Jalore, Jhalawar, Karauli, Sirohi, Tonk and Udaipur
Objective	<p>The objective of the assignment was to evaluate whether the scheme is being implemented as per the prescribed guidelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality of works, Vigilance & accountability mechanisms set up under provision of the Act Level of awareness among the public and beneficiaries about the provisions of the scheme. Wage rates, as compared to the minimum wages Overhead expenses Impact of the scheme on the lives of the beneficiaries
Sample Size	7 districts, 14 blocks, 28 Gram Panchayat, 124 works and 1238 beneficiaries
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules, Focus Group Discussions and Depth Interviews

Project Title	An Evaluation Study of SGSY in Rajasthan
Client	Integrated Rural Development Department and Panchayati Raj, Government of Rajasthan
Duration	February-August 2008
Coverage	Sixteen districts of Rajasthan – Alwar, Banswara, Bamer, Bhilwara, Bikaner, Churu, Dausa, Dungarpur, Jaipur, Jalore, Jhalawar, Nagaur, Pali, Rajsamand, Sri Ganga Nagar and Tonk
Objective	<p>The objective of the assignment was to evaluate and assess the impact of SGSY scheme in 16 districts as per the guidelines of the scheme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observations about strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of SGSY programme in the state of Rajasthan. Physical and financial progress of the programme as well as qualitative observation on the effectiveness of the programme. • New initiatives and innovations being piloted in SGSY in any part of the country; and • Roadmap for SGSY for the state for the next five years
Sample Size	16 districts, 48 blocks, 240 villages, 908 Swarozgaris and 194 SHGs.
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules, Focus Group Discussions and Depth Interviews

Project Title	An Evaluation of Skill Training Programs for Livelihood Promotion Under Rajasthan Mission on Livelihood
Client	Centre for Good Governance, HCM RIPA, Govt. of Rajasthan
Duration	February - September 2007
Coverage	Nine districts of Rajasthan - Alwar, Banswara, Baran, Bhilwara, Chittorgarh, Churu, Dholpur, Jodhpur and Pali
Objective	<p>The main objective of the assignment was to evaluate and assess the skill training programs and as well as to assess the socio-economic impact of the scheme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengths and problems of skill development programme • Remedial measures to overcome problems/difficulties • Efficacy of existing skill training programs, training institutes and industry interface • Tracking of livelihoods of trainees • Financial and physical performance
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules, Focus Group Discussions and Depth Interviews

Project Title	Concurrent Evaluation of SGRY scheme
Client	Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India
Duration	November, 2003
Coverage	12 district of Bihar: Araria, Chapra, Jamui, Katihar, Khagaria, Kishanganj, Lakhisarai, Gaya, Madhubani, Munger, Muzaffarpur, Nawadah
Objective	<p>The objective of the assignment was to evaluate SGRY as per the guidelines of the scheme in the districts of Bihar.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of quality of assets created under the scheme • Physical and financial performance of the scheme • Improvement of employment and living conditions of people below poverty line. • Whether PRIs are empowered at all the three tiers • Implementation process that brought necessary changes in the policy & strategy adopted.
Sample Size	12 Districts, 52 Blocks, 520 Gram Panchayats, 600 beneficiaries, 240 non-beneficiaries and 180 assets
Research Tools	Data capture format, depth interview, semi-structured schedule and FGD

Project Title	Quick Evaluation of Rural Development Project / Concurrent Evaluation of IAY & MWS.
Commissioned by	Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India
Location	Three Districts of Bihar
Nature of Study	Evaluation Study
Sample Size	13 Blocks in Three Districts of Jharkhand (erstwhile Bihar)
Duration	January 2000
Description	Survey was done for the Nodal Agency. The respondents were asked about the benefits received from the RD programmes. The data collected from the field visit was collated in the form of a report and submitted to client.

Some additional Projects:

- Concurrent Monitoring of Socio – Economic Caste Census (SECC)
- Survey for Nirmal Gram Puraskar
- Impact Assessment Study of Rural Development Programs
- Comprehensive Socio-Economic Survey of JJ Cluster in Delhi
- Slum Survey in Bihar under Support Programme for Urban Reforms in Bihar
- Socio-Economic Impact of Construction of Bridges in Rural Bihar
- Impact Evaluation Study of Lower Registration Charges for Women in Rajasthan
- Socio- Economic study on incidences of suicide
- Socio-Economic study on functioning of public distribution system

SECTOR: EDUCATION

Project Title	Aspirational Study – Skilling & Employment
Client	National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)
Duration	2023
Coverage/Location	Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Odisha
Objective	Major objective of the study was to find out the aspirations of the youth's vis a vis their career/skill and employment.
Sample Size	2700 Youths
Research Tools	Semi – Structured Interviews and In – Depth Interviews

Project Title	Evaluation and Impact Assessment of Merit-cum-means based Scholarship Scheme
Client	Ministry of Minority Affairs, GOI.
Coverage/Location	Six months (5th March 2013 to 5th September 2013)
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To assess the level of awareness of major stakeholders regarding the scheme.• To understand, in-depth, the strengths and weaknesses of the scheme.• To understand the impact of scheme on target group.• To give practical suggestions to improve the scheme.
Sample Size	Beneficiaries : 960 State Level Officials : 60 District Level Officials : 48 Head of Educational Institutions : 480
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules, In-depth Interview & Case Studies

Project Title	Evaluation and Impact Assessment of Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme
Client	Ministry of Minority Affairs, GOI.
Coverage/Location	Six months (5th March 2013 to 5th September 2013)
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To assess the level of awareness of major stakeholders regarding the scheme.• To understand, in-depth, the strengths and weaknesses of the scheme.• To understand the impact of scheme on target group.• To give practical suggestions to improve the scheme.
Sample Size	Beneficiaries : 2880 State Level Officials : 120 District Level Officials : 120 Head of Educational Institutions : 480
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules, In-depth Interview & Case Studies

Project Title	Evaluation and Impact Assessment of Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme
Client	Ministry of Minority Affairs, GOI.
Coverage/Location	Six months (5th March 2013 to 5th September 2013)
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To assess the level of awareness of major stakeholders regarding the scheme. • To understand, in-depth, the strengths and weaknesses of the scheme. • To understand the impact of scheme on target group. • To give practical suggestions to improve the scheme.
Sample Size	Beneficiaries : 2880 State Level Officials : 120 District Level Officials : 120 Head of Educational Institutions : 480
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules, In-depth Interview & Case Studies

Project Title	Evaluation of Mid-Day Meal Scheme
Client	Department of Rural Development and Panchayathi Raj, Gov. of Rajasthan
Duration	2006 – 2007
Coverage	Seven Districts of Rajasthan: Bhilwara, SawaiMadhopur, Churu, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Baran, Udaipur
Objective	The major objectives were to find out the impact of MidDay Meal Scheme on beneficiaries and to gather opinion of service providers regarding key issues related to the scheme
Sample Size	4114 beneficiaries and 1564 service providers
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules, Focus Group Discussions and Depth Interviews

Some additional Projects:

- Impact of Intervention in Inclusive Education – Resources Room and Home Based Education (HBE)
- Study on Utility of Science & Mathematics Kits in School
- Evaluation of Transport Voucher Scheme
- Availability of teachers and its impact thereof on academic achievement
- Assessment of facilities available in TAD hostel in Rajasthan
- Assessment of facilities available in social welfare hostels in Rajasthan
- A Cohort study of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Districts in Uttar Pradesh
- Study on Community Own Perception on its role in functioning of Primary Schools

SECTOR: E-GOVERNANCE

Project Title	Impact of ICT Applications in Panchayat to create a Baseline for e-Services
Client	Department of Electronics & Information Technology
Coverage/Location	In 17 states: Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, UP, MP, Bihar, West Bengal, Odisha, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Tripura, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerala, Gujrat, Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh UTs: Daman & Diu and Dadar Nagar Haveli
Objective	To evaluate the efficiency of PES suites along with the State Specific application & to assess the impact on PRIs. To create baseline of e- services at Panchayat level.
Sample Size	Senior Govt. Officials: 95 End User: 794 PRI (Elected Representatives): 1086 Citizen: 6413
Research Tools	Interview schedules

Project Title	Baseline Study on 'PDS Online'
Client	Department of Electronics & Information Technology
Coverage/Location	States: Haryana, Delhi, UP, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Arunachal Pradesh UT: Andaman Nicobar
Objective	To understand the challenges in the current implementation process and service delivery and to make comparative study of the states/UTs on the basis of level of computerization and process automation.
Sample Size	Central Level: 2 Semi-structured State Level: 22 District Level: 43 Officials Block Level: 176 Officials FPS Owners: Respondents: 440 Respondents (Users): 4224 Godown In-charge: 41
Research Tools	Semi structured questionnaire, Face to face interview

Project Title	Impact Assessment of Project: Economic Development through E Governance in India
Client	GIZ
Duration	2010
Coverage	Across India

Objective	To assess impact of GIZ's programme (3 components) for economic development through e-Governance in India
Sample Size	Component I: Project Coordinators of 30 E-Governance projects of Component II: 154 IT SMEs, 3 STQC empaneled intermediaries and 3 Business Associations Component III: 270 User SMEs
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules and Depth Interviews

Some additional Projects:

- Data Collection and Data Entry for e-tracking of "PMEGP PROPOSALS" in Bihar, Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)
- Summary Assessment of E – Governance Projects in Rajasthan
- Impact Assessment of Commercial Taxes E-Governance Projects
- Evaluation of Nominations for National Awards for E-Governance
- Analytical Support for Web Ratna Awards 2008



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SECTOR: TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT

Project Title	Evaluation Study of Selected Tribal Schemes in Scheduled Areas
Client	Centre for Good Governance, Govt. of Rajasthan
Duration	February – May 2008
Coverage	Six districts of Rajasthan - Banswara, Chittorgarh, Dungarpur, Sirohi and Udaipur
Objective	<p>The main objective of the assignment was to evaluate and assess 6 selected tribal schemes of Rajasthan and as well as to assess the socio-economic impact of the scheme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strengths and problems of selected 6 tribal schemes (Lift Irrigation, Community Diesel Pump set, Ma-Bari Kendra, computer Training and Integrated Village Development Plan)• Remedial measures to overcome problems/difficulties• Financial and physical performance• Impact of the schemes on the livelihood of beneficiaries
Sample Size	6 districts, 53 Training Institutes, 506 Beneficiaries, 59 FGD and 64 Depth interviews
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules, Focus Group Discussions and Depth Interviews

Project Title	Evaluation of NGO's working for tribal development
Client	Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India
Duration	January-February 2000
Coverage	Ten NGOs in states of Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Orissa, and Madhya Pradesh
Objective	The main objective of the survey was to evaluate the work done by the NGOs related to the development of tribals.
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules, Focus Group Discussions and Depth Interviews

COORPORATE- SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Project Title	Data Collection and Data Entry for e-tracking of “PMEGP PROPOSALS” in Bihar,Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)
Client	Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium enterprise, GOI
Duration	2013-2014
Coverage/Location	Bihar
Objective	Collecting of data from DIC, KVIC, PMEGP and relevant sources for small scale industries in Bihar.
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules and Depth Interviews

Project Title	Comprehensive Socio-Economic Survey of JJ Clusters in Delhi
Client	Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board, Govt. of Delhi
Duration	2012
Coverage/Location	Delhi
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To assess number of people and households in approximately 652 JJ settlements/JJ clusters with documents on their status and eligibility for resettlement / in-situ development program.• Stakeholder analysis to understand people’s perception of their problems, aspirations and provide inputs that would be useful to consider and develop alternative development plans including social housing.• Identify existing social infrastructure such as health, education and social welfare / development programs being implemented in the area.• Ascertain and analyze key social risks, internal and external, to the project and measures to address them.• To assess the affordability of the people for housing and housing finance.• To develop suitable housing and related indicators, that would be useful for monitoring, evaluation and planning.• To provide survey data in electronic form for populating GIS that could be taken care of by DUSIB for its various programme.
Research Tools	Pre-survey preparation, survey schedule, training manual, training, survey logistics, actual survey, data entry, programming & process, analysis and report drafting, presentation and production of final report

Project Title	Slum Survey in Bihar under Support Programme for Urban Reforms in Bihar
Client	IPE (India) and WSP International (UK)
Duration	2010-11
Coverage/Location	28 towns of Bihar
Objective	To prepare slum maps, identification of boundaries and marking dwelling units. To assess the availability of infrastructure and basic services, socio-economic aspects, environmental aspects and land ownership of each slum.
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules and AutoCAD Maps

Project Title	Socio-Economic Impact of Construction of Bridges in Rural Bihar
Client	Bihar RajyaPul Nigam Ltd.
Duration	2009
Coverage/Location	Bihar
Objective	To assess the socio-economic impact due to construction of bridges in rural Bihar
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules and Case Studies

Project Title	Impact Evaluation Study of Lower Registration Charges for Women In Rajasthan
Client	Centre For Good Governance, Government Of Rajasthan
Duration	2008
Coverage	Seven Districts
Objective	To know the impact of low registration fees for women – mainly in terms of increase in number of property registrations of women and in women empowerment
Sample Size	324 women beneficiaries and 264 key - informants
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules and Depth Interviews

Project Title	Evaluation Of Transport Voucher Scheme
Client	CGG, Rajasthan
Duration	2007
Coverage/Location	Rajasthan – 9 districts

Objective	The main objective of the study was to evaluate the transport voucher scheme of the Govt, with specific reference to find out total number of beneficiaries in the educational institutes of selected districts and the state; To find out awareness about the programme, applications received, sanctioned, distributed and pending in the schools; Analysis of the actual distribution of transport vouchers against the eligible candidates along with verification from the registered beneficiaries; To assess the utilization of the transport vouchers in the selected districts and to review the difficulties in distribution of transport vouchers
Sample Size	Districts – 9 Schools – 173 Beneficiaries - 1860
Research Tools	Structured Interview Schedules; Depth Interviews

Project Title	Impact Evaluation of the various Development Programs of Government of Rajasthan (two rounds)
Client	Directorate of Evaluation, Govt. of Rajasthan
Duration	February 2005 – October 2006
Coverage	All 32 districts of Rajasthan
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To ascertain overall opinion of people on the extent of satisfaction with the performance of the state government; • To ascertain opinion of the people on their most important & immediate development needs; • To ascertain people's opinion on actual ground level implementation of specific development initiatives of the government; • To ascertain people's opinion on functioning of local administration including corrupt practices; • To find out existing status of important civic amenities; • To make suggestions to the government on its policy decisions and also on effective implementation of existing schemes.
Sample Size	46335 household interviews, 586 GDs, 269 interviews with Govt. officials, 2900 interviews with opinion leaders
Research Tools	Semi-structured interview schedules, FGDs, Interviews

Project Title	Socio-economic study on functioning of public distribution system
Client	Ministry of Food, Consumer Affairs, & PDS, Govt. of India
Duration	October 2003 - March 2004
Coverage	Ten Districts of Rajasthan, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Uttaranchal, & Orissa
Objective	The broad objective of the study was to assess the viability of the system, reasons for decrease in the popularity and the response to the then newly introduced 'Antyodaya' scheme.

Sample Size	4000 Households
Research Tools	Semi-structured interview schedules, FGDs, Interviews

Project Title	Socio-economic study on incidences of suicide
Client	Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India
Duration	November 1999- April 2000
Coverage	Four Districts of Andhra Pradesh
Objective	The main objective of the survey was to explore reasons for the suicide committed by the cotton farmers in four districts of Andhra Pradesh. Also to undertake mapping exercise to assess the land ownership, income of households, income-generating activities of the farmers.
Sample Size	500 households
Research Tools	Semi-structured interview schedules, FGDs, Interviews

Some additional Projects:

- Impact Assessment of CAPART Assisted Schemes in Andhra Pradesh (CAPART, New Delhi).
- District-wise Skill Gap Assessment in Kerala Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh, Deloitte & NSDC
- Evaluation of Industrial Growth Centre Scheme in Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh for Planning Commission, Government of India
- Status study for Natural Resin Based Industry in Uttaranchal for Department of Industrial Development, Government of Uttaranchal
- Project for preparation of Economic Development Vision and Plan for the state of Haryana for Department of Industries, Government of Haryana

SECTOR: MARKET RESEARCH

Project Title	Extent of Copyright Piracy in India
Client	Centre for WTO Studies, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)
Duration	2011
Coverage/Location	Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Guwahati, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Rourkela, Meerut and Gaya.
Objective	To understand the extent of copyright piracy in the following sectors: Films, music, software, electronic games and books.
Sample Size	Consumers: 850 Retailers/Sellers: 112 Producers/Publishers: 80 Broadcasters: 12 Enforcers: 32
Research Tool	Semi Structured Interview Schedules

SECTOR: ENERGY/SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Project Title	Study of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana
Client	IOCL, BPCL, HPCL
Duration	2020-21
Coverage/Location	Short Term – 10 States, Long Term – 20 states
Objective	The study aimed to find out the efficacy of the PMGKY on PMUY customers and crucial elements influencing adoption of LPG. To find out the reasons for beneficiaries not being able to avail the refills (at least two refills during Apr-Aug'20) under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY). Study the level of awareness related to PMGKY amongst the targeted beneficiaries. Apart from this, a detailed database of the physical resources, cultural practices, economic opportunities, socio economic parameters of the study location would be documented through secondary research.
Sample Size	Short Term (PMGKY) – 240 Villages, Long Term (PMUY)- 1200 Villages
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview, Village Schedules, In-depth Interviews, Informal Discussions, Observations.

Project Title	NEED ASSESSMENT STUDY FOR ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS BIHAR, JHARKHAND
Client	Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd.
Coverage/Location	Bihar – Nawada, Sheikhpura, Jharkhand – Gumla, Khunti, Ramgarh, Hazaribagh
Duration	2020-21

Objective	Major objective of the study was to find out the basic requirement of the community in 2 districts of Jharkhand. This entailed to social mapping of the needs of the community in the field of education, vocational training, Entrepreneurship (self-help & livelihood generation), health care, women empowerment, infrastructure in the catchment area with focus on environment, water management including ground water recharge and overall ecological conservation.
Sample Size	Bihar – 1500, Jharkhand – 3000 Households
Research Tools	Household Interviews, FGD, In-Depth Interviews

Project Title	Assessment of Expenditure and Procurement pattern of cooking fuel in rural households of India
Client	Indian Oil Corporation of India (IOCL) Bharat Petroleum Corporation of India (BPCL) Hindustan Petroleum Corporation of India (HPCL)
Duration	2018-19
Coverage/Location	PAN India
Objective	The objective of the study were as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To document the socio economic profile of the respondents using bio mass fuel ➤ Examine households' cooking fuel consumption intensity along with the consumption pattern ➤ To find out details of procurement of cooking fuel and the cost involved thereof ➤ To analyze factors affecting households' choice of cooking fuel
Sample Size	Households: 1,02,000
Research Tools	Semi structured Interview schedules, in-depth interviews and focus group discussions

Project Title	Need Assessment Study for Implementation of Development Programmes under CSR Activities
Client	Oil and Natural Corporation of India (ONGC)
Duration	2017-18
Coverage/Location	13 Districts Bihar (Sitamarhi, Araria, Banka, Aurangabad, Gaya) Jharkhand (Giridh, Godha, Bokaro, Purbisinghbhum, Ramgarh, Paschmi singh bhum), Uttarakhand (Haridwar, Udham Singh Nagar)
Objective	The objective of the study were as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To elicit information on socio-economic status, covering individual level demographic, education status, employment, livelihood generation, health care facilities and other information for measuring the need of the people.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To find out access to employment and source of income of the people. ➤ To find out specifically the need of Vocational training among the marginalized segment of society and women in particular. ➤ To identify the need of scholarship among poor youth to promote higher & technical education. ➤ To identify the need of health care and sanitation facilities of women and children in particular. ➤ To explore the various aspects of livelihood generation for specific intervention in the field of agriculture, horticulture, fishery etc.
Sample Size	1560 households
Research Tools	Semi structured Interview schedules, in-depth interviews and focus group discussions

Project Title	Need Assessment Study for Implementation of Development Programmes under CSR Activities
Client	Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)
Duration	March-2016
Coverage/Location	Tamil Nadu (2 blocks of Ariyalur District)
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To elicit information on socio-economic status, covering individual level demographic, education status, employment, livelihood generation, health care facilities and other information for measuring the need of the people. ➤ To find out access to employment and source of income of the people. ➤ To find out specifically the need of Vocational training among the marginalized segment of society and women in particular. ➤ To identify the need of scholarship among poor youth to promote higher & technical education. ➤ To identify the need of health care and sanitation facilities of women and Fren in particular. ➤ To explore the various aspects of livelihood generation for specific intervention in the field of agriculture, horticulture, fishery etc.
Sample Size	50 Villages of 2 blocks and 50 FGDs
Research Tools	Semi structured interview schedule and In-depth interviews

Project Title	Need Assessment Study for Implementation of Development Programmes under CSR Activities in the district of Dhanbad; Bokaro; and Hazaribagh of Jharkhand state
Client	Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC)
Duration	2015-16
Coverage/Location	Jharkhand
Objective	Major objective of the study is to find out the basic requirement of the community in the catchment area of ONGC site.
Research Tools	Semi-structured Interview Schedules and Depth Interviews

Some additional Projects:

- Consumer's Satisfaction Survey with regard to quality of supply and distribution of electricity
- Study of Usage of Cooking Fuels by Migrant Population and Food Vendors
- Study to Analyze Potential Customers Perception on Usage of PNG
- Market Survey for Commercial A Segment for MGL (Mahanagar Gas Limited)
- Study to Analyze Potential Customers Perception on Usage of PNG (Piped Natural Gas)
- Study to find out the Reasons for not using PNG among the HH where PNG Pipeline is available
- Profiling of customers and Census of Vehicles Running on CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) in Delhi NCR
- Feeder Renovation Programme in Rajasthan
- Census of Private Vehicles Running on CNG
- Consumer Satisfaction Studies in the Power Sector
- Socio – Economic Study to Prepare Rehabilitation Plan in Power Grid Project Site

SECTOR: AGRICULTURE

- A Comprehensive Socio-economic Study on incidences of Suicide among Cotton Growers in Andhra Pradesh (Natural Disaster Management Division, Ministry of Agriculture & Cooperation, Govt. of India).
- Existing Information availability, source and gaps: An assessment of farming community in Karnataka (ISRO, Bangalore).
- Evaluation of Agriculture extension through voluntary organizations, (Directorate of Agriculture Extension, Ministry of Agriculture & Cooperation, Govt. of India).



Conventions Organized by RDI

Research & Development Initiative has successfully organized three conventions. The details are given below

1. Development Uttar Pradesh:

A conclave entitled, “Development Uttar Pradesh 2005: A Conclave on Investment in Social Development Sector” was organized by Research & Development Initiative (RDI) on 18th March 2005 at New Delhi.

The workshop primarily aimed at providing a complete understanding of the development scenario of UP and the ways in which the state government proposes to address some of these issues in the near future. The efforts of UPDC had resulted in donor/aid agencies investing in the state. However, most of the investments made were in the non-social sectors. This workshop acted as a medium of interface between the donor agencies and the government for better understanding and cooperation. The idea was to provide an opportunity for donors to express their views and expectations, explore potential areas of partnership and help UP government to prepare itself better in meeting the requirements of donor funded projects and in ultimately helping the poor. The workshop also aimed at examining issues related to the state government and donor relationship for a better co-ordination.

More than 100 delegates from different development sectors attended the workshop and gave their opinion on the theme

2. LPG: Catalyst of Social Change

Research & Development Initiative (RDI) in collaboration with Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, organized an International Conference entitled, “**LPG: Catalyst of Social Change**” at Bhubaneswar, Odisha on 1st and 2nd September, 2016. In May 2016, Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojna (PMUY) was launched with an aim to deepen the penetration of LPG in rural poor families. PMUY is considered to be a landmark step towards realizing Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi’s vision to provide clean cooking fuel to the poor and marginalized women with the target to bring 50 million poor households under LPG coverage in a span of three years.

The conference was successful in attracting participation from wide range of researchers, planners and implementers not only from India but also across the globe. Experts deliberated on a wide range of subjects which included need of clean fuel, possible interventions, initiatives in India and case studies from other developing nations. The range of deliberations can be accessed from the fact that even Ujjwala beneficiaries (poor women) and GiveltUP champions were also given opportunity to tell their stories to the world. The involvement of the Indian government in the event is reflected from the fact that a governor, two senior Union Ministers, senior officials from MoP&NG, senior officers from state governments and top management of oil marketing companies not only spoke but also spent a lot of time listening to other speakers.

The conference was attended by more the 300 delegates which include research development professionals, subject matter specialists, implementers, academicians from India and abroad.

3. LPG: Catalyst of Social Change-II

After one and Half Year of the launch of the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) it has been successful in achieving more than its periodic target by providing LPG connections to more than 3 crore households. This landmark scheme, apart from providing clean cooking fuel to poor families, has been a major impetus in the gender empowerment by addressing the health related issues of women and in due course paving way for their socio - economic development.

In this context, Research & Development Initiative(RDI), in association with MoP&NG, IOCL, BPCL & HPCL had organized a Conference entitled, **“LPG: Catalyst of Social Change-II”** with an aim of sharing the impact of Ujjwala in various spheres viz: health, environment, gender empowerment, overall socio economic development etc. The conference also aimed at encouraging deliberations of leveraging Ujjwala for International Cooperation and its prospect of being a model for other developing countries. Apart from this, the conference also underscores the initiatives like LPG Panchayat & WIN LPG undertaken to strengthen Ujjwala. The conference also facilitated for horizontal exchange of experience of stakeholders and apprised the participants with the latest developments in the sector. It has also served as an opportunity to interact and network with experts in the area of energy and internationally acclaimed speakers.

The conference was held at Ranchi, Jharkhand on 26th and 27th February, 2018.

This conference was attended by more the 250 delegates which included research development professionals, subject matter specialists, implementers, academicians from India and abroad.

