Annual Activities Report Samarth Jeevan Trust (SJT) (Period: 2014-15)

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Centre for the Study of Contemporary Societies is an independent research and consulting wing of **Samarth Jeevan Trust (SJT),** established in the year 2006. Its focus is to create an enabling environment in which every body (ALL) can have access to opportunities, get a chance to maximise their potential, participate actively in the development process and shape the present and future of society towards attaining higher objectives.

Vision:

"To create an independent think tank for harnessing the creative spirit and intellect of academicians, development practitioners and civil society for policy analysis and research-based recommendations on contemporary socio-economic issues".

Mission: To act as a knowledge partner in India's inclusive development process".

Objectives:

- To conduct research in various disciplines of social sciences, communication, languages, literature and fine arts.
- To undertake consultancy in the fields of social welfare, industrial promotion, labour welfare, survey and data processing in psychological studies and help the government & NGOs to implement schemes in these respects.
- To collaborate with government agencies, institutions, individuals, voluntary organisations, trade unions and the civil society for undertaking work and establishing institutions for development of society as a whole.
- To recommend strategic and policy level changes.
- To provide training facilities to academicians, office staffs and managers through various capacity building initiatives.
- To develop the organisation as a resource centre on various facets of social science research.



To conduct research, advocacy, seminars and workshops on:

a) Different aspects of human behaviour like social, economic, political & psychological issues affecting the common man.

b) Different aspects of law affecting ordinary people.

c) Gender, health, sanitation, environment and forestry.

To develop problem solving skills, the spirit of inquiry and scientific temper among all sections of society in general, and students in particular.

Target of the Samarth Jeevan Trust (SJT) specifically for Odisha:

Samarth Jeevan Trust (SJT) is striving towards establishing its strengths and facilities it has categorised the options in different

- Education in formal and informal sector including higher and primary education
- Natural Resource Management and Agriculture
- Studies on Culture and Tourism
- Studies Relating to Specific Target Groups and Pockets
- Economic Study relating to Markets and Entrepreneurial Approaches in Odisha

Training Programme Specifically on Reporting, Documentation and Research:

- Training on Research Methodology and Strategy
- Training on Market Research and social dynamics relating to society
- Training on Reporting and Documentation
- Training on Micro-enterprises and livelihoods.

Consulting Services: Samarth Jeevan Trust (SJT) is striving and has initiated actions to undertake consulting services various organisations and Institutions including Govt. and Private sector. Followings are the main focus

- Initiation for Public Sector organisations as per demand
- As per the demand of different sectors relating institutions
- Consulting services for Institutions in form of documentation, reporting and training
- Escorting and Handholding services in setting up institutions and organisations



Major Activities of 2014-15:

- 5 Days Training Programme on Change of Research Design and Methods
- 3 Days Workshop on understanding and applying "Participatory Learning System"
- 3 Days Workshop on Qualitative Research Methods in the present Changing pattern
- 3 Days Orientation and Training Programme on Social Science (SPSS) April 2015
- 5 Days Workshop on Case Method of Teaching and Case Writing for Management and Business Studies.

Workshops and Conferences:

- SAMARTH JEEVAN TRUST (SJT) National conference on "Youth and Community Building : The Role of Society Contemporary Societies India" (4th-6th Nov, 2014)
- SAMARTH JEEVAN TRUST (SJT) State level Interactive Seminar on "Promotion of Entrepreneurial Environment in Odisha: Road map and ways ahead"
- > Panel discussion on "Primary Producers Institution Building"

Training and Workshop on Research Methodology:

- 3 Days Workshop on Qualitative Research Methods in Social Research University Students and Lecturers, Students and Lecturers from Social Science and Rural Management, Management Students
- 3 Days Training Programme on Statistical Package on Social Science (SPSS)
 - University Students and Lecturers, Students and Lecturers from Social Science and Rural Management, Management Students
- 5 Days Workshop on Case Method of Teaching and Case Writing for Management and Business Studies

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- 5 Days Training Programme on "Research Paradigm"
- University Students and Lecturers, Students and Lecturers from Social Science and Rural Management, Management Students
- 3 Days Workshop on understanding and applying Participatory Research Appraisal techniques

Participants: University Students and Lecturers, Students and Lecturers from Social Science and Rural Management, Management Students

Workshop and Conferences:

• SAMARTH JEEVAN TRUST (SJT) National Conference on **"Youth and Employment: The Role of Skill India"** (Nov, 2014)

Enlarging the Scope for the Young Mass for the coming days and discussing the opportunities.



SAMARTH JEEVAN TRUST (SJT) State level seminar on **"Strengthening Entrepreneurial Climate in Odisha: Challenges & Opportunities"** (28th February, 2015)

Improving opportunity and possibilities for entrepreneurial endeavour among the aspirants

- Board discussion on "Electoral Governance and Political Parties in India" (26th December 2014)
- 3- Day Workshop on Qualitative Research Methods: 28-30th September 2014.

University Students and Lecturers, Students and Lecturers from Social Science and Rural Management, Management Students

Purpose: To sensitise the people about the need and relevance of research furthering the usage of the same

• 3 -Day Training Programme on Statistical Package on Social Science (SPSS) in October 2014.

University Students and Lecturers, Students and Lecturers from Social Science and Rural Management, Management Students Redirecting the Researchers about the SPSS packages for right and appropriate use

 5 -Day Workshop on Case Method of Teaching and Case Writing for Management and Business Studies

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In order to take up business and entrepreneurial venture Case Study Methods and its techniques so as to sensitise the

• 5 -Day Training Programme on "Analysis Pattern about Society".

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• 3 -Day Workshop on Understanding and Applying Partaking Research Appraisal Techniques.

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Forthcoming Activities Planned ahead by Samarth Jeevan Trust (SJT)

• "Efficiency of Ashram Schools in Educating and Mainstreaming Tribal Children: A Study in Odisha"

- Impact of Forest Rights Act, 2006 ON Tribal Livelihoods and Land Rights: A Study of Its implementation in Odisha.
- Study on "A Rapid Assessment and Study on "Causes for Chronic Poverty Situation through people's perceptions and views in the District of Rayagada"
- Study on "Social Security Measures adopted among Migrant Rural Women and Adolescent Girls Residing in Urban Pockets"
- A Rapid Assessment on Pulses Farming System in Odisha: Perspectives, Issues and Challenges

We have built up association ships with supplementary Societies and Organisations at the National Level and International Level has also been planned.

People with Skilled and Talent Associated with Centre for Studies on Contemporary Societies (SAMARTH **JEEVAN TRUST (SJT))**:

- Prof.(Dr.) Siddhartha Sankar Dash, Former Professor, Entrepreneur Development Institute, Ahmadabad
- Dr. Pramod Kumar Ray, Assistant Professor, Political Science, Jajpur College, Odisha
- Shri Biswajeet Mohapatra, State Head, GFTAM, Odisha
- Dr. Pritish Kumar Sahu, Assistant Professor, Economics, Kuallampur University, Malaysia
- Dr. Ranjana Bajpai, Reader, Department of Geography, Ravenshaw University
- Shri Bibhu Prasad Swain, Ex-Indian Navy, Entrepreneur & Social Activist, Chief Executive, OYD Services & Skill Development Training Centre, Odisha
- Shri Lalatandu Satapathy, MD, INNOVIAN Technologies, Bhubaneswar
- Shri Satya Narayana Jena, Assistant Professor, School of Law, KIIT University, Bhubaneswar
- Mrs.Yotirmayee Tudu, Assistant Professor, Utkal University
- Dr.Birendra Suna, Assistant Professor, NISWAS, Odisha
- Shri Jiten Mohanty, Entrepreneur & Social Activist
- Dr.Jatin Mohanty, Social Activist
- Shri.Kishore Kumar Mohanty, Researcher, PGDM(XIMB)
- Prof.Prajna Jagadev, Assistant Professor, Silicon Institute of Technology, Bhubaneswar
- Ms. Chandana Pattanaik, Research Associate

- Ms. Satabdi Pradhan, Research Associate