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SANGWARI CBPR HUB (INDIA K4C HUB)
PT.RAVISHANKAR SHUKLA UNIVERSITY, RAIPUR
(CHHATTISGARH)



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

STATE PLANNING COMMISSION (SPC), CHATTISGARH, PANDIT RAVI SHANKAR SHUKLA UNIVERSITY (CWS), RAIPUR

AND

SOCIETY FOR PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH IN ASIA (PRIA)

Re: Knowledge for Change (K4C): An Global Consortium for Training in Community Based Research

Preamble

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) documents the nature of th collaboration between the State Planning Commission (SPC), Chhattisgart Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla University (Centre for Women's Studies), Raipur an the Society for Participatory Research in Asia (PRIA), New Delhi;insupport of th creation of a global training initiative "Knowledge for Change (K4C): A International Consortium for Training in Community Based Research (CBR) under the direction of Dr. Budd Hall and Dr.Rajesh Tandon, UNESCO Co-Chair (the "K4C Consortium").

Purpose

The K4C Consortium will build a Mentor Training Program (MTP) curriculum which will include an online component, face to face interaction and a supervise field research. Mentors trained in the curriculum will be activein various countries which will function as 'training hubs'. This tripartite partnership will function as on among these global hubs. The K4C Consortium will respond to the contemporar societal challenges through an international partnered training initiative focused o the development of research capacities for the co-creation of knowledge through collective action by community groups and academics on issues related to the Uf Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

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Principles of MoU

This MOU is not intended to create any legally binding obligations on SPC, PRSU or PRIA, but is intended to facilitate discussions of their shared interests and commitment to follow the proposed goals, anticipated outcomes, methodology, and management structure for realizing the objectives of the K4C Consortium.

Details of the implementation of any particular initiative resulting from this MOU shall be negotiated between the parties as each specific case may arise, and if all the three are agreed on the certain issue / issues that could be implemented / made part of agreement. All the three parties understand that financial arrangements will have to be negotiated and will depend on the availability of funds.

This MOU is valid for a period of one year from the date of signing. Any party may terminate this MOU upon 90 days written notice to the other. Modifications to this agreement may be made by mutual agreement of the parties in writing signed by the parties. Upon expiry, the parties may wish to renew the agreement in writing for a period of time to be determined by mutual consent.

Areas of exchange and cooperation

The K4C Consortium, under the overall supervision of PIA and UVic, and in partnership with SPC, Chhattisgarh, PRSU, Raipur and PRIA, New Delhi will focus on the development of research capacities for the co-creation of knowledge through collective action by community groups and academics working together in various training hubs around the world.

This will contribute to strengthening the trainees' employment and career opportunities, enhancing institutional capacity in CBR at HEIs and CSOs, and generating contextually and culturally relevant learning materials and resources in local languages, which will be accessible to students, academic researchers, activist citizens, civil society organizations and the general public.

The training hub at Raipur, with support from SPC Chhattisgarh, PRSU, Raipur and PRIA, New Delhi will focus on the co-construction of knowledge and its application to the solution of community issues linked to at least three of the UN SDGs (Indigenous development, water governance, poverty and inequality, climate action, gender equality and violence against women).

To achieve this, the expectations from the institutions, party to this MoU are:

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Link of the relevant document: https://www.unescochair-cbrsr.org/k4c-hubs/

https://www.prsu.ac.in/academic-departments/utd-departments/Centre-for-Womens-Studies/9

SPC. Chhattisgarh

- Supporting the K4C Consortium
- Suggesting research themes to be undertaken, linked to local contextual issues
- Involving other universities in the state
- Using the research findings generated, to find local solutions, linked to UN SDGs.
- Providing financial support, to the tune of INR 5 Lakhs, for MTP
- The amount of projects will be paid to Registrar, Pt.Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur Account No. 10049592111

Centre for Women's Studies, Pt. RSU, Raipur

- Commit to train four mentors each, in the next four cohorts of the MTP in 2018 & 2019
- Designing and conducting the training of students and practitioners in CBR methodology
- Conduct locally relevant research, linked to UN SDGs
- · Share the research findings with relevant stakeholders
- · Organize six monthly sharing workshops with SPC
- Conduct locally relevant research, linked to UN SDGs "including evaluation of Government policies and schemes and suggest mid course correction and suggest measures for improved delivery through effective implementation.
- Will prepare report of activities performed, annually and share with project partners.

PRIA, New Delhi

- Organize K4C mentor training program
- Provide professional support to PRSU mentors in conducting CBR courses at the university level and in doing research
- Co-convene K4C global consortium consultations in the implementation of K4C with respect to UN SDGs.

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SANGWARI CBPR HUB (INDIA K4C HUB (RAIPUR)

Sangwari CBPR Hub was constituted under a tripartite agreement between State Planning Commission, PRIA, and Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur. The objective of the Hub is to cocreate knowledge with community groups and academia, focusing on issues related to the UN, SDGs 5.

http://rajeshtandon.me/k4c-hub/india-k4c-hub-%28raipur%29/25











The CBPR practice in the University has found a mention in the Report of UGC on "National Curriculum Framework & Guidelines, 2020 for Fostering Social Responsibility & Community Engagement in Higher Educational Institutions in India" under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA), a flagship program of Government of India.

Sangwari hub is one of the 14 hubs worldwide that works for Co-construction of knowledge and its application to the solution for community issues is a part of Community Based Participatory Research. For community appraisal CBPR equitably involves community and academic partners, recognizes the unique strengths of each, shares leadership and resources, addresses issues of the community, and uses information gained for community benefit. The center focuses on SDG 5 and conducts community studies on health issues, women centric issues, community knowledge, environmental problems, gender concerns, poverty and education. Field work is conducted by the students and along with the community partners to find asolution of the community issue for bringing a social change. Knowledge for change (K4C) mentors have contributed 3 projects and 65 projects in last five years have been submitted by the students enrolled in various community issues. These dynamic work together is critical to understand the added value of CBPR in achieving social justice.



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)







HOME PROGRAMS RESOURCES K4C FOCUS AREAS IN THE NEWS GALLERY EVENTS BLOG CONTACT









India K4C Hub (Raipur)







LOCATION

Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh, India

PARTNERS (UNIVERSITY / COMMUNITY PARTNER ORGANISATION)

NAVIGATION

Cuba K4C Hub Colombia K4C Hub

Canada K4C Hub (Salish Sea)

Canada K4C Hub (Tkaronto)

Canada K4C Hub (Laval University)

India K4C Hub

(Jaipur) India K4C Hub

(Raipur) India K4C Hub

(Christ University)

Malaysia K4C Hub (USM)

Malaysia K4C Hub (Mizan)

Indonesia K4C Hub (Surabaya)

Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh, India

https://www.prsu.ac.in

Chhattisgarh State Planning Commission

https://www.spc.ca.gov.in

■ PRIA (Participatory Research in Asia)

https://www.pria.org

DESCRIPTION

In Chhattisgarhi dialect, "Sangwari" means friend, Chhattisgarh is a state in the east of central India. It is heavily forested and known for its temple and rich tribal culture. Chhattisgarhi language has its own charm. Sangwari is the Chhattisgarhi dialect for friendship. It means someone who goes hand in hand. This title of our hub signifies the concept of CBPR which has the similar notion to go hand in hand with academia and community. Sangwari CBPR Hub, was constituted under tripartiteagreement between State Planning Commission, PRIA and Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh. Objective of the Hub is to co create knowledge with community group and academia, focussing issues related to UN, SDGs 5.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- To serve the community for bringing social change for their
- To build a long-term partnership between academia and community members.
- To co create knowledge for a social cause.

OUR GOALS:

- · Co-construction of knowledge and its application to deal with community issues, linked to UN SDGs 5.
- · Enhance institutional capacity in CBR in university and other

Italy K4C Hub (Sassari)

Italy K4C Hub (Brescia)

South Africa K4C Hub (North)

South Africa K4C

Hub (Rhodes) South Africa K4C

Hub (Durban) Tanzania K4C Hub

(Nyerere) Uganda K4C Hub

(Gulu) Mexico K4C Hub

UK K4C Hub (UNITE)

Ireland K4C Hub (Limerick)

U.S.A K4C Hub (University of West Virginia)

MTP OFFERED BY THE UNESCO CHAIR

MTP Information

Mentor trainning programme -K4C

Read more..

How to become Hub

http://rajeshtandon.me/k4c-hub

COURSES OFFERED:

- Certificate Course on Community Based Participatory Research (The University is part of global consortium on Knowledge for Change (K4C Consortium). First university in India to start the CBPR course.)
- Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) has been introduced an elective credit in Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) from the session 2021-22.



MENTOR TRAINING PROGRAM







CERTIFICATE of COMPLETION

THIS ACKNOWLEDGES THAT

Reeta Venugopal

HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED

Mentor Training Programme on Community-Based Participatory Research

OR. JO-ANNE CLARKE, DEAN DIVISION OF CONTINUING STUDIES

VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA DECEMBER 23, 2018



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



Minutes of Board of Studies

The meeting of Board of Studies in Regional Studies and Research was held on July 10. 2018 in School of Regional Studies and Research at 12:00 noon.
Following members were present:

Prof. Mitashree Mitra, Chairman, BoS
 School of Regional Studies & Research, Pt. RSU, Raipur

Raipur (10)

Prof. Promila Singh – Member
 SoS in Psychology, Pt. RSU, Raipur

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3. Prof. A.K. Pandey – Member SoS in Economics, Pt. RSU, Raipur

Business transacted:

- : Approval of the Minutes of the last BoS Meeting.
- : Minutes of the last BoS meeting held on July 07, 2018 approved.

Agenda 1: Approval of PG course in Rural Development (2018-19)

- The existing syllabus of M.A. in Rural Development was thoroughly checked and
- approved.

 Agenda 2: Approval of Ph.D. Entrance (Rural Development) & Ph.D. Course Work, M.Phil, P.G. Diploma in Regional Planning and Development, PG Diploma in Theory and Practice in Panchayat Monitoring and Evaluation and Three months Certificate Course on Rural Secretary (2018-19)
 - : Ongoing syllabi of P.G. Rural Development, Ph.D. Entrance Test (Regional Studies & Rural Development) & Ph.D. Course Work (Regional Studies & Rural Development) were approved with minor modification.
 - Syllabus for entrance test of PG Diploma in Regional Planning and Development was prepared and approved by the committee. Certificate course as mentioned above is approved

Approved syllabus is enclosed.

Agenda 3: Approval of Certificate Course in Community based Participatory Research (CBPR) (To be run by Centre for Women's Studies)

- As per MoU (signed on 05.02.2018) between PRSU, State Planning Commission and Society for Participatory Research in Asia (PRIA) under Knowledge for Change (K4C): An Global Consortium for Training in Community Based Research, the Certificate Course in Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) is approved.
- Committee approved the proposal and syllabus.

 The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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पं रितशांकर शुक्ला विश्वविद्यालय, रायपुर (छ.ग.)

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क्रमांक 2197 /अका./2021

रायपुर, दिनांक 14.07.2021

प्रति,

अध्यक्ष समस्त अध्ययनशाला पं. रविशंकर शुक्ल विश्वविद्यालय, रायपुर

विषय :- द्वितीय एवं तृतीय सेमेस्टर CBCS के पाठ्यक्रम के संबंध में। महोदय/महोदय,

लेख है कि च्वाइस बेस्ड क्रेडिट सिस्टम (CBCS) में द्वितीय सेमेस्टर के प्रश्न पत्र-"Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR)" एवं तृतीय सेमेस्टर में प्रश्न पत्र-"Gender Sensitization" समाहित किया जाता है।

उपरोक्त पाठ्यक्रम विश्वविद्यालय की वेब्रसाइट में अपलोड किया जा चुका है।

आदेशानुसार,

उप कुलसचि

रायपुर, दिनांक 14.07.2021

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- कुलपति जी के सचिव / कुलसचिव के निज सहायक, पंरिवशंकर शुक्ल विश्वविद्यालय, रायपुर को सूचनार्थ।

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Community Based Participatory Research(CBPR) International exposure of the Sangwari CBPR Hub





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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

To serve the community with research based knowledge for their development.

OUR GOALS:

- Co-construction of knowledge and its application to deal with community issues, linked to UN SDGs 5.
- Enhance institutional capacity in CBR in university and other institutions.
- Generate contextually and culturally relevant learning materials in local languages, which will be accessible to students, academic researchers, activist, citizens, civil society organisations and the general public.
- To create human resources for community researcher.
- To generate experiential training in addressing SDGs 5.

SPONSORED RESEARCH PROJECT DETAILS



CERTIFICATE COURSE ON CBPR

THEORY

- History and Development of CBPR
- Steps in CBPR
- Ethics and Values
- Knowledge Mobilisation
- Representation of Knowledge
- Methods in CBPR
- Gender Prospective

FIELD WORK

- Balancing Theory and Practice
- Making Partners
- Establishing Rapport with community
- Reflections from field study
- Sharing of reports

ACTIVITIES OF THE HUB:



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6th December, 2022

Online Safe Campus
Program (make your
campus gender just,
safe conducive) in
collaboration
with Martha Farrell
Foundation

29th April, 2023

One Day Workshop on Stimulating Social Responsibility Through Community Engagement in Higher Education 16th October, 2024

Training Program on Gender Champions

SPONSORED RESEARCH PROJECT

Financial	Funding Agency	Title of Project	Amount Received (In
Year			Rupees)
2021-22	SSHRC, Bridging	Bridging Knowledge in Maternal	3000 Canadian Dollar
	knowledge Cultures	Health Care in Rural Communities	
	Partnership	Experience from the Sangwari K4C	
	Development Grant	Hub Chhattisgarh, India	



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12 May 2021

TRANSFER OF FUNDS AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA (UVic) Office of Research Services

AND

PT. RAVISHANKAR SHUKLA UNIVERSITY (RECIPIENT INSTITUTION)

Principal Investigator	Dr. Budd Hall		
UVic Reference	51288-54250		
Funding Agency	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council		
Funding Agency Reference	890-2019-0061		
Overall Project Period	22 March 2020 to 21 March 2022		
Project	Bridging Knowledge Cultures: The Knowledge for Change Global Consortium on Training of Community-Based Participatory Research		

TRANSFER DETAILS:

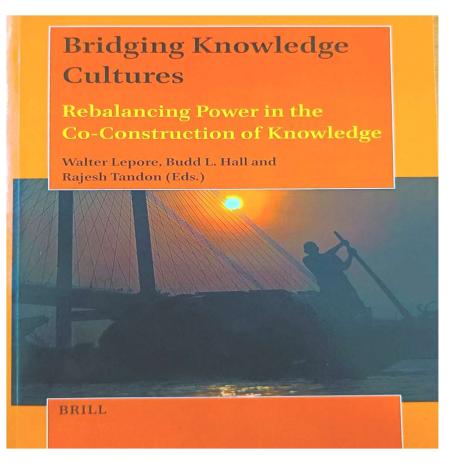
Dr. Reeta Venugopal	
1 April 2021 to 21 March 2022	
\$3,000.00 Canadian – two instalments	
	1 April 2021 to 21 March 2022

Principal Investigator is collaborating with Investigator of Recipient Institution on the above named project. Principal Investigator has requested that funds be forwarded to Recipient Institution for the benefit of the

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND BEST PRACTICES

Article(s) Published in Book



Title

Bridging Knowledge in Maternal Health Care in Rural Communities Experience from the Sangawari K4C Hub Chhattisgarh, India

Name of the Book

Bridging Knowledge Cultures Rebalancing Power in the Co-Construction of Knowledge

ISSN/ISBN No.

ISBN No.978-90-04-68774-5(Paperback) ISBN No. 978-90-04-68775-2(hardback)

Author (s) Name

Dr. R. Venugopal, Dr. P. Srivastava, Dr. A. Chakraborty and Dr. A. Varoda

PROJECTS OF THE HUB

FIELD WORK, WERE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENTS OF THE CBPR REVOLVING AROUND SDGS3,4,5AND 8.

2018-19

- Awareness and benefits of women and child health care services provided by Anganwadi centre: with special reference to village Amleshwar: Raipur District.
- Sexual Harassment & its awareness at work place with reference to sports women.
- Role of women in Panchayati Raj
- Status of women in the village of Member of Parliament.
- Effect of skill development scheme on economic development of women.



PROJECTS OF THE HUB







2019-20

 IMPACT OF COVID-19 AMONG WOMEN WOKERS EMPLOYED IN INFORMAL SECTORS IN CHHATTISGARH

• Impact of Covid-19 on reverse migration in Chhattisgarh.

2020-21

• Covid-19 Pandemic: Study of Stress & Coping Strategies, With Special Reference to Working Women of Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur (C.G.)

2021-22

- Possible solution to preserve the aquas environment through CBPR approach: A study of "Pandri Trarai of Raipur City ecological damage through human activities.
- Students attitude about the value added courses offered by Pt.Ravishankar
 Shukla University, Raipur (C.G.) A CBPR Approach
- Study of awareness of Mitanin program among pregnant women.
- Analytical Study of Transgender: With Special Reference to Raipur City of Chhattisgarh State.

PROJECTS OF THE HUB



2022-23

- A Study Of Problems Of Female Students Community Residing In Hostel A CBPR Approach.
- Garbage Pickers Attitude & Problems : A CBPR Approach

2023-24

- Study of Menstrual Hygiene and health audit of in campus Girls hostel
- Ethno medicinal practices and plural medicine among Baiga PVTG
- Reproductive health awareness and community practices
- Assessing the Effectiveness and Socio-Economic Impacts of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA)
- Exploring the Impact of Family Dynamics on Addiction: A
 Comprehensive Study of Family-Led Roles





TTHREE DAY WORKSHOP CUM TRAINING
PROGRAMME: TECHNIQUES IN COMMUNITY BASED
PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH (CBPR)" IN
COLLABORATION WITH STATE PLANNING
COMMISSION AND PRIA ORGANIZATION.

28TH -30TH MARCH 2019



TWO DAYS WORKSHOP ON "COMMUNITY BASED PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH (CBPR)" IN COLLABORATION WITH STATE PLANNING COMMISSION AND PRIA

13 -14 FEBRUARY 2020



TWNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON SAFE CAMPUS: IMPLEMENTATION OF UGC GUIDELINES/REGULATIONS ON GENDER CHAMPIONS AND POSH" IN COLLABORATION WITH ASSOCIATION OF INDIAN UNIVERSITIES (AIU), MARTHA FARRELL FOUNDATION AND PRIA.

22 -23 JANUARY 2020



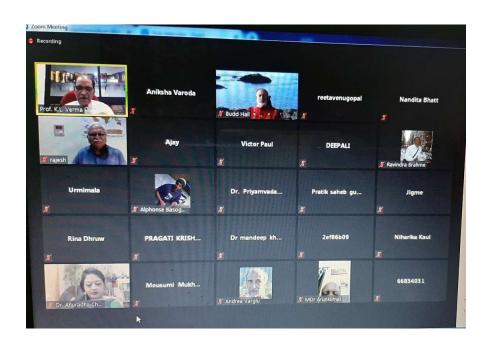
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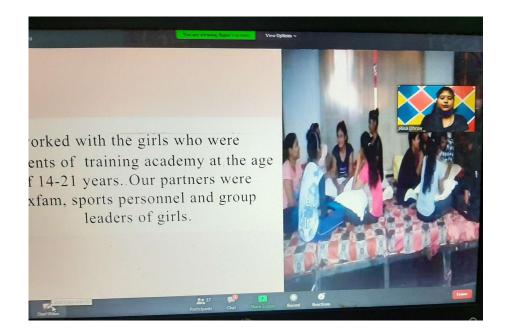
22 -23 January 2020



WEBINAR CONDUCTED ON PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATION OF RESEARCHERS: STORY OF SANGWARI HUB" IN COLLABORATION WITH PRIA

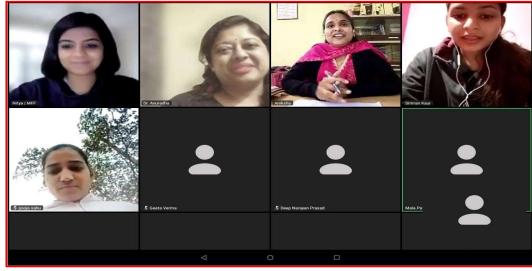
23RD JUNE 2020





ONLINE SAFE CAMPUS PROGRAM (MAKE YOUR CAMPUS GENDER JUST, SAFE CONDUCIVE) IN COLLABORATION WITH MARTHA FARRELL FOUNDATION & PRIA 6TH DECEMBER 2022





One Day Workshop on Stimulating Social Responsibility Through Community Engagement in Higher Education on 29th April, 2023





FIELD PROJECTS / INTERNSHIPS

Reproductive health awareness and community practices





Ethno medicinal practices and plural medicine in Baiga Tribe









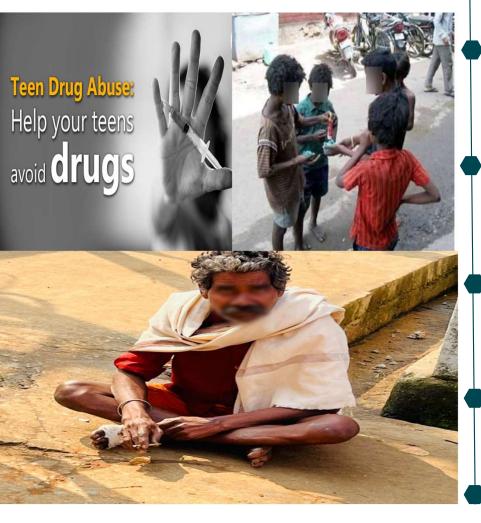






Varied practices for a sustainable economic growth in Baiga PVTG

Exploring the Impact of Family Dynamics on Addiction: A Comprehensive Study of Family-Led Roles



Health audit among the girls of Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University Raipur living in hostels





GARBAGE PICKERS ATTITUDE & PROBLEMS: A CBPR APPROACH

- It is a common sight to see children carrying rags on their backs for picking and collecting reusable plastic bottles, beer bottles, cans, used packing of eatables, cardboards etc in the residential areas and at places near the dumping grounds.
- These children don't go to school in spite the govt providing free education at school level. When we asked them they said they have the issues of social acceptance when they sit in the classrooms because of the professions their families are involved. Hence prefer earing their living through garbage picking and reselling.
- The children involved in garbage picking earn money by selling the collected reusable material.
- Although the scavengers play a crucial role in waste management system but they should not be devoid of formal education rather waste management system has to be made more organized.
- This is how the issue to be addressed was identified.















ACHIEVEMENTS

- The University is part of global consortium on Knowledge for Change (K4C Consortium). First university in India to start the CBPR course.
- Certificate Course on Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) has been introduced from the session 2018-19 in collaboration with State Planning Commission.
- University has a UNESCO Chair for CBPR.
- A total of three mentors from the campus, have been trained for CBPR.
- The University is part of global consortium on Knowledge for Change (K4C Consor university in India to start the CBPR course.
- The CBPR practice in the University has found a mention in the Report of UGC on "National Curriculum Framework & Guidelines, 2020 for Fostering Social Responsibility & Community Engagement in Higher Educational Institutions in India" under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA), a flagship programme of Government of India.
- The Sangwari CBPR Hub has been constitute and it conducts conferences, seminars, trainings, workshops, symposium and awareness programme on CBPR focusing on various sustainable development goals.
- Safety audit of the campus was conducted through CBPR.
- CBPR has also been introduced as an elective subject in Choice Based Credit System (CBCS), M.Phil. and Ph.D. course work.