

# CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES

Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh  
(Accredited "A" Grade by NAAC)



## YEAR OF ESTABLISHMENT: 2001

The Centre was started in the year 2001 to mark "Women Empowerment Year". Objective of the centre is to promote women's studies to translate the component of empowerment of women. Centre is designed to act as catalysts for promoting and strengthening women's studies through teaching, research, curriculum field and extension work training and continuing education etc. Centre is planning to work, in the area of equality, economic self-reliance, girls education, health, women rights, law, social exploitation and awareness activities etc.

### OBJECTIVE

*To promote women's studies to translate the component of empowerment of women.*

### Vision

**To create awareness about gender equality and its outcomes and empowering them through gender equity programmes thereby enhancing the ranking in gender development indices in Chhattisgarh ”**

### Mission

- To bring about attitudinal changes, with regard to gender sensitivity and helping students to internalize equality
- To undertake minor and major research activities funded by national and international bodies such as UGC, ICSSR, ICMR, WHO, Pop Council etc thereby enhancing the research expertise
- To conduct awareness programmes on various issues and problems pertaining women especially in rural areas.
- To network with other universities and organizations which are actively involved in gender equality and women's empowerment and bring them in action.

# THE SANGWARI CBPR HUB

## 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 a similar notion to go hand in hand with academia and community. "Sangwari CBPR Hub" was constituted under tripartite agreement between State Planning Commission, PRIA, and Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur. The objective of the Hub is to co-create knowledge with a community groups and academia, focussing on issues related to UN, SDGs 5.

### MISSION AND VISION:

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.
- To enhance institutional capacity in CBR in universities and other institutions.
- To generate contextually and culturally relevant learning materials in local languages, which will be accessible to students, academic researchers, activists, citizens, civil society organizations, and the general public.
- To create human resources for community researcher
- To generate experiential training in addressing SDGs 5.

The Sangwari CBPR Hub is conceptualised to seek new ways of learning and creating conditions needed for innovative models of research and research training programs in CBR, to flourish. It offers a variety of means to enhance individual & institutional research training capacities and support the transition of our trainees to the workplace in academic and non-academic settings. One of the objectives of the university is quality education and research with social implications and CBPR fulfils these objectives.

### **Activities of the Hub**

*The Hub also conducts conferences, seminars, trainings, workshops, symposium and awareness programmes on Community Based Participatory Research focusing on various sustainable development goals.*

Three mentors from Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur have already completed 21 weeks Mentor Training Program (MTP), including 2 weeks face to face component in 2 phases of the programme. The face to face programmes were conducted at PRIA New Delhi and at the University of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. The trained mentors are teaching and supervising certificate course. The centre has also conducted workshops to develop research capacities of students for co creation of knowledge through collective action of community and academia. The students of the certificate course will undertake field studies in the community.

# ACADEMIC PROGRAMS OFFERED

S.No.	Name of the Course	Duration	Seats
01	Certificate Course on “Women Law and Gender Justice”	Six Month	20
02	Certificate Course on “Community Based Participatory Research” (CBPR)	Six Month	25

- Certificate Course on, Community Based Participatory Research, in collaboration with State Planning Commission has been started from session 2018-19.
- CBPR is also implemented as an elective subject in Choice Based Credit System (CBCS), M.Phil and Ph.D course work.
- To start Certificate, Diploma, PG, M.Phil and Ph.d Course in Women Studies.

## NEW COURSE

Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) on Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) and Gender Sensitization have been started from session 2021-22.

## TEACHING STAFF



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# INTERNAL COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE FOR REDRESSAL OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT AT WORKPLACE

Sexual harassment is a serious and social crime affecting the performance of weaker classes of society especially women at workplaces, In pursuance of UGC (Prevention, prohibition, and redressal of sexual harassment of women employees and students in higher educational institutions) Regulations, 2015 read with Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 an Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) is constituted to deal with the complaints relating to Sexual harassment at the university

## COLLABORATIONS PARTNERSHIP GOVT. AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATION



### INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

**OXFAM INDIA, (UNESCO) CHAIR IN COMMUNITY BASED RESEARCH AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN HIGHER EDUCATION, , PRIA (PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH IN ASIA).**



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ultural Organization



University  
of Victoria



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UNESCO Chair in Community Based  
Research and Social Responsibility  
in Higher Education

### NATIONAL COLLABORATION

**•CHHATTISGARH STATE PLANNING COMMISSION, CHHATTISGARH STATE COMMISSION FOR WOMEN AND AIMS, RAIPUR**



### INFRASTRUCTURE

- CLASSROOM - 01
- OFFICE ROOM -01
- COMPUTER- 08
- PRINTER – 03
- LAPTOP-01
- PROJECTOR -01
- LIBRARY ROOM- 01

### LIBRARY AND DOCUMENTATION

- News Paper cuttings & Articles related to Women Empowerment, Human Rights Violation & Current Gender Issues have been aggregated which serve as baseline data for research assistant and students.
- A small library has been setup in the office of the Centre for Women's Studies, Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, and at present has about 50 Books /Magazines for students.

### MAJOR THRUST AREAS

Gender Audit, Gender Equality, Girl's Education, Gender discrimination and violence, women's health, women's rights, women and society, self defence and Research methodology in Women's Studies, etc.

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