

# **INDIAN SOCIAL INSTITUTE NEW DELHI**

Centre for Research, Training and Action for  
Socio-Economic Development and Human Rights

## **ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023**



**10 INSTITUTIONAL AREA  
LODHI ROAD, NEW DELHI - 110 003  
PH: 01-4953 4000, 4953 4125  
Fax: 91-11-2469 0660  
Email: [edoffice@isidelhi.org.in](mailto:edoffice@isidelhi.org.in)  
[www.isidelhi.org.in](http://www.isidelhi.org.in)**



© Indian Social Institute 2023

For Private Circulation only

Published by  
Indian Social Institute  
10 Institutional Area  
Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003

Printed at  
Bosco Society for Printng & Graphic Training  
Jamia Nagar, Okhla Road  
New Delhi-110 025

Design & Layout: Ruben Minj

# CONTENT

	Page
From the Desk of The Executive Director	01
01 Research	05
02 Legal Awareness & Training Programme	11
03 Peace Building	13
04 Seminar, Consultation, Workshop & Programmes	20
05 Collaboration and Networking	25
06 Publication	30
07 Policy Engagement / Lectures / Human Rights Communications / Advocacy works	38
08 Services Provided	44
09 Support Service Section	50
10 Partners of The Institute	54
11 About Indian Social Institute	55
12 Governing Structure	58
13 Academic Advisory Committee	59
14 Staff of the Institute	60



## **VISION**

**To build a just, humane, secular, democratic and inclusive Indian society wherein the poor and marginalized communities cherish equality, dignity, freedom, justice, peace and harmony.**

## **MISSION**

**To engage in social transformation through socially relevant research, training, publication and advocacy works aimed at integral development of the marginalized communities, particularly the Dalits, Adivasis/ Tribals, women, minorities, unorganized and landless labourers in partnership with academicians and ecological movements nationally and internationally.**

# FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



The academic year 2022-23 marked 72 years of the establishment of Indian Social Institute by Fr. Jerome D'Souza SJ. During the last more than seven decades, the Institute has been engaged in the process of nation-building through its engagements in socially relevant research, training, publication and advocacy for marginalized sections of society in India. It has also been responding to the socio-economic challenges faced by the country through collaboration and networking with a large number of academicians, social activists, people's movements, human rights groups, civil society organizations and ecological movements throughout India and the world.

After two years of disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the year 2022-23 was a rather comfortable year of revival and renewal. The Institute adopted the Conference Apostolic Preference Plan for the years 2022-2025 and a Five Year Academic Plan for the years 2023-2028 in order to streamline its research, publication, legal education and peace building activities in the years ahead.

## Research

Indian Social Institute has continued its endeavour to engage in relevant and credible research. During the year 2022-23, the Institute completed three projects by Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Research Institute (TRI) Ranchi, Government of Jharkhand. They are (1) "Customary Laws and Practices: A Comparative Study of Five Major Tribes of Jharkhand", (2) "A Historical Study of Tribal Chiefdoms of Jharkhand: Kherwar of Ramgarh, Munda of Bundu, Bhumij of Jungle Mahal, Nagwansi of Ranchi, Santhal of Hazaribagh & Others" and (3) "Value Chain analysis of four Minor Forest Products (Tamarind, Sal seed, Lac, Chiraunji)". Besides, the Institute also completed the study titled "Exploring the Nature and Extent of Child Labour in Tea Gardens in Nagaon District of Assam". Further, the Institute completed two studies related to the impact of COVID-19, namely (1) "Impact of COVID-19 in Rural India: A Cross-Sectional Study from 12 States" and (2) "Education, the Digital Divide and COVID-19 in Rural India" in collaboration with other Jesuit organisations. Finally, the project "Disparities in Access to Education in the Aspirational Districts in Odisha, Jharkhand and Odisha" was completed and the final report submitted to the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC).

Being part of the global study on "Biodiversity Conservation and the Health and Wellbeing of Indigenous Peoples" led by the University of Alberta, Canada, the Institute will be engaged in research related to indigenous peoples in India in the coming year. In addition, the Institute continues its archival research on the Journal of Anthropological Society of Bombay 1886-1936 and the publication of books emerging from it.

## Peace Building

The Indian Social Institute successfully completed the peace building project “Promoting Peace and Harmony Culture, Consciousness and Healing through Shanti Sadbhavana Manch through Capacity Building among the most Marginalised and Excluded in Several States”. During the year, the State and zonal peace trainers conducted 58 programmes, such as Bal Mahotsav, Shanti Bhoj, cultural diversity celebrations, training on the Constitution and Exposure visits. Children and youth of 293 peace clubs in schools and villages in seven states, namely Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha, Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan, benefited from these programmes. The Institute, being part of the JCSA Peace and Reconciliation Network, participated in workshops and supported Loyola Institute of Peace and International Relations (LIPI), Kochi, in the publication of the bi-monthly magazine “PAX LUMINA”.

## National and International Programmes

During the year 2022-23, Indian Social Institute conducted several programmes. They include (1) A course on “Critical Thinking and Social Analysis on Contemporary India” on 20-30 April, 2022; (2) Release of the book “If Not Now, When?” at Bagaicha, Ranchi, on 26th April, 2022, followed by a global online launch of the book on 7th May, 2022; (3) The virtual release of the Factsheet on “Impact of COVID-19 in Rural India”; (4) A day-long consultation on “Sustainable Mining” on 12th September, 2022; (5) The Celebration of the 147th Birth Anniversary of Birsa Munda on 15th November, 2022; (6) The 4th Hashiye ki Awaz (HKA) Katha Samman 2021 on 17th December 2022; and (7) Zonal Workshops of Jesuit Social Scientists of South Asia (JSSA) in Matigara on 3-5 March, 2023, and in Vadodara on 10-12 March, 2023.

## Legal Assistance and Training

The Centre for Human Rights and Law (CHRL) provided legal assistance and training to women, children, NGOs, social activists and legal practitioners. This year, a Jesuit law firm CHRL Associates was launched on 28th May, 2022, in order to provide legal assistance to people in need. They have been providing legal services for cases in several courts, including the Supreme Court of India. In this regard, CHRL rendered legal aid and assisted people in dealing with cases related to domestic violence, maintenance, minority rights, senior citizens, etc. CHRL participated in various online webinars, seminars and workshops on various themes and issues. The CHRL personnel were invited as resource persons by Centre for Safeguarding and Human Formation (CSHF), Pune, Sophia Counselling Centre and Department of Psychology, Mumbai, Franciscan Missionary Brothers, Mysore Diocesan Educational Society, Sophia College, Pune, Jharna, Ranchi, Socio-Legal Information Centre (SLIC), Delhi, to give sessions on various legal topics, including Safeguarding and Promoting Consistent Culture of Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults.

## Collaboration and Networking

The Institute conducted several activities in collaboration with many organisations during this academic year. (1) The Institute has been actively supporting Social Justice and Ecology

Secretariat of South Asia in the project of “Ensuring Social Protection and Building Climate Resilient Communities in India”; (2) Being part of the JCSA Peace and Reconciliation Network, ISI has supported Loyola Institute for Peace and International Relations (LIPI) in the organization of the workshop for peace network persons on 17-19 February at Indian Social Institute, Bengaluru; (3) ISI and CBCI Office for Tribal Affairs organized a day-long orientation and interactive session for 40 tribal youth from Gujarat on 28 June, 2022; (4) ISI supported Federation of Catholic Associations of the Archdiocese of Delhi (FCAAD) in organizing the First Fr. Stan Swamy Memorial Lecture on “Human Rights Defenders and their importance in a Vibrant Democracy” delivered by Dr. Neera Chandhoke on 5th July, 2022 at Yusuf Sadan, Delhi; (5) ISI and India Indigenous Peoples and other tribal groups organized several programmes on the occasion of the 28th International Day of World Indigenous Peoples, which culminated in cultural programme at Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium on 9th August, 2022; (6) ISI and Dharma Raj Vedi organized the release of the book “An Indian Face of the Christian Faith” by Acharyasri Sachidanand Bharathi on 12th August, 2022; and (7) ISI and Islamic Studies Association jointly organized the release of the book “Journeying with Muslims: Listening, Praying and Working Together” by Cardinal Michael Louis Fitzgerald by Prof. Akhtarul Wasey on 3rd September, 2022, and the 6th Victor Courtois Memorial Lecture on “Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations in Europe” by Dr. Gaetano Sabetta on 1st February, 2023. In addition, ISI networked with a large number of organisations to organize several programmes in Delhi.

## Services Provided

The Institute has been supporting the initiatives of civil society groups in promoting democracy and social harmony in different parts of the country. For example, the Institute staff helped Sido Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka, to prepare a deprivation point in college-level admission.

During the year 2022-23, 12 interns completed their internships in Indian Social Institute. They belonged to Delhi University, Jamia Millia University, Ambedkar University, Mar Gregorius College of Law, Thiruvananthapuram, and College of Legal Studies (CLS), Kottayam, Loyola College of Social Sciences, Thiruvananthapuram, St. Stephen’s College, Delhi, Christ Deemed to be University, Bangalore, National Law University, Ranchi and Lloyd Law College, Greater Noida.

The support services of Indian Social Institute include Documentation, Library, Publication, Finance and Administration. The Documentation section has a good collection of articles and data published in journals, newspapers and various electronic media on socially relevant topics, which is disseminated to NGOs, academicians, social activists and students. The Publication Department publishes books and booklets which are popular among students, social activists, NGOs and academicians. This year, the Institute published six books. Five new Legal Education Series (LES) booklets and one revised edition of the booklet were published. In addition, 17 LES booklets were translated into Hindi and published. The Administration section provides secretarial assistance, maintenance, computer and internet services, and other administrative services. The finance department supports the Institute through its financial management and

ensuring compliance of all tax laws.

## **The Staff**

The research faculty of the Institute co-authored one book and edited or co-edited two reports, and edited three booklets. They also authored one article in an edited book, and 23 articles in magazines, newspapers and online portals in India and abroad. Besides, the staff delivered 52 lectures at Seminars, and programmes organised in different parts of India. Some academic staff provided editorial assistance to journals and magazines in India.

In the post-COVID-19 pandemic era, the Institute resumed rendering its services with greater resolve in terms of research, publication and programmes. In the context of the changing socio-economic and political scenario in the country, the Institute resolves to continue to strive for social harmony, and sustainable and equitable development of all sections of society in India in collaboration with civil society, people's movements and academicians in India and abroad.

**Dr. Denzil Fernandes SJ**



## 1.1 INTRODUCTION

Indian Social Institute has been engaged in credible research for generating knowledge, promoting publications, imparting training and facilitating policy advocacy in partnership with academicians, policy makers, legal fraternity, social activist networks, people's movements, and other civil society organisations nationally and internationally. The Research Department engaged in various kinds of research that focused on marginalized sections of society. During the academic year 2022-23, we successfully completed seven research studies. Four of the studies were awarded to the Institute by Government agencies, three were from Dr. Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute, Government of Jharkhand, and one study from the National Human Rights Commission. One study was funded by DKA Austria, while two studies related to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the people of India were self-financed. Our ongoing research endeavours include a global project on bio-diversity and archival research.



## 1.2 RESEARCH PROJECTS

### 1.2.1 Research Projects Completed

#### *a. A Historical Study of Tribal Chiefdoms of Jharkhand: Munda of Bundu, Kherwar of Ramgarh, Santal of Hazaribagh, Bhumij of Jungle Mahal, Nagwansi of Ranchi and Others.*

The study was conducted in the geographical regions of the Mundas of Bundu, Kherwars of Ramgarh, Santals of Hazaribagh, Bhumij of Jungle Mahal and Midnapur and Nagwansis of Ranchi. The study was conducted using ethnographic and historical method which aimed at the history of tribal Chiefdoms, their socio-cultural institutions, political organizations like the Parha, Pargana, Manki-Munda systems and their functions and their



relevance today. The study also explored how the tribal socio-political organisation and self-rule became instrumental in their pursuit of political aspiration for the formation of the state called 'Jharkhand.' The study also helps to revive the socio-cultural values and practices in the tribal communities and to reassert for revival and restoration of people-friendly governance. This study was funded by Dr Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute, Government of Jharkhand.

#### *b. Study of Customary Laws, Social and Religious Practices of Five Major Scheduled Tribes of Jharkhand: A Comparative Analysis*

This research study was done on five major tribals living in Jharkhand. It made significant discoveries about the customs of five major tribals, namely Santhal, Oraon, Munda, Ho and Kharia. In these significant

discoveries, different administrative systems and customs still exist in different tribal communities living in the state in which there is some degree of similarity.

Nevertheless, in some communities, the earlier practices are on the verge of extinction. For example, Munda communities' practice of covering graves with stones does not exist



anymore. In Santal communities, carrying dead bodies has now taken a different form. The Khadia community, in case of unnatural death, now cremate the body instead of burying it far away. During the research study, it was observed that a purification process is adopted in all communities after birth, marriage and death. There is some variation in tribal festivals. However, most festivals are determined according to the crops and even now the tribals are connected with nature. This study was funded by Dr Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute, Government of Jharkhand.

### *c. Value Chain Analysis of Four Minor Forest Products (Tamarind, Sal Seed, Chironji, and Lac)*

The state of Jharkhand is a region having tropical climate with a substantial contribution of non-timber forest products (NTFPs) to the livelihoods of the people. The objective was to study the value chain of MFPs and analyse the benefits derived from the government schemes. The research covered eight districts and obtained information from the local people about four minor forest products. In this regard, qualitative data was collected from the local people to understand how they create value chain processes in the four minor forest products and what kind of technology they use for the value chain process. The study observed that due to ineffective co-operative societies, the income of gatherers involved in MFPs is very low. Most benefits of value addition are taken by the middlemen, merchants, and retailers. Therefore, the study suggests a proactive action to be taken by the agencies involved in NTFP trade. This study was funded by Dr Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute, Government of Jharkhand.



### *d. "The Nature and Extent of Child Labour in the Tea Gardens of Nagaon, district of Assam",*

The project was undertaken due to the prevalence of child labour in the Nagaon district. Major findings in the report state that nearly 4,365 children aged between 6-18 years are engaged in tea garden work. One common conclusion to this issue is illiteracy. Observations from the fact-findings highlighted: Child marriage, alcohol consumption, lack of education of the children, and

lack of awareness of the need for girl child education as core issues. The study suggests proper educational management, vigilance on the part of government committees on child labour, and awareness of the effects of early marriage, health, and hygiene. Despite certain constraints during the process, the research resulted in various findings that could be considered by civil society and government officials. The project was funded by DKA Austria.

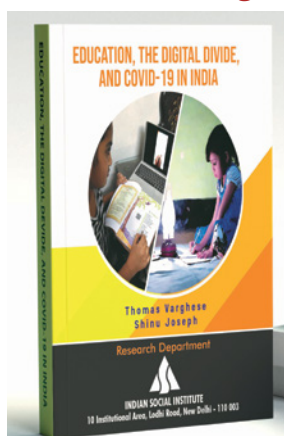
#### *e. Impact of COVID-19 in Rural India: A cross sectional study from 12 states*



The Jesuit Collective India, consisting of Conference Development Office (CDO), Indian Social Institute, Delhi (ISI\_Delhi) and Lok Manch (People's Forum) completed the research study on the impact of COVID-19 in rural India, from the perspective of marginalized communities like the Dalits, Adivasis, women and children. It focused on areas like livelihood, children's education, health and social security schemes. The research study was carried out in 12 states, covering 474 villages in

46 districts, from June 2021- January 2022. A fact sheet was released at a webinar on 21st June 2022 and the final report was published in March 2023.

#### *f. Education, Digital Divide and Covid-19 in India*



The objective of the study was to find out the digital divide existing in rural India. The study was both qualitative and quantitative in nature. For this, semi-structured interview schedules were administered to parents, students and teachers management, government officials, and focused Group discussions with the stakeholders. This study was done in six states of India with the help of Jesuit school teachers through Kobo Collect App. The teachers were trained in Kobo Collect App to collect data. The results showed a huge digital divide in rural areas because of poverty leading to poor accessibility of digital devices, poor electricity connection, and network connectivity.

#### *g. Disparity in Access to Education in Aspirational Districts in Odisha, Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh*

The objective of the research was to assess the implementation of the current educational initiatives and programmes in the six Aspirational Districts of Kandhamal and Kalahandi

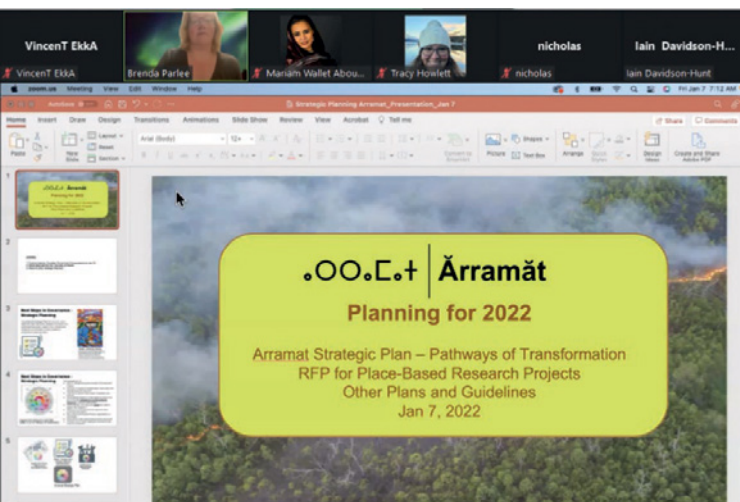
(Odisha), Lohardaga and Chatra (Jharkhand), and Kanker and Korba (Chhattisgarh). The study was qualitative and quantitative, with semi-structured interviews for parents, students and teachers and focused Group discussions with the stakeholders. The sample consisted of 930 parents, 932 students, 36 schools from 36 villages from six aspirational districts of Odisha, Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh. The findings of the



study showed that there is a large number of socio-economically disadvantaged groups existing in India. As a result, there is a disparity in access to education with respect to region, gender, and location. This research was funded by the National Human Rights Commission.

## 1.2.2 On-going Research Projects

### *a. Arramat Research- Biodiversity Conservation: Health and Wellbeing of the Indigenous Peoples.*



This study is a place-based research, a joint venture for global research that includes 26 countries. The Faculty of the University of Alberta, Canada, are the lead researchers to coordinate the study. The study aims at interdisciplinary approach where the indigenous scholars from different universities of India are collaborating in planning and implementation of the study in India. The Indian team of researchers aim to study biodiversity conservation on two pathways: (1) Biodiversity Conservation: Food Sustainability, Health and Wellbeing; and (2) Biodiversity Conservation and its Interface with Language, Culture and Wellbeing.

The place-based research study is stretched from 2021 to 2027 into three phases, namely Capacity Building, Indigenous-Led Place-Based Research and Policy Transformation.

### *b. Archival Research*

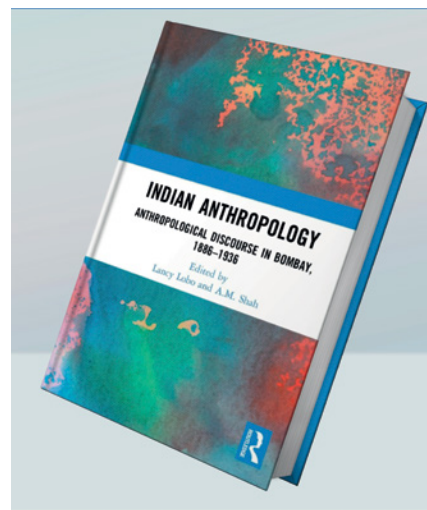
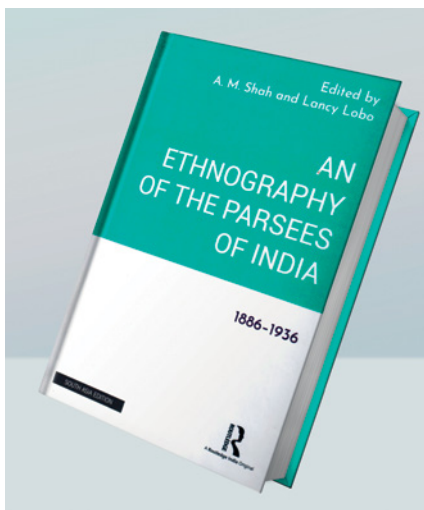
This is an ongoing part of the project undertaken at the Centre for Culture and Development, Vadodara to study the contribution of the Anthropological Society of Bombay and its Journal commenced in 1886 which lasted till 1936. It contains thick ethnography written by anthropologists, administrators, both Indian and non-Indian. It provides a view of anthropology that was different from the one provided by the colonial government institutions, such as the Ethnographic Survey

of India (later renamed as Anthropological Survey of India) and the Census of India.

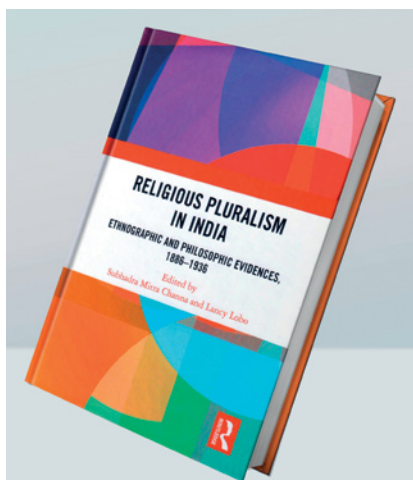
It has studies also on countries other than India, and on tribals, non-tribals and religions. The aim is to bring out a series of books comprising collections of essays on various themes taken from this Journal. By re-issuing them we hope to help craft a more comprehensive view of Indian anthropology at its formative period and thereby its society and culture.

Editors, Professors A.M.Shah and Lancy Lobo have brought out the following volumes at the Centre for Culture and Development, Vadodara (Gujarat):

1. Anthropological Explorations in South and South- East Asia, 1886-1936, Delhi: Primus Publications, 2021.
2. An Ethnography of the Parsees of India 1886-1936, Delhi: Routledge, 2022.
3. Indian Anthropology: Anthropological Discourse in Bombay, 1886-1936, Delhi: Routledge India, 2022.



Editors, Professors Subhadra Mitra Channa and Lancy Lobo have brought out the following volumes at the Indian Social Institute, New Delhi:



4. Religious Pluralism in India: Ethnographic and Philosophic Evidence, 1886-1936 Delhi: Routledge, 2023.

# LEGAL AWARENESS & TRAINING PROGRAMME

02

Centre for Human Rights & Law (CHRL) is an integrated department of the Indian Social Institute. The unit works on various initiatives relating to human rights like litigation where lawyers/advocates handle legal matters at various courts, provides editorial services for the monthly magazine, Legal News & Views (LNV) and publishes booklets on Legal Education Series (LES), conducts various training programmes related to minority rights, women's rights, para-legal training, and others organised and conducted by the department.



## LITIGATIONS/CONSULTATIONS

Month	Cases in Supreme Court/NCMEI/NCDRC
April 2022	2 Mt. cases
May 2022	1 DV. case
	1 NCMEI case
	1 NCDRC case
	1 Supreme Court case
	3 Mt. cases
June 2022	1 Mt. Case
	1 NCDRC case
July 2022	1 Mt. Case
	1 DV. Case
	7 Supreme Court cases
August 2022	1 Mt. Case
	1 NCMEI Case
	15 Supreme Court cases
September 2022	1 DV case
	1 NCDRC case
	8 Supreme Court cases
October 2022	1 New NCMEI case
	6 Supreme Court cases
November 2022	1 DV case
	2 Supreme Court cases
December 2022	1 NCMEI case
January 2023	9 Supreme Court cases
February 2023	2 NCDRC cases
March 2023	14 Supreme Court cases



## Shanti Sadbhavna Manch

Indian Social Institute successfully completed the fifth phase of its flagship peace-building project titled "Promoting Peace and Harmony Culture, Consciousness and Healing through Shanti Sadbhavna Manch (Peace and Harmony Students and Youth Movement) through capacity building among the most marginalised and excluded in several states in India". This peace-building campaign, commonly called, Shanti Sadbhavna Manch, has been active in seven states of central India, namely Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. Peace clubs (Shanti Sadbhavna Manch) are formed in schools and villages. There are 20 peace clubs in schools and 20 peace clubs in villages in each state. The main activities carried out during the financial year 2022-2023 are -

1. Monthly meetings with peace club members
2. Training programs on constitutional values, basic laws, relevant Acts and peaceful coexistence for mentors (Teachers), student peace club leaders and community peace club leaders.
3. Bal Mahotsav (Students' common program)



4. Cultural diversity celebrations among community peace club members.
5. Community building programs
6. Shanti bhoj
7. Visit

SN	Date	Program Title	Venue	Number of Participants	
				Male	Female
1	3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2022	Bal Mahotsav (Students Common Program)	Adarsh Vidya Mandir Higher Sec. School, Nagri, Dhamtari, CG 493778	85	70
2	9 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Bal Mahotsav (Students Common Program)	Anjuman Madrasa Higher Secondary School, Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan	27	23
3	10 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Bal Mahotsav (Students Common Program)	Saraswati Vidya Mandir, Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan	35	31
4	11 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Community Development Program	Alanpur and Thatherakund localities in Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan	5	33
5	12 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Community Development Program	Vill. Mawasa and Raontha, Kota, Rajasthan	9	62
6	13 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Community Development Program	Ladpura and Mandana, Kota, Rajasthan	7	51
7	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2022	Training of community leaders	Vill. Domaguda, Kandhmal, Odisha	36	23
8	27 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Training of community leaders	Vill. Tatipadar, Kandhmal, Odisha	41	27
9	5 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Community Development Program	Ambedkar Kalyan Hostel, Warisaliganj, Nawada, Bihar-805106	19	13
10	11 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Training of community leaders	Vill. Dadapada, Kandhmal, Odisha	39	28
11	13 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Bal Mahotsav (Students Common Program)	Govt. High School Rauntha, Kota, Rajasthan	38	34
12	14 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Bal Mahotsav (Students Common Program)	Govt. High School Mandana, Kota, Rajasthan	41	33
13	16 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Training of community peace club leaders	Krishi Anusandhan Kendra, Nayapura, Kota, Rajasthan	33	27
14	18 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Training of community leaders	Vill. Bondaguda, Kandhmal, Odisha	31	24
15	30 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Bal Mahotsav (Students Common Program)	Panchayat Bhavan, Badi Khairi, Mandla, MP-481661	44	30

SN	Date	Program Title	Venue	Number of Participants	
				Male	Female
16	3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022	Community Building Program	Stadium ground, Mandla, MP-481661	32	21
17	18 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	Community building program	Sahpur Jityatoli, PO. Kolebira, Simdega, Jharkhand	25	60
18	26 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	Community building program	Shanti Devi Inter college, Tekua Chauraha, Deoria, UP	36	17
19	8 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Training of student leaders	Swami Sahjanand College, Warisaliganj, Nawada, Bihar-805130	23	19
20	17 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Community Building Program	Adarsh Vidya Mandir Higher Sec. School, Nagri, Dhamtari, CG-493778	27	24
21	19 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Govt. High School, Kodwagoran, Pandaria, Kabeerdham, CG-491995	45	36
22	20 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Govt. High School, Kukdur, Pandaria, Kabeerdham, CG-491559	41	46
23	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Govt. High School, Bohil, Pandaria, Kabeerdham, CG-491995	37	29
24	24 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Training of Community Peace Club Leaders	Tenua Chaube Gram Pnchayat, PO. Tekua, Dist. Deoria, UP. 274182	18	9
25	30 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Govt. High School, Seelam PO. Gumla Dist. Gumla State- Jharkhand-835207	47	39
26	31 <sup>st</sup> July 2022	Training of Student Peace Club Leaders	S. B. M. Public School, PO. Tekua, Dist. Deoria, UP. 274182	26	21
27	1 <sup>st</sup> Aug. 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Jamjhora, Kotagarh, District-Kandhamal, Odisha	58	53
28	7 <sup>th</sup> Aug. 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Arasmini High School, G. Udaygiri, District-Kandhamal, Odisha	66	52
29	8 <sup>th</sup> Aug. 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Lettingia High School, K. Nuagaon, District-Kandhamal, Odisha	49	37

SN	Date	Program Title	Venue	Number of Participants	
				Male	Female
30	11 <sup>th</sup> Aug. 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Domaguda High School, Raikia, District-Kandhamal, Odisha	53	29
31	25 <sup>th</sup> Aug. 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Govt. High School, Sahpur Jityatoli PO. Kolebira Dist. Simdega State-Jharkhand	67	58
32	28 <sup>th</sup> Aug. 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Saramuli High School, Sikarmaha, Daringbari, District-Kandhamal, Odisha	72	54
33	10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022	Training on Constitution for student peace club leaders	Astha training Hall, Near Urja Park, Kawardha, CG	28	24
34	10 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Nirankari Inter College-Kashya, PO-Kashya, Dt. Kushinagar, UP-274402	44	39
35	13 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022	Cultural Diversity celebration	Panchayat High School, Rattangia, G. Udayagiri, Kandhamal, Odisha	29	43
36	14 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022	Cultural Diversity celebration	Government High School-Banda, Raikia, Kandhamal, Odisha	61	66
37	14 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022	Exposure visit	Agricultural Research and Training center, Bero, Ranchi-Jharkhand	17	15
38	15 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022	Cultural Diversity celebration	Government High School-Sikarmaha, Daringbari, Kandhamal, Odisha	31	29
39	15 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Shri Ram Middle School, Padri Kshatrapati, PO. Langda Bazar, Dt. Deoria, UP-274182	32	29
40	18 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022	Cultural Diversity celebration	Government High School-Modangi, Kotagarh, Kandhamal, Odisha	43	59
41	19 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022	Bal Mahotsav	Shri Ganesh Datt Mishra Middle School, PO. Tekua, Dt. Deoria, UP-274182	35	23
42	20 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022	Exposure Visit	Agriculture Research Institute, Sekhodeora, Kawakol, Nawada, Bihar	24	18

SN	Date	Program Title	Venue	Number of Participants	
				Male	Female
43	21 <sup>st</sup> Sept. 2022	Cultural Diversity Celebration	Village Semra, Gumla - Jharkhand-835207	22	36
44	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept. 2022	Cultural Diversity celebration	Swarnapur High School-Sirtiguda, K. Nuagaon, Kandhamal, Odisha	37	42
45	9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Exposer Visit	Kabeerdas Parinirvan Sthal Dist: Sant Kabeer Nagar, State: Uttar Pradesh	15	7
46	13 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Training on Constitution for Community and Student Leaders	Vill. Gressingia, G. Udayagiri, Kandhamal, Odisha	27	23
47	14 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Training on Constitution for Community and Student Leaders	Vill. Sikermaha, Daringbari, Kandhamal, Odisha	34	29
48	15 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Exposure visit	Nagri, Dist. Dhamtari, Chhattisgarh	23	16
49	15 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Cultural Diversity Celebration	Village: Lanji-Nawatoli, Gumla - Jharkhand-835207	18	33
50	15 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Training on Constitution for Community and Student Leaders	Vill. Banda, Raikia, Kandhamal, Odisha	42	27
51	16 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Cultural Diversity celebration	Vill. Dobhi, PO. Barela Dist. Jabalpur; State: Madhya Pradesh-482020	18	14
52	18 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Training on Constitution for Community and Student Leaders	Vill. Sikarmaha, Raikia, Kandhamal, Odisha	36	27
53	19 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Training on Constitution for Community and Student Leaders	Vill. Lettingia, K. Nuagaon, Kandhamal, Odisha	22	17
54	20 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Shanti Bhoj (Peace and Unity Meal)	Sitapati Colony, K. Nuagaon, Kandhamal, Odisha	29	42
55	21 <sup>st</sup> Oct. 2022	Shanti Bhoj (Peace and Unity Meal)	Vill. Dahu, Daringbari, Kandhamal, Odisha	18	23
56	22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct. 2022	Shanti Bhoj (Peace and Unity Meal)	Vill. Kambarkia, Raikia, Kandhamal, Odisha	24	33

SN	Date	Program Title	Venue	Number of Participants	
				Male	Female
57	23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct. 2022	Shanti Bhoj (Peace and Unity Meal)	Vill. Jamjhere, Kotagarh, Kandhamal, Odisha	19	24
58	24 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022	Shanti Bhoj (Peace and Unity Meal)	Vill. Rattingia, G. Udayagiri, Kandhamal, Odisha	32	37
<b>Total</b>				<b>1972</b>	<b>1888</b>





शांति सद्भावना मंच ने किया बाल महोत्सव का आयोजन, अफवाहों से लोगों को जागरूक करने का कर रहे हैं कार्य

# बच्चों के कला कौशल और प्रतिभा को बढ़ाने ही रहा प्रयास

■ **नवभारत रिपोर्टर | नगरी-सिद्धा.**  
www.navbharat.news  
भारतीय सामाजिक संस्थान, नई दिल्ली के सहयोग से शांति सद्भावना मंच छत्तीसगढ़ के द्वारा आदर्श विद्या मंदिर परिसर, नगरी में बाल महोत्सव का आयोजन किया गया. बाल महोत्सव में डॉ.



लिए किया गया है. इस अवसर पर दीलत राम कश्यप अध्यक्ष आस्था समिति, कवचा एवं जोन समन्वयक ने कहा कि शांति सद्भावना मंच के प्रयास से राज्य में शांति सद्भावना कायम करने सकारात्मक प्रभाव हुआ है. मंच के सदस्य विवाद निपटारा, मनमोहक प्रस्तुति दी गई. बच्चों के द्वारा चित्रकला, रंगोली, नृत्य, गीत एवं नाटक के साथ विविध विधाओं में प्रस्तुति दी गई. कार्यक्रम का संचालन आदर्श विद्या मंदिर के प्राचार्य महमूद खान ने किया. बाल महोत्सव के उत्कृष्ट कार्य करने वाले नागरिक

## सर्व धर्म सम्मेलन का हुआ आयोजन

**प्रतिनिधि बरहज देवरिया।** सर्व धर्म सम्मेलन का आयोजन शांति सद्भावना मंच द्वारा शांति निकेतन इंटर कालेज टेकुआ में द्वीप प्रखलन कर मुख्य अतिथि पास्कल तिकी एवं मुख्य वक्ता डॉ मोहम्मद आरिफ द्वारा कार्यक्रम का शुभारंभ किया गया। इस दौरान श्री तिकी ने कहा कि भारतीय सामाजिक संस्थान देश का एक मात्र शोध संस्थान है जो रिसर्च का कार्य करता है, जो देश के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों के छत्र इस शोध संस्थान के माध्यम से समाज में समरसता कायम रखने के लिए कार्य कर रहा है।



के गीत ने कहा कि हम सभी लोग धार्मिक भावनाओं को मजबूत बनाने

## राष्ट्रीय सहारा 29 जून 22 विविध धर्म संस्कृतियों का देश रहा है भारत : प्रो.डॉ.आरिफ

**भारत की परिकल्पना विषयक संशोधी**  
कसबा (एरासनामी)। राष्ट्रीय सहारा परियोजना के विचार-व्यापन दिनांक 29 जून को नई दिल्ली में राष्ट्रीय संस्था, शांति सद्भावना एवं न्याय के लिए 'भारत की परिकल्पना' विषयक 'संशोधी' आयोजित की गई। मुख्य वक्ता संशोधी प्रो.डॉ.आरिफ ने कहा कि भारत हमारे जहाँ में विविध धर्म संस्कृतियों का देश रहा है।  
संशोधी ने एक दूसरे को विभिन्न धर्मों की शक्ति और शक्ति के साथ एक साथ रहने के लिए 'भारत की परिकल्पना' विषयक 'संशोधी' आयोजित की गई। 'भारत की परिकल्पना' विषयक 'संशोधी' आयोजित की गई। 'भारत की परिकल्पना' विषयक 'संशोधी' आयोजित की गई।



संशोधी को संबोधित करते प्रो.आरिफ।  
एकता, शांति न्याय को अग्रणी बनाने पर हमें सहज होना चाहिए। हमें अपने मूल्यों को मजबूत बनाने पर हमें सहज होना चाहिए। हमें अपने मूल्यों को मजबूत बनाने पर हमें सहज होना चाहिए। हमें अपने मूल्यों को मजबूत बनाने पर हमें सहज होना चाहिए।

## SEMINARS, CONSULTATIONS, WORKSHOPS AND PROGRAMMES



### 4.1 Course on Critical Thinking and Social Analysis on Contemporary India

Indian Social Institute organized this course from 20-30 April, 2022. Dr Stanislaus D'Souza, the President of the Jesuit Conference of South Asia inaugurated the course and Dr Arjen Tete, the Conference Secretary for Formation (CSF) presided over the valedictory programme. There were 21 participants, 14 Jesuit scholastics from seven provinces, five DHM Sisters and one FMM Sister. A wide variety of topics were covered during these days and on the final day the participants wrote an integrated essay and also made group presentations, like skits, songs, etc. focusing on different themes discussed during these 11 days of the course coordinated by Dr. Lancy Lobo and Dr Alwyn D'Souza. Other resource persons for the course included Dr Denzil Fernandes, Dr Vincent Ekka, Adv Ravi Sagar, Dr Anthony Dias, and Dr Thomas Perumalil, Dr Amit Mitra and Dr Subhadra Mitra.



## 4.2 Release of Book “If Not Now, When?”

Indian Social Institute published a book “If Not Now, When? Disquieting Feminist Questions” edited by Astrid Lobo Gajiwala, Kochurani Abraham and Prashant Olalekar, SJ, which was released on 26th April on the occasion of the 85th birth anniversary of Fr. Stan Swamy in Bagaicha, Ranchi.



The book consists of 25 articles, testimonies and interviews of women inspired by the life and work of Fr. Stan Swamy. Sr. Ruby Mary introduced the book before it was released by Archbishop Felix Toppo SJ. The global virtual launch of the book took place on 7th May. The programme included the video message of Fr. Arturo Sosa, the Superior General of the Society of Jesus, was played on the occasion. The book was unveiled by Ms. Anvit Lakra, a young tribal girl. Professor Neena Joseph introduced the book and prominent social activists, Ms. Teesta Setalvad and Lara Jesani spoke about the contribution of women in the struggles for justice. The programme concluded with a video song ‘I Rise’ specially composed by Sch. Ambrose D’Souza SJ for the occasion. The entire virtual programme was moderated by Fr. Cedric Prakash SJ.

## 4.3 Launch of ‘CHRL Associates’



On 28th May the Jesuit inspired law firm, ‘CHRL Associates’ was inaugurated in the premises of Indian Social Institute. The programme began with a prayer and Advocate James welcomed the gathering. In his address, Fr. Ravi Sagar SJ outlined the goals and objectives of this new initiative at litigation at an

affordable cost. The Chief Guest for the programme was Ms. Nancy Barlow, the member of the Delhi Minorities Commission. Mr. Jose Kavi, executive editor of India Matters was also a special guest. After the lighting of the traditional lamp, Fr. Denzil Fernandes SJ, officially declared the launching of the CHRL Associates. About 30 advocates and well-wishers of CHRL were present on the occasion.

## 4.4 Release of Factsheet on “Impact of COVID-19 in Rural India”



The Factsheet of the research study “Impact of COVID-19 in Rural India: a Cross Sectional Study from 12 States”, which was conducted by the Jesuit Collective comprising of Indian Social Institute, Conference Development Office of JCSA, Migrant Assistance and Information Network (MAIN) and Social Justice and Ecology Secretariat of South Asia, was released during the webinar titled “Conversations on the Factsheet” held on 21 June, 2022. Ms. Tanvi Dogra welcomed the gathering and introduced the speakers for the programme. After the electronic release of the factsheet, Dr. Alwyn D’Souza and Mr. Shinu Joseph presented the findings of the study presented graphically in the factsheet. In response to the presentation, Dr. Stanislaus D’Souza, the President of the Jesuit Conference

of South Asia, appreciated the collaborative work done to understand the struggles of people in rural India during the COVID-19 pandemic and the lessons learnt for policy makers and civil society. Mr. Ashish Kothari, Ms. Roshan Rathod and Mr. Koustav Majumdar shared their insights based on the Factsheet as well as their own studies and experience of people in rural areas, who suffered during the pandemic. Dr. Denzil Fernandes was the moderator for the online programme. The webinar concluded with a vote of thanks by Ms. Suman Runda.

## 4.5 One day Consultation on Sustainable Mining

A one-day consultation on ‘Sustainable Mining’ was organized at the Indian Social Institute, New Delhi, on 12th September, 2022. In this consultation representatives from Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Jharkhand and Delhi participated. Among the 25 participants, there were some grassroots activists, researchers, academicians, experts and



community leaders. Dr. Marieke van der Mijn, the Director of Partnership in Aluminium Stewardship Initiatives (ASI) participated in the consultation as a special invitee and explained the standards set by the ASI for sustainable mining and also to assist and empower affected people by making them part of the process in the name of Indigenous Peoples’ Advisory Forum (IPAF). The consultation concluded with a resolution from the participants to empower affected communities to claim their share and participate in the whole process of mining.

## 4.6 Celebration of 147th Birth Anniversary of Birsa Munda

The youth from different colleges of Delhi University met on 15th November, 2022 at Indian Social Institute, New Delhi, to celebrate the 147th Birth Anniversary of 'Dharti Abba' Birsa Munda at an ST Alliance Meet and Greet programme. After paying tribute to the tribal revolutionary leader, Birsa Munda, the programme began with lectures on the life of Birsa Munda, followed by sharing of students' thoughts, experiences, and challenges.



## 4.7 Fourth 'Hashiye ki Awaz Katha-Samman' 2021

The Fourth 'Hashiye ki Awaz Katha-Samman' 2021 felicitation ceremony was held on 17th December, 2022, at Indian Social Institute, New Delhi. This year, two story writers have been awarded with the Katha Samman, Dr. Puran Singh for 'Daar Se Tootte Huye', and Jawahar Chowdhary for 'Narakwasi Mera Baap'. Ms. Nirmala Toppo, a social activist, Dr. Sunil Kumar Suman, International Hindi University, Wardha and Dr. Sapna Chamadia, Delhi University joined as the jury of 'Hashiye ki Awaz Katha-Samman' 2021. Ms. Anita Bharti, educationist and former president of Dalit Writers' Association, spoke on the occasion.



## 4.8. Zonal Workshops of Jesuit Social Scientists of South Asia (JSSSA)

JSSSA has 82 Jesuit social scientists with doctorates. It was decided that prior to a national meeting in October, north, south, western and central zone meetings take place. The zonal coordinators, Dr. Thomas Perumalil (North), Dr. Vincent Ekka (Central), Dr. Alwyn D'souza (South) and Dr. Denzil Fernandes (West), along with Forum coordinator Dr. Lancy Lobo met in a series of meetings to deliberate on the



themes, schedule and venues of the zonal meetings. Each province had identified with a contact person to liaise with province men. Two major themes were identified from a Google survey and subsequently two concept notes were prepared: (1) "Revisioning the Idea of India for 21st



Century” by Dr. Alwyn D’Souza, and (2) “Christian contribution to Nation-building” by Dr. Denzil Fernandes. These concept notes had sub themes and participants in zonal meetings were asked to present their views followed by discussion. The sessions focused on the intellectual activities and intellectual life in the respective provinces. The planning for the national meeting was also deliberated upon by carrying forward the themes and subthemes discussed at zonal level. two zonal meetings have been held: (1) North Zone meeting was hosted by Dr. Donatus Kujur on 3-5 March, 2023, at Matigara, where 15 Jesuit social scientists participated, and (2) West Zone meeting was hosted by Dr. James C. Dabhi on 10-12 March, 2023, at Vadodara, where 7 Jesuit social scientists participated.

# COLLABORATION AND NETWORKING

# 05

## 5.1 Social Justice and Ecology Secretariat (SJES)



ISI had been actively collaborating with Social Justice and Ecology Secretariat (SJES) by providing consultancy services for the project titled “Ensuring Social Protection and Building Climate Resilient Communities in India” and participating in the Core Team meetings.

## 5.2 Loyola Institute for Peace and International Relations (LIPI)



Being part of the JCSA Peace and Reconciliation Network, ISI has been supporting Loyola Institute for Peace and International Relations (LIPI) in the publication of the online bi-monthly magazine, Pax Lumina, to promote peace and reconciliation in South Asia, as well as the organization of the workshop for peace network persons on 17-19 February at Indian Social Institute, Bengaluru.

### 5.3 Migrant Assistance and Information Network (MAIN)



ISI has been supporting the activities of Migrant Assistance and Information Network (MAIN) for providing various services to migrants in Delhi and across the country.

### 5.4 Catholic Bishops Conference of India (CBCI)



ISI and CBCI Office for Tribal Affairs organized a day-long orientation and interactive session for 40 tribal youth from Gujarat on 28 June, 2022.

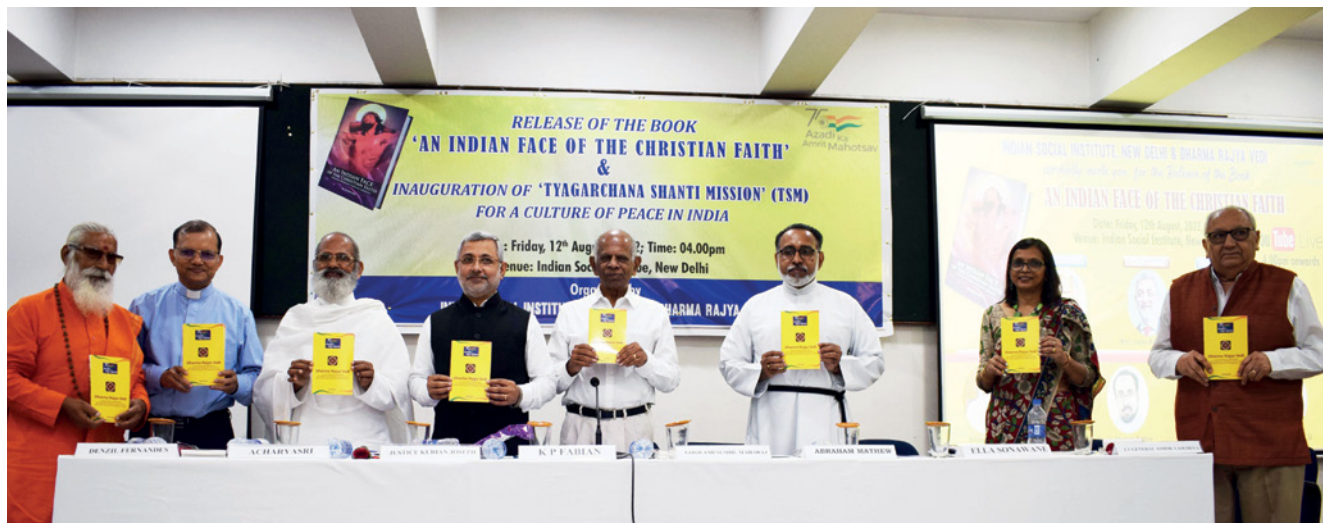
### 5.5 First Fr. Stan Swamy Memorial Lecture in Delhi

The First Fr. Stan Swamy Memorial Lecture on “Human Rights Defenders and their importance in a Vibrant Democracy” delivered by Dr. Neera Chandhoke, Distinguished Fellow at the Centre for Equity Studies. Dr. Denzil Fernandes SJ was the moderator for the programme, which was organized by the Federation of Catholic Associations of the Archdiocese of Delhi (FCAAD)



on 5th July, 2022 at Yusuf Sadan, Delhi. The programme was well attended by hundreds of academics, activists, lawyers, and other prominent members of civil society.

## 5.6 Dharma Raj Vedi (DRV)



ISI and Dharma Raj Vedi organized the release of the book “An Indian Face of the Christian Faith” by Acharyasri Sachidanand Bharathi in the premises of the Institute on 12th August. Retired Justice Kurien Joseph was the Chief Guest on the occasion. As a follow-up of this programme, a National Council for Peace and Reconciliation (NCRP) was constituted on 3rd September, 2022, and it was announced at a Press Conference at the Press Club of India, New Delhi, on 4th September, 2022.

## 5.7 Islamic Studies Association (ISA)

Indian Social Institute and Islamic Studies Association jointly organized the following programmes:

- (i) The release of the book “Journeying with Muslims: Listening, Praying and Working Together” by Cardinal Michael Louis Fitzgerald by Prof. Akhtarul Wasey, Professor Emeritus of Islamic Studies at Jamia Millia Islamia University Delhi, at a programme organized by ISI, Islamic



Studies Association and Indialogue Foundation on 3rd September, 2022, in the premises of the Institute.

- (ii) 6th Victor Courtois Memorial Lecture on “Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations in Europe” by Dr. Gaetano Sabetta on 1st February, 2023, in the premises of the Institute.

## 5.8 India Indigenous Peoples and other tribal groups

ISI along with India Indigenous Peoples and other tribal groups in Delhi organized the following activities on the occasion of the 28th International Day of World Indigenous Peoples: (i) Press Conference at the Press Club of India, Delhi, on 6th August, (ii) Walkathon outside Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium on 7th August morning, (iii) Seminar on “Celebration of Indigenous Worldview: Contribution of Indigenous Women towards Building a more Humane and Equal Society” at St. Xavier’s School, on 7th August evening, and (iv) Cultural programme on the occasion of the 28th International Day of the World’s Indigenous Peoples 2022 at Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium on 9th August. Mr. John Barla, Minister of State for Minority Affairs, was the Chief Guest for all the three programmes.





## 5.9 Civil Society Organisations

Indian Social Institute collaborated with a large number of civil society organisations to organize the following programmes:

- (1) ISI and Gopal Kiran Samaj Sevi Sansthan (GKSSS) organized the programme “Rashtriya Shiksha Samvad 2022” and presented Global ICON Education Award 2022 to teachers on 11 June, 2022, in the premises of Institute. About 130 teachers from across the country participated in the program.
- (2) The 75th Independence Day of India was celebrated by ISI along with National Council of Churches in India (NCCI), Zakat Foundation of India (ZFI), Interfaith Coalition for Peace (ICP), Institute of Harmony and Peace Studies (IHPS) and Christian Institute for the Study of Religion and Society (CISRS) on 15th August at CISRS House. After the flag hoisting, the Chief Guest, Dr. Deepali Bhannot spoke on the theme “Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat”.
- (3) Indian Social Institute hosted the programme “Celebrating our Satrangi Journeys with Vimalbhai” along with social activists and civil society organisations on 19th August, 2022.
- (4) The annual tribal cultural festival ‘Karam’ was celebrated on October 9, 2022 at Jesus and Mary College, Chanakyapuri. The celebration was jointly organized by Indian Social Institute, New Delhi, along with several tribal groups in Delhi. Mr. John Barla, the Union Minister of State for Minority Affairs, was the Chief Guest for the occasion.
- (5) ISI and Child Rights and You (CRY) jointly organized a programme for volunteers of CRY in the premises of the Institute on 15th January, 2023.
- (6) An “Orientation Programme for Civil Services and other Competitive Exams” was jointly organized by ISI along with CISRS, ZFI, YMCA, YWCA, NCCI, CBCI and other Christian organisations at Diocesan Community Centre, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Delhi, on 14th February, 2023.



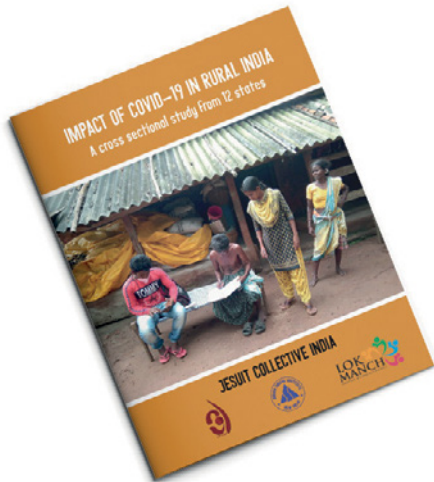
## A. Research Related

### i. Book



Lobo, L. and Kumar, D. (2023)., Tribes of Western India: A Comparative Study of their Social Structure. London and New York: Routledge.

### ii. Reports



1. D'Souza, A., and Shinu Joseph (2022). Factsheet on the impact of COVID-19 in rural India. Indian Social Institute, Delhi.

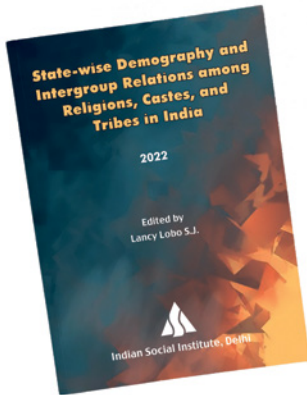


2. D'Souza, A. (2023). Impact of COVID-19 in Rural India: A cross-sectional study from 12 states. Indian Social Institute, Delhi.

### iii. Booklets



1. Lobo, L. (2022). (Compiled and edited) Directory of Jesuit Social Scientists of South Asia, Delhi: JCSA.



2. Lobo, L. (Ed) (2022). "State wise demography and intergroup relations among religions, castes and tribes in India" Delhi: Social Action Trust.



3. Lobo, L. (Compiled and edited) (2022). Face of the Nation from the Facebook, Delhi: Social Action Trust.

### iv. Article in Edited Book

1. Fernandes, D. (2022) No Longer Silent Spectators: The Challenge of Stan Swamy. in Astrid Lobo Gajiwala, Kochurani Abraham and Prashant Olalekar (Eds.). If Not Now, When? Disquieting Feminist Questions. New Delhi: Indian Social Institute. p. 218-228.

### v. Articles in Journals/Magazines

1. Lobo, L. "Religious Conversions in India", Economic and Political Weekly, April 9, 2022, p. 5.
2. Lobo, L. "Sri Lankan Crisis", Indian Currents, April 18, 2022, pp. 32-33.

3. Lobo, L. Catholic Religious and Mainstream Politics in India, Jivan, March 2022, pp. 22-23.
4. Lobo, L. "The Fallacy of Religious Conversions", Indian Currents, 18-24 July 2022, pp. 22-24.
5. Lobo, L. "Managing Urban Floods: A Case Study of Vadodara", Economic and Political Weekly, August 13 2022, Vol. LVII. No. 33, pp. 17-21.
6. Lobo, L. "The Secularisation of Suicide", Pax Lumina. Vol. 3. No.6. November 2022. pp. 46-51.
7. Lobo, L. and D'Souza, A. "Twisted Views on Conversions", Indian Currents, 12-18 December 2022. pp. 22-24.
8. Lobo, L. and D'Souza, A. "Betrayal of Constitutional Vision", Indian Currents, 28 November - 4 December 2022, pp. 12-13.
9. Lobo, L. "Communalisation of Tribals", Indian Currents, 9-15 January 2023, p. 24-27.
10. Lobo, L. "Social Technologies: Discourses of Dominance and Governance in India", Pax Lumina , 4 (1) 2023, pp. 33-37
11. Fernandes, D.(2022) Prayer, Accompaniment, Analysis, Witness. MAGNET. 6(10): 23.
12. Fernandes, Denzil (2023) Civil Society can lead the Fight against Inequality, Interview with Amitabh Behar, Pax Lumina, 4(2):19-21.
13. Varghese, T. and Dhan, S. J. (2022). "NEP 2020 and Issues and Challenges before Higher Education Institutions" in New Frontiers in Education, International Journal of Research, Vol 55 No. 273, April-June and July-September 2022, pp. 51-57.
14. D'Souza, A. (2022). "Responding to the Cry of the Mother Earth: How Pope Francis is spearheading an Ecological Crusade", Legal News and Views, Vol. 36. No. 7, July 2022, pp. 3-5.
15. D'Souza, A. and Lobo L. (2022). Betrayal of Constitutional Vision. Indian Currents, Vol. XXXIV. Issue. 49. p 12-13.
16. Lobo, L. and D'Souza, A. (2022). Twisted Views on Conversions. Indian Currents, Vol. XXXIV. Issue. 51. p 22-24.
17. D'Souza, A. (2023). Deepening Health Inequalities: Endless Sufferings of the 'Unequals'. Pax Lumina, Vol. 4. No. 2. p. 36-39.
18. Ngamshemla, V. (2023, March). Understanding mental and psychological health. Social Action. 73 (1), 105-115.
19. Parwez, S. (2022, April 4) Taron Bhari Rat Jaisa Sahitya Main Nahin Likh Sakta: Mohandas Naimisharai, Navbharat Times, p.14.
20. Parwez, S. (2022) Rajniti Gyan Rakhna Koi Rajneeti Karna Nahin Hota Hai: Professor Shyauraj Singh Bechain, Hashiye Ki Awaz, 17(7): 31-37.
21. Parwez, S. (2022) Sampradayik Tatyon ki Pahchan Kahti Kahani Dangai, Shodh Disha, 58(2): 129-135.
22. Parwez, S. (2023) Fourth Hashiye Ki Awaz Katha Samman, Hashiye Ki Awaz, 18(2): 41-43.

23. Sinha, A. (2023). Saving Mothers and Newborns through Reformed Healthcare: An Empirical Investigation of Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) in Uttarakhand, Contributions to Indian Social Science (IASSI Quarterly), 42(1), January- March 2023.

## b. Knowledge Dissemination

### i. Books



1. If Not Now When? Disquieting Feminist Questions Editors- Astrid Lobo Gajiwala, Kochurani Abraham, Prashant Olalekar SJ.

### ii. Booklets/Reports

1. D'Souza, A., and Shinu Joseph (2022). Factsheet on the impact of COVID-19 in rural India. Indian Social Institute, Delhi.
2. D'Souza, A. (2023). Impact of COVID-19 in Rural India: A cross-sectional study from 12 states. Indian Social Institute, Delhi.

### iii. Legal Education Series

Legal Education Series in English as follows.



- 1.LES- 91 Specific Relief (Amendment) Act, 2018
- 2.LES-92 Goods and Services Tax Acts (GST ACTS)
- 3.LES- 93 The Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948
- 4.LES - 94 Simplified: Cyber Laws
- 5.LES - 01 Payment of Gratuity Act (Revised)
- 6.LES - 51 Crime and Punishment

#### Translated from English to Hindi:

1. LES - 88 Disaster Management Act, 2005
2. LES - 74 The Right to Information Act, 2005
3. LES - 64 Juvenile Justice Act, 2015
4. LES - 33 The Law on Atrocities Against Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention and Punishment).
5. LES - 29 The Consumer Protection Act.

6. LES - 02 Your Rights if Arrested.
7. LES - 94 Cyber Law
8. LES - 19 Criminal Procedure
9. LES - 28 Immoral Traffic Prevention Act
10. LES - 71 The Indian Trust Act
11. LES - 10 Payment of Bonus Act
12. LES - 84 The National Food Security Act, 2013
13. LES - 85 The National Commission for Scheduled Tribes
14. LES - 12 MGNREGA 2005
15. LES - 24 The Protection of Women from Domestic Violence
16. LES - 89 The Arbitration and Conciliation Act
17. LES - 57 Transfer of Property

We also revised and reprinted 17 booklets on Legal Education series in English and 23 in Hindi.

## c. ISI Journal and Magazines

### i. Social Action (ISSN 0037-7627)

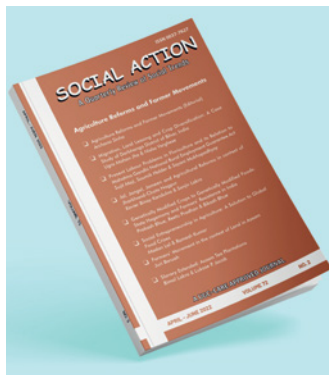
Social Action, a quarterly journal of the Institute, reviews social trends in India and is published for the past 71 years. The journal reaches hundreds of colleges, universities and academic research centers in India, apart from individual and international subscribers. The major objective of this journal is to bring to public domain an in-depth scientific analysis of the social trends in order to strengthen the Constitutional vision with special focus on the social, economic, political and cultural aspects of the marginalized communities for a meaningful discussion, dialogue and to look for people-centered alternatives. Each issue of Social Action has a special theme. Apart from the thematic articles a few non-thematic articles, commentaries and book reviews are published. The topics covered for the year are as follows:

**April-June 2022: Agriculture Reforms and Farmer Movements**

**July-September 2022: Ambedkar, Buddhism and Social Transformation**

**October-December 2022: Christian Contribution to Nation-building in India**

**January-February 2023: Mental Health and Psychological Well-being**



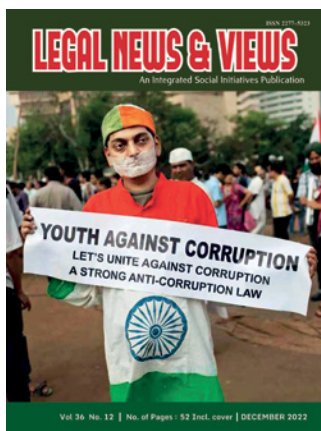
Social Action is a UGC-CARE recognized peer-reviewed journal. Articles in Social Action are indexed in the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), Research Abstracts, Sociology of Education Abstracts, Book Review Index, and Review of Population Reviews. A micro-film edition is available from University Microfilms International, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106 USA. Earlier this year, University Grants Commission included the journal in the List of the University Grants Commission Approved journals/refereed journals.

**ii. Legal News & Views (ISSN 2277-5323):**

Legal News & Views is a monthly magazine and one of the major publications of the department of CHRL. The magazine is strategically designed bearing a concept or theme of each month's issue to focus on legal awareness and knowledge sensitization and delivering people's voices/opinions related to various social concerns, through expressions like reader's responses, articles, know your law, new laws and bills which have been enacted/implemented by the parliament, and interviews of various professions. Alongside this, it also covers the latest judgements passed by the court, the news column covers recent developments, and legal quizzes where readers can test their knowledge about legal rights and general awareness.

Following are the themes from April 2022 – March 2023: Health Rights (World Health Day - April 07), Anti-Terrorism Laws (National Anti-Terrorism Day - May 21), Rights of Refugees





(World Refugee Day - June 20), Conservation of Nature Laws (World Nature Conservation Day - July 28), Right to Life (Hiroshima 06 and Nagasaki 09 Day), Right to Education (Teachers' Day - September 05), Rights of Elderly (International Day of the Elderly - October 01), Right to Legal Aid (National Legal Services Day - November 09), Right against Corruption (International Anti-Corruption Day - December 09), Voter's Rights (National Voters Day- 25th January), Preservation and Promotion of Mother Language (International Mother Language Day- 21st February), Right Against Racial Discrimination (International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination- 21st March).

### iii. Hashiye Ki Awaz ( ISSN 2277-5331)

Hashiye ki Awaaz is a Hindi monthly magazine catering to the readership from the marginalised sections of society. This magazine is being published for more than three decades under different departments of Indian Social Institute. Presently it is published by Integrated Social Initiatives. The magazine was first published entitled "Hum Dalit" and from 2007 the name was changed to Hashiye ki Awaaz. This magazine is meant for the readers and authors mostly from the marginalized sections of society at one platform, where news and views are shared in the form of stories, research articles, poems, discussions, interviews, book reviews, biographies novel excerpts covering the stories, struggles and aspirations of Dalits, Tribals, women, Minorities and other deprived sections of society. The main objective of publishing 'Hashiye ki Awaaz' is to give voice to the voiceless, to create awareness about the rights and privileges of the underprivileged, to create a community of scholars, activists, researchers who can give informed direction to society and finally to cater to the needs of Hindi readers.

'Hashiye ki Awaz', in the last academic year 2022-2023, covered the following focused areas-

- ❑ April (2022) - Dr. Ambedkar ka Darshan
- ❑ May(2022) - Majoodoro ko majdoori Samman aur Manavadhikar
- ❑ June(2022) - Doobti Arthvyavashta me Sampradayik chashni ka lep
- ❑ July(2022) - Charat Bhikhave charink, Bahujan hithay Bahujan sukhay lokanukampa
- ❑ August(2022) - Deshajo ki Bhoomi



- ❑ September(2022) -Hum uthey hai ab lalkaar nahi sahenge atyachar
- ❑ October(2022) - Satye, ahimsa aur nirbhayata
- ❑ November(2022) -Adhunik bharat ke nirmata: Jawaharlal Nehru
- ❑ December(2022) – Shanti evam Sadbhav
- ❑ January(2023) - Hum Bharat ke log
- ❑ February(2023) -Samajik Nyay aur jati janganana ka Mahtv
- ❑ March(2023) – Pitsrattatmak samaj mei nari



## A. Lectures – Papers presented

### Denzil Fernandes



1. Delivered two sessions “Major Political Ideologies” on 22nd April and “Dalit and Ambedkar Perspectives” on 23rd April during the Course on “Critical Thinking and Social Analysis on Contemporary India” at ISI, Delhi.
2. Delivered a lecture on “Present Socio-Economic-Political Situation: Challenges and Response” during Ranchi Province Days on 24th May, 2022, at Manresa House, Ranchi.
3. Presented a paper on “75 years of Christian Social Services” at the Conference on “Celebrating 75 years of Christian Contribution towards Nation-Building” organized by Oxford Centre for Religion and Public Life (OCRPL), National Council of Christian Churches in India (NCCI) and Evangelical Fellowship of India (EFI) on 29 June to 2 July, 2022, at The Residency Towers Hotel in Chennai.
4. Delivered two sessions, “Ideological Strands in Operation in Contemporary India” and “Philosophical Foundations for Contemporary Life” at a Faculty Development Program on “Practical Aspects of Intellectual and Learned Approach in Education Today” at Sacred Heart College, Satya Nilayam, and Department of Philosophy, Loyola College (Autonomous), Chennai, on 16-17 September, 2022.
5. Presented a paper on “Justice & Subalterns: Constitutional Guarantees for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Women” at the VJ Swarnajayanti Seminar on “The Role of Theology in Nation-building” organized by Vidyajyoti on its premises on 13th February, 2023.
6. Delivered a lecture on “The ideological Strands in Operation in Contemporary India” at a Workshop on “Towards an Intellectual and Learned Approach to Ministries-in the area of theology and social sciences” for the faculty of Vidyajyoti and regional theologates in the premises of Vidyajyoti on 16th February, 2023.
7. Delivered the Inaugural Lecture on “Relevance of Promoting Peace and Reconciliation in South Asia” at the meeting of network persons of the JCSA Peace and Reconciliation Network at ISI Bangalore on 17th February, 2023.

8. Delivered a session on “Specific Areas of Nation-building and Development to focus on at present and in future” at the meeting of the Jesuit Social Scientists of West Zone at Manresa Adhyatmik Sadhana Sadan (MASS), Vadodara, on 11-12 March, 2023.

### Lancy Lobo



1. Gave an online lecture to Sambalpur University sociology department on 7th April 2022 on Electoral and substantive democracy
2. Gave 9 presentations to participants of the course on “Critical Thinking and Social Analysis on Contemporary India” on 20-30 April, 2022.
3. Gave the following presentations to Satya Nilayam faculty on 16-17th September
  - i. Towards and Intellectual and Learned Approach to ministries
  - ii. The unholy trinity: State, Market and Civil Society- paradigm shifts
  - iii. Multi-cultural living and its problems
  - iv. Ethnography
4. Gave two presentations at the Phesama workshop on Intellectual and Learned approach to ministries and on Ethnography on 30th September.
5. Held two sessions for 20 Academic council members of Vidya Jyoti, College of Theology, Delhi on 16th Feb:
  - i. Towards an Intellectual and Learned approach to ministries
  - ii. The big picture of knowledge generation: state, market and civil society
  - iii. The ethnographic approach to depth dimension in ministries

### Thomas Varghese



1. Conducted one session on “Issues in Education” during the Course on ‘Critical Thinking and Social Analysis on Contemporary India’ on 28th April 2022.
2. Conducted a 2-day Faculty Development Programme for 18 teachers of St. Mary’s School, Jhajjar on 1-2 July 2022
3. Adjudicated a Ph.D. Thesis on “Effect of Yoga on Academic Achievement, Adjustment and Emotional Intelligence of Secondary level Students” under Sam Higginbottom University of Agriculture, Technology and Sciences, Allahabad, UP.
4. Conducted a two-day Faculty Development Programme for the staff and students of St. Xavier’s College of Education, Ambikapur, on 22-33 August 2022.

## Vincent Ekka



1. Delivered a lecture on “Tribal Issues and Perspectives” during the Course on ‘Critical Thinking and Social Analysis on Contemporary India’ on 25 April 2022.
2. Delivered a lecture on “Issues faced by Tribals in India” at the national training programme for trainers organized by the Center for Study of Peace and Harmony in Varanasi from May 27-29, 2022.
3. Made a presentation on Indigenous views during an international Conference of International Bauxite, Alumina and Aluminium Society IBAAS-JNARDDC (Jawaharlal Nehru Aluminium Research Development and Design Center, in Raipur
4. Conducted an interactive session on Tribal Issues with the Parishioners of Dwarka on 18th August, 2022.
5. Delivered a lecture on Tribal Cultural life cycle for the Parishioners of Vikaspuri on 25th September, 2022.
6. Assisted Delhi tribals to form an Umbrella Organization. Worked in collaboration with Delhi tribals to finalize the Bye-laws for the organization. He assisted Adivasi Samanvay Manch to register a pan-India tribal organization.

## Alwyn D’Souza



1. Delivered lectures on “Social Movements” and “Research Methods” during the Course on ‘Critical Thinking and Social Analysis on Contemporary India’ on 20-30 April, 2022.
2. Gave an input session on ‘Constitutional rights and duties’ to 120 youth of Delhi Archdiocese at Rosary Church, Delhi, on 9th July 2022.

## Arun Oraon



1. Gave a talk on “Contribution of Peace and Harmony in Society” in Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh.
2. Lecture on Tribalism in Birsa philosophy at Mahatama Gandhi Kashi Vidyapeeth, Varanasi (UP) on 15th November 2022.
3. Lecture on the Importance of Birsa Munda Life for the Adivasi People at Indian Social Institute, New Delhi.
4. Helped Sido Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka, to prepare a deprivation point in college-level admission.

## Shreya Jessica



1. Gave a lecture on 'Challenges of Tribals in Society' in the orientation programme for the Tribal youth on 2nd July 2022 at ISI, New Delhi.
2. Delivered a talk on the topic 'Tribal Movements & Contribution of Women in tribal community' at Vikaspuri Parish, on 25th Sept, New Delhi
3. Delivered a Talk on 'Celebrating Indigenous People's Culture and Preserving Diversity' on 26th November, 2022 at CISRS, New Delhi.
4. Conducted an interactive session with the officials of FSC Indigenous Foundation at ISI, Delhi on 18th January, 2023.
5. Presented a paper on 'Tribal Culture in India' in National Seminar on 3rd and 4th February at IIT Roorkee.

## Ravi Sagar



1. Delivered a lecture on "Constitution and Legal Perspectives" during the Course on 'Critical Thinking and Social Analysis on Contemporary India' on 29 April, 2022.
2. Delivered a lecture on legal issues to Principals and Heads of Institutions of St. Anne's Society on 4th October, 2022
3. Delivered a lecture on Basic Legal Procedures for youth at Rosary School, Delhi, on 9th July 2022.
4. Delivered a lecture on "Rights of Children & Vulnerable Adults" for 2nd Year B.Th students of Vidyajyoti College on 5th August, 2022.

## Sayed Parwez



1. Presented a research paper on "1984 Sikh Dagon ka Jakhma ke Madhyam se Sampradayikta ka Adhyayan" at the Third Dalit Literature Mahotsav held in Aryabhata College, University of Delhi, on 3-4 February, 2023.

## B. Trainings, Workshops and Programmes conducted/participated

Date	Event	Resource Person/ Participants	Organized by
10.06.22	Webinar on "Anti-Conversion Laws and Secularism in India"	Br. Melki and Miss. Delphina Chettiar (participants)	ADF India
11-15.07.22	Virtual Conference on "Gender Sensitization in the Catholic Church: To Listen, to Respond, to Reflect Together"	Fr. Ravi Sagar (Resource person)	Centre for Safeguarding and Human Formation (CSHF), Pune
18.07.22	Consultation of Advocates	Fr. Ravi Sagar along with the members of CCBI. (Resource person)	Public Relation office of the Archbishop
26.08.22 - 03.10.22	Online Course on Lectures on Law matters	Animated by Fr. Ravi Sagar, Adv. Bokali Kasho and Br. Melki for blended learning diploma students.	Sophia Counselling Centre and Department of Psychology.
12.09.22	Seminar on "Safeguarding Eroding Educational Rights"	Animated by Fr. Ravi Sagar for the Principals and administrators	Franciscan Missionary Brothers
10.09.22	Consultation meeting on Minority Status Certificates	Animated by Fr. Ravi Sagar	Mysore Diocesan Educational Society
Date	Event	Resource Person/ Participants	Organized by
03.10.22	Online programme on "Cybercrimes for the students of the Diploma course in Counselling for vulnerable and senior citizens"	Animated by Fr. Ravi Sagar, Adv. Bokali Kasho and Br. Melki	Sophia College, Pune.
11.11.23	Seminar on the "Global Audit on Safeguarding the Jesuit Counsellors/psychologists forum"	Presentation by Fr. Ravi Sagar	Jarna, Ranchi, Jharkhand
16.01.23	Workshop on "Sensitivity and Inclusion: Lived Realities and Challenges of Trans Persons"	Ngamshemla (participants)	SNCWS, Jamia

Date	Event	Resource Person/ Participants	Organized by
11.02.23	Programme on “Defending the Rights of Vulnerable Community in Delhi”	Ngamshemla and Melki (participants)	Socio-Legal Information Centre (SLIC)
04.03.23	Online meeting of South Asian Team for Safeguarding and Promoting Consistent Culture of Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults (SATS).	Fr. Ravi Sagar (Resource person)	ISI

### C. ISI documentation and dissemination



The Human Rights Documentation was initiated in 1999 as part of the department of documentation and library and it was maintained up to 2019 on 28 topics. In 2019, when the Institute website was redesigned, Human rights bulletin service was discontinued. Right now we send select editorials and useful/relevant articles on human rights related issues. In the last academic year, we sent 1287 articles (415 Specials + 872 Editorials).

This information is disseminated to over 150 human rights activists, social action groups and individuals through email, every week.

### D. Internship:



During the year 2022-23, 12 interns completed their internships in Indian Social Institute. They belonged to Delhi University, Jamia Millia University, Ambedkar University, Mar Gregorius College of Law, Thiruvananthapuram, and College of Legal Studies (CLS), Kottayam, Loyola College of Social Sciences, Thiruvananthapuram, St. Stephen’s College, Delhi, Christ Deemed to be University, Bangalore, National Law University, Ranchi and Lloyd Law College, Greater Noida.

## 8.1. LIBRARY

### 8.1.1. The library Section:

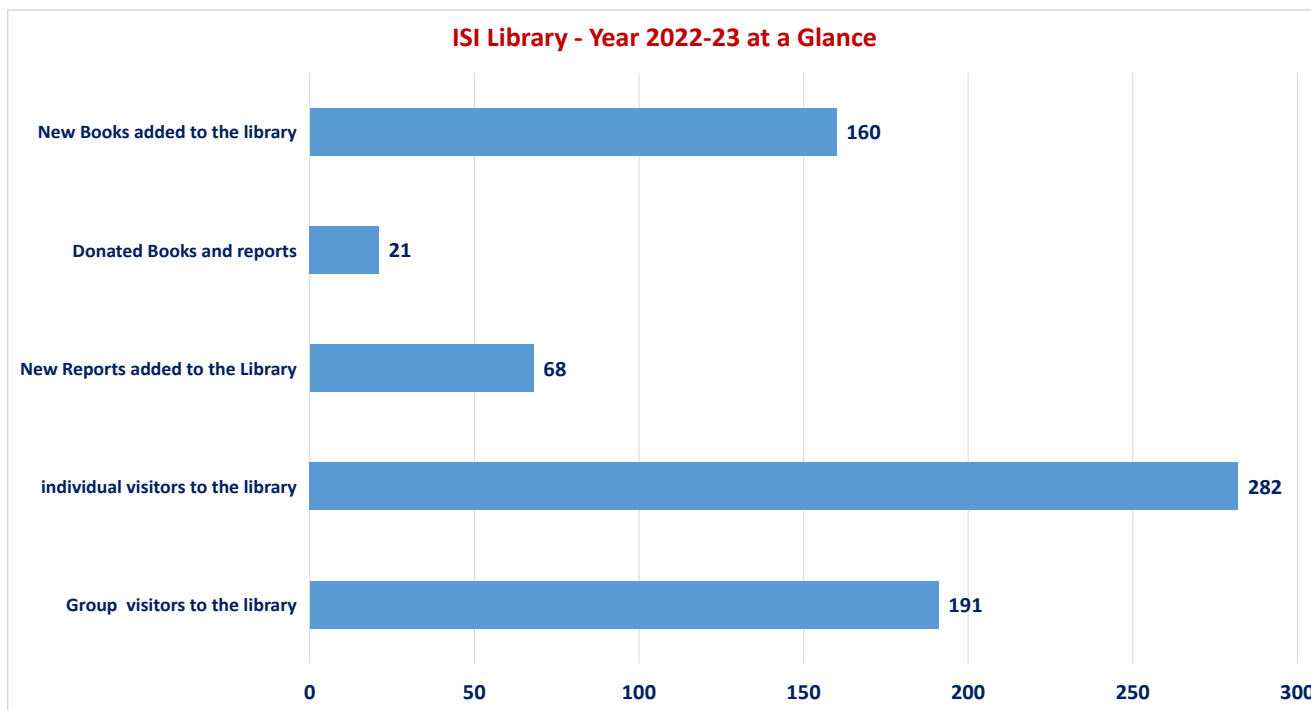
The library named after Fidel Rosl Goetz is being developed with specialized resources catering to the needs of the marginalized groups (Dalits, Tribals, and Human Rights etc.). The library has a stock of computer bibliographic database of print books as well as a small collection of rare and reference books on social sciences. The library is computerized, and has evolved into a fully automated library environment with the support of Koha Online library software and a special URL. <http://isid.bestbookbuddies.com>





### 8.1.2. Acquisition:

During this financial year 160 new books have been added to the library collection and 09 Nos. of Indian Social Institute, New Delhi's reports included in library. 21 books and reports have been received on donation from many people like Fr. Paul D'souza – Department of Dalit Studies, Dr. Alwyn D'souza – HoD, Library and Mr. Sanjay Kundan – Editor, Jansatta donated 17 books which were found to be suitable for our library.



Library is also subscribing 07 regular national newspapers, both English (05) and Hindi (02).

### 8.1.3. Online Service:



The Library's online catalogue provides excellent services to search the different titles of development issues. The Library also has an online facility to access statistical data from CENSUS, articles from EPW, Magzter, The Hindu Group Magazines, Down-to-Earth, The India Cable, Air Infotech, and The Caravan magazine.

During the period from April 2022 to March 2023, 6247 bibliographic records have been accessed from ISI database as well as from outside.

### 8.1.4 Membership & Visitors:

08 new members have joined the library and 282 individual users and 191 group users (11 Groups) have visited the library this year.

### 8.1.5 Circulations: (2022-23)



More than 151 books have been checked out and more than 68 research reports/ Journals have been consulted. No Inter library loan has been given in this financial year.

### 8.1.6 Journal Section:



The journal section of the department received 1123 periodicals both National and International. Of these 32 are subscribed journals, 12 are received on exchange basis, 40 are on complimentary/gratis basis. The library also subscribes 8 journals in Hindi. 415 Special and 872 Editorial articles were downloaded from various sources. 1208 articles have been indexed from journals and magazines and distributed to stakeholders. The display of all the journals in the in-house reference section and reading room is an

additional attraction for the users. The relevant back -volumes of journals are bound and kept in the library for researchers and library users. The service has been given to our collaborators, Jesuit social centres and researchers to update them with latest articles & new arrivals for easy reference.

### 8.1.7 Current Awareness Services (CAS):

Thematic articles on some relevant topics relating to the Institute's vision and mission have been delivered to members and stakeholders through e-mail.

### 8.1.8 DDL Service



- Online library catalogue services
- Electronic library services
- Current awareness services
- Literature searches / document supply
- Reference and referral services
- Borrowing service to library members
- Inter Library loan delivery service

- Bibliographic service
- Human rights electronic news bulletin

- Data bank services
- Orientation programmes for in-house users
- Photocopying, scanning & printing documents
- Disseminating update on the new books, human rights news, articles, reports & Government Policy documents etc.

**More information on Library: [www.isidelhi.org.in](http://www.isidelhi.org.in)**

**Book Search: URL <http://isid.bestbookbuddies.com>**

## 8.2 Department of Publication

The Department of Publication (DP) has been a hub for information and knowledge dissemination. Publication was envisaged to publish books, documents, compendiums etc. by various departments of the institute as well as to provide space to likeminded thinkers, academicians and activists to disseminate relevant information and knowledge pertaining to social issues in India and abroad. By publishing such wealth of materials at an affordable cost, it is hoped that the institute could generate awareness among



the masses and thinkers paving way for advocacy and policy interventions in favour of the priority communities of the institute. The Department of Publication in the recent past has been networking with authors, editors and publishers to jointly publish books and monographs at an affordable price and also make them available to those who are engaged in social transformation.

The Department takes all efforts to disseminate and promote the publication of books by making use of our book catalogue, social media and the portal ([www.isidelhi.org.in](http://www.isidelhi.org.in)) of the institute to advertise our publication.

During the year 2022-2023, the department participated in the following major book fairs:

1. National Patna Book fair Gandhi Maidan
2. New Delhi World Book Fair, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi
3. College book Fairs- Aryabhata and Maharaja Agrasen College, Delhi University

This had been a great time to interact with the publishers, readers, buyers and booksellers in the book fairs. Major publishing houses come under the same roof to put up their books display and exhibit after a gap of three years due to Covid-19 pandemic. Since the Covid-19 pandemic situation improved, books lovers were excited because whatever books they wanted that was available under one roof. During these book fairs, thousands of people visited our



stall and appreciated the subjects we choose for publication. Our legal education series both in English and Hindi was very much appreciated by all those visited. The Department also makes a point to display the publication at various workshops and seminars in Delhi. We interacted directly with the visitors coming to our department and told them about our publication on general books, Legal Education Series and journals.

Now-a-day many customers had made payments through digital transactions (phonePe, G-pay Paytm) which helped us to decrease payment processing errors, saved our time and we received payment direct to the account without any delay. Some of the subscribers we do face problems who do not send their payment details. Therefore, we are unable to give them service immediately.

Subalterns is a quarterly news bulletin of the institute, published and freely distributed by the institute to share with its partners, like-minded organizations and well-wishers about the various engagements of the institute. We have been sharing news

bulletins by online services. Every issue also carries some reflections on a current affair.

## 8.3 Conference and Residence facilities

### 8.3.1 Conference Unit

The Conference Unit of Integrated Social Initiatives (ISI) provides facilities to conduct conferences, training programs, seminars, consultations etc. This facility is mainly extended to the priority groups who works with vulnerable section of the society like the Dalits, Adivasis, Minorities, Women, SCs/STs, Street Children, Domestic Workers, Civil Society and Human Right groups from Delhi and outside.

After providing facilities to the like-minded groups, if any occupancy is available, we extend this facility to Corporate Sectors, Educational Institutes and International Organizations to conduct their programs. We also have the facility for providing all equipment's to the groups as per their requirements for the conferences, seminars and training programs.



The Conference unit plays a supportive role in achieving the Vision and Mission of the Indian Social Institute by giving concessional rates at the discretion of the Executive Director or Administrator to those who genuinely work with vulnerable section of society.

To improve our facilities, we added more projectors in our conference rooms specially two projectors mounted in one of our auditoriums on the third floor. We purchased new cordless mike sets. As per the current situation many groups are preferring online meetings on zoom, cloud etc. Therefore keeping that in mind we have made provided all the conference rooms with the internet connectivity. We are trying to provide maximum help and support to our customers and becoming more customer friendly.

### 8.3.2. Residence Unit

The Residence Department of Integrated Social Initiatives (ISI) provides facilities of boarding and lodging. It provides round the clock service. We provided services to NGO's, priority groups who work with vulnerable section of the society like the Dalits, Minorities, Women, Street children, Domestic Workers, Civil Society & Human Rights groups. We provide facilities to educational institutions & some corporates too. The Residence Department plays a supportive role in achieving the



Vision and Mission of the ISI by supporting organisations who genuinely work with vulnerable sections of society. We have been following all the guidelines of Covid- 19 announced by MHA. To avoid Corona infection and spread of Covid -19 we are taking care of sanitization, social distancing, wearing mask, etc.

Significant investments made during the year to provide the best of our facilities to our groups and improve our operations. In order to offer utmost comfort and luxury to our guests, we invested in high-quality bedsheets, pillow covers, and towels. We recognize the importance of providing an enjoyable dining experience for our guests. As part of our efforts to improve our culinary services, we invested in new utensils, crockery, and cutlery. These additions have allowed us to offer a wider variety of dining options. To streamline our food preparation process and maintain consistency in the quality of our food, we procured an atta kneading machine. This investment has significantly improved the efficiency of our kitchen operations. Maintaining cleanliness and hygiene in our bathrooms is of paramount importance. The important areas and boundary walls were painted. We invested in premium bathroom items and installed durable steel towel rods and plastic stools to enhance the functionality and aesthetics of our bathrooms. □

## 9.1 Administration Offices

### 9.1.1 ED office



The Office of the Executive Director performs the five functions of Planning, Organising, Staffing, Directing and Controlling for the smooth running of the Institute. ED office provides leadership to attain the Vision, Mission and Reputation of the Institute. It operates in compliance with its duly adopted Bylaws, Policies and Operating Rules for the overall growth of the Institute. It takes care of all official records, documentation of official matters, public relations and contracts. It helps in establishing, managing and administering the

Institute's financial resources to ensure that sound financial health of the Organisation is maintained and sustained. It coordinates the preparation of budgets and monitors the financial health of the Institute. It coordinates the performance appraisal of staff members and reports of all activities conducted in the Institute. It prepares all relevant documents for Governing Board and General Body meetings and ensures the implementation of its decisions. It acts as the central channel connecting people from within and outside the Institute by responding to queries and addressing important issues.



### 9.1.2. The General Administration Department



The General Administration department of Indian Social Institute takes care of the reception at the Institute. Taking care of all the AMC's of the equipment used by the Institute, such as Generator, CCTV Cameras, Water purifiers, Air Conditioners, Elevators, Xerox Machines, Telephone intercom lines, Dumb waiter, etc. as well as the insurance of the buildings, vehicles and accidental insurance of each staff. The Administration unit keeps stock of the stationary and provides to all the departments whatever

they require. It keeps all the details of each staff's leave records, travel bookings, contacts of all government offices and public utility services. We are strictly adhering to the rules and guidelines with regard to COVID-19, which includes regular disinfection of the buildings, and provisions for hand sanitizers on all the floors. The computer section provides support service to all the departments of the Institute and takes care of the technical aspects. The support staff takes care of the cleanliness and hygiene of the Institute inside and its surroundings, especially in washrooms.

The major accomplishments and projects completed by the Administration department was the procurement of a new Generator Set, resolving water leaking issues in the basement, repairing multiple washrooms, reinforcing the fire exit door with fibre sheets, painting the major areas including boundary walls, various items of scrap that had been accumulating in the office over time has been discarded, installation of new bio-metric software for attendance, purchase of new desktops, upgradation of many existing computers etc.

### 9.1.3 The Finance Department

The Finance Department plays an important role in achieving the vision and mission of the Institute. The Institute has down the years developed finance management policy, transparent procedures and periodic monitoring mechanisms to maintain and sustain its financial health. It has also regularly updated itself and the staff on the changes in the income tax rules and related laws so that every staff and the Institute strictly adhere to the laws of the



land. The Institute believes that financial audit and transparency in financial matters contribute to commitment and motivation of its staff. In order to be more productive, the financial and accounting manual has been introduced by detailing the financial rules, guidelines and practices. The manual ensures easy reference and adherence, which are important to be transparent and accountable to the government, donors, well-wishers and the general public. As per the practice of the Institute, the finance department carried out half-yearly audit, and has been periodically distributing the budget realisation statements to all the departments. This helped every department to understand how the allocated budget has been utilised till then and also to make a strategic financial plan for the subsequent months.

Each head of account is allotted a code number while preparing annual budget. This has resulted in accuracy and bringing more clarity to review the money allotted and actually utilised under each head. The finance department has provided the necessary support to various other departments in their budget preparation, which has been a great learning exercise for the staff. It complied with filing of GST return, TDS return, FCRA return, Provident Fund return and other financial reports both manually and online within the stipulated time. It also prepares and obtains utilisation certificates for the grants received and utilised in order to submit them with the funding agencies and various government departments.

## 9.2 Information about the Institute

### 9.2.1 Subalterns: Newsletter of the Institute

Subalterns is a quarterly news bulletin of the Institute, published and freely distributed electronically by the Institute to be shared with its partners, like-minded organizations and well-wishers about the various engagements of the Institute. Every issue also carries some reflections on current affairs which have direct bearing on the lives of the poor.

#### Subalterns (Themes):

April - June 2022:

*"Peace and Reconciliation in the midst of Conflict"*

July-September 2022:

*"India@75: The Journey so far"*

October-December 2022:

*"Care of Our Common Home"*

January-March 2023:

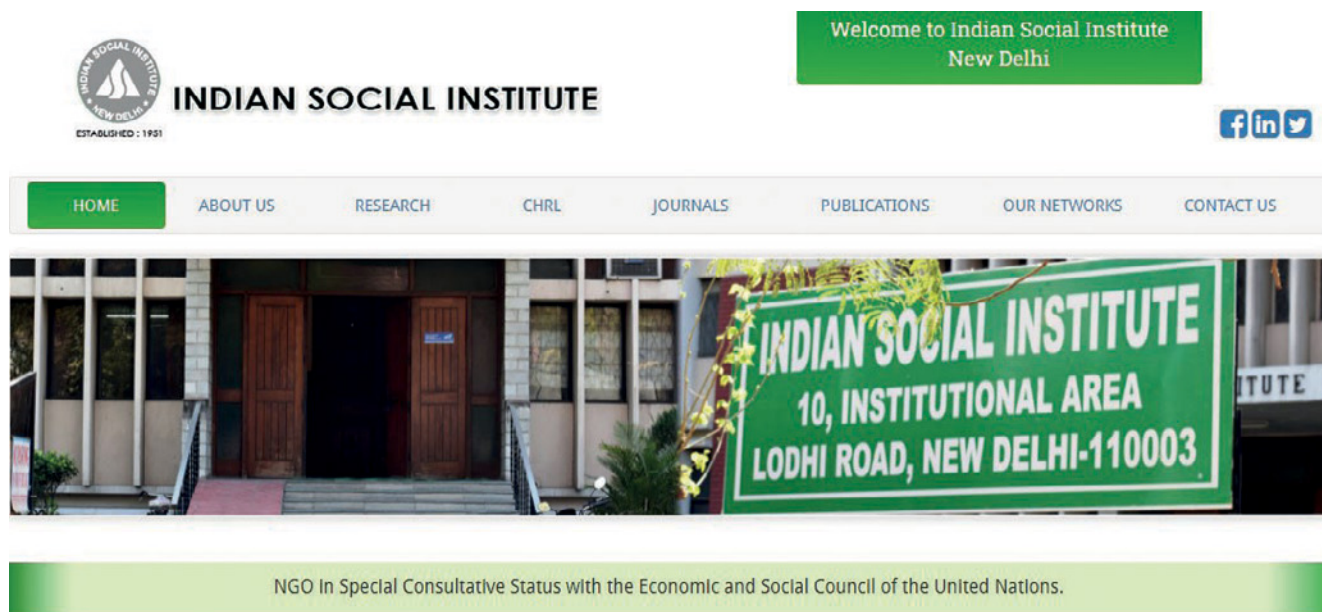
*"Inclusive and Quality education for All"*





These were the four topics covered and this bulletin reaches to almost 1000 organizations and individuals electronically. To receive your copy, send a mail to [edoffice@isidelhi.org.in](mailto:edoffice@isidelhi.org.in)

### 9.2.2 Website



Various activities, reports, programs etc., are regularly uploaded on the official website [www.isidelhi.org.in](http://www.isidelhi.org.in) for the reference of staff and outside participants.

### 9.2.3 Mailer

The Institute has introduced ISI News Mailer, which provides with a window of opportunity to communicate with our partners the works and engagements of the Institute in order to strengthen mutual relationship, exchange of views and promote collective action with and on behalf of the marginalized communities. To receive the mailer, send a mail to [newsisi@isidelhi.org.in](mailto:newsisi@isidelhi.org.in)

# PARTNERS OF THE INSTITUTE

(Both Funding and Work Related)

## A. Government

- Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi
- Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi
- Ministry of Women and Child Development, New Delhi
- National Commission for Women, New Delhi
- National Human Rights Commission, New Delhi
- Delhi Minority Commission, New Delhi
- National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR), Hyderabad

## B. National and International Organizations

- Action Aid, New Delhi
- Institute of CSR Management, Delhi
- North East Social Research Centre (NESRC), Guwahati
- ALBOAN, Spain
- Agriculture for Food Production (AFPRO)
- Caritas India, New Delhi
- CASA, New Delhi
- Change Alliance, New Delhi
- Danish Refugee Council
- Deutscher Caritas Verband, Germany
- Francis Xavier Foundation, Zürich
- IGSSS, New Delhi
- Indian Social Institute, Bangalore
- MISEREOR, Germany
- Missionsprokur der Jesuiten, Germany
- World Vision
- Young Men's Christian Organisation (YMCA)

## C. Universities

- Jawaharlal Nehru University
- Jamia Millia Islamia University
- Delhi University
- University of Leeds
- Addis Ababa University
- University of Alberta, Canada
- Ambedkar University, Delhi
- Indian Institute of Management, Indore.
- Tata Institute of Social Sciences, (TISS), Mumbai

## A Brief History:

The Indian Social Institute was founded as a center for research, that articulates an ideology to contribute to the task of social transformation for inclusive growth and development of all sections of society. At the time of founding of the Institute, the then Superior General of the Society of Jesus stated “The Institute should be founded for the serious study of the Indian social situation in all its aspects”. Adhering to this mandate the Institute has been ever in search of new ways of engaging in social transformation according to the signs of the times.

The Institute began its journey as ‘Indian Institute of Social Order’ in January 1951 in Pune in response to the challenges of nation-building and emerging new social order in the post-independent era. In 1958, the Institute was registered in Pune as Indian Social Institute realizing the importance of being present in the national political capital, in 1961 the Institute was shifted to New Delhi and a new entity was registered under Xavier Institute of Social Order however, later in 1969 the Institute was registered as ‘Indian Social Institute’.

In the first decade, till 1960s, the focus was on spreading social doctrine of the Church; in the following decade the Institute expanded its scope to accompany NGOs and focused on training, thus giving birth to Indian Social Institute, Bangalore. The third decade was marked with sensitivity to women’s issues and establishment of Mobile Orientation Team (MOT). In the 80s, the fourth decade, it made a definitive choice to align with people’s movements and accompany them. As the government opened itself in 1989 to Thatcher-Reagan neo-liberal philosophy the Institute responded to the challenges of liberalization, privatization and globalization (LPG). In the same decade the Institute adopted rights-based perspective as a cross-cutting subject permeating all the endeavors of the Institute which continues till today. In the new millennium, expanding civil society space and advocacy works have assumed greater significance aimed at policy changes. The Institute enjoys the status of an NGO with special consultation status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations.

All through these years the Institute has enjoyed great credibility among the academicians, activists, students, and marginalized communities through varied interventions like, action-based research, publications, capacity building programs, and policy interventions through advocacy works. It has also provided space for like-minded persons and organizations to come together, reflect and respond with appropriate strategies. During this long journey many persons have contributed to the nurturing of its growth and also have taken shelter under the shades of its wings. The management and staff of the Institute earnestly hope that the Institute will grow further in the years to come to spread its fragrance far and wide.

## Vision:

To build a just, humane, secular, democratic and inclusive Indian society wherein the poor and marginalized communities cherish equality, dignity, freedom, justice, peace and harmony.

## Mission:

To engage in social transformation through socially relevant research, training, publication and advocacy works aimed at integral development of the marginalized communities, particularly the Dalits, Adivasis/Tribals, women, minorities, unorganized and landless laborers' in partnership with academicians, people's movements, human rights organizations and ecological movements nationally and internationally.

## Approach:

The approach is both pedagogic and programmatic. It is pedagogic in the sense that our actions are aimed at creating critical consciousness, through action-reflection process, and eventually structural change in the system. It is programmatic in the sense that it is through different and concrete programs that we try to achieve this structural change, knowing that, "For a successful revolution (transformation) it is not enough that there is discontent. What is required is a profound and thorough conviction of the justice, necessity and importance of political and social rights" (B. R. Ambedkar), and having the conviction that, "A small body of determined spirits fired by an unquenchable faith in their mission can alter the course of history" (Mahatma Gandhi).

## Strategies

### 1. Action Research:

Over the years, there has been a concerted effort to combine activism and academic research, taking cognizance of the prevailing tension and conflict at many levels. This effort has brought activists and academicians together to promote substantive research, combined with meaningful activism, trying to bridge the gap between theory and practice. To effectively engage in research and expand knowledge base and analytical perspectives, the Institute collaborates with universities, academicians, research scholars from different disciplines and activists. Every research is planned to be taken to its logical end resulting in capacity building, publication and advocacy works.

### 2. Capacity Building:

Years of experience have enabled the Institute to engage in trainings, workshops and seminars as an integral part of its strategy, largely as outcome of researches of the institution. On specialized themes, issues and developmental concepts the Institute also organizes capacity building programmes. Each department is engaged in a focused and systematic manner capacity building of the priority groups at various levels, including issues related to policy interventions. To progressively realize alliance of the marginalized inter-departmental capacity building programmes are planned and implemented. The Department of Human Rights and

Law promotes legal literacy among the NGOs, leaders of people's movements and priority communities with training and legal series booklets in English and Hindi. Capacity building of urban poor was recently added as a new interventional space of the Institute. To impart social research skills and techniques the Institute conducts a course on Research Methodology as part of its core activity every year.

### **3. Advocacy:**

Networking, campaign and advocacy are part of the modus operandi of the Institute, to protect, promote and progressively realize the human rights of the marginalized and vulnerable communities through interventional mechanisms. The Institute joins hands with grassroots organizations, people's movements, NGOs, advocates, networks, civil society organizations and national and international organizations in advocating people's rights to live a humane and dignified life. In order to intervene at the systems level and to exert pressure on the corridors of power, the Institute is in live contact with bureaucrats, government officials, decision-makers, elected representatives, ministers and national commissions and institutions.

### **4. Publication:**

The primary responsibility of the Publication Department is to publish books, reports, documents and compendiums prepared by the staff of the Institute and by others who write on themes compatible with the objectives of the Institute at an affordable cost and makes them available for the non-profit sector and civil society organizations. The Institute to its credit disseminates three journals: Social Action as a quarterly journal and Legal News and Views and Hashiye ki Awaz as monthly magazines. All journals and magazines have ISSN code. Subalterns are a quarterly news bulletin of the Institute where current affairs are reflected from the perspective of the marginalized, along with ongoing engagements of the departments and news about the Institute. All these journals, magazines and newsletter are designed and marketed by the Publication Department.

### **5. Documentation and Library:**

With the sudden surge of Information and Communication Technology (ICT), apart from maintaining a well catalogued library, this department gathers and disseminates information/data through documentation, pertaining to the priority communities through print and electronic media. It has also started a Human Rights News Bulletin, which is flashed to hundreds of recipients. A number of research scholars, activists, university students and administrators visit our library and some are members of the library too. The library has been computerized and automated to make it user-friendly.□

# GOVERNING STRUCTURE

## LIST OF GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS April 2022 - March 2023



**Dr. Jerome Stanislaus D'Souza**  
S.J. President,  
225, Jor Bagh  
New Delhi 110 003



**Dr. A. Joseph Xavier S.J**  
Director, Indian Social  
Institute  
24, Benson Road  
Bangalore-560 046



**Dr. Thomas Varghese S.J.**  
Vice President,  
ISI, Lodi Road  
New Delhi 110 003



**Dr. Vincent Ekka S.J.**  
ISI, Lodi Road  
New Delhi-110 003



**Dr. Denzil Fernandes S.J.**  
Secretary,  
ISI, Lodi Road  
New Delhi 110 003



**Fr. Ravi Sagar S.J.**  
ISI, Lodi Road  
New Delhi - 110 003



**Fr. Shiju Mathew S.J.**  
Treasurer,  
ISI, Lodi Road  
New Delhi-110 003



**Dr. Sabiha Hussain**  
Director: Sarojini Naidu  
Centre for Women's Studies  
Noam Chomsky Complex,  
Jamia Millia Islamia, Jamia  
Nagar, New Delhi-110025



**Dr. N. Sukumar**  
D-2, Maurice Nagar  
Delhi University  
Delhi-110 007



**Prof. Peter Ronald D'Souza**  
DD Kosambi Visiting  
Professor at Goa University,  
Taleigao Plateau, Goa,  
India, 403206

# ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

13



**Prof. Susan Visvanathan**

Chairperson and Professor of Sociology  
Centre for the Study of Social Systems,  
School of Social Sciences, JNU



**Prof. Surinder Jodhka**

Jawaharlal Nehru University,  
New Delhi



**Prof. Virginius Xaxa**

Visiting Professor  
Institute of Human Development,  
New Delhi



**Prof. Arvinder A. Ansari**

Department of Sociology,  
Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi



**Prof. Babu P. Remesh**

Dean at School of Development Studies  
Ambedkar University Delhi (AUD)  
New Delhi, INDIA

**Dr. Denzil Fernandes S.J.**

Executive Director

**Academic**

Dr. Thomas Varghese S.J.

Fr. Lancy Lobo S.J.

Dr. Vincent Ekka S.J.

Dr. Alwyn D'Souza S.J.

Dr. Shreya Jessica Dhan

Dr. Arun K. Oraon

**Professional & Project Staff**

Fr. Ravi Sagar S.J.

Joseph Melki Satheak

V. Ngamshemla

Pascal Tirkey

Rameshwar Dayal

Ruben Minj

Sayeed Parwez

**Finance, Administration & Secretaries**

Fr. Ronald Saldanha S.J.

Agatha Soreng

Arun Babu

Glory Wilson

Isidore Ekka

John Kullu

Jitender Kumar

Michael Chettri

Mohammad Saheb

Nirmala

Parveen Khan

Satyabhama Srinivasan

**Support Service**

Amit Parihar

Bartholomi Dung Dung

Basil M. Abraham

Dalip Kumar

Grace Dung Dung

Hemant Tirkey

Manish Kumar

Meghraj

Milita Dung Dung

Praveen Kumar

Pulin Burman

Ram Gopal

Rajesh Kumar

Robert Xess

Sabu Antony

Sarita Lakra

Sneh Tirkey

Ram Gopal

Rajesh Kumar

Rajesh Kumar Sharma

Rohan Singh

Surinder Kumar

Uday Kumar Mishra

Vimal Kerketta

**Consultants/Honorary**

Rajeev Kapoor