

Indian Institute of Bio-Social Research and Development



Annual Report
2020 - 2021

Secretary's Message

Dear Member,

It is my pleasure to share IBRAD's Annual report 2020-21 with you. This is the first time I am presenting the Annual Report as the Secretary of IBRAD and it is indeed a very happy moment for me.

The year 2020-2021 has witnessed an unprecedented crisis worldwide in the form of COVID 19 Pandemic. The life and livelihood of the people across the globe have been changed and severely hit due to the pandemic. But I am very happy to share how IBRAD has developed its' resilience to cope with the changing scenario and have opened new opportunities to contribute towards the cause of conservation-based sustainable livelihood of the most vulnerable section of the community. I congratulate every member and staff of IBRAD for their contribution to taking the organization to a new height even during the pandemic situation.

IBRAD has developed and established the method of Digital Ethnography for Sustainable Tribal Development which is widely recognised and appreciated both by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs and Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India as well as premier academic bodies at the national and international level. Our Chairman, Professor S. B. Roy is involved as a member of the Task Force of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India for implementation of the GOAL program for digital training of tribal youth.

Through the application of Digital Ethnography, we have completed the project on women empowerment and sustainable livelihood for the tribal community through Integrated Landscape Management assigned by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs within the stipulated timeframe which is a matter of honour. We have also completed another project on Integrated Landscape Management for Sustainable Livelihood assigned by the Department of Agriculture, Government of West Bengal.

Our Model of Conservation-based Sustainable Livelihood development by involving the PVTGs are accepted by the Department of Forests, Odisha, West Bengal and Chhattisgarh and we have implemented it by involving the Baiga tribes in Chhattisgarh and Lodha tribes in Odisha with visible and quantifiable changes the ground.

We have also conducted a series of online training for the Indian Forest Service officers and other stakeholders.

I would like to express gratitude to all our clients, staff, members and well-wishers for their valuable contribution in shaping the organization. We will try our best to contribute towards the cause of sustainable human development.

Professor P. K. Roy Barman
Secretary

Our Mission

Creating a world of human understanding for sustainable development.

Landscape-based action research and training for participatory natural resource management and sustainable development.

Recognition

Based on the track record of IBRAD, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India has recognized IBRAD as “Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Tribal Development”.

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Governance

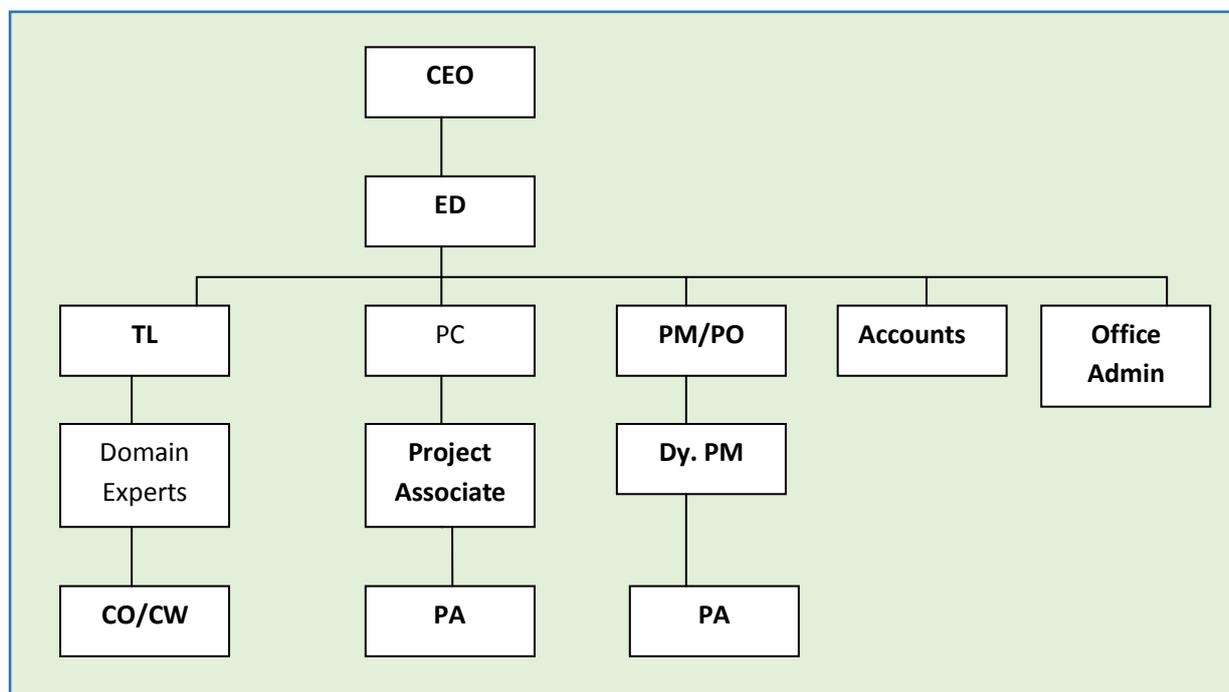
Any professional can apply for Life Membership to the organisation subject to its acceptance by the Governing Body. Our organisation follows a democratic process of electing Governing Body for a tenure of five years by all the General Body Members. The office bearers are elected by the Governing Body Members.

Governing Body Members (2020 - 2025)

Name	Designation	Profession
Professor S. B. Roy	Chairman	Training, Research and Consultancy, Former Professor IIT, Kharagpur
Dr. Shila Kundu Poddar	Deputy Chairperson	Anthropological Research, former Curator, Indian Museum, Kolkata
Dr. P. K. Roy Barman	Secretary	Formerly Asst. General Manager (Finance) of United Bank of India. Visiting Professor to different institutions.
Dr. Shyamal Kumar Nandy	Secretary General	Retired Researcher in Anthropology, Anthropological Survey of India (ASI)
Dr. M. Haque	Treasurer	Retired Researcher in Anthropology, Anthropological Survey of India (ASI)
Dr. Biswanath Sarkar	Member	Superintendent Anthropologist at Anthropological Survey of India (ASI)
Dr. Anirudda Dey	Member	Anthropologist and Social Development Professional.

Organisational Structure

The policy set by the Governing Body is implemented through a multidisciplinary team. The Governing Body is represented by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO).



What We do



Sectors Covered



Project and Programs carried out

1. Capacity building of Kamar and Birhor on Women Empowerment for Sustainable Livelihood based on Integrated Landscape Management: - Developing Models and Strategies for Sustainable Livelihood for Tribals in Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand

Client :

Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India

Duration:

18 months starting from August 2019. Project completed on 30th December 2020 and the report was accepted by the client

Location:

Birhor PVTGs in 3 villages in Jharkhand and 3 villages in Chhattisgarh respectively.

Objective:

Capacity building and women empowerment for sustainable livelihood development through community institution building.



2. Integrated Landscape Management for Sustainable Agriculture: Developing NRM Based Models under RKVY

Client:

Agriculture Department, Government of West Bengal

Location:

15 villages under Sarenga Block of Bankura District and 9 villages under Jhargram Sadar, Block of Jhargram District, West Bengal.

All the villages are inhabited by tribal communities including Lodha PVTG in Jhargram.

Objectives:

Capacity building of the community for conservation of the natural resources at the village landscape and sustainable livelihood development through Integrated Landscape Management.



3. Support Organization under West Bengal Accelerated Development and Minor Irrigation (WBADMI)

Client :

Water Resources Investigation and Development Department, Government of West Bengal

Location :

More than 350 villages spread over 39 blocks in the districts of Bankura, Coochbehar, Uttar Dinajpur and Dakshin Dinajpur

Objectives:

Formation and strengthening of the Water User Association and their capacity building for sustainable livelihood development based on agriculture, horticulture and fisheries activities through the optimal use of irrigation water and sustain the community institutions.



4. Conservation Based Sustainable Livelihood Development – ARAMBH

This is a self-sponsored program of IBRAD which is designed to reach the remotely located tribal communities by using the Digital Platform and build their capacity for conservation-based livelihood development.

Location :

Nedam, Dengam and Nuagaon villages in Odisha and Ghoghra, Bhurbhuspani and Mundadadar villages in Chhattisgarh.

PVTG (Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups) reached:

Lodha, Mankidia and Kharia in Odisha and Baiga in Chhattisgarh



Outcomes :

Through digital training the community have learnt the skills and started organic nutrition garden, water conservation and fishery, vermi compost, herbal garden for conservation of Medicinal Plants, introduced new agriculture crops in rabi season, developed pasture, planted fruit trees, established nurseries and non-destructive harvesting of NTFPs.



5. Celebration of the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples on the 9th August 2020.

The Day was celebrated by involving the Lodha, Mankidia and Kharia PVTGs in Odisha, Baiga PVTGS in Chhattisgarh, Birhor PVTGs in Jharkhand, Chenchu PVTGs in Andhra Pradesh, Lodha PVTGs in West Bengal in collaboration with the respective forest departments.



After the celebration the Lodha, Mankidia, Kharia and Baiga PVTGs formed their institutions and have started conservation based sustainable livelihood in their respective villages.



6. Research Based Survey, Study and Evaluation of the Impact of Various Projects Already Implemented By CREDA.

Client:

Chhattisgarh State Renewable Energy Development Agency (CREDA)

Location:

Chhattisgarh

Outcome:

The study was conducted covering 19 districts and 47 blocks of Chhattisgarh. The study covered seven different types of projects implemented by CREDA including Solar Dual Pump, Solar Community Irrigation system, Solar power packs power plant (Ashram & Hostels) Solar Rural village Electrification, Solar RO and Solar high



Mask. IBRAD completed the study and report was accepted by the client.



7. Online Training for the IFS officials on Ensuring Ecological Sustainability and Livelihood of the Tribals: Opportunities and Challenges through FRA 2006.

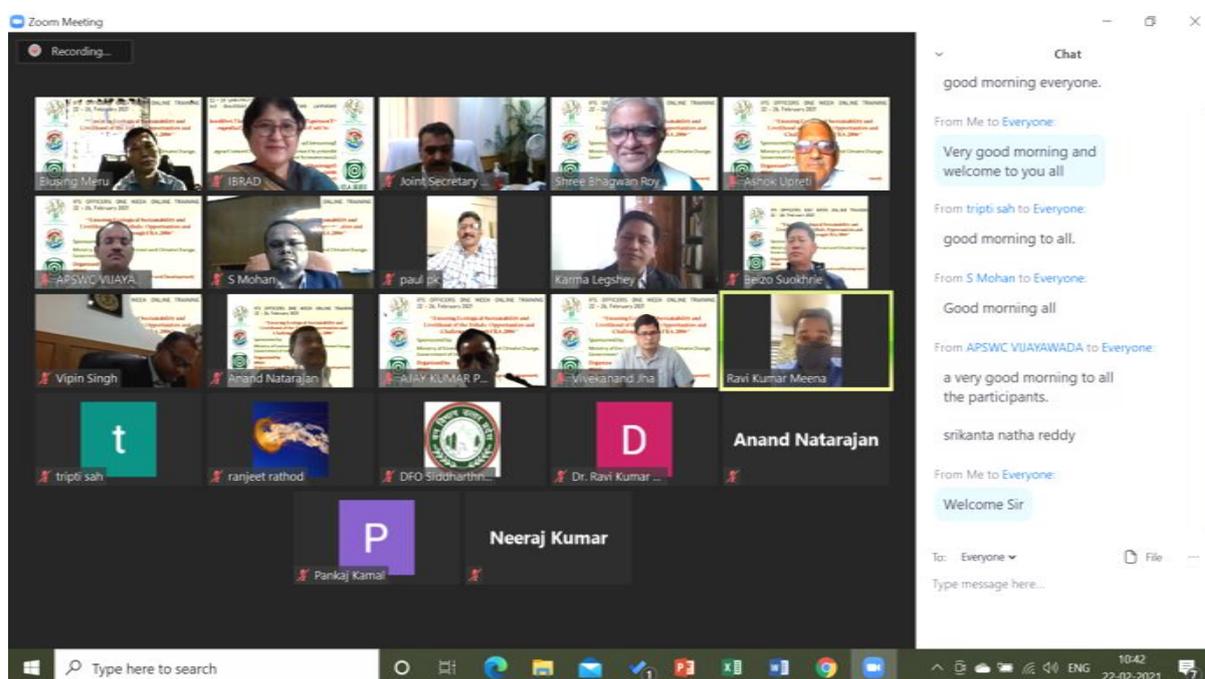
Client:

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India

Training Period :

One week from 22 – 26 February 2021

The training was attended by 25 officers right from the rank of PCCF to the DFO covering 18 states of India. We have received the weighted average of 86% based on the evaluation by the participants.



8. Online Training Workshop for the IFS Officers on Ensuring Ecological Sustainability and Livelihood of the Tribals: Opportunities and Challenges through FRA 2006

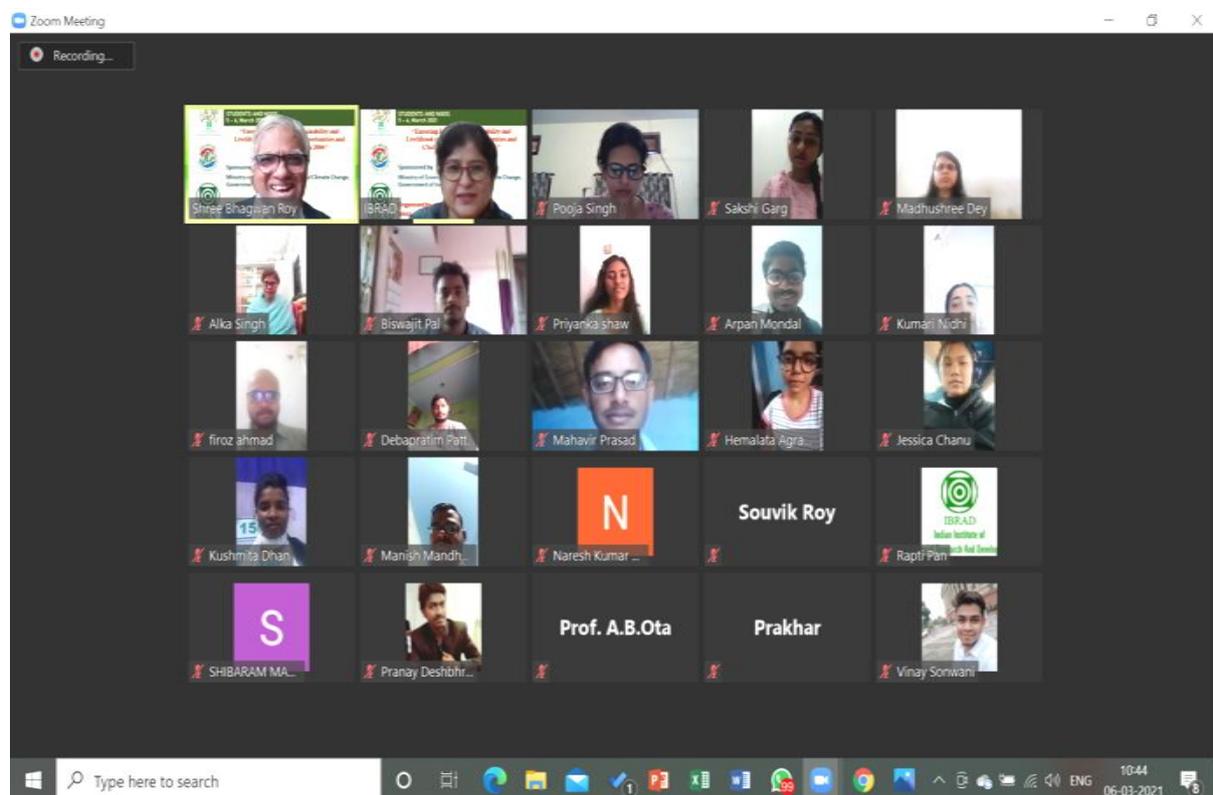
Client:

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India.

Training Period:

Two days on 1- 2 March 2021.

Total 24 officers of the rank of PCCF to the DFO have attended the program from 20 states of India.



9. Online Training Workshop on Ensuring Ecological Sustainability and Livelihood of Tribals : Opportunities and Challenges through FRA 2006 for the students and NGOs

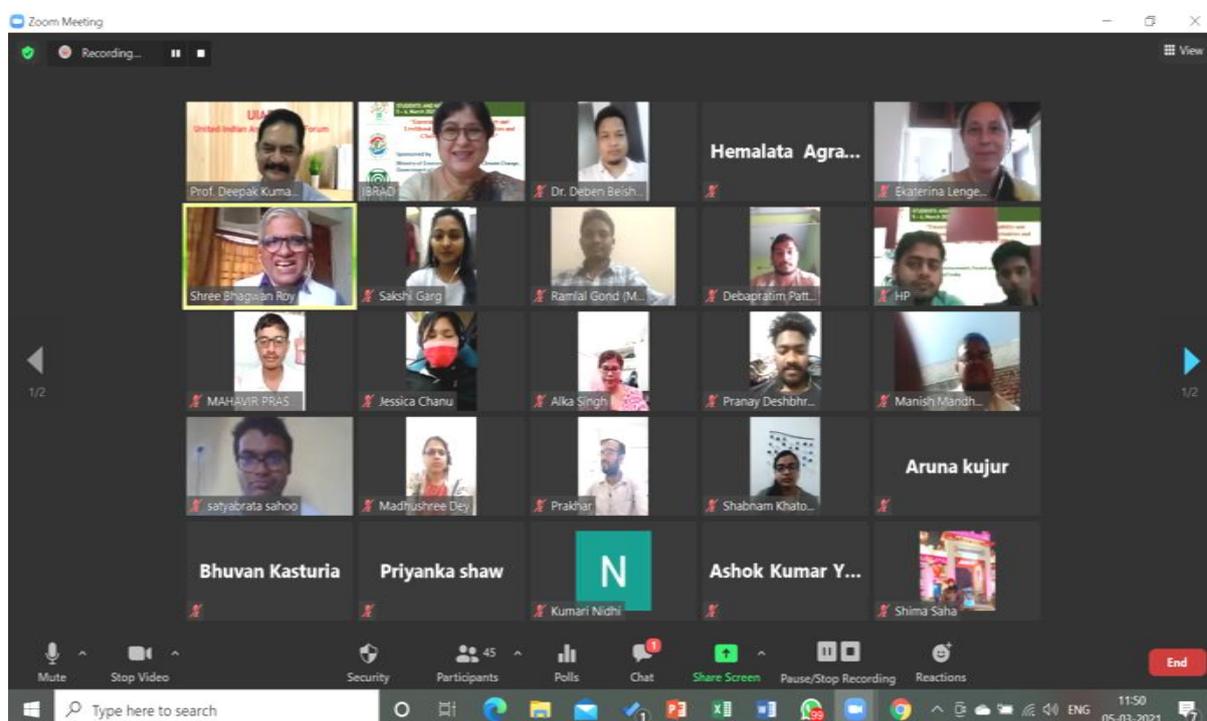
Client :

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India

Training Period:

Two days from 5th -6th March 2021.

There were 40 participants who have attended the program from different states of India.



10. Socio-Ecological Participatory Action Research Network (SEPARN)

IBRAD is coordinating an International Network - Socio-Ecological Participatory Action Research Network (SEPARN) with the participants from UK, Germany, Finland, Belgium, Hungary, Italy, Kenya, Bangladesh and India. The participants are professionals, academics and researchers working in the area of biodiversity conservation, ecosystem restoration and ecosystem services. The network is created with an objective to share the best practices from different countries, fine-tune the methodologies and tools of participatory research and prepare and share the case studies for common learnings and replication.

Three international webinars are organized under the banner of SEPRAN

1. The Pre-launch meeting was held on 22nd June 2020 with -33 participants from UK, Finland, USA, Germany, Belgium, Hungary, Kenya, Bangladesh and India
2. Second webinar of SEPRAN on 30th September 2020 with nearly 40 participants from UK, Germany, Belgium, Finland, Hungary, Bangladesh and India.
3. The Third International Conference on Socio-Ecological Process for Sustainable Development: Indigenous Tribal Community, in particular, was held on the 18th February 2021 with participants from UK, Germany, Belgium, Finland, Hungary, Bangladesh and India. Dr. Naval Jit Kapoor, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India was the Chief Guest of the program.



Virtual colloquium on Sustainable Tribal Development in the Context of Forest Rights Act 2006 was held on 14th February 2021 jointly with United India Anthropology Forum Professor Deepak Kumar Presided over the meeting and the Key Note Speaker was Professor A. B. Ota, Special Secretary and Director SCSTRTI, Odisha.

Other speakers were Ms. Sreetama Gupta Bhaya from UNDP and Sri Giri Rao, Executive Director, Vasundhara

11. Workshop on Van Vikas – Adivasi Vikas to celebrate the World Nature Conservation Day was held on 28th July 2020.

Professor A. B. Ota, Special Secretary and Director SCSTRTI, Odisha presented the inaugural address. Tribal community members, students, NGOs and government functionaries from seven states have participated in the program.



12. Celebration of the inauguration of the International Year of Fruits and Vegetables

The United Nations has declared 2021 as the International Year of Fruits and Vegetables (IYFV) with the goal to increase awareness on nutrition and the health benefits of fruits and vegetables as part of a balanced diet.

We have inaugurated the year-long celebration on the 31st December 2020 in 100 villages covering the states of Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Odisha and West Bengal.



13. Independence Day Celebration



14. Republic Day Celebration

