

RESEARCH

IHD and the Eastern Regional Centre have been engaged in several analytical and policy-related studies, based on both primary and secondary sources of data. Around 40 research and evaluation studies have been conducted and 10 publications have been brought in the form of books/monographs on the eastern region. Further, many high-level debates and discussions, including the seminars, workshops, consultations and conferences have been organized, which have been attended by a cross-section of scholars, experts, social activists, development practitioners and policy-makers.

Research Themes

The Centre has been working around the following themes:

- Food Security
- Hygiene and Sanitation
- Health and Nutrition
- Tribals and Other Vulnerable Groups
- Evaluation of Development Policies
- Development, Strategy Papers & Policy Reports
- Livelihoods and Employment
- Education and Literacy
- Cross-cutting Themes such as Public Service Delivery, Gender Issues, etc

The following are among some of the research projects completed and events organized in eastern region:

Research Projects - Jharkhand

- Poverty and Livelihoods in Rural Jharkhand (Sponsored by ActionAid, India)
- Tribal Migration from Jharkhand (Sponsored by Ministry of Labour, Government of India)
- Functioning of Rural Credit System in a Tribal Region: Case of Jharkhand (Sponsored by LBS National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie)
- Poverty and Gender Analysis with Special Reference to Primitive Tribal Groups in Jharkhand (Sponsored by International Fund for Agricultural Development)
- Mid-term Evaluation of the Eleventh Plan in Jharkhand (Sponsored by Planning Commission, Government of India)

- Human Development Report of Pakur District, Jharkhand (Sponsored by Government of Jharkhand and United Nations Development Programme)
- Monitoring of all the Programmes of the Ministry of Rural Development in Jharkhand (Sponsored by Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India)
- Development Vision for Jharkhand (Sponsored by Planning Commission, Government of India)
- Determinants of Food Security and Nutrition of Tribals (Sponsored by The World Bank)
- Food Security Atlas of Jharkhand (Sponsored by World Food Programme)
- Evaluation of Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MSDP) in Sahebganj District (Sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research and Ministry of Minority Affairs)
- Baseline Assessment of Learners' Achievements and its Determinants in the district of Khunti (Sponsored by Sir Ratan Tata Trust)
- Domestic Child Workers in Jharkhand (Sponsored by International Labour Organisation)
- Migration and Trafficking of Children from Jharkhand (Sponsored by International Labour Organisation)

[Research Projects -Bihar](#)

- Dynamics of Poverty, Employment and Human Development in Bihar (Sponsored by ActionAid, India)
- Rural Labour Migration in Bihar (Sponsored by Ministry of Statistics, Government of India)
- Gender and Poverty in Rural Bihar (Sponsored by Department of Women and Child Development, Government of India)
- Evaluation of the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) in Bihar (Sponsored by United Nations Development Programme)
- Trafficking of Children in Two Flood-affected Districts of Bihar (Sponsored by Save the Children)
- A Decade of Development Research on Bihar: A Compendium (2000- 2010) (Sponsored by Department of Planning and Development, Government of Bihar)
- Understanding the Tipping Point of Urban Conflict: A Case Study of Patna (Sponsored by University of Manchester)

- Status of Women in Bihar: Exploring Transformation in Work and Gender Relations (Sponsored by International Labour Organisation)

- Social and Economic Change in Rural Bihar and the Emerging Policy Framework (under IHD Bihar Research Programme on Aiming at Inclusive Development in Bihar) (Sponsored by United Nations Development Programme)
- Alternative Strategies of Poverty Reduction: A Comparative Study of Andhra Pradesh and Bihar (Sponsored by International Labour Organisation)
- Food Coupon Scheme under TPDS in Bihar (Sponsored by Food and Consumer Protection Department, Government of Bihar)
- Mid-term Appraisal of Eleventh Five Year Plan of Bihar (Sponsored by Planning Commission, Government of India)
- Violence against Women in Rural Bihar (Sponsored by SEWA Bharat)
- Land and Labour in Bihar: Access, Exclusion and Utilisation (Sponsored by ActionAid, India)
- Dynamics of Development and Distribution in Rural Bihar (Sponsored by National Agricultural Bank for Rural Development)
- A Gender Perspective on Inequality of Opportunities in Infrastructure Use and Education and Labour Market Outcomes in Rural Bihar (Sponsored by The World Bank)

Research Projects - Orissa and Chhattisgarh

- Food Security Atlas of Rural Odisha (Sponsored by UN World Food Programme)
- Employment and Labour Market Assessment in the Cuttack District, Odisha (Sponsored by International Labour Organisation)
- Adivasi Human Development Report of Odisha (Sponsored by Skillshare International)
- Food Security Atlas of Rural Chhattisgarh (Sponsored by UN World Food Programme)
- Drought-proofing Chhattisgarh (Sponsored by Planning Commission, Government of India)

Research Projects - Others Works

- Understanding the Processes, Institutions, and Mechanisms of Implementation and Impact Assessment of NREGA in Bihar and Jharkhand (Sponsored by United Nations Development Programme)
- Development of State Programme Strategy for Jharkhand and Bihar (Sponsored by Care India)
- Agricultural Diversification in Eastern Region (Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Odisha) (Sponsored by Indian Council of Agricultural Research)