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Foreword

The National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO) in the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Government of India is primarily responsible for conducting country wide large scale sample surveys on subjects of national importance. Due to the changing global scenario, increasing entrepreneurial competitiveness and Intellectual Property Related (IPR) issues, the need for securing information related to various areas of national and regional importance especially the emerging areas in the service sector like Information Technology, Communications, Entertainment etc., has increased manifold. Due to resource constraints, the NSSO is not in a position to take up additional surveys on regular basis over and above its responsibilities. Moreover, several Private Organizations/ NGOs/Agencies have come up on the national scene which are involved in carrying out surveys of various kinds in the country. The Government of India is considering the possibility of making use of the survey expertise available with the private sector, for conduct of sample surveys in the emerging areas of national importance. Moreover, the need is also felt for developing a mechanism which can cater to the increasing demand for professional statistical services especially within the Government, as recommended by the National Statistical Commission under Dr. C. Rangarajan. On the other hand no such database is available with the Government on the survey capabilities of the private sector.

In view of the requirements of developing a database of survey capabilities of private agencies and establishment of a consultancy wing, a study entitled "Assessment of Survey Capabilities of Private Sector" was assigned by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation to the Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute (IASRI), New Delhi, as a part of India Statistical Strengthening Project (ISSP), with the objectives to gather information on private organizations/ agencies engaged in undertaking statistical surveys and studies, assess the survey capabilities of such agencies, in order to develop a classified database of such agencies, to suggest structure and functions of a Consultancy Wing likely to be set up by MOS&PI with linkages to the private sector and to prepare a project document for setting up the Consultancy Wing. I am glad that IASRI has prepared the report of the Analytical part of the Study, which documents the capabilities of the private agencies/ organizations at various levels of their area/ field of operation. This report will be useful while considering formation of consultancy wing at appropriate time.

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भारतवर्ष में राष्ट्रीय प्रतिदर्श सर्वेक्षण संगठन (NSSO) पर मख्यतः राष्ट्रीय महत्व के विषयों पर आधारित सर्वेक्षणों को परे देश में आयोजित कराने का उत्तरदायित्व है। विश्व के बदलते हुए परिवेश में, बढ़ती हुई उद्यमी प्रतिस्पर्धा एवं बौद्धिक सम्पदा सम्बन्धित मददों के कारण, राष्ट्रीय एवं क्षेत्रीय महत्व के विषयों में, विशेषतया सेवा क्षेत्र में उभरते हुए विषयों जैसे सचना प्रौद्योगिकी, दरसंचार, मनोरंजन इत्यादि पर सम्बन्धित सचनाएँ एकत्रित करने की आवश्यकता बहुत अधिक बढ़ गई है। राष्ट्रीय प्रतिदर्श सर्वेक्षण संगठन में पर्याप्त मानव शवित सलभ न होने एवं पहले से ही चल रहे सर्वेक्षण कार्यक्रमों के कारण संगठन अतिरिक्त सर्वेक्षणों को कराने का उत्तरदायित्व लेने की रिथति में नहीं है। साथ ही वर्तमान में बहुत से निजी संगठन/अशासकीय संगठन/एजेन्सीज़ साष्ट्रीय परिदृश्य पर उभर कर आये हैं जो देश में विभिन्न प्रकार के सर्वेक्षणों को कराने में सक्षम हैं। इस संदर्भ में, भारत सरकार देश में राष्ट्रीय महत्व के विशिष्ट क्षेत्रों में सर्वेक्षण कराने के लिए निजी क्षेत्रों में उपलब्ध सर्वेक्षण विशेषज्ञता के उपयोग की सम्भावनाओं पर विचार कर रही है। वर्तमान में, भारत सरकार के पास निजी क्षेत्रों की सर्वेक्षण क्षमताओं से सम्बन्धित कोई डाटाबेस उपलब्ध नहीं है। इसके अतिरिक्त, एक ऐसी प्रक्रिया विकसित करने की आवश्यकता है जो व्यावसायिक सांरिव्यकीय सेवाओं की बढ़ती हुई आवश्यकताओं विशेषतः सरकार के अंतर्गत आने वाली, को परा कर सकें। राष्ट्रीय सांरिज्यिकी आयोग ने सन् 2001 की रिपोर्ट में यह अनुशंसा की है कि सांरिव्यकी एवं कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय के अन्तर्गत एक केन्द्रीय सांरिव्यकी संगठन (CSO) सलाहकार विंग (Consultancy Wing) स्थापित किया जाए। निजी क्षेत्रों की सर्वेक्षण क्षमताओं से सम्बन्धित एक डाटाबेस विकसित करने तथा सलाहकार विंग की स्थापना की आवश्यकताओं को देखते हुए भारतीय कृषि सांरिव्यकी अनुसंधान संस्थान, नई दिल्ली को "निजी क्षेत्रों की सर्वेक्षण-क्षमताओं का मल्यांकन" नामक अध्ययन करने का कार्य सौंपा गया था जिसके मरज्य उद्देश्य सांरिकीय सर्वेक्षणों एवं अध्ययनों में लगी हुई निजी क्षेत्रों के संगठनों/एजेन्सीज के बारे में सचना एकत्रित करना, इन एजेन्सीज़ की सर्वेक्षण क्षमताओं का मल्यांकन करना, एजेन्सीज़ का एक वर्गीकृत डाटाबेस तैयार करना तथा सांरिव्यकीय एवं कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय में स्थापित की जाने वाली सलाहकार विंग की संरचना, कार्यों पर, एक निजी क्षेत्रों की एजेन्सीज़ से सम्बन्ध स्थापित करने हेत एक परियोजना प्रलेख प्रस्तुत करना है।

भारतीय कृषि सांरिज्यकी अनुसंधान संस्थान, नई दिल्ली द्वारा किये गये इस अध्ययन के आधार पर निजी क्षेत्रों की सर्वेक्षण क्षमताओं का मृल्यांकन करने के लिए एक पद्धति विकसित की गयी है। राष्ट्रीय, क्षेत्रीय एवं राज्य स्तर पर सर्वेक्षण कराने की क्षमता वाली एनेन्सीन को चिन्हित किया गया है। "सर्वेकैप" नामक एक डाटाबेस तैयार किया गया है जिसमें विभिन्न निजी क्षेत्रों की एनेन्सीन की सर्वेक्षण क्षमताओं से सम्बन्धित सचनाएँ संग्रहित हैं।

मैं आशा करता हूँ कि विकसित पद्धति का प्रलेख, डाटाबेस एवं परिणाम, सांख्यिकी एवं कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के लिए लाभदायक होंगे।

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Preface

The National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO) in India is primarily responsible for conducting country wide surveys on subjects of national importance. Due to the changing global scenario, increasing entrepreneurial competitiveness and Intellectual Property Related (IPR) issues, the need for securing information related to various areas of national and regional importance especially the emerging areas in the service sector like Information Technology, Communications, Entertainment etc. has increased manifold. Due to non-availability of sufficient manpower and its already ongoing-survey programmes the NSSO may not be in a position to take up additional surveys. Further, several private organizations/ NGOs/ agencies have come up on the national scene which are capable of carrying out surveys of various kinds in the country. In this context, the Government of India has been considering the possibility of making use of the survey expertise available with the private sector for conduct of sample surveys in the emerging areas of national importance. Currently, there is no such database available with the Government on the survey capabilities of the private sector. Moreover, there is a need to develop a mechanism which could cater to the increasing demand for professional statistical services especially within the Government. The National Statistical Commission (NSC) (2001) has recommended that a Consultancy Wing be established in the Central Statistical Organization (CSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOS&PI). In view of the requirements of developing a database of survey capabilities of private agencies and establishment of a consultancy wing, the study entitled "Assessment of Survey Capabilities of Private Sector" was assigned to the Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute (IASRI), New Delhi with the objectives to gather information on private organizations/ agencies engaged in undertaking statistical surveys and studies, to assess the survey capabilities of such agencies, to develop a classified database of such agencies and to suggest a structure and functions of a Consultancy Wing to be set up by MOS&PI with linkages to the private sector and to prepare a project document for setting up the Consultancy Wing.

On the basis of this study, undertaken at IASRI, a methodology for assessing the surveys capability has been developed. Agencies having potential to conduct surveys at the National, Regional and State level have been identified. A database entitled "Surveycap" containing information on survey capabilities of the agencies has been developed.

I hope that the documentation of methodology developed, the database and the results would be useful to the Ministry of Statistics and & Program Implementation.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO) in India is primarily responsible for conducting country wide surveys on subjects of national importance. Due to the changing global scenario, increasing entrepreneurial competitiveness and Intellectual Property Related (IPR) issues, the need for securing information related to various areas of national and regional importance especially the emerging areas in the service sector like Information Technology, Communications, Entertainment etc., has increased manifold. The NSSO is not in a position to take up additional survey due to its already on going survey programs. Further, several private organizations/ NGOs/ agencies have come up on the national scene which are involved in carrying out surveys of various kinds in the country. In this context, the Government of India is considering the possibility of making use of the survey expertise available with the private sector for conduct of sample surveys in the emerging areas of national importance. Currently, there is no such database available with the Government on the survey capabilities of the private sector. Further, of late there has been a need for developing a mechanism which can cater to the increasing demand for professional statistical services especially within the Government. In this context, the National Statistical Commission (NSC) report (2001) has also recommended that a consultancy wing be established in the Central Statistical Organization (CSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOS&PI). The establishment of a consultancy wing needs to be looked into detail. In view of the requirements of developing a database of survey capabilities of private agencies and establishment of a consultancy wing the study entitled "Assessment of Survey Capabilities of Private Sector" was assigned to the Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute (IASRI), New Delhi with the objectives to gather information on private organizations/ agencies engaged in undertaking statistical surveys and studies, assess the survey capabilities of such agencies, to develop a classified database of such agencies, to suggest structure and functions of a Consultancy Wing to be set up by MOS&PI with linkages to the private sector and to prepare a project document for setting up the Consultancy Wing.

The study commenced from 22nd August, 2005. A task force was constituted by the CSO, MOS&PI, to provide guidance in the implementation of the study and to monitor the progress of the study from time to time. Although initially the duration of

the study was of 31 weeks, but keeping in view the additional scope of work load involved the duration of the project was increased by 12 weeks on the recommendations of the task force.

An inception report of the study was submitted within a week of the commencement of the study. The inception report besides other items contained a questionnaire developed for assessment of survey capabilities of the public/private sector agencies. The primary purpose of the questionnaire was to examine whether or not surveys were properly designed by the agencies, how efficiently the surveys were conducted by the agencies to collect quality data by optimum utilization of resources, whether or not modern tools like computers, statistical packages were used for data processing, the quality of manpower and infrastructure available with the agencies and the experience and expertise of the agencies. The questionnaire also contained some items of general information about the agencies. Later on, as per the recommendation made by the task force a supplementary questionnaire was also developed.

An exhaustive list containing 289 agencies was compiled through the process of advertisement in the newspapers, list of agencies obtained from CSO, MOS&PI, list of agencies provided by the respective State Directorate of Economics and Statistics and the list provided by the members of the task force. Letters were sent to all the 289 agencies asking them to fill up the questionnaire as well as the supplementary questionnaire and send the filled in questionnaires alongwith one copy of the project report on the project handled by the agency during the past three years to the IASRI.

Subsequently, a report on yardsticks was submitted to the Ministry which contained criteria for assessment of survey capabilities. For the assessment of survey capabilities of the agencies five indicators were developed which were also approved by the task force. These were; projects handled in the past, manpower, infrastructure available with the agencies, experience and expertise of the agencies and annual turnover on survey activities. Weights were assigned according to the importance of these five indicators. The total score of each of the agencies was the weighted sum of these five indicator scores. The indicator on projects handled in the past was considered to be the most important. Thus, this indicator was assigned highest weightage. The next in importance were the indicators on manpower, experience and

expertise, infrastructure and annual turn over on survey activities respectively. In addition the agencies were required to satisfy the non-negotiable criteria which meant that a agency was to be identified as a potential agency if it was using probability sampling design, has both PAN and TAN, has a statistician employed on a regular basis and has connectivity by way of phone, fax and e-mail.

Subsequent to this a status report was also submitted. The status report covered details of agencies which were contacted as also a list of agencies which responded in the prescribed questionnaires (details of such agencies is given in APPENDIX A). On the basis of information received from the responding agencies in the prescribed questionnaires a database, entitled "Surveycap", of such agencies was developed. Microsoft Access was used for the development of the system. The system is user friendly and provides a set of facilities to store and access the data of the agencies safely and with ease. A report on database containing detailed information about the database was submitted to the Ministry. Side by side, scores were assigned to the responding agencies in the light of criteria developed for assessment of survey capabilities of the agencies. At the same time reminders were sent to the non-responding agencies requesting them to respond in the prescribed questionnaires. Some of the agencies responded when reminders were sent to them. Final reminder was sent to the agencies which did not respond so far fixing a final date by which they could respond

A check list was developed for physical verification of information provided by the various survey agencies in the prescribed questionnaires (Check list is given in APPENDIX B). Visits were made by the Scientists/officers of the IASRI to the responding agencies for the purpose of physical verification. Wherever the visits were made letters were also sent to the non-responding agencies of the concerned area to meet the officials of IASRI. This was done to give another opportunity to the non-responding agencies to respond. Some of the representatives of the non-responding agencies in places like Bangalore, Hyderabad, Bhubaneswar etc. met the team of officials from the IASRI and responded in the prescribed questionnaire subsequently. The discrepancies observed between personal visits and information provided by the survey agencies in the prescribed questionnaires were recorded in the check list. The scores assigned to the various survey agencies earlier were rectified in the light of discrepancies observed in respect of different items of questionnaire during personal

visits made to these agencies. Simultaneously, the "Surveycap" database was updated in the light of personal visits made and revised scores assigned to the different agencies. On the basis of information provided by the various agencies and personal visits to such agencies the present analytical report on survey capabilities of agencies was prepared. This analytical report contains information on 109 responding agencies. Besides, a list of research organizations having proven survey capabilities is also provided. The analytical report provides indicator wise information on the responding agencies as also detailed information on agencies having capacity to carry out surveys up to the National/Regional/State level.

The main findings of the study indicate that majority of states of India and Union territories are covered by way of headquarters and branches of the responding agencies, some states like Tripura, Mizoram, Sikkim and Himachal Pradesh do not have either the headquarter or the branches of any of the agencies. Similarly, Union territories like Andaman & Nicobar, Daman & Diu, Dadar & Nagar Haveli, Puducherry and Lakshadweep do not have representation by way of headquarter as well as branch office of any agency.

Out of the 109 responding agencies 97 agencies are registered, 56 have both PAN and TAN, 92 agencies are connected either by phone, fax or E-mail and 54 agencies have statisticians employed on regular basis.

There are 46 agencies having completed projects covering 1 to 4 states, 15 agencies have completed projects covering 5 to 9 states. Only 8 agencies have completed projects covering 15 or more than 15 states. There are 74 agencies which have reported that they have the capacity to conduct surveys at the national level, 24 agencies reported capacity to conduct surveys at the state level, 9 reported capacity to conduct surveys at the district level and only 2 at the local level.

Out of the 109 responding agencies only 44 compute standard errors, 40 agencies prepare instruction manual, 57 agencies use optimum fieldman supervisor ratio and 45 agencies have executed projects funded through international agencies.

As many as 100 agencies have internet facility, 56 agencies have office in own accommodation, 42 agencies have statistical packages for analysis of data and 97 agencies have power back up facility. Although 89 agencies have own data entry set up but many of these agencies outsourced data entry work when the volume of work was heavy.

As many as 97 agencies have the capacity to carry out complete survey and 63 agencies do not have any branch office. Only 9 agencies have less than 3 years experience and 38 have more than 15 years experience.

Of the 109 responding agencies 55 agencies have at least one economist, 54 have at least one Statistician, 53 have at least one IT Specialist and 84 agencies have at least one Subject Matter Specialist. Similarly, 40 agencies have at least one Field Investigator and 54 agencies have at least one Field Supervisor.

Majority of the responding agencies have completed projects on socioeconomic surveys. The number of such agencies was 78. Similarly, 40 agencies have completed projects in the area of agriculture. Only 2 agencies completed projects in the price sector. None of the agencies completed projects in the trade sector. Delhi leads in all the areas of specialization in terms of number of agencies.

Majority of the responding agencies have total score falling in the range 40 to 60, whereas only 2 agencies have total score falling in the range 80 to 100. 11 agencies have total score falling in the range 0 to 20. Only 17 agencies have total score greater than or equal to 60.

Only 35 agencies satisfy non-negotiable criteria. There are only 10 agencies classified as operating up to national level, having overall score greater than or equal to 60, satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having capacity to undertake complete survey. Only 9 agencies are classified as operating up to regional level, having overall score greater than or equal to 55, satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having capacity to undertake complete survey. There are 3 agencies classified as operating up to state level, having overall score greater than or equal to 50, satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having capacity to undertake complete survey.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. A consultancy wing may be set up in the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOS&PI) which should take care of the job of updation of the database of the agencies listed in the analytical report and should also take steps to identify new agencies having good survey capabilities.
- 2. For updation and addition of new agencies, the methodology suggested and given in the report should be followed.
- 3. The available information on the survey capabilities of the agencies should be updated every year.
- 4. The information provided by the agency for updation or additions of new agency must be physically verified by some senior person before it is entered in the database.
- 5. Till the time the consultancy wing becomes fully functional, the task of updation of database and addition of the new agencies should be the responsibility of Central Statistical Organization in the MOS&PI.
- 6. For the purpose of identification of new agencies, the Consultancy wing should follow the same procedure as followed in this study i.e. periodical advertisement etc. The advertisement regarding addition of agencies should be permanently put up on the website of the MOS&PI/ Consultancy wing.
- 7. The Directorate of Economics and Statistics in different States should be advised to report to the consultancy wing regarding the new agencies which come up from time to time in their respective states.

CHAPTER-1 INTRODUCTION

Large-scale sample surveys are often conducted for obtaining reliable, timely and adequate information on the parameters of interest. In India, National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO) was established for conducting country wide surveys on various socio-economic issues related to the national economy, annual survey of industries, supervision of crop area enumeration and crop yield estimation surveys conducted by the state agencies including the follow-up enterprise surveys subsequent to the decennial economic census so that appropriate data can be made available for policy planning and decision making on various issues of national importance.

In view of the changing global scenario, increasing entrepreneurial competitiveness and Intellectual Property Related (IPR) issues, the need for securing information related to various areas of national and regional importance especially the emerging areas in the service sector like Information Technology, Communications, Entertainment etc., has increased manifold. The NSSO is not in a position to take up additional survey due to its already on going survey programs. Further, several private organizations/ NGOs/ agencies have come up on the national scene who are involved in carrying out surveys of various kinds in the country having varying survey capabilities in terms of expertise, infrastructure and other resources. In this context, the Government of India is considering the possibility of making use of the survey expertise available with the private sector for conduct of sample surveys in the emerging areas of national importance. Compilation of the survey capabilities of the private survey organizations in various sectors of the economy would therefore be immensely beneficial for the purpose. Currently, there is no such database available with the Government on the survey capabilities of the private sector.

In recent times, there has been a need for developing a mechanism which can cater to the increasing demand for professional statistical services especially within the Government. In this context, the National Statistical Commission (NSC) report (2001) has also recommended that a consultancy wing be established in the Central Statistical Organization, Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation (MOS&PI). Further, the NSC observes that the consultancy wing would function as an autonomous body aiming to be the commercial wing for professional statistical

activities. It may undertake projects/studies from Government Departments/States/National/ International and private sector regarding data collection, processing, analysis, report writing etc. through sample surveys and on other related activities on purely commercial basis. The consultancy wing may take up consultancy services regarding model building, methodological studies, macroeconomic modeling and similar other specialized activities. NSC observes that, initially, the Government may nurture the consultancy wing. Once fully established, it can function as an independent corporate entity outside the Government. The requirement of establishment of a consultancy wing needs to be looked into in the light of the NSC recommendations.

A study for the same purpose entitled "Assessment of Survey Capabilities of Private Sector (Surveycap)" has been assigned to the Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute (IASRI), New Delhi. This study had been initiated at IASRI on 22nd August 2005 with the following objectives-

- To gather information on private organizations/ agencies engaged in the field of statistical surveys and studies.
- To assess the capabilities of the private organizations/ agencies in the activities of survey, enquiries, analytical studies etc.
- To develop a classified database of such agencies.
- To suggest structure and functions of a Consultancy Wing to be set up by the Ministry with linkages to the private sector.
- To prepare a project document for setting up the Consultancy Wing.

CHAPTER-2 BACKGROUND

The study entitled "Assessment of Survey Capabilities of the Private Sector" commenced from 22nd August, 2005. A task force was constituted by the CSO, MOS&PI to monitor the progress of the study and also to guide on certain points related to the study. Although initially the duration of the study was of 31 weeks, but keeping in view the additional scope of work load involved the duration of the project was increased by 12 weeks on the recommendations of the task force. An Inception Report was submitted within a week of the commencement of the study. The inception report, besides other items, contained a questionnaire developed for assessment of survey capabilities of the private sector agencies. Later, on the recommendation of task force, a supplementary questionnaire was also developed. Subsequently, 'Report on Yardsticks' was submitted which contained criteria for assessment of survey capabilities of the private agencies. Broadly, five indicators were proposed for the assessment of survey capabilities of the agencies. These were; projects handled in the past, manpower, infrastructure available with the agencies, experience and expertise of the agencies and annual turn-over on survey activities. Depending upon the importance of these five indicators, weights were assigned. The total score of each of the agencies was the weighted sum of these five indicator scores. The indicator on projects handled in the past was considered to be the most important. Thus, this indicator was assigned highest weight. The next in importance were the indicators on manpower, experience and expertise, infrastructure and annual turn-over on survey activities respectively.

Subsequent to the report on yardsticks a 'Status report' was submitted to the Ministry. The status report covered details of agencies which were contacted as also a list of agencies which responded in the prescribed questionnaires (APPENDIX A). On the basis of information received from the responding agencies in the prescribed questionnaires a database entitled "Surveycap" of such agencies was developed. Microsoft Access was used for developing the system. The system is user friendly. Side by side scores were assigned to the various survey agencies in the light of criteria developed for assessment of survey capabilities of the agencies. At the same time reminders were sent to the non-responding agencies requesting them to respond in the prescribed questionnaire. Some of the agencies responded when reminders were sent

to them. Another reminder was sent to the agencies which did not respond so far fixing a final date by which they could respond

A check list was developed for physical verification of information provided by the various survey agencies in the prescribed questionnaires (APPENDIX B). Visits were made by the Scientists/officers of the IASRI to the responding agencies for the purpose of personal verification. Wherever the visits were made letters were sent to the non-responding agencies of the concerned area to meet the officers of IASRI. Some of the representatives of the non-responding agencies in some places like Bangalore, Hyderabad, Bhubaneswar etc. met the team of officials from the IASRI and responded in the prescribed questionnaire subsequently. The discrepancies observed between personal visits and information provided by the survey agencies in the prescribed questionnaires were recorded in the check list. The scores assigned to the various survey agencies were revised in the light of discrepancies observed in respect of different items of questionnaire during personal visits made to these agencies. Simultaneously, the database of survey agencies was updated in the light of personal visits made and revised scores assigned to the different agencies. These revised scores were also entered in the database. On the basis of information provided by the various agencies and personal visits to such agencies the present analytical report on survey capabilities of responding agencies was prepared which is presented in the Chapter 4.

CHAPTER-3

METHODOLOGY USED FOR ASSIGNING SCORES TO THE VARIOUS AGENCIES

In this chapter, the methodology used for assigning scores to the different agencies is given. The scores assigned to the various agencies are based on the total weighted score. The total weighted score is the weighted scores of various indicators developed for this purpose. The indicators are based on the items on which information has been collected through the questionnaires.

3.1 Indicators

Broadly, five indicators have been proposed. These are:

(i) Projects handled in the past

For measuring total score, under this head the sub-indicators namely: type of projects handled in the past, funding agency (whether national or international), geographical coverage, ability to efficiently plan the survey, ability to efficiently collect quality data, use of modern tools in the analysis of data and quality of project report have been considered.

(ii) Manpower

Manpower assessment has been made on the basis of resource persons available with the agency. This includes Executives, Statisticians, Subject Matter Specialists, IT Specialists, field investigators, computer operators and auxiliary staff. Due weightage was given to regular staff, statisticians and experience of the personals. Manpower of the agency in terms of reserved panel of specialists and past experience of these personals has also been taken into consideration.

(iii) Annual turn over on survey related activities

Annual turn-over on survey related activities has been used to classify the agencies into three categories. Within the three categories scores have been assigned on the basis of size of the annual turn-over.

(iv) Infrastructure

Infrastructural assessment has been made on the basis of sub-indicators like; type of accommodation with the agency, power back-up, work stations, number and types of computer as well as software available, printers, scanners, photocopier, CD writer, office automation like internet, fax, data entry set up, ICR and DTPL facility. Due

weightage was given to above mentioned items depending upon the utility of each item for the studies.

(v) General particulars of the agency

Measurements under this head included quantifying sub-indicators like; number of branches of the agency, whether or not the agency is registered, level at which the agency generally operates, annual turnover on survey activities, type of work the agency generally specialised in and date of establishment of the agency.

3.2 Weightage for main indicators

The indicator on project handled in the past was assigned highest weightage followed by indicator on manpower. Next in importance were the indicators on annual turn over on the survey related activities, infrastructure and general particulars of the agency. Following weights have been given to the five indicators

Projects handled in the past	40%
Manpower	20%
Annual turn over on survey related activities	15%
Infrastructure	15%
General particulars	10%

In addition, every agency was required to satisfy the non-negotiable eligibility criteria. This meant that

- i) Agency should be registered and must have PAN. This indicates that the agency has a reliable standing.
- ii) Agency using probability sampling design. This indicates that the agency apparently follows statistically sound survey methodology.
- iii) It should have at least one statistician as a regular employee having exposure to actual conduct of sample surveys.
- iv) Agency should have connectivity in either of the three ways, namely, Telephone, Fax, E-mail so that the agency is easily approachable.

3.3 Score given to sub indicators under each Main Indicator

Score of projects handled in the past

Experience of the agency was assessed on the basis of type of projects completed in the past. For assigning scores, parameters like how well the survey was planned, the steps were taken to efficiently collect quality data, type of analysis performed and the kind of modern tools used in analysis of data, quality of report prepared etc. were taken into consideration.

Project funding source

Local/district 2
State 4
National level 6
International level 10

Resource Personnel associated in the Project

Since no survey work can be planned and executed properly without appropriate inputs from the statisticians, the composition of team for a project was given a score of 5 if qualified statistician was a member of the project team, otherwise the score given was '0'.

Timely completion of project

For each of the best five projects reported by an agency, the score given for timely completion of project was '5' otherwise it was '0'. A grace period of about 10% over the stipulated time was however allowed for projects of duration one year or more. For projects of less than one year duration the grace period was to be 15%.

Geographical coverage

Local/ District 2
State 5
National 20

Type of work undertaken

Planning of survey

Items	Scores
a) Frame preparation/ updation	7
b) Sampling design and methodology used	
i) Sampling design and selection procedure	6
ii)Use of auxiliary information at selection/ estimation stage	4
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Efficient collection of quality data

Item	Score
Properly structured schedules	4
Instruction manual and training	6
Supervision Ratio	
1:3 to 1:5 Very good	5
1:5 to 1:7 Good	3
1:7 to 1:10 Average	1
Beyond 1:10 Poor	0
Ratio of Own staff: Hired staff for data collection	
About 50 : 50	2
About 25 : 75	1
Others	0

Data analysis

Heading	Score
Proper Survey data analysis	6
Processing/Tabulation/Computation:	
Manually	0
User package	3
Using Statistical Software Packages/ Developing own package	6

Score for report preparation

Heading	Score
Percent Standard Error (% SE)	
Reported	3
Not reported	
Quality of the report as judged by IASRI	11

Following is the summary of the scores proposed:-

Planning of survey	17
Data collection	17
Data analysis	12
Report preparation etc.	14
Complete survey	60

Score for Manpower

	Regular	Contractual	
Statisticions	Regular	Contractual	
Statisticians 1	5	2	
2-3	10	6	
4-6	15	9	
7-10	20	12	
More than 10	25	15	
		13	
Subject Matter Specialists/Socia		2	
1-2	5	3	
3-5	10	6	
6-10	15	9	
More than 10	20	12	
IT Specialists	T ~		
1	5	3	
2 – 3	10	6	
4-5	15	9	
More than 5	20	12	
Executives	1		
1	2	1	
2 – 3	5	3	
4 – 5	8	5	
More than 5	10	6	
Reserve Panel of Specialists			
1-2	2		
3-5	3		
6-10	4		
More than 10	5		
Field Enumerators			
Up to 5	2	1	
6-10	4	3	
11-20	6	4	
21-30	8	5	
More than 30	10	6	
Computer Operators			
Up to 2	1	1	
3-5	3	2	
6-10	4	2	
More than 10	5	3	
Auxiliary Staff			
Up to 2	1	1	
3-5	3	2	
6-10	4	2	
More than 10	5	3	

Further, out of the total score proposed under each sub-category of regular employees, 40% of the score was earmarked for experience. The experience score was further subdivided into two categories as follows:

- a) Employees having up to 2 years with the agency 50%
- b) Employees having more than 2 years with the agency 100%

Infra-Structural Score

	Score			
Building	I			
Own building				
Upto 100 sq mt.	2			
100 sq mt - 500 sq. mt	5			
> 500 sq. mt.	10			
Hired				
Upto 100 sq mt.	1			
100 sq mt - 500 sq. mt	4			
> 500 sq. mt.	7			
Workstation for data analysis				
1-5	5			
6-10	10			
More than 10	15			
Office Computers	<u> </u>			
1- 10	5			
11 – 25	10			
25 – 50	15			
More than 50	20			
Laser Printer				
1 - 2	1			
3 - 5	2			
6 - 10	3			
Above 10	4			
Ordinary Printers				
Yes	1			
No	0			
CD Writer				
1-5	1			
5 - 10	2			

More than 10	3
Fax	
1- 2	1
More than 2	3
Software	
General software	
1-5	1
More than 5	3
Statistical software	_
Advanced Statistical Packages like SAS, SPSS etc.	12
Simple Statistical Packages like SPAR1, Excel	5
Scanners	•
1-2	1
More than 2	2
Internet Connectivity	
Yes	4
No	0
Data entry setup	1
Hired arrangement-	
Adequate	8
Less than adequate	4
Inadequate	1
Own arrangement –	
Adequate	16
Less than adequate	8
Inadequate	1
No Data Entry set up	0
Photocopiers	
1-2	1
3-5	2
More than 5	3
ICR facility	
Yes	2

No	0
DTP	
Yes	2
No	0

Scores for Expertise and Experience

Number of Branches

	Scores
Branches	
1-2	3
3-5	5
6-10	10
More than 10	15

Experience

	Scores
Experience of the agency	
(No. of years)	
Up to 5	2
5 - 10	4
10 - 15	6
More than 15	10

Level of Operation

Local/district 3
State level 8
National level 30

Type of Core Specialization

Planning of survey 15
Data Collection 15
Data analysis 15
All aspects of survey 45

Score for Annual Turnover on Survey Related Activities

Annual turnover of survey related activities was used to classify agencies as Small,

Medium and Large. The following categorization was made.

Up to Rs. 10 lakhs Small
Rs 10 to Rs 50 lakhs Medium

Above Rs 50 lakhs

Within these three categories following scores were assigned

Large

Small	Score	Medium	Score	Large	Score
Upto 2 lakhs	4	Rs.10 to 15 lakhs	25	Rs.50 to 70 lakhs	50
2-4 lakhs	8	Rs.15 to 20 lakhs	30	Rs.70 to 100 lakhs	60
4-6 lakhs	12	Rs.20 to 30 lakhs	35	Rs.100 to 150 lakhs	70
6-8 lakhs	15	Rs.30 to 40 lakhs	40	Rs.150 to 200 lakhs	80
8-10 lakhs	20	Rs.40 to50 lakhs	45	Above Rs. 200 lakhs	100

3.4 Procedure followed for assigning revised scores

Using the above mentioned methodology scores were assigned to the various agencies on the basis of information provided by the respective agencies in the prescribed questionnaires. The information provided by the agencies was verified on the basis of personal visits made by the officials of the IASRI. A check list was devised for recording discrepancies observed between the information provided by the agencies in the prescribed questionnaire and the information collected through personal visits. Revised scores were assigned to the various agencies in the light of discrepancies observed in respect of different items of the questionnaire on the basis of personal visits.

CHAPTER 4

AN ALYTICAL REPORT ON SURVEY CAPABILITIES OF PRIVATE AGENCIES

4.1 INTRODUCTION

The analysis of the agencies is based on the details provided by 109 responding agencies in the prescribed questionnaire out of a total of 289 agencies contacted for this purpose. The list of 289 agencies was compiled through the process of advertisement in the newspapers, list of agencies obtained from CSO, MOS&PI, State Directorate of Economics and Statistics and the members of the task force. The responding agencies include private agencies and autonomous bodies set up by the Government. Classification of agencies to handle projects up to National/Regional/ State/District/Local level respectively has been done as under: An agency is classified as operating at the National level if it has undertaken projects in the past covering 5 or more than 5 states. Similarly, an agency is classified as operating at the Regional level if it has undertaken projects in the past covering 2 to 4 states. If an agency has undertaken projects in the past covering 1 state, such agency is classified as operating at the State level. An agency is classified as operating at the district level, if it has undertaken projects in the past covering more than three tehsils/community development blocks. Lastly, an agency is classified as operating at the local level if the agency has undertaken projects in the past covering a tehsil/community development block/ group of gram panchayats/ group of villages.

4.2 Geographical Distribution of the Responding Agencies

As mentioned earlier, the responding agencies were asked to provide information in the prescribed questionnaires. The questionnaires besides other items sought to collect information on the location of the agencies as well as location of its branches, if any. This information on location of the agencies and the location of branches of the responding agencies has been compiled in the following Table 4.2.1.

Table 4.2.1 Geographical distribution of the headquarters and branches of the responding agencies

S.NO.	State	Headquarters of the agencies	No. of branches of the agencies	Total
1.	Andhra Pradesh	8	9	17
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	1	1
3.	Assam	3	3	6
4.	Bihar	4	6	10
5.	Chandigarh	0	1	1
6.	Chhattisgarh	0	1	1
7.	Delhi	33	9	42
8.	Goa	0	1	1
9.	Gujarat	6	9	15
10.	Haryana	2	3	5
11.	Jammu & Kashmir	0	1	1
12.	Jharkhand	1	5	6
13.	Karnataka	13	16	29
14.	Kerala	3	7	10
15.	Madhya Pradesh	1	10	11
16.	Maharashtra	9	15	24
17.	Manipur	0	1	1
18.	Meghalaya	1	1	2
19.	Nagaland	0	1	1

S.NO.	State	Headquarters of the agencies	No. of branches of the agencies	Total
20.	Orissa	9	11	20
21.	Punjab	2	1	3
22.	Rajasthan	0	9	9
23.	Tamil Nadu	3	13	16
24.	Uttar Pradesh	5	15	20
25.	Uttaranchal	0	6	6
26.	West Bengal	6	11	17
	Total	109	166	275

It may be seen that Delhi has maximum number of agencies followed by Karnataka. States like Madhya Pradesh and Meghalaya have only one agency. Some states like Tripura, Mizoram, Sikkim and Himachal Pradesh do not have even the branch of any agency. Similarly, Union Territories like; Andaman & Nicobar, Daman & Diu, Dadar & Nagar Haveli, Pondicheery and Lakshadweep do not have any agency or branch of any agency.

4.3 General Information on the Responding Agencies

Questionnaires sent to the various agencies contained different items on which information was sought to be collected. Information was primarily collected in respect of five indicators developed for the purpose of assessment of survey capabilities of the private agencies as also on the non-negotiable criteria. This section presents details on items of general information pertaining to the non-negotiable criteria and the five indicators on which information was provided by the responding agencies.

4.3.1 Information pertaining to non-negotiable criteria

Agencies were asked to provide information on the non-negotiable criteria i.e. whether or not they have both PAN and TAN as also a statistician employed on regular basis, if they were using probability sampling design for the selection of the sample and if they have connectivity through FAX, phone and e-mail.

Table 4.3.1.1 Number of agencies as per items of non-negotiable criterion

S.No.	Criterion	Number of Agencies
1.	Registered	97
2.	PAN	88
3.	TAN	59
4.	Phone, Fax & E-mail	92
5.	Statistician employed on regular basis	54
6.	All the above	35

It can be seen from the above table that 97 out of 109 agencies are registered. Similarly, 88 agencies have PAN and only 56 agencies have both PAN and TAN. Also, 92 agencies are connected either through phone, fax or e-mail. Only 54 agencies have statisticians employed on a regular basis. There are 35 agencies satisfying the non-negotiable criteria.

4.3.2 Information related to indicator on projects handled in the past

Table 4.3.2.1 Distribution of the agencies in terms of reported level of operation, satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having statistician employed on regular basis

S.No.	Level of Operation	Number of Agencies	No. of agencies satisfying Non negotitable Criteria	No. of agencies having Regular Statistician
1.	Upto Local Level	2	0	1
2.	Upto District Level	9	0	2
3.	Upto State Level	24	5	11
4.	Upto National	74	31	40
5.	Total	109	36	54

Agencies were asked to provide information on level of operation i.e. whether they can handle local level, district level, state level or national level projects. This information related to the distribution of agencies with respect to reported level of operation is given in Table 4.3.2.1. It may be seen that as many as 74 agencies reported to have the capacity to operate up to National level. Where as only 36 agencies satisfy non-negotiable criteria, **54 agencies have employed statisticians on regular basis.**

The break up of agencies operating up to National level in terms of geographical spread of completed projects by way of number states is given in Table 4.3.2.2.

Table 4.3.2.2 Frequency distribution of agencies operating up to National level having projects completed in different states/ union territories of India

S.No.	States	No. of agencies	Percentage
1.	Below 5	46	62.16
2.	5-10	15	20.27
3.	10-15	5	6.75
4.	15 & above	8	10.81
	Total	74	

It may be seen from the table that 46 agencies have undertaken projects covering 1 to 5 states. Only 8 agencies have executed projects covering 15 or more than 15 states.

Table: 4.3.2.3 Distribution of agencies according to characteristics of projects handled in the past

S.No.	Characteristics of projects handelled	No. of Agencies	Percentage
1.	Using Probability sampling design	88	80.73
2.	Having Internationally Funded Projects	45	41.28
3.	Preparing Instruction manual	40	36.69

4.	Using optimum fieldman supervisor ratio	57	52.29
5.	Computing Standard Errors	44	40.36

Table 4.3.2.3 provides information on some of the sub-indicators relating to the indicator on projects handled in the past. It can be seen from this table that only 44 agencies computed standard errors, 45 agencies have executed projects funded through international source, only 40 agencies prepare instruction manual and 57 agencies used optimum fieldman supervisor ratio.

Table 4.3.2.4 Frequency distribution of scores of the agencies on the quality of project report submitted

S.No.	Range of marks	No. of Agencies	Percentage
1.	0-2	46*	42.20
2.	2-4	5	4.59
3.	4-6	40	36.70
4.	6-8	17	15.60
5.	8-10	1	0.90
6.	More than 10	0	0
7.	Total	109	

^{*} includes agencies which did not submit project report

From this table, it can be seen that 46 agencies have got scores in the range 0 to 2. There are 40 agencies having scores varying from 4 to 6. Only one agency has got score in the range 8 to 10. No agency got scores more than 10.

4.3.3 Information related to indicator on infrastructure of the agencies

In this section information on the sub-indicators relating to the indicator on infrastructure is provided.

Table 4.3.3.1 Distribution of agencies according to sub indicators of infrastructure

S.No.	Infrastructure type	No. of Agencies	Percentage
1.	Have Internet facility	100	91.74
2.	Own Accommodation	56	51.38
3.	Have power back up	97	89.00
4.	Have Statistical Package	42	38.53
5.	Own data entry set up	89	81.65

Table 4.3.3.1 gives information on the sub indicators like, internet facility, office in own accommodation, statistical packages and own data entry set up. It may be seen that 100 out of 109 agencies have internet facility, 56 agencies have offices in own accommodation, 97 agencies have power back up, 42 agencies have statistical packages like SPSS and as many as 89 agencies have own data entry set up. However, many of the agencies out of these 89 do not have adequate arrangements to meet their data entry needs. These agencies invariably outsourced the data entry work whenever the volume of data entry work was heavy.

4.3.4 Information related to indicator on experience and expertise of the agencies

The focus in this section is on the indicator related to experience and expertise of the agencies.

Table 4.3.4.1 Frequency distribution of branches of various agencies as reported and as physically verified

S.No.	No. of Branches	No. Reported	No. as physically verified
1	0	61 (55.06)	
1.	0	61 (55.96)	63 (57.81)
2.	1	17 (15.60)	15 (13.76)
3.	2	5 (4.59)	6 (5.50)
4.	3	5 (4.59)	7 (6.42)

5.	4	7 (6.42)	7 (6.42)
6.	5	3 (2.75)	2 (1.83)
7.	More than 5	11 (10.09)	9 (8.26)
	Total	109	109

It may be seen from the table that majority of the agencies do not have any branch office. Out of 109 only 15 agencies have one branch office and 9 agencies have more than 5 branch office. A close look at Table 4.3.4.1 reveal that physical verification has helped in rectification of wrong reporting made by some of the agencies in respect of branches. Such discrepancies were also observed with respect to some other items of questionnaires and corrected accordingly.

Table 4.3.4.2 Distribution of agencies according to Core specialization

S.No.	Core Specialisation	No. of agencies	Percentage
1.	Complete Survey	97	88.99
2.	Planning of Survey	1	0.91
3.	Data Collection	4	3.67
4.	Data Processing and Analysis	2	2.00
5.	Details not available	5	4.59
	Total	109	

It may be seen that out of 109 as many as 97 agencies have the capacity to undertake complete survey i.e. all aspects of the survey from planning to report writing. Only 1 agency specializes in planning of survey work, 4 agencies have expertise in data collection work. There are 5 agencies for which details are not available.

Table: 4.3.4.3 Distribution of agencies according to length of experience

S.No.	Experience	Number	Percentage
1.	Upto 3 years	9	8.25
2.	3-5 years	7	6.42

3.	5-10 years	25	22.93
4.	10-15 years	18	16.51
5.	More than 15 years	38	34.86
6.	Others	12	11.00
	Total	109	

It is clear from above table that only 9 agencies have less than three years experience, 18 agencies have experience varying from 10 to 15 years and 38 agencies have more than 15 years of experience.

4.3.5 Information related to indicator on manpower available with the agency

In this section, the focus is on sub-indicators relating to manpower of the agencies.

Table 4.3.5.1 Distribution of agencies according to manpower available

S.No.	No. of agencies having manpower as								
	Manpower No.	Economist	Statisticians	IT Specialists	Subject Matter Specialists				
1.	0	54 (49.5)	55 (50.4)	56 (51.4)	25 (23.0)				
2.	1	20 (18.3)	21 (19.3)	20 (18.3)	18 (16.5)				
3.	2	11 (10.1)	9 (8.2)	12 (11.0)	13 (12.0)				
4.	3	10 (9.2)	10 (9.2)	4 (3.7)	8 (7.3)				
5.	4	3 (2.8)	3 (2.8)	5 (4.6)	6 (5.5)				
6.	5	4 (3.7)	5 (4.6)	2 (1.8)	9 (8.2)				
7.	More than 5	7 (6.4)	6 (5.5)	10 (9.2)	30 (27.5)				
	Total	109	109	109	109				

Note: Figures in brackets are percentage values

Frequency distribution of number of Economists, Statisticians, IT specialists and subject matter specialists employed on regular basis with the agencies is given in Table 4.3.5.1. It can be seen from this table that 55 agencies have at least one economist, 54 have at least one statistician, 53 have at least one IT specialist and 84 agencies have at least one Subject Matter Specialist employed on regular basis. Only

7, 6 and 10 agencies out of 109 have more than 5 regular Economists, Statisticians and IT specialists respectively. As many as 30 agencies have more than 5 regular Subject Matter Specialists.

Similarly, Table 4.3.5.2 provides frequency distribution of number of field investigators and field supervisors employed on regular basis with the responding agencies.

Table 4.3.5.2 Distribution of agencies according to available number of Field Investigators and Field Supervisors

S.No.	Manpower available	Field Investigator	Field
			Supervisor
1.	0	69 (63.3)	55 (50.5)
2.	1	4 (3.7)	8 (7.3)
3.	2	6 (5.5)	7 (6.4)
4.	3	2 (1.8)	7 (6.4)
5.	4	5 (4.6)	7 (6.4)
6.	5-10	6 (5.5)	14 (12.9)
7.	11-50	15 (13.8)	9 (8.3)
8.	More than 50	2 (1.8)	2 (1.8)
	Total	109	109

Note:- Figures in parenthesis are percentage values

It is clear from the table that 69 agencies do not have regular field investigators. Similarly, 55 agencies do not have any field supervisor employed on regular basis. Only two agencies have more than 50 regular field investigators. Similarly only two agencies have 50 field supervisors employed on regular basis.

4.4 Information relating to sectors of specialization of the agencies

Agencies were asked to provide information on different sectors like Agriculture, Health, Industry etc. in which they have specialization as also best five completed projects in the past in different sectors of specialisation. This information is given in Table 4.4.1

Table 4.4.1 Distribution of the agencies with respect to reported sectors of specialization

S.No.		No of Agencies			
	Specilisation	Reported	Projects completed in the past		
1.	Agriculture	74	40		
2.	Corporate sector	22	1		
3.	Financial and External Sector	23	3		
4.	Industry	49	11		
5.	Infrastructure	63	34		
6.	Price	6	2		
7.	Service sector	53	22		
8.	Socio-economic	97	78		
9.	Trade	10	0		
	Other	0	5		

A close look at Table 4.4.1 reveal that 97 agencies reported specialization in Socio-economic surveys followed by 74 in Agriculture. Only 6 agencies reported specialization in Price surveys. The information compiled on areas of specialization on the basis of projects undertaken in the past is also provided in Table 4.4.1. It can be seen that 78 agencies have undertaken projects in Socio-economic sector followed by 40 agencies in agriculture. Only two agencies have undertaken projects related to price survey. None of the agencies have undertaken surveys in the Trade sector.

The state-wise break up of area of specialization as reported by the agencies is provided in Table 4.4.2

Table 4.4.2 State-wise distribution of agencies in terms of reported sector of specialisation

S.No.	STATE	Sectors of Specilisation								
		Agriculture	Corporate sector	Financial and External Sector	Industry	Infrastructure	Service sector	Socio-economic	Trade	Price
1.	Andhra Pradesh	6	2	2	3	5	4	7	1	
2.	Assam	2	1	-	3	3	3	3	1	
3.	Bihar	2		1		2	2	3	1	
4.	Delhi	21	10	9	17	22	16	30	4	3
5.	Gujarat	3	2	1	2	1	2	5	-	1
6.	Haryana	2		1	1	1	2	2		
7.	Jharkhand	1	1		1			1		
8.	Karnataka	9	1	4	6	7	8	11	1	
9.	Kerala	2	1		3	1	3	3		2
10.	Madhya Pradesh	1	1					1		
11.	Maharashtra	6	1	2	3	5	4	8	1	
12.	Meghalaya							1		
13.	Orissa	6			2	5	3	7		
14.	Punjab	1		1		1	1	1		
15.	Tamil Nadu	1	1		1	2	1	3		
16.	Uttar Pradesh	5		2	4	4	1	5		
17.	West Bengal	6	1		3	4	3	6	1	
	Total	74	22	23	49	63	53	97	10	6

A close look at Table 4.4.2 reveal that Delhi leads in all the sectors of specializations in terms of number of agencies. This is due to the fact that Delhi has maximum

number of agencies as compared to other States and Union Territories. State like Meghalaya and a bigger state like Madhya Pradesh have very low reportings of sectors of specialization.

4.5 Summary of scores pertaining to different indicators

Table 4.5.1 Distribution of agencies according to scores obtained for different indicators

S.No.	Indicators No of Agencies for different Score Ranges									
		0-20	20-40	40-60	60-80	80-100				
1.	Expertise	11	14	33	47	4		109		
2.	Infrastructure	13	45	29	12	10		109		
3.	Manpower	22	56	23	7	1		109		
4.	Projects	5	21	41	35	2	5	109		
5.	Turnover	38	37	16	5	13		109		
6.	Distribution of agencies according to weighted Score	11	25	56	15	2		109		

Frequency distribution of scores of the agencies by way of Expertise, infrastructure, manpower, projects undertaken in the past, annual turnover on survey activities and total weighted scores provided in Table 4.5.1. It indicates that maximum agencies fall in the score range 20-40 in respect of infrastructural, manpower and annual turnover on survey activities. Maximum agencies fall in the score range of 40-60 by way of projects handled in the past. It may be seen that the maximum number of agencies have total weighted score falling in the range 40-60. This is attributable to maximum in the projects handled in the past.

Table: 4.5.2 List of agencies along with their Scores and Level of operation (A) National Level

1.		
	TNS India (Incorporating TNS Mode and NFO)	83.10
2.	Agricultural Finance Corporation Limited	80.59
3.	Gallup India Private Limited	71.20
4.	CS Datamation Research Services Private Limited	66.34
5.	Synovate India Private Limited (No PAN & TAN)	64.38
6.	Development & Research Services Private Limited	63.93
7.	The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)	63.44
8.	Society for Socio-economic Studies and Services (SSESS)	63.05
9.	JPS Associates Private Limited (JPS)	62.67
10.	Academy of Management Studies	62.28
11.	Centre for Research, Planning and Action	62.25
12.	Planman Consultant India Private Limited	61.41
13.	National Council of Applied Economics Research	60.83
14.	Genesis Fintec Limited	60.14
15.	International Management Institute	55.24
16.	Institute of Applied Manpower Research	54.49
17.	North Eastern Industrial & Technical Consultancy	53.67
	Organization Limited. (NEITCO)	
18.	Economic Information Technology	53.15
19.	Development Management Trust	51.84
20.	Advantage India	51.75
21.	Economic Perspectives Consulting Private Limited	50.99
22.	Project Engineers	48.91

S. No.	Name of Agency	Scores
23.	AMC Research Group	47.90
24.	Indian Society of Agribusiness Professionals	47.31
25.	Institute of Small Enterprises and Development	44.93
26.	Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship	44.62
27.	Kalpataru Research Foundation (KRF)	43.07
28.	Centre for Market Research and Social Development Private Limited	42.88
29.	Techno Economic Services	42.28
30.	Midstream Marketing and Research Private Limited	41.55
31.	March, Marketing Consultancy and Research	40.15
32.	Mathura Krishna Foundation for Economic and Social Opportunity and Human Resource Development	36.84
33.	The Indian Institute of Public Opinion Private Limited	35.17
34.	National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)	34.54

(B) Regional Level

S. No.	Name of Agency	Scores
1.	The Gandhigram Institute of Rural Health and Family Welfare	67.31
	Trust	
2.	Indian Institute of Social Welfare and Business Management	59.17
	(IISWBM)	
3.	Socio-Economic Research Centre	58.90
4.	Institute for Social and Economic Change	58.70
5.	JSS Consultants	57.81
6.	Institute of Applied Statistics and Development Studies	57.60
7.	Centre for Operations Research & Training (CORT)	57.50
8.	Samaj Vikas Development Support Organization	57.21

S. No.	Name of Agency	Scores
9.	Kerala Statistical Institute (No TAN)	55.32
10.	Zenith Resources (A Division of Zenith Corporate Services Private Limited) (No PAN & TAN)	55.28
11.	Indian Institute of Education	52.64
12.	Pragna Research and Consultancy Services	48.02
13.	Progressive Research Aids Private Limited	46.49
14.	Sutra Consulting Private Limited	46.39
15.	Om Consultants(India) Pvt. Ltd.	34.37

(C) State Level

S. No.	Name of Agency	Scores
1	University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad	67.59
2	Santek Consultants Private Limited	62.69
3	Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS)	59.20
4	Center for Multi-Disciplinary Development Research (CDMR)	58.88
5	Genesis Management & Market Research Private Limited	54.01
6	South Asian Foundation for Human Initiatives	52.30
7	Society for Applied Research in Humanities	51.22
8	C. P. Consultants Private Limited	49.74
9	AGTECH (Society for Research and Development Studies)	48.45
	Formerly AGTECH Consultants	
10	Taleem Research Foundation	47.30
11	A. N. Sinha Institute of Social Studies	46.30
12	Network of Voluntary Agencies for Rural Development	45.89
	(NOVARD)	

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13	Gujarat Industrial and Technical Consultancy Organization Limited	45.47
14	Centre for Development Studies	44.74
15	Mahatma Gandhi Trust[R] Institute for Rural Development	43.31
16	Ium Mangement & Social Research Private Limited	42.61
17	Sycom Projects Consultants Private Limited	42.61
18	Asian Institute For Sustainable Development	41.73
19	Institute of Management Training and Research (IMTR)	41.34
20	S.J.C. Institute of Technology, Department of M.B.A.	40.95
21	Resource Development Centre	40.39
22	Society for Education in Values and Action	40.18
23	Action for Green Earth	39.41
24	Haryali Centre for Rural Development	36.75
25	RUSF-Socio-Economic Policy Surveys Evaluation Wing	36.17
26	Statisticians and Economists Advisory Research Council House, India (Search India)	35.99
27	Institute for Monitoring Economic Growth	34.97
28	Rambhau Mhalgi Probodhini's Social Research Cell	33.39
29	Agricultural and Rural Development Consultancy Society (ARDCOS)	28.75
30	Beamount Consultancy Services	28.15
31	Centre for Development Alternatives	24.19
32	Indian Society for Applied Research and Development (ISARD)	22.61
33	Esen Management Catalyst (P) Limited	16.97
34	Gentle Institute of Research, Inflormation system and Human Development	6.36

(D) District Level

S. No.	Name of Agency	Scores
1	G. B. Pant Social Science Institute	57.94
2	Madhya Pradesh Institute of Social Science Research	53.12
3	Giri Institute of Development Studies	51.65
4	Indian Institute of Development Studies & Research	46.03
5	Universal Service Organisation	43.43
6	State Labour Institute	39.05
7	Department of Social Work (Formaly known as Delhi School of Social Work)	37.99
8	Indian Institute of Economics	37.21
9	Centre for Action Research and Training	36.88
10	Institute of Social Sciences, Southern Regional Centre	33.63
11	Indian Council of Social Science Research, North Eastern Regional Centre	32.88
12	Lal Bahadur Shastri Institute of Rural Management and Rural Development	30.72
13	SADHANA	26.30
14	Adarsh Mahila Mandal Nandha	23.77
15	Society for Helping Action for Rural Poor (SHARP)	22.36
16	Sudipta Chakarabarti	19.49
17	P L Garg & Company	12.99
18	East West-Info Solution	11.62
19	Ishan Survey Team	7.68

(E) Local Level

S. No.	Name of Agency	Scores
1	Tirpude College of Social Work	43.49
2	Council of Analytical Tribal Studies (COATS)	37.76
3	SMS Consultants & Pest Control Services	13.97

(F) Others*

S. No.	Name of Agency	Scores
1	Arcade Business College	15.16
2	Jagriti-E-Sewa	7.93
3	ZEP Social Action Research Trust	7.61
4	Bright Human Action and Voice	5.68

^{*} Agencies have not undertaken any project

Table 4.5.2 provides the list of agencies along with their scores in decreasing order with their level of operation. The scores are based on information provided by the agencies in prescribed questionnaires as well as physical verification of information provided. One of the major annomolies observed during physical verification was that in some cases the agencies either provided information only on the basis of main questionnaire or only on the basis of suplimentary questionnaire. Such agencies were asked to send the information on the basis of both main and supplementary questionnaire. Also, in some cases the agencies did not submit the project report. Such agencies were asked to provide a copy of the project reports completed during the past three years so that these can be evaluated. The maximum score observed is 83.10 where as the minimum is 5.68. Only a limited number of agencies have total scores greater than or equal to 60 out of a total maximum score of 100.

4.6 Detailed information on the agencies

In this section, detailed information is provided about the responding agencies which satisfy a desirable criteria like; having total score greater than 60 (for agencies classified as operating at the National level), 55 (for agencies classified as operating at the Regional level), 50 (for agencies classified as operating at the State level), satisfying non-negotiable criteria and have the capacity to undertake complete survey.

Thus, the focus in this section would be to provide information on agency wise, indicator wise, revised total scores of the agencies. List of agencies also satisfy non-negotiable criteria and area of operation such as National/Regional/State/District/Local level.

Table 4.6.1: List of agencies satisfying non-negotiable criteria and operating up to National /Regional/State /District/Local level

(A) National Level

S.NO.	Name of agency	Scores
1.	TNS India (Incorporating TNS Mode and NFO)	83.10
2.	Agricultural Finance Corporation Limited (NO TAN)	80.58
3.	Gallup India Private Limited	71.20
4.	C S Datamation Research Services Private Ltd.	66.34
5.	Synovate India Private Limited (No PAN & TAN)	64.38
6.	Development & Research Services Private Limited	63.93
7.	Society for Socio-Economic Studies and Services (SSESS) (NO TAN)	63.05
8.	JPS Associates Private Limited (JPS)	62.67
9.	National Council of Applied Economics Research	61.93
10.	Genesis Fintec Limited	60.14
11.	International Management Institute	55.24
12.	Institute of Applied Manpower Research	54.49
13.	North Eastern Industrial & Technical Consultancy Organization Limited. (NEITCO)	53.67
14.	Economic Information Technology	53.15
15.	Development Management Trust	51.85
16.	Advantage India	51.75
17.	Economic Perspectives Consulting Private Limited	50.99

18.	Project Engineers	48.91
19.	Institute of Small Enterprises and Development	44.93
20.	National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)	34.54

(B) Regional Level

S.NO.	Name of agency	Scores
1.	The Gandhigram Institute of Rural Health and Family Welfare Trust	67.31
2.	Indian Institute of Social Welfare and Business Management (IISWBM)	59.17
3.	Socio-Economic Research Centre	58.90
4.	Institute for Social and Economic Change	58.70
5.	JSS Consultants	57.81
6.	Institute of Applied Statistics and Development Studies	57.60
7.	Centre for Operations Research & Training (CORT)	57.50
8.	Samaj Vikas Development Support Organization	57.21
9.	Kerala Statistical Institute (No TAN)	55.32
10.	Zenith Resources (A Division of Zenith Corporate Services Private Limited) (No PAN & TAN)	55.28
11.	Pragna Research and Consultancy Services	48.02
12.	Progressive Research Aids Private Limited	46.49
13.	Sutra Consulting Private Limited	46.39
14.	Om Consultants(India) Pvt. Ltd.	34.37

(C) State level

S.NO.	Name of agency	Scores
1.	University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad (Karnataka)	67.59
2.	Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS)	59.20

3.	Center for Multi-Disciplinary Development Research (CDMR)	58.89
4.	Mahatma Gandhi Trust (Institute for Rural Development)	43.30
5.	S.J.C. Institute of Technology, Department of M.B.A.	40.96

Table 4.6.1 provides level of operation wise (on the basis of projects undertaken in the past) list of agencies satisfying non-negotiable criteria alongwith the respective score. It may be seen that 34 agencies listed in Table 4.6.1 satisfy the non-negotiable criteria in the strict sense. The remaining 5 agencies nearly satisfy the non-negotiable criteria in the sense that 3 agencies do not have TAN and 2 agencies does not have both PAN and TAN. These five agencies have been included in Table 4.6.1 on account of high total score. Out of the 39 agencies, 20 agencies operate up to National level, 14 up to Regional level and only 5 agencies are operating up to State level. There is no agency operating up to district or local level satisfying the non-negotiable criteria.

Table: 4.6.2 List of agencies along with their detailed scores reported to be operating up to National/State/ District/ Local level

(A) NATIONAL LEVEL

S. No.	Name of Agency	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
1.	TNS India (Incorporating TNS Mode and NFO)	32.40	14.14	13.06	13.50	10.00	83.10
2.	Agricultural Finance Corporation Limited	28.80	16.18	12.71	12.90	10.00	80.58
3.	Gallup India Private Limited	29.20	8.92	9.88	13.20	10.00	71.20
4.	University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad (Karnataka)	24.80	12.23	13.76	12.30	4.50	67.59
5.	The Gandhigram	30.40	9.55	12.35	10.50	4.50	67.31

S. No.	Name of Agency	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
	Institute of Rural Health and Family Welfare Trust						
6.	CS Datamation Research Services Private Limited	22.00	13.25	10.59	10.50	10.00	66.34
7.	Synovate India Private Limited	27.60	10.06	5.47	11.25	10.00	64.38
8.	Development & Research Services Private Limited	26.80	10.19	7.94	9.00	10.00	63.93
9.	Society for Socio- Economic Studies and Services, Bidhannagar (SSESS)	28.40	10.06	10.24	11.85	2.50	63.05
10.	Santek Consultants Private Limited	29.60	9.17	8.82	8.10	7.00	62.69
11.	JPS Associates Private Limited (JPS)	21.20	13.63	7.94	9.90	10.00	62.67
12.	Academy of Management Studies	24.40	12.87	7.06	10.95	7	62.28
13.	Centre for Research, Planning and Action	24.80	11.85	6.00	9.60	10.00	62.25
14.	Planman Consultant India Private Limited	18.40	9.30	13.06	10.65	10.00	61.41

S. No.	Name of Agency	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
15.	National Council of Applied Economics Research	26.20	9.30	9.18	9.15	7.00	60.83
16.	Genesis Fintec Limited	29.20	11.85	8.29	9.30	1.50	60.14
17.	Indian Institute of Social Welfare and Business Management (IISWBM)	20.00	11.97	13.94	9.75	3.50	59.17
18.	Center for Multi- Disciplinary Development Research (CDMR)	26.00	7.64	8.29	10.95	6.00	58.89
19.	Institute for Social and Economic Change	21.60	9.81	11.29	6.00	10.00	58.70
20.	GB Pant Social Science Institute, Jhusi, Allahabad.	24.40	5.35	13.24	10.95	4.00	57.94
21.	Institute of Applied Statistics and Development Studies	30.80	4.71	7.24	11.85	3.00	57.60
22.	Centre for Operations Research & Training (CORT)	25.60	5.86	7.24	10.80	8.00	57.50

S. No.	Name of Agency			ه			
		Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
23.	Samaj Vikas Development Support Organization	24.40	10.06	8.29	9.45	5.00	57.21
24.	Zenith Resources (A division of Zenith Corporate Services Private Limited)	23.60	7.77	10.06	10.35	3.50	55.28
25.	International Management Institute	19.60	9.55	13.24	10.35	2.50	55.24
26.	Institute of Applied Manpower Research	16.00	8.28	12.71	7.50	10.00	54.49
27.	Genesis Management & Market Research Private Limited	22.80	10.06	6.00	10.65	4.50	54.01
28.	Economic Information Technology	26.00	6.50	6.00	10.65	4.00	53.15
29.	Madhya Pradesh Institute of Social Science Research	28.00	3.82	5.65	10.65	5.00	53.12
30.	Indian Institute of Education	24.80	5.10	8.29	10.95	3.50	52.64
31.	South Asian Foundation for Human Initiatives	24.80	4.71	4.24	11.55	7.00	52.30
32.	Development	15.60	13.63	7.76	8.85	6.00	51.85

S. No.	Name of Agency	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
	Management Trust						
33.	Advantage India	15.60	13.76	8.29	9.60	4.50	51.75
34.	C. P. Consultants Private Limited	26.80	5.48	4.06	9.90	3.50	49.74
35.	Project Engineers	26.00	4.46	6.71	10.95	0.80	48.91
36.	AGTECH (Society for Research and Development Studies) Formerly AGTECH Consultants	29.20	4.97	3.88	9.60	0.80	48.45
37.	Pragna Research and Consultancy Services	23.20	6.62	7.94	6.75	3.50	48.02
38.	AMC Research Group	25.20	5.61	4.94	9.15	3.00	47.90
39.	Indian Society of Agribusiness Professionals	21.60	6.75	7.41	5.55	6.00	47.31
40.	Taleem Research Foundation	20.40	4.97	6.18	9.75	6.00	47.29
41.	Progressive Research Aids Private Limited	24.80	4.59	3.35	11.25	2.50	46.49
42.	Sutra Consultanting Private Limited	22.00	4.84	6.00	10.05	3.50	46.39
43.	A. N. Sinha Institute	26.00	4.71	7.94	7.65	0.00	46.30

S. No.	Name of Agency	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
	of Social Studies						
44.	Indian Institute for Development Studies and Research	20.40	4.20	6.88	11.55	3.00	46.04
45.	Network of Voluntary Agencies for Rural Development (NOVARD)	23.60	4.33	7.06	6.90	4.00	45.89
46.	Gujarat Industrial and Technical Consultancy Organization Limited	18.80	6.75	5.47	9.45	5.00	45.47
47.	Institute of Small Enterprises and Development	23.60	1.27	7.06	9.00	4.00	44.93
48.	Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship	21.60	4.46	9.71	8.85	0.00	44.61
49.	Tirpude College of Social Work Civil Lines, Sadar, Nagpur	18.80	7.26	6.88	9.75	0.80	43.49
50.	Centre for Market Research and Social Development Private Limited	22.00	5.61	5.82	9.45	0.00	42.88

51	Ium Mangement &	20.40	5.22	5.29	8.70	3.00	42.61
31.	Social Research	20.40	3.22	3.29	8.70	3.00	42.01
	Private Limited						
52.	Sycom Projects	24.00	3.18	3.53	8.40	3.50	42.61
	Consultants Private						
	Limited						
53.	TES, Techno	22.80	5.86	2.82	7.80	3.00	42.28
	Economic Services						
5.1	Midstream Marketing	20.00	4.08	5.12	8.85	3.50	41.54
34.	and Research Private	20.00	4.06	3.12	0.03	3.30	41.54
	Limited						
55.	Institute of	20.80	4.46	9.53	4.05	2.50	41.34
	Management						
	Training and						
	Research (IMTR)						
56.	Resource	22.00	5.86	3.18	8.55	0.80	40.39
	Development Centre						
57.	Society for Education	17.60	6.88	5.65	10.05	0.00	40.18
	in Values and Action						
58.	March, Marketing	12.40	4.08	11.82	7.35	4.50	40.15
	Consultancy and						
	Research						
59.	Action for Green	13.60	8.54	5.47	9.30	2.50	39.41
	Earth						
60.	Council of Analytical	21.20	3.44	5.47	6.45	1.20	37.76
	Tribal Studies						
	(Coats)						
61.	Indian Institute of	15.60	4.46	6.00	9.15	2.00	37.21
	Economics						
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62	Mathura Krishna	20.40	2.17	5.12	7.95	1.20	36.83
02.		20.40	2.17	3.12	7.93	1.20	30.83
	Foundation for						
	Economic and Social						
	Opportunity and						
	Human Resource						
	Development						
63.	Haryali Centre for	19.60	4.59	4.06	6.00	2.50	36.74
	Rural Development						
64.	RUSF-Socio-	17.60	4.46	3.71	9.60	0.80	36.16
	Economic Policy						
	Surveys Evaluation						
	Wing						
65.	The Indian Institute	13.60	5.61	4.41	8.55	3.00	35.17
	of Public Opinion						
	Private Limited						
66.	National Institute of	14.40	5.35	7.59	7.20	0.00	34.54
	Urban Affairs						
	(NIUA)						
67.	Om	15.20	2.68	4.94	8.55	3.00	34.37
	Consultants(India)						
	Pvt. Ltd.						
68.	Rambhau Mhalgi	13.60	4.46	3.88	7.95	3.50	33.39
	Probodhini's Social						
	Research Cell						
69.	Agricultural and	14.00	5.35	3.35	5.25	0.80	28.75
	Rural Development						
	Consultancy Society						
	(ARDCOS)						
70.	Beaumont	16.40	2.29	4.41	4.65	0.40	28.15
	Consultancy Services						
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71.	Centre for Development Alternatives	0.00	2.93	7.76	9.00	4.50	24.19
72.	Indian Society for Applied Research and Development (ISARD)	10.80	4.08	3.88	3.45	0.40	22.61
73.	East West InfoSolutions	0.00	5.22	2.65	0.75	3.00	11.62
74.	ZEP Social Action Research Trust	0.00	1.91	3.00	2.70	0.00	7.61

(B) STATE LEVEL

S. No.	Name of Agency	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
1.	The Energy and Resources Institute Southern Region Centre	25.60	6.50	10.24	11.10	10.00	63.43
2.	Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS)	25.20	8.03	8.47	7.50	10.00	59.20
3.	Socio-Economic Research Centre	32.80	6.88	5.82	8.40	5.00	58.90
4.	JSS Consultants	23.20	8.41	12.00	10.20	4.00	57.81
5.	Kerala Statistical Instittute	29.60	7.52	6.35	8.85	3.00	55.32
6.	Giri Institute of Development Studies	21.60	5.10	12.35	6.60	6.00	51.65
7.	Society for Applied Research in Humanities	28.40	4.59	3.18	10.05	5.00	51.21

S. No.	Name of Agency	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
8.	Economic Perspectives Consulting Private Limited	27.60	4.20	4.59	11.10	3.50	50.99
9.	Centre for Development Studies	26.80	2.29	3.00	11.85	0.80	44.74
10.	Mahatma Gandhi Trust[R] Institute for Rural Development	19.60	5.99	5.12	9.60	3.00	43.30
11.	Kalpataru Research Foundation (KRF)	24.40	2.68	4.94	10.65	0.40	43.07
12.	Asian Institute For Sustainable Development	19.20	4.59	8.29	8.85	0.80	41.73
13.	State Labour Institute, Bhubaneswar	24.40	4.20	3.00	7.05	0.40	39.05
14.	S.J.C. Institute of Technology, Department of M.B.A.	16.00	6.11	10.94	5.40	2.50	40.96
15.	Centre for Action Research and Training	14.00	7.64	4.94	6.30	4.00	36.88
16.	Statisticians and Economists Advisory Research Council House, India (Search India)	20.00	5.48	4.76	4.95	0.80	35.99
17.	Institute for Monitoring Economic Growth	16.40	9.68	4.59	3.90	0.40	34.97
18.	Indian Council of Social Science Research, North Eastern Regional Centre	20.00	5.22	1.06	6.60	0.00	32.88

S. No.	Name of Agency	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
19.	Lal Bahadur Shashtri Institute of Rural Management and Rural Development Patna	19.20	1.40	2.82	6.90	0.40	30.72
20.	Adarsh Mahila Mandal Nandha	12.40	3.18	1.94	5.85	0.40	23.78
21.	Esen Management Catalyst (P) Limited	0.00	4.46	7.76	2.25	2.50	16.97
22.	Arcade Business College	0.00	8.03	6.53	0.60	0.00	15.15
23.	Jagriti-E-Sewa	0.00	2.42	4.76	0.75	0.00	7.94
24.	Gentle Institute of Research, Information System and Human Development	0.00	1.15	3.71	1.50	0.00	6.36

(C) DISTRICT LEVEL

S. NO.	Name of Agency	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
1.	Universal Service Organization	20.80	8.41	5.82	7.20	1.20	43.43
2.	Department of Social Work (Formerly Known as Delhi School of Social Work)	20.40	3.57	2.82	7.20	4.00	37.99
3.	Institute of Social Sciences, Southern Regional Centre, Bangalore	14.00	5.86	5.12	4.65	4.00	33.63

4.	Sadhana	11.60	4.84	4.06	5.40	0.40	26.30
5.	Sudipta Chakrabarti	12.00	2.93	1.76	2.40	0.40	19.49
6.	SMS Consultants and Pest Control Services	8.40	1.78	1.59	1.80	0.40	13.97
7.	P L Garg and Company	6.40	0.38	3.71	2.10	0.40	12.99
8.	Ishan Survey Team	4.00	0.64	1.59	1.05	0.40	7.68
9.	Bright Human Action and Voice	0.00	2.17	1.76	1.35	0.40	5.68

(D) LOCAL LEVEL

S. No.	Name of Agency	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover	Total
1.	North Eastern Industrial & Technical Consultancy Organization Limited. (NEITCO)	24.40	9.94	6.53	9.30	3.50	53.67
2.	Society for Helping Action for Rural Poor (SHARP)	13.20	1.53	3.18	4.05	0.40	22.36

Table 4.6.2 provides indicator wise total weighted scores in the decreasing order for 109 agencies according to their level of operation. As expected, high scores are observed for the agencies which operate up to the National level. High scores are also observed in some agencies which operate up to the State or Local level.

Table: 4.6.3 Correlation of the scores of indicators with the total score

S.No.	Level	Projects	Manpower	Infrastructure	Expertise	Turnover
1.	National	0.802585	0.744456	0.665547	0.750031	0.686118
2.	State	0.910965	0.441294	0.413073	0.835387	0.714158
3.	District	0.964593	0.863785	0.762007	0.959813	0.668099

It is clear from this table that the score of projects handled in the past is having maximum correlation with the total score. The score related to experience and expertise of the agencies is also highly correlated with the total score. For the national and state level agencies, the score of infrastructure have minimum correlation. For the district level agencies, the score on annual turn over of survey activities have minimum correlation with the total score.

Table: 4.6.4 List of agencies with total scores greater than or equal to 60

S.NO.	Name of the agency
1.	TNS India (Incorporating TNS Mode and NFO)
2.	Agricultural Finance Corporation Limited
3.	Gallup India Private Limited
4.	University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad
5.	The Gandhigram Institute of Rural Health and Family Welfare Trust
6.	CS Datamation Research Services Private Limited
7.	Synovate India Private Limited
8.	Development & Research Services Private Limited
9.	The Energy and Resources Institute Southern Region Centre
10.	Society for Socio-Economic Studies and Services (SSESS)
11.	Santek Consultants Private Limited
12.	JPS Associates Private Limited (JPS)
13.	Academy of Management Studies
14.	Centre for Research, Planning and Action
15.	Planman Consultant India Private Limited
16.	National Council of Applied Economics Research
17.	Genesis Fintec Limited

It may be seen that there are only seventeen agencies with total scores greater than or equal to 60.

Table: 4.6.5 List of agencies having at least one branch and overall score greater than or equal to 60

S.NO.	Name of the agency
1.	Academy of Management Studies
2.	Agricultural Finance Corporation Limited
3.	CS Datamation Research Services Private Limited
4.	Development & Research Services Private Limited
5.	Gallup India Private Limited
6.	JPS Associates Private Limited (JPS)
7.	Planman Consultant India Private Limited
8.	Society for Socio-Economic Studies and Services (SSESS)
9.	Synovate India Private Limited
10.	The Energy and Resources Institute Southern Region Centre
11.	TNS India (Incorporating TNS Mode and NFO)
12.	University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad

There are only twelve agencies which satisfy the criteria of total score greater than or equal to 60 and at least one branch office.

Table: 4.6.6 List of agencies satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having score greater than or equal to $60\,$

S.NO.	Name of agency
1.	Academy of Management Studies
2.	Agricultural Finance Corporation Limited (NO TAN)
3.	CS Datamation Research Services Private Limited
4.	Development & Research Services Private Limited
5.	Gallup India Private Limited
6.	Genesis Fintec Limited

7.	JPS Associates Private Limited (JPS)
8.	National Council of Applied Economics Research
9.	Society for Socio-Economic Studies and Services (SSESS) (NO TAN)
10.	Synovate India Private Limited (No PAN & TAN)
11.	The Gandhigram Institute of Rural Health and Family Welfare Trust
12.	TNS India (Incorporating TNS Mode and NFO)
13.	University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad (Karnataka)

Table: 4.6.6 gives list of agencies satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having score greater than or equal to 60. It can be seen that there are thirteen agencies which satisfy this criteria.

Table: 4.6.7 List of agencies satisfying non-negotiable criteria, having at least one branch and over all scores greater than or equal to 60

S.NO.	Name of agency
1.	Academy of Management Studies
2.	Agricultural Finance Corporation Limited (NO TAN)
3.	CS Datamation Research Services Private Limited
4.	Development & Research Services Private Limited
5.	Gallup India Private Limited
6.	JPS Associates Private Limited (JPS)
7.	Society for Socio-Economic Studies and Services (SSESS) (NO TAN)
8.	Synovate India Private Limited (No PAN & TAN)
9.	TNS India (Incorporating TNS Mode and NFO)
10.	University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad (Karnataka)

The agencies satisfying non-negotiable criteria, having at least one branch and over all score greater than or equal to 60 are only ten as given in the table 4.6.7.

4.7 Detailed information on agencies classified as operating up to National level

In this section, the focus is on agencies classified as operating at the National level on the basis of projects undertaken in the past. Agencies classified as operating at the National level and satisfying some of the desirable criteria are discussed in the following paras:

Table: 4.7.1 List of agencies classified as operating up to national level on the basis of projects undertaken in the past, having over all score greater than or equal to 60 and satisfying non-negotiable criteria

S.NO.	Name of agency
1.	CS Datamation Research Services Private Limited, Delhi
2.	JPS Associates Private Limited (JPS), Delhi
3.	National Council of Applied Economics Research, Delhi
4.	Development & Research Services Private Limited, Delhi
5.	Agricultural Finance Corporation Limited, Delhi (NO TAN)
6.	Society for Socio-Economic Studies and Services (SSESS), Kolkata (NO TAN)
7.	Genesis Fintec Limited, Kolkata
8.	TNS India (Incorporating TNS Mode and NFO), Delhi
9.	Gallup India Private Limited, Delhi
10.	Academy of Management Studies, Lucknow

List of agencies classified as operating up to national level, having overall scores greater than or equal to 60 and satisfying non-negotiable criteria are provided in table 4.7.1. It can be seen that only ten agencies satisfy this criteria. As mentioned earlier, the agencies Agricultural Finance Corporation Limited and Society for Socio-Economic Studies and Services (SSESS) do not have TAN numbers. Therefore, these agencies do not strictly satisfy the non-negotiable criteria. However, these agencies have been included in the table because of high overall scores.

Table: 4.7.2 List of agencies classified as operating up to national level, having over all score greater than or equal to 60, satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having the capacity to undertake complete survey

S.NO.	Name of the agency
1.	CS Datamation Research Services Private Limited, Delhi
2.	JPS Associates Private Limited (JPS), Delhi
3.	National Council of Applied Economics Research, Delhi
4.	Development & Research Services Private Limited, Delhi
5.	Agricultural Finance Corporation Limited, Delhi (NO TAN)
6.	Society for Socio-Economic Studies and Services (SSESS), Kolkata (NO TAN)
7.	Genesis Fintec Limited, Kolkata
8.	TNS India (Incorporating TNS Mode and NFO), Delhi
9.	Gallup India Private Limited, Delhi
10.	Academy of Management Studies, Lucknow

It may be seen that only ten agencies satisfy this criteria. These ten agencies can be considered as agencies having potential to conduct complete surveys up to National level. The indicator wise and the total scores of these agencies are represented graphically in figure 1.

Histogram showing indicator wise and total scores of agencies having potential to conduct surveys up to national level

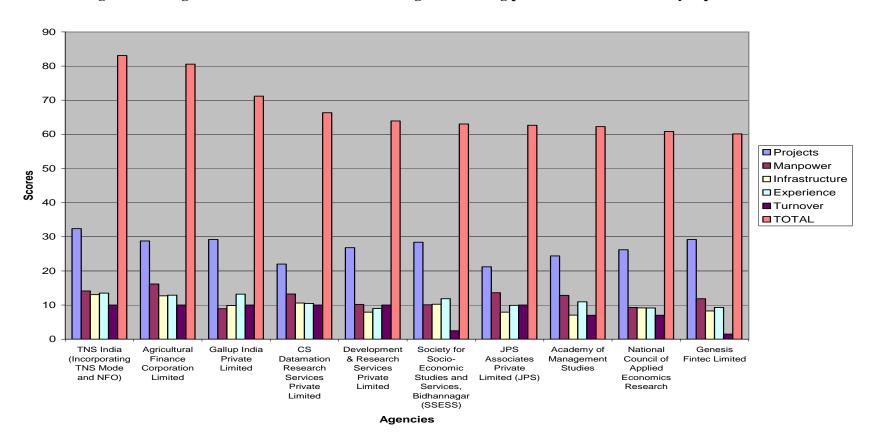


Figure 1

4.8 Detailed information on agencies classified as operating up to Regional level

In this section, the focus is on the agencies which have the capacity to undertake projects up to regional level.

Table: 4.8.1 List of agencies classified as operating up to regional level having over all score greater than or equal to 55, satisfying non-negotiable criteria

S. NO.	Name of agency	Score
1.	Indian Institute of Social Welfare and Business Management (IISWBM),	59.17
	Kolkata	
2.	Socio-Economic Research Centre, Delhi	58.90
3.	Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore	58.70
4.	JSS Consultants, Mysore	57.81
5.	Institute of Applied Statistics and Development Studies, Lucknow	57.60
6.	Centre for Operations Research & Training (CORT), Vadodara	57.50
7.	Samaj Vikas Development Support Organization, Hyderabad	57.21
8.	Kerala Statistical Institute, Kerala (No TAN)	55.32
9.	Zenith Resources (A division of Zenith Corporate Services Private	55.28
	Limited), Hyderabad (No PAN & TAN)	

It may be seen that there are nine agencies which satisfy this criteria. The agencies, Kerala Statistical Institute and Zenith Resources do not strictly satisfy the non-negotiable criteria yet these have been included on account of high scores.

Table: 4.8.2 List of agencies classified as operating up to regional level having over all score greater than or equal to 55, satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having capacity to undertake complete survey

S.NO.	Name of agency	Score
1.	Indian Institute of Social Welfare and Business Management (IISWBM),	59.17
	Kolkota	
2.	Socio-Economic Research Centre, Delhi	58.90
3.	Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore	58.70
4.	JSS Consultants, Mysore	57.81
5.	Institute of Applied Statistics and Development Studies, Lucknow	57.60
6.	Centre for Operations Research & Training (CORT), Vadodara	57.50
7.	Samaj Vikas Development Support Organization, Hyderabad	57.21
8.	Kerala Statistical Institute, Kerala (No TAN)	55.32
9.	Zenith Resources (A division of Zenith Corporate Services Private Limited),	55.28
	Hyderabad (No PAN & TAN)	

It can be seen that nine agencies satisfy this criteria. The agencies, Kerala Statistical Institute and Zenith Resources have been included in the table on account high scores but these agencies do not strictly satisfy the non-negotiable criteria because of non-availability of PAN/TAN numbers. These nine agencies can be considered as agencies having potential to conduct surveys up to Regional level. The indicator wise and the total scores of these agencies are represented graphically in figure 2.

Histogram showing indicator wise and total scores of agencies having potential to conduct surveys up to Regional level

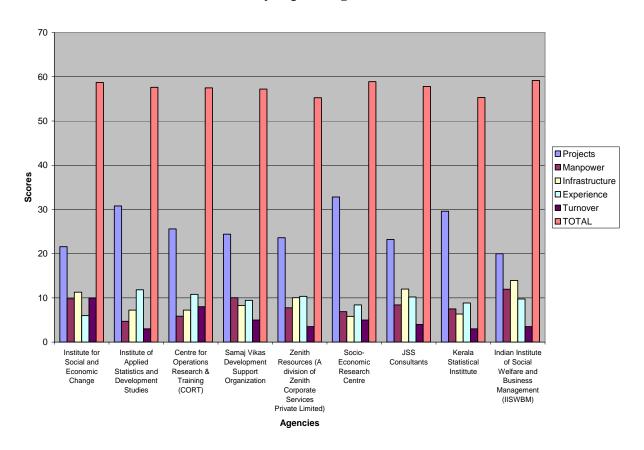


Figure 2

Table: 4.8.3 List of agencies classified as operating up to national level having over all score greater than 55 and less than 60, satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having capacity to undertake complete survey

S.NO.	Name of agency	Score
1.	International Management Institute, Delhi	55.24

There is only one agency which meets the criteria given above. Since this agency has score greater than 55 it can be included in the list of potential agencies operating up to regional level.

4.9 Detailed information on agencies classified as operating up to state level

In this section, the focus is on agencies which are classified as operating at state level.

Table: 4.9.1 List of agencies classified as operating up to state level having over all score greater than or equal to 50 and satisfying non-negotiable criteria

S.NO.	Name of agency	Score
1.	Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS), Hyderabad	59.20
2.	Center for Multi-Disciplinary Development Research (CMDR), Dharwad	58.89
3.	University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad	67.59

It may be seen that only three agencies satisfy this criteria.

Table: 4.9.2 List of agencies classified as operating up to state level having over all score greater than or equal to 50, satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having capacity to undertake complete survey

S.NO.	Name of agency	Score
1.	Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS), Hyderabad	59.20
2.	Center for Multi-Disciplinary Development Research (CMDR), Dharwad	58.89
3.	University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad (Karnataka)	67.59

Only above three agencies can be considered as agencies having potential to conduct surveys up to State level. The indicator wise score and the total scores of these agencies are represented graphically in figure 3.

Histogram showing indicator wise score and total scores of agencies having potential to conduct surveys up to State level

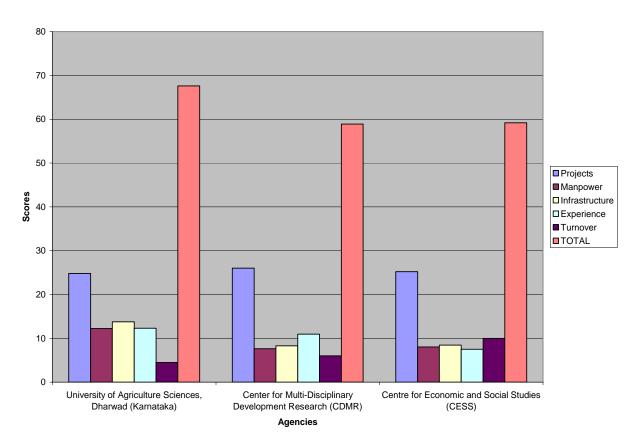


Figure 3

Table: 4.9.3 List of agencies classified as operating up to national level having over all score greater than 50 and less than 55, satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having capacity to undertake complete survey

S. NO.	Name of agency	Score
1.	Institute of Applied Manpower Research, Delhi	54.49
2.	Economic Perspectives Consulting Private Limited, Chennai	50.99
3.	North Eastern Industrial & Technical Consultancy Organization Limited (NEITCO), Guwahati	53.67
4.	Development Management Trust, Delhi	51.85

5.	Economic Information Technology, Kolkata	53.15
6.	Advantage India, Delhi	51.75

Since the eligibility score for the potential agencies operating at state level is 50, the agencies appearing in Table 4.9.3 can be included in the list of agencies having potential to carry out surveys up to state level. The total scores of these agencies are represented graphically in figure 4.

Histogram showing scores of agencies

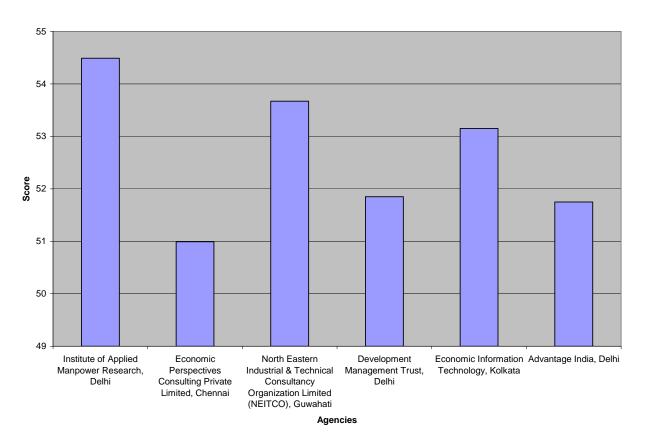


Figure 4

Table: 4.9.4 List of agencies classified as operating up to regional level having over all score greater than 50 and less than 55, satisfying non-negotiable criteria and having capacity to undertake complete survey

S.NO.	Name of agency	Score
1.	Indian Institute of Education, Pune	52.64

It may be seen that there is only one agency which satisfies this criteria. Since the eligibility score for the potential agencies operating up to state level is 50, the agency appearing in Table 4.9.4 can be considered as having potential to carry out surveys up to state level.

4.10 Research Institutions having proven survey capabilities:-

In addition to the above agencies, there are Government run research organizations in the country which also carry out surveys from time to time. These organizations do not carry out surveys for the purpose of generating estimates but generally conduct surveys for methodology development. The detailed study for assessing the survey capabilities of Government organizations has not been carried out as this study was to assess the survey capibilities of the private organizations. Also, the survey capabilities of such organizations are very well known. The survey capability of some of these research organizations could also be utilized. Accordingly, these organizations should also be allowed to compete with the private organizations, both technically as well as financially. A list of such research organizations having known survey capabilities is given in the table below:

S. No.	Name of the Research Organizations*
1	Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute, New Delhi
2	National Institute of Medical Research Statistics, New Delhi
3	International Institute for Population Sciences, Bombay
4	Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata

^{*} The details are given in the APPENDIX A

APPENDIX-A

DETAILED REPORT ON SURVEY CAPABILITY OF PRIVATE AGENCIES

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This Andhra Pradesh (A. P.) based agency was established as well as registered in the year 1980 with the Registrar of societies, A. P., Hyderabad. It has a website along with PAN and TAN. The agency uses probability sampling, wherever needed for selection of the sample. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). It has one statistician employed on a regular basis. Thus the agency meets all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Note: Figure in [] indicates level of operation where N stands for National Level, R for Regional Level, S for State Level, D for District Level, L for Local Leve and O for Others. N(R)/N(S)/R(S) stand for the agencies which have taken up the project up to National/Regional level but they have potential to operate up to regional/state level on the basis of scoring.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It operates in A. P. only. It specializes in Socio-Economic, Agriculture, Infrastructure, Industry, Financial and External sectors and Household surveys. The agency does not have any other branch. Total number of surveys carried out by the agency till date are 228 out of which 27 are ongoing projects. Many of the projects executed by the agency are internationally funded. It has 60 regular employees. There are five persons in the reserved panel, all are highly experienced and well qualified. Agency has its own accommodation of size 36112 square feet, which includes 60 rooms and 10 halls. Infrastructure of the agency is very impressive. It has competent faculty. The average turnover of the agency (based on last three years) on survey related activities is about Rs. 248.67 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. As per information provided, the agency has undertaken the following five projects.

- Mid-Term Appraisal of Andhra Pradesh District Poverty Initiatives Project (DPIP).
- Baseline Survey of Andhra Pradesh Rural Poverty Reduction Project (RPRP).
- The Young Lives Project (A continuous project till then 2015 on yearly budget approval).
- Sustainable Tribal Empowerment Project (STEP) Baseline Survey.
- Formalizing Irrigation Institutions A Study of Water User Associations in A. P.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Mid-Term Appraisal of Andhra Pradesh District Poverty Initiatives Project (DPIP)

The Mid term appraisal is an attempt to assess the impact of DPIP interventions on the different dimensions of poverty for the targeted communities. The project was financed by the World Bank (through SERP, the Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty). The duration of the project was 2.5 years (Jan'03 to June'05). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 1.376 crores. The survey work was carried out in three districts viz Adilabad, Anantpur and Srikakulam. The study focusses on the contribution of project activities in key areas, namely empowerment of women; improved performance of public institutions; coping with shocks and reducing exposure

to uninsured risk; better utilization and development of existing endowments and sustainable increase in the asset endowment of the poor. Both panel and cross-section surveys have been conducted, cross-section survey was carried out to estimate the impact while panel survey was carried out to assess the changes at household level. Review of literature related to the study has not been given in the report. The concepts and definitions used for the project are also not given in the report. Frame preparation exercise was carried out at the ultimate stage of sampling. Multi stage stratified sampling design was used in the survey. Eight independent schedules related to household, main village, habitation, SHGs, all SHGs, VOs and MSs were administered. Instruction Manual for each schedule was made in which general guidelines for the interview were also mentioned alongwith the post interview checks. But no efforts were made to tackle the problem of non- response. Data was collected by own as well as hired staff by the method of inquiry, physical observations and focus group discussions. Supervision of the fieldwork was also carried out with 4:1 field man/supervisor ratio. The t-test for testing the equality of means was carried out using SPSS software. The results of the survey are matching with the objectives. The tabulation of the results achieved was very impressive.

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This Andhra Pradesh based agency was established and registered in 1953 under the Registrar, Joint Stock Companies, (Public Society Registration Act 1350F with Registration number 5/1953). It has PAN and TAN. Agency has phone, E-mail and Fax. No regular statistician working with the agency. The agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency does not meet all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Industry, Trade, Service, Socio-Economic, Financial and External sectors; Enterpreneual and Household surveys. It operates at the state level but does not have any branch. The agency conducts complete survey. It has undertaken two Local/District, nine States and one National level surveys so far. It has two persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in own accommodation of size 3000 squarefeet having two rooms. The average annual turnover of the agency is Rs.10 lakhs.

The members of the Indian Institute of Economics are highly experienced and competent persons in their respective fields. Many a times these persons experiences are utilized for completing assigned studies. Thus in a way the Institute has very competent faculty.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following one project.

• Impact Assessment of Rural Development Programmes in Anantpur district of A. P.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Impact Assessment of Rural Development Programmes in Anantpur district of A. P.

This project was funded by Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India. It was of four months duration (Feb 2003 to Jun2003). It covered Madakasira, Kadiri, Singanamala, Tadipatu blocks of Anantpur district of A. P. The objectives of the survey were

- Assessment of overall impact of the poverty alleviation programmes and in particular their contribution to increase in production, generation of employment and improvement in living conditions of people below the poverty line.
- Examination of the durability and cost effectiveness of assets created under various schemes and their current status whether they have survived and are in current use.
- Estimation of number of people who have crossed the poverty line after availing assistance under various programmes.
- Examination of implementation process, in particular adherence to the guidelines given by Government of India.

Multistage stratified random sampling design was used for sample selection. Frame preparation exercise was carried out at the ultimate stage of sampling. Secondary data from Dept. of Panchayati Raj and Rural development state secretariat, Commissionerate of panchayati raj and Rural development, Commissionerate of women empowerment and self employment Dept. of health, A. P housing corporation on physical and financial performances of various schemes at the district and state level was collected for getting comparative picture. Data collection was carried out by own and hired staff by the method of physical inquiry. Training was imparted to field staff but instruction manual was not prepared. Tables, graphs, pie charts, maps are very well presented in the report. Data analysis restricted to computing percentages, tabulation of data,

making graphs and pie charts by using ready made software Excel (Ms Office). No other statistical analysis was carried out. No estimation procedure was developed therefore standard errors were not computed. No statistician was involved in the survey.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This AP based agency was established and registered in 1999 under the Registrar of Companies, Hyderabad. It has PAN and TAN. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (phone, e-mail and fax). There is no regular statistician working with the agency. It uses random sampling design for the sample selection. Thus the agency does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has a website. It specializes in Corporate sector, Enterpreneual and Household surveys. It operates at the National level and has one branch in Calcutta, West Bengal. It undertakes complete survey. Agency operates in hired accommodation of size 5130 square feet having eight rooms and good power backup facility for eight hours. It has two persons in the reserved panel. It has got good infrastructure. The average annual turnover of the agency is 5 crore 75 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Baseline survey on child labour in cotton seed farms in AP.
- Market potential study for establishing management in 245 towns in India.
- Feasibility study for setting up a management institute in Sri-Lanka.
- Feasibility study for setting up a management institute in Bangladesh.
- Potential of endoscope market in India.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Feasibility study for setting up a management institute in Sri-Lanka

This project was undertaken outside India. It was funded by ICFAI. It was of six month duration (April'04 to Sep '04). The total budget sanctioned for the project was Rs 2.88 lakhs. It covered three states in Sri Lanka. The objectives of the survey were

- To assess the market potential for establishing a management institute.
- Perception of students towards under graduates and Post-graduate management programmes.
- Faculty feedback on education market dynamics in the respective towns.
- Restricted perception towards management graduates.

In view of the nature of the study quota and purposive sampling was used for sample selection. Schedules were prepared and pre tested by the agency. Instruction manual was prepared for the field staff. The data was collected by both inquiry and observation method. Lykert's scale analysis was performed using ready made package. No estimation was carried out. Generally standard errors are not computed in any of the surveys conducted by the agency. Statistician was not involved in the survey.

4. Network of Voluntary Agencies for Rural Development (NOVARD) [S-12]

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Non-negotiable criteria:

The agency was established and registered in 1998 under societies registration act 1860 of A. P. It is non profitable organization. It has no PAN and TAN. No regular statistician is working with the agency. It has telephone and E-mail but connectivity through fax is missing. Agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus agency does not meet all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has no Website. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service Sector, Infrastructure and Socio- economic surveys. It operates in AP. The agency does not have a branch Office. The agency has completed five nationally funded projects during the past three years. It conducts complete survey including report writing. It has six regular employees. The agency is working in own accommodation of size 3500 square feet. It has 20 rooms and a good power backup facility. It has got good infrastructure. The average turnover on survey related activities of the agency is about 27.67 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Sustainable Banking with the poor: A critical study of SHG Bank Linkage Programme in Kurnool district of Andhra Pradesh.
- Impact Assessment of Integrated Child Development Programme.
- Study of Reproductive Child Health services.
- Impact Assessment of Natural Resources Conservation on Livelihoods.
- Biodiversity Conservation project.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Sustainable Banking with the poor "A critical study of SHG Bank Linkage Programme in Kurnool district of Andhra Pradesh"

This project falls under women empowerment programme of Andhra Pradesh Government. The activities of the project are implemented through Self Help Groups (SHGs). The study attempts to assess the impact of microfinance channelised through SHG bank linkage /programme implemented by regional banks from 1993 in Kurnool district of Andhra Pradesh. This project was funded by the National Council of NGO Networks at a total cost of Rs.8.00 lakhs. The duration of the project was one year (1-4-2002 to31-3-2003). The survey work of the project was carried out in Kurnool district of Andhra Pradesh. The objectives of the project were

- To study the structure, conduct and performance of S. H. Gs promoted under the programme
- To quantify the changes in savings and borrowings pattern among group members due to the programme.
- To research the scope of interventions for empowerment of women and sustainable development
- To find out the scope of marketing meditation by SHG s- federation -microfinance institution.

It appears to be a routine type of survey. The questionnaires for data collection were prepared. Proper training was imparted to the staff. The sampling design adopted in the survey was stratified multistage random sampling. The sample was selected keeping in view geographical area, age of SHG, social and economic position of SHGs. Frame was already available. Data collection work was carried out by own staff by inquiry. Supervision of the field work was also carried out with field man /supervision ratio as 4:1. The Data was processed through computer using standard software packages. Tables and Charts have been well presented in the report. Although some analysis has been carried out with SPSS but it is restricted to calculating averages and percentages and developing some indexes. No other statistical analysis was carried out and standard errors not worked out. In the absence of standard error it is not possible to comment on the adequacy of sample size used in the study. No statistician was involved in the survey. The report does not provide clear estimation procedure but procedure for estimating indices has been given. The results of the survey are matching with the objectives. Impact has not been statistically defined nor has it been tested for significance. Trends have been analyzed. Recommendations have been well drafted. But recommendations for conduct of future survey of similar types are missing. There is no chapter on concepts and definitions used in the survey. It is not clear from the report if indicators used are standard ones.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has a website. It specializes in Agriculture, Service-sector, Socio-economic, Corporate and Infrastructure sector, Enterpreneual as well as Household surveys. It operates at Regional level and has four branches spread all over India. Some of the projects executed by the agency are internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has a very good strength of employees comprising both own (26) and hired (58) staff. Besides statisticians agency reports economists and IT specialists. There are two persons in the reserved panel, all are highly experienced and experts in their field of specialization. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 2000 square feet. There are 21 rooms with power backup

facility. It has got good infrastructure. The average turnover of the agency on survey related activities is about 25 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following four projects.

- Economic development of Costal Andhra Pradesh vis a vis Vulnerability.
- Socio-economic Data in select Mandals of East Godavari Districts of Andhra Pradesh.
- Monitoring of TSC/Swajaldhara.
- DLM of Rural Development Programmes in Karnataka.

Comments on the best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: DLM of Rural Development Programmes in Karnataka

It is Implementation, Assessment and Evaluation study in terms of the following programmmes (i) Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) (ii) Swaranajanthi Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) (iii) Indra Awaas Yojana (IAY) (iv) Accelerated Rural water Supply Programme (ARWSP) (v) Swajaldhara. The primary objective of the study was to assess the condition of Gram Panchayats and villages in terms of Housing, Agriculture, Drinking water, Roads, Schools, Shops and other general conditions of the villages. The survey work was carried out in the Kolar, Uttar Kannada and Raichur districts of Karnataka State. The major programmes implemented in the selected areas were (i) Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) (ii) Swaranajanthi Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) (iii) Indra Awaas yojana (IAY). The duration of the programmes was financial year 2004-2005. Verification of the implementation of the programmes was done in Oct.-Dec.2005. The Approved guidelines for selection of beneficiaries were followed at all levels (But no guidelines/Selection procedure given in the report). The questionnaires were prepared, tested and proper training was imparted to the staff, but no instruction manual has been provided by the agency. The data was collected by the own staff by the inquiry method. The sampling plan and selection procedure is not given. Only frequency, cross-tabulation summation type of analysis was done by using MS Excel. The report was prepared in MS Word. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 6:1 field man / supervisor ratio. The results are supported by tables, charts and graphs etc. No statistician was involved in this survey. The report is lacking

in clear cut estimation and selection procedure. It is thus no surprise that it does not report any standard errors. The results of the survey are matching with the objectives. There is no separate chapter on concepts and definitions but the indicators are well defined.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This Andhra Pradesh based agency was established and registered in 2001 under the "Office of Registrar of Societies, Hyderabad". It has PAN and TAN. It has a regular statistician. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). Agency is using a probability sampling design for selection of sample. Thus agency meets all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has a website. It specializes in Socio-economic, Agriculture, Infrastructure, Enterpreneual and Household surveys. It has capacity to operate in southern states and has one branch Office. It has undertaken eight Local / District and four State level surveys till date. It has 35 regular employees. It has two persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in own accommodation of size 450 square meters having four rooms. It has got good infrastructure. The average annual turnover of the agency is Rs. 94.33 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

• Independent monitoring and Evaluation of project Affected Persons Rehabilitation programme in Srisailam Right branch canal (Extension phase).

- Sect oral and Environmental Analysis and social and environmental Management framework-Karnataka Municipal Reforms Project (KMRP).
- Resettlement Action plans for Hubli- Dharwad and Gulbarg-Karnataka urban water supply and sanitation sector Improvements programme.
- Opinion research and communication strategy Design-Pilot project to support urban water sector reform in Karnataka.
- Technical studies-Socio economic household survey, Land assessment and community consultations in lake surroundings Green Hydrabad Environment Programme (GHEP).

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Independent monitoring and evaluation of project affected Persons rehabilitation programme in Srisailam right branch canal (Extension phase)

(Based on the informations were given in the main questionnaire. Project report is not submitted by the agency)

This survey was funded by "Govt. of A. P. with World Bank assistance". The sanctioned budget for this project was Rs 10, 40,000. It was of seven months duration. It was a District level project.

The objectives of the survey were

- Baseline surveys, Data collection, Identification of indicators
- Sample selection, monitoring surveys
- Qualitative and quantitative analysis of data
- Documentation success stories and lesson learnt and recommendation for the next phase

Random sampling design was adopted for data collection. Sampling frame was already available for sample selection. Schedules were properly prepared and tested. Instruction manual was not prepared. Training was imparted to the field staff. Data collection was done by own staff by inquiry and physical observation. Supervision of the fieldwork was carried out by fieldsmen supervisor ratio 4:1. Data analysis was carried out through computer using SPSS software.

Standard errors were computed. One statistician was also involved in the survey. Project report was not submitted by the agency.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Service-sector and Household survey. It operates at the District level. It does not have any branch. It has undertaken data collection work in respect of four district level studies till date. The agency has three regular employees. It has two persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in own accommodation of size 100 square meter having three rooms but there is no power backup facility. It has one computer only. The average annual turnover of the agency on survey related activities is 0.23 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following one project.

• Participatory Poverty Assessment

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Participatory Poverty Assessment

This local level project was funded by "Dalal Mett Macdonald, Secunderabad". It was of 10 months duration. The sanctioned budget for this project was Rs 80,000. It covered Tenali town of Guntur district. The main objectives of the survey were

- To assess the families below the poverty line as per SJSRY guidelines.
- To provide base in amenities under Andhra Pradesh Urban Services for the Poor (APUSP)

The agency does only data collection work. Sampling frame for the entire population of BPL families was prepared for this survey. Proper sampling design was not used for data collection. Auxiliary information was not used. Instruction manual was prepared for field staff. Training was imparted to the field staff. Supervision of the fieldwork was carried out by 1:2 supervisor /fieldsman ratio.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has a website. It specializes in Agriculture, Infrastructure, Socio-economic sector, Enterpreneual and Household surveys. It operates at the regional level. It does not have any branch. Agency conducts complete survey including report preparation. It has undertaken seven, five and nine Local/District, State and National level surveys respectively till date. It has 24 regular employees. Agency operates in owned accommodation of 2200 square meters having five rooms and power backup facility of DG power. It has 12 persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of the agency is Rs 55.12 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Preparation of detailed project report on rural electrification.
- Field-level Biomass Assessment study in Pune and Raigarh districts of Maharashtra.
- Field level Biomass Assess study in 20 districts of Madhya Pradesh.
- Study on human resource needs of wind power sector in India.
- Feasibility study of combined heat and power project at Tirpur, Tamil Nadu, India.

Comments on one best project report: No report submitted.

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This Assam based agency was established in April 1994 and registered in March 1993, with the "Registrar of Societies, Assam". This is a Government organization and does not have PAN but it has TAN. There is no statistician on regular basis working with the agency. The Agency has got connectivity by all three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). Agency is using appropriate sampling method and follows sound survey methodology. Thus it does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency specializes in Industry, Trade, Service sector, Infrastructure, Socio-economic and Enterpreneual surveys. The agency operates at National level. It has two branches (one in Dehradun, Uttranchal and other in Dimapur, Nagaland). The agency has carried out a total of 30 surveys till date. Total manpower engaged with the agency is 6 regular and 17 contractual employees. The agency is working in own accommodation of size 12000 square meters having

38 rooms and power backup facility. It has good infrastructure. There are two persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of the agency is 151 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Study on the Status of Small Scale Industries in northeastern states of India.
- Evaluation of STEP project for handloom weavers of Assam.
- Action plan for Agriculture development of Nalbari and Barpeta District of Assam.
- District potential survey for RNFS activities in sivasagar district of Assam.
- A study on Etrepreneurship developments efforts and training assessment for Entrepreneurial growth in north east.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Study on the Status of Small Scale Industries in northeastern states of India (Project Report is given in C. D)

This project was funded by "Ministry of Small Scale Industries, Govt. of India". The sanctioned budget for this project was eight lakhs. It was of six months duration. It covered eight northeastern states of India. The main **objectives** of the survey were

- Analyze the status of SSI growth and identify the factors impeding and factors promoting the growth of SSI.
- Analyze the trend of SSI growth and find out the causes of any particular trend noticed.
- To understand the role played by the support organization for SSI in the region.
- Identification of specific policy and programme intervention that is required to accelerate the SSI development.

Stratified two stage sampling design was used for the purpose of data collection. Sampling frame was prepared at ultimate stage of sampling. Auxiliary information was used in planning and analysis. Schedules were prepared and tested properly. Instruction manual was prepared and training was also imparted to the field staff. Data collection was done by own and hired staff in the ratio 7:3. Data was collected by physical observation. Non response problem was tackled at

the time of planning of survey. Supervision of the fieldwork was also carried out. Methodology and sampling plan used for sample selection is very well presented in the report. Data analysis was carried out using specially developed software. Standard errors were not computed. Report format was prepared by computer. No statistician was involved in the survey.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service sector, Infrastructure, Socio-Economic sectors. It has undertaken 51 state level and 20 National level surveys till date. The agency has two branches. The agency has 62 regular and 45 contractual employees. It has 22 persons in the reserved panel. It is working in a hired accommodation of size 1212 square meters having six rooms and a power backup facility. The average annual turnover on survey related activities is Rs. 27 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Evaluation Studies of NSFDC Scheme (2004-2005) in Tripura and Assam.
- Action Plan for development after opening up of Moreh-Imphal and Zorkhatwar-Aizawal via Lunglai Highways.
- Preliminary study for the development of Tourist circuits and obtaining clearance of hotel properties in Assam and Arrunachal Pradesh.
- Technology Status Study on Aromatic and Medicinal Plant Species in State of Sikkim.
- Agri export zone for organic passion fruits and large cardamom in Nagaland.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Preliminary study for development of Tourist circuits and obtaining clearance of Hotel properties in Assam and Arunachal Pradesh.

This national level survey was financed by Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services Ltd. (Il and FS); New Delhi. It was of one month duration (July 2005 to Aug 2005). The total budget sanctioned for this project was Rs. 1, 05,000.

The main objectives of the survey were

- To identify the gaps in essential infrastructure facilities that play obstacles to the best possible exploitation of the potential of identify Tourist circuits.
- Development of tourist circuits in Assam and Arunachal Pradesh developing Hotel properties.

In view of the nature of the study purposive sampling was used for data collection. Data collection work was done by own and hired staff both in the ratio 7:3 by the method of inquiry and observation. Only verbal instructions were given to the field staff for data collection. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 1:3 supervisor/field man ratios. The report contains separate chapter for conclusions. Report is lacking in statistical contents. Pictures are very well presented in the Report. No statistician was involved in the survey. Analysis of data was carried out manually. Standard errors were not computed.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service sector, Infrastructure, Socio-economic, Corporate, Enterpreneual and Household surveys. It operates in Assam and North-eastern states. It does not have any branch. The agency specializes in strategy planning and policy formulation. It conducts complete survey include report writing. It has undertaken 15 local / district, 20 state and 5 National level surveys till date. The agency has 12 regular employees. It is having own accommodation of size 320 square meters having eight rooms and a power back up facility of 16KW generator set. There are six persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of the agency is 3.33 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following four projects.

- 20 years Perspective Plan in Meghalaya
- 20 years Perspective Plan in Manipur
- i. Integrated Development of Tourist Circuit
 - ii. Integrated Development of Rural Tourism
 - iii. Integrated Development of Tourist Destination
- An Investment Study for Market Terminals and Apna-Mandi for Agri-Horiculture Produces in the state of Manipur
- Pre-Investment Feasibility Study on Industries Based on Ancillaries and Services of Large /
 Medium Industries of the Region

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Pre-Investment Feasibility Study on Industries Based on Ancillaries and Services of Large / Medium Industries of the Region

This project was funded by North Eastern Development Finance Corporation, (NEDFI), and Guwahati, Assam. It was of one year duration. It covered North Eastern states such as Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura. The total budget sanctioned for the project was Rs 9.0 lakh.

The objectives of the project were

- To asses the overall scope and viability of setting up industries based on ancillary and support services to large and medium industries and public utility organizations.
- To provide basic information to prospective entrepreneurs, investors, financial institutions, government agencies etc. regarding business opportunities to setup ancillary and support units in the region.

Purposive sampling was used for sample selection. Training was imparted to the field staff. Data collection was carried out by own and hired staff by the method of inquiry. Supervision of the field work is carried out with a 1:3 supervisor / field man ratio. Data analysis restricted to

working out percentages at one or two places only. Maps, tables reflecting the economic situations prevailing in North-Eastern states are very well shown in the report. No other statistical analysis has been done in the report as the statistician was not involved in the project. Suggestions and recommendations for policy adjustment are given in the report. Impact on the environment assessment and sociological assessments along with the conclusions are very well reported. There is a separate chapter on the abbreviations used in the report. Review of literature was carried out. Concepts and definitions were not given. The report appears to be satisfactory.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This Bihar based agency was established and registerted in 1958 by legislative act. It does not have PAN and TAN. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). Regular statistician is working with the agency. Agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency does not fulfill non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Ethnographic, Policy, Evaluation and Empirical studies. The agency conducts complete survey includes report writing. It operates at State level and does not have any branch. It has very competent faculty and very good infrastructure. The average annual turnover of the agency is 1.50 crore.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following one project.

• Production and marketing of vegetables in Bihar Evaluation of SRC Calcutta

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Production and marketing of vegetables in Bihar

The objectives of the survey were

- To estimate the proportion of important vegetables and analyze the characteristics features of market relations in terms of behavior of market surplus.
- To study and work out the cost of cultivation and production of vegetables on commercial scale.
- To examine the characteristics of trade relations by identification of the buyers of the market surplus and the purchase mechanism operated by them.
- To examine the performance of prevalent marketing institutions viz. public institutions, cooperative organization and private trade and to identify the possible source of imperfections emanating from structural characteristic of marketing system in the vegetable market.
- To examine the market cost, margins and price spreads of vegetables and to identify different factors responsible for high marketing costs and margins

In this survey three stage stratified random sampling design was used for data collection. At the first stage one block having the maximum proportion of vegetable areas in each district was selected. At the second stage 5% of total cultivating households were selected for the purpose of sampling of cultivating households. At the final stage 5% of total cultivating households were selected randomly for collecting necessary information regarding vegetable production and marketing. Sampling frame was prepared at the ultimate stage of sampling. Schedules were properly prepared and tested. Instruction manual was prepared and training was also imparted to the field staff. Tables are well presented in the report. Both primary and secondary data are used to examine production and marketing system of vegetables in Bihar. Review of literature was also done. Report is very well drafted.

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This Patna based agency was established in 10-07-96 and registered in 28.05.98 under the "Indian Trusts Act, 1861". The agency does not have PAN but it has TAN. The agency does not have regular statistician. The agency has not handled any survey project so far. It has connectivity by all the three ways i. e. telephone, email and fax. Thus the agency does not cover all the four nonnegotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency has its own website. The agency claims that it specializes in Trade, Service sector, Infrastructure, Socio-economic, Financial and External sector, and Enterpreneual surveys. It claims that it has the capacity to undertake surveys at State level. It does not have any branch Office. The agency has 30 regular employees. It is having hired accommodation (9000 square feet). The agency has no reserved panel of personals. The average turnover of the agency is 23 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has not submitted any project.

Comments on one best project report:

The infrastructure of the agency is impressive. In the absence of the project report it is not possible to assess the survey capability of the agency.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This Patna based Agency was established in Feb., 1983 and registered in 1983 under the "Inspector General of registration (Societies Registration Government) of Bihar)". It does not have PAN and TAN. No Statisticians are engaged by the agency. The agency uses an appropriate sampling method and follows sound survey methodology. Agency has connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). Thus it does not cover all the 4-non negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Socio-economic and Household surveys. It operates at State level. It does not have any other branch Office. The agency has undertaken 4 District level, 14 State level and 14 National level survey till date. It has only two regular employees. Agency is working in its own accommodation of size 50 square meters having three rooms. There are seven persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turn over of the agency is Rs. 3 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following four projects.

• Integrated Cooperative Development project for Bhojpur (Bihar) District.

- Integrated Cooperative Development Project for SIWAN (Bihar)
- Development Interventions in Bihar and Preparation of Model Development Plan for villages.
- Impact of National Population policy in North Eastern Districts of Bihar

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Development Interventions in Bihar and Preparation of Model Development Plan for villages.

This state level survey was funded by Planning Commission Government of India. The budget sanctioned for this Project was Rs two lakhs. The project was of six months duration. It was a state level project covering the villages of Bihar.

The main objectives of survey were

- To develop a strategy which may lead to evolution of systems for productive exploitation of available rural resources
- To suggest complementary steps to enhance the effective implementation of public investment
- To evolve strategies for enhancing peoples participation in development activities from formulation of schemes to their execution stage.

Simple random sampling design was used for sample selection. Schedules were properly prepared and tested. Training was imparted to the field staff. No instruction manual provided to field staff. Data collection was done by own staff by the method of inquiry. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 1:3 supervision/field man ratio. The data was analyzed manually. The tables are very well shown in the report. No other statistical analysis was done by agency in this survey. Review of literature was carried out. There is no chapter on concepts and definitions. There is a separate chapter for conclusions. Standard errors were not computed. No statistician was involved in the survey. The project report appears to be satisfactory.

15. Mathura Krishna Foundation for Economic and Social Opportunity and Human Resource Development [N-32]

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Service Sector, Infrastructure, Socio Economic and Household Surveys. It does not have any branch Office. It has three regular employees. Agency is working in a hired accommodation of size 22.5 square m. having two rooms and power backup facility. There are two persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of agency on survey related activities is 8.32 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But it has submitted only following one project.

• Socio-economic conditions of Adolescent Girls- A case study of Backward Districts of Poverty Dominated States

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Socio–economic conditions of Adolescent Girls- A case study of Backward Districts of Poverty Dominated States

This survey was funded by the Planning Commission, Government of India, New Delhi. The sanctioned budget for this project was 8.32 lakhs. The project was of 15 months duration. It was a National level project covering 12 states. The objectives of the survey were

- To provide some pointers to possible interventions and programming activities for the development of status of adolescent girls.
- The study was about the behavior of parent / guardian and society towards the girls extensively.
- To make the study of Govt. policies and programme with regard to adolescent girls.
- To compute a brief study of NGO's activities and programmes on adolescents in general and adolescent girls in particular.

A multistage random sampling design was used for sample selection in this survey. One district from each zone was selected randomly. From each selected district only one block was selected and from each block village panchayats were selected for data collection. Review of literature was made. Concepts and definitions are well presented in the report. Sampling frame was not prepared. Auxiliary information was used at the time of planning of survey. Schedules were properly prepared and tested. Instruction manual was prepared and training was also imparted to the field staff. Data collection was done by hired staff. Supervision of field work was carried out by field man / supervisor ratio 3:1. Standard errors were also computed. No statistician was involved in the survey.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

The agency was established in 1990 and registered in December 1993 with Delhi Government, thus having an experience of 15 years. The agency has PAN and TAN. The agency has connectivity by all the three ways i. e. telephone, e-mail and fax. There is no statistician employed on regular basis. Agency uses random sampling. Thus the agency does not meet all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It does not have its own website. It specializes in Agriculture sector. It operates at the State level and has three branches. The agency conducts complete surveys including report writing etc. The agency has completed 17 projects till date of which 10 were Local/District level, six of State level and one of National level. It has good strength of regular employees. It has six persons in the reserved panel. It is working in owned accommodation of size 2050 square meters with 21 rooms with three phase power connection. Average annual turn over of the agency on survey activities was Rs.10 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Strengthening of Agricultural Extension through Voluntary Organization.
- Impact evaluation study of Command Area Development project Upper Ganga Canal, U. P.
- Watershed Development Fund (WDF) in Behrainch/ Balrampur district of Uttar Pradesh.
- Soya bean Production Programme, farmers training on TBOs, Farm implement, seedling and plantation of neem.
- A study on mobilizing and participation of the Farmer Community in crop diversification.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Command area Development project Upper Ganga Canal, U. P.

This study was carried out in seven districts of Uttar Pradesh. It was funded by Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India, New Delhi. The sanctioned budget was Rs. 22 lakhs. The duration of the project was one year. The study focused on evaluation of Command Area Development Programme (CADP). In that context, performance of the irrigation project, biophysical characteristics of the command area and the broad frame work of the CAD project were required to be understood since they acted as externalities to the functioning of the outlet reaches where the CADP activities were targeted.

The evaluation study was carried out by way of (i) macro level appraisal of the externally acting aspects of the irrigation project, the command area and the CAD Project, and (ii) micro level investigation in selected outlet commands with respect to the implementation of the CADP activities and the extent of their impact on various aspects like agricultural resources base, irrigated agricultural performance as well as on agro-economic, socio-economic and environmental conditions.

Review of literature was carried out. Concepts and definitions are clearly presented in the report. Proper sampling design was not adopted for data collection. Auxiliary information was used at the planning stage. Schedules for data collection were prepared but not pre-tested. Instruction manual for filling up the schedules was not prepared. Training was imparted to the field staff.

The ratio of own and hired staff for data collection was 1:1. Simple analysis of the data has been performed by using various standard softwares. Simple averages and the percentages have been given in the report. The results are not statistically interpreted. Standard errors were not computed. No statistician was involved in the survey.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

The agency was established and registered in 1999. The agency is having both PAN and TAN. It has a regular statistician. The agency uses random sampling design. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (i. e. telephone, e-mail and fax). Thus it is covering all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Socio-economic, Infrastructure, Agriculture, Corporate sector; Service sector and Household surveys. It operates at the National level and has 12 branches in India. Projects undertaken by the agency during the last three years are funded by National and International agencies. The spread of the agency is quite impressive. It conducts complete surveys including report writing. The agency is having 10 computers and one laptop. Total number of surveys carried out by the agency till date are 62 out of which 36 projects were conducted at District level, 18 projects were conducted at State level and eight projects were conducted at National level. It has 58, regular and 59 contractual employees. There are four persons in the reserved panel. The agency is working in hired accommodation with covered area

166. 67 square meters. There are four rooms with power back up facility i.e. generator. It has its own data entry set up. Average turn over on survey activities is Rs. 19.62 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Amethi towards health for all-A social marketing approach to primary healthcare for Rajiv Gandhi Foundation.
- Health for all Bhatti Mines.
- Total Sanitation Campaign.
- Resettlement and Rehabilitation project for providing support to implementation of resettlement action plan for Samakhiyali-Radhanpur section of NH15 and Radhanpur Deesa section of NH14. (On going).
- Impact assessment study of all the programmes of Ministry of Rural Development in North 24 Pargana and Hooghly districts of West Bengal.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Health for all Bhatti Mines

The project was of two years duration (August 2002 to August 2004). It was funded by British High Commission. The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 16.601 lakhs. To assess the awareness level of the target audience, a base line survey was conducted taking samples from the three slum clusters i. e. Sanjay colony, Indira Nagar and Balbir Nagar colony of Bhatti mines. A total of 200 families were visited and interviewed. It was observed that most of the families failed to maintain basic hygiene conditions in and around their houses. Activities undertaken in four quarters were wall writing, design and use of posters/booklet printing, folk shows, film shows, magic shows, quiz competition/slogan competition/drawing competition, awareness building on sanitation, income generation activities, community organization, health camps, training of youth on folk shows, healthy baby show, non-formal education and networking and linkages with institutionalized support. Evaluation was carried out to assess the overall impact of the project on the target community. Following were the major objectives.

- To assess the increased awareness level in various aspects of primary health care
- To assess the Improvement in the service delivery system like institutional deliveries and under supervision of trained dais
- To assess the immunization level in children and expecting mothers.
- To assess the acceptability of the family planning methods among the community.
- To assess the effectiveness of the project implementation on IMR, MMR and Issues pertaining to safe motherhood.

The data was collected from both primary and secondary sources. Primary data was collected through structured questionnaire from a representative sample from the area. For qualitative data, case study, focused group discussions and interviews were conducted and recorded. The entire project was evaluated in two stages. In the first stage evaluation concentrated on the general health indicators which were achieved through various shows such as folk shows, magic shows, audio visual etc. At the second stage focus was on the assessment of attitude and behavioral changes among the target population which was carried out with the help of questionnaires provided by the implementing agency. Random samples were taken for evaluation. The sample size taken for the evaluation was 116 families for Sanjay Colony, 50 for Indra Colony and 69 for Balbir Nagar. Schedules and instruction manual were prepared but not attached with the report. Data collection was carried out by own and hired staff in the ratio 3:2. Supervision of the field work carried out but fieldsman and supervision ratio is not given. The analysis of data was carried out through computer using SPSS. Only the percentages and averages have been calculated. Photo documentation is well presented in the report. Standard errors were not worked out. No statistician was involved. Technically, the report is well written as per the requirement.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

The agency is Delhi based. It was established and registered in the year 1968. It has PAN but no TAN. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways, namely telephone, fax and e-mail. It has 10 regular statisticians. Multistage random sampling has been used by the agency. Thus the agency does not cover all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has website. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Infrastructure, Socio-economic and Corporate sector surveys. It operates at National level and has 13 branches spread all over India. Some of the projects executed by the agency are internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has a very good strength of employees both regular and contractual. It has good number of statistician, economists and I T specialists. The agency has good number of persons in reserved panel. The agency is working in owned accommodation of size 2540 square meters. There are 110 rooms with very good power back up facility. It has 130 computers. The average turnover of the agency is about Rs. 945 lakhs (appox). The agency has an impressive infrastructure.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS)-Concurrent field investigations and supervision of crop cutting experiments in 5 states inKharif 2003 season.
- Customers satisfaction survey in 40 Airport of India,
- Impact evaluation study of Command Area Development project IGNP stage -1, Rajasthan,
- Lead M and E Agency for assisted Rural Women Employment Project.
- Impact monitoring and evaluation of Orissa water resources consolidated project.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Lead M and E agency for assisted rural women Empowerment (Swa - Shakti) Project

This project was funded by World Bank and IFAD jointly at a total cost of Rs. 2.95 crores. The project was of 6 years and 3 months duration (1999-2005). The survey work was carried out in 9 states viz: Bihar, Chhattisgarh Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal. The overall objectives of the project were to bring about socioeconomic advancement among rural poor women i. e. to strengthen process that promote economic development of women and create an environment for social change. The questionnaire were prepared by the agency and tested in the field. Proper training was imparted to the staff and instruction manual was prepared by the agency. The sampling design used in the study was multistage random sampling. Sampling frame was prepared. The data collection work was carried out by own and hired staff both. Supervision of the field work was also carried out with 6:1 fieldsman / supervision ratio. The data processing was done through computer. Software was developed for data entry and tabulation. But only averages and percentages have been worked out. Standard errors have not been worked out. Tables, charts and graphs are well presented in the report. The agency has good survey capability.

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This Delhi based agency was established as well as registered in the year 1998 under Registrar of companies, NCT of Delhi and Haryana. It has its own website, PAN and TAN. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways, namely, telephone, fax and email. No statistician on regular basis is engaged with the agency. Agency uses probability sampling mechanism for the selection of sample. Thus agency does not meet all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It operates at National level and specializes in Service, Infrastructure and Socio-economic sectors and Enterpreneual and Household surveys. It has one branch Office located in Chennai. Total number of surveys carried out by the agency till date are 49. The Office of the agency is located in own accommodation of size 60 square meter. It has 5 regular employees and 11 contractual employees. It has four persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of the agency is 18 lakhs (approximately).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Study on Rural Postal System's functioning including Panchayat Sanchar Seva Yojna.
- Survey at CNG filling station Delhi

- Customer Statistician index of IOCL.
- Evaluation of Post Literacy Programme in Barmer district of Rajasthan.
- Institutional Training Programme Survey

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Study of Rural Postal System's functioning including Panchayat Sanchar Seva Yojna

This project was funded by Planning Commission Government of India. The main objective was to assess the feasibility of "Present schemes of providing postal services to rural areas" and to examine the working of "Panchayat Sanchar Seva Yojna". The survey was taken up with the following objectives

- Evaluation of the present postal set up.
- Analysis of service provided by EDBOs, DSOs and PSSKs at present.
- Perception of beneficiaries on the service requirements and service availability in the scheme.
- Suggestion for improvement and search for better alternatives.

The study was carried out in six States viz. Bihar, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Orissa, Punjab and Rajasthan. The project was of one year duration (Aug.'02 to Jul.'03). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 5.63 Lakhs. A total of 346 Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices (EDBOs), 45 Departmental Sub Post Offices (DSOs) and 67 Panchayat Sanchar Seva Kendras (PSSKs) were surveyed. The sampling procedure used was both random and purposive as attempt was made to cover at least one EDBOs performing well and one EDBO performing poorly, in each district. The rest were selected randomly. The same was applicable to PSSKs and DSOs. It seems to be a routine kind of survey. Six sets/questionnaires of research instruments were developed after detailed consultations with Senior Officers of the Planning Commission and Department of Posts. Each questionnaire was addressed to a different set of stake holders viz. beneficiaries of PSSK /EDBO scheme, Panchayat authorities, Panchayat Sanchar Sevak, Sub Post Officer/EDBOs, Supervisory staff / mail overseers / IPOs /ASPs and Senior Officers.

General instructions for interviewers were also issued. Data collection was carried out by hired staff. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 4:1 fieldsman /supervisor ratio. In several cases data provided was cross checked with the available records. Operational analysis of the scheme and its correlation with the Universal Service obligations of the Govt. of India, so as to assess the relevance of the scheme was done but no software was used for data analysis. The report doesn't provide any data tables. Standard errors not reported. The objectives of the study were not statistically formulated. Testing of hypothesis was also not done. The report appears to be routine type.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It operates at National level and specializes in Industry, Socio-economic, Agriculture, Infrastructure and Service sectors and in Enterpreneual and Household surveys. It does not have any branch. Total numbers of studies completed by the agency till date are above 500. It has 13 regular employees. The agency has 10 highly qualified and experienced persons in the reserved panel. It has its own accommodation of size 1200 square feet. The average annual turnover of the agency is 21 lakhs (approximately).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Technology status on Isabgol based industry.
- Impact of tourism on socio-economic development in Rajasthan and Kerala.

- Market Study Methylene chloride, chloroform.
- Techno-commercial feasibility report on activated carbon from bamboo.
- Risk assessment in oil refineries and petroleum complexes.

The agency has provided limiting information on projects undertaken by the agency. No project report has been submitted.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Impact of tourism on Socio-Economic development in Rajasthan and Kerala

This project was financed by Ministry of Tourism and Culture. The budget sanctioned for the study was Rs. 12.20 lakhs. It was of nine month duration. The survey work was carried out in Rajasthan and Kerala. The primary objective of the study was to assess the impact of tourism with special focus on the following aspects:

- Employment generation.
- Income generation
- Impact on standard of living.
- Integration of backward and lower strata of society into the mainstream of society.
- Impact of abolition of child labour.
- Education of children particularly girls.
- Impact on regeneration of folk arts and handicrafts.
- Use of local produce.
- Conservation of monuments.
- Negative impact of tourism on monuments and their carrying capacity
- Impact on development of infrastructure.

The analysis was based on primary survey of artisans in 16 different locations in Kerala as well as in Rajasthan. A sample of 600 artisans in the state producing various items was covered in the primary survey. The sample was selected from list of hotels, artisans and the folk artistes, tours

and travels agencies, hotels and cities. For the selection of sample of general public the total number of household and their location in the selected sites were initially identified, the required number was randomly selected through systematic sampling. The questionnaire was designed to capture the linkage of the artisans life to tourism industry both qualitatively and quantitatively. Supervision was also carried out with 4:1 field man /supervisor ratio. Data was collected by own staff. Instruction manual was prepared for the field staff. To comprehend the impact of tourism, time series and cross-sectional analysis has been carried out on the relevant socio-economic variables using excel. Graphs, tables and charts are well presented in the report but it does not report any standard errors.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This Delhi based agency was established and registered in 2000 under the NCT Delhi Government. It has PAN but no TAN. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, email and fax). Regular statistician is working with the agency. Agency is not using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus it does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Infrastructure, Socio-economic sector, Enterpreneual and Household surveys. It operates at National level. It has six branches in lower part of India. Agency conducts complete surveys. It has undertaken 20 Local/District 15 State and 75 National level surveys till date. The agency has 17 regular employees. There is no person in the reserved panel. Agency is working in owned accommodation of 180 square meters having two rooms. The average annual turnover of the agency is Rs. 12 lakh.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following two projects.

- Evaluation study on awareness generated through pilot television projects on various issue of disability-A baseline and end line survey.
- Impact Assessment on rural sports Program.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

These projects are mentioned in Annexure I. Project report not attached. In the absence of project report it is not possible to objectively assess the survey capability of the agency.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

The agency was established in the year 1972 and was registered in 1978. The agency is having both PAN and TAN. It has its own website. No regular statistician is working with the agency. It has got connectivity by all the three ways i. e. (telephone, e-mail and fax). Agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus it does not cover all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Socio-economic, Agriculture, Industry, Trade, Financial and External sector and House hold surveys. It operates at the National level. It has no branch. Projects undertaken by the agency during the last three years are funded by national agency and having good geographical coverage. It conducts complete surveys including report writing. Total number of surveys carried out by the agency till date are 215 out of which 165 projects were conducted at district level, 32 projects conducted at State level and 18 conducted at National level. It has 180 regular employees. There are two persons in the reserved panel, both are experienced and experts in the field of specialization. The agency is having own accommodation.

There are six rooms but no power back up facility. It has good infrastructure. Average turn over on survey activities during the last three years is Rs. 12 crore (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But it has submitted only following four projects.

- PCRA-Oil conservation fortnight (OCF)-An option survey.
- Demand study for selected medicinal plants- All India Survey.
- Support service to UNICEF in their SM Network in U. P. for IPPI (Polio Eradication) project. (On going)
- Extent of utilization of hostel facilities by SC/ST students in four states.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: PCRA-Oil conservation fortnight (OCF)-An option Survey

Petroleum Conservation Research Association (PCRA) conducts oil conservation fortnight (OCF) every year to educate consumers on how to save petroleum products such as LPG, petrol, diesel etc. The CERPA conducted market research study to help PCRA to assess the effectiveness of Pre-OCF survey. The project was of three months duration (Jan. to March, 2002). It was funded by Petroleum Conservation Research Association, Ministry of Petroleum, Govt. of India. The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 11 lakhs. The study covered three segments of petroleum products viz. domestic (LPG and kerosene), transport (diesel and petrol) and agriculture (diesel and kerosene). Following were the main objectives of the study.

- To find out the source of awareness of oil conservation and perception of conservation by economic sectors such as transport, agriculture and domestic sector.
- To examine the status of pre and post OCF survey results in terms of awareness and perception of conservation.
- To analyse the opinion of the respondents by sector and segments on the methods adopted for conservation of petrol/diesel.
- To offer suggestions for improving the awareness and perception of conservation by sector and segment.

It is a routine kind of survey. No estimates were generated from the survey. The sampling design adopted was stratified multistage random sampling. Urban centers were specified by the PCRA-for rural centers four states were covered in each zone, within each state 2 districts, within a district one block and two villages each were selected for field survey. Thus, in a state 4 villages and 16 villages in each zone were selected for field survey. Personal interviews were conducted for each respondent. For house interviews, geographical cluster sampling technique was used. The total sample size was 13400. The sample sizes at domestic level, transport level and agriculture level were 6582, 4333 and 2485 respectively. Questionnaires were prepared by PCRA which were thoroughly briefed by the agency to the field staff. Data collection was carried out by both own and hired staff. Supervision of field work was carried out in the ratio 1:10 supervisor /field man ratio. Instruction manual prepared for the field staff. The analysis was carried out both manually and through computer using SPSS. Data analysis was restricted to working out only percentages and averages. No statistician was involved in the project. Tables are very well presented in the report. Standard errors have not been reported. The report is lacking in technical aspects of survey details.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This Delhi based agency was established and registered in the year 1991 under the Registrar of Companies, Delhi. It has PAN, TAN and its own website. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways, namely telephone, fax and e-mail. Statisticians on regular basis are engaged with the agency. The agency uses random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency covers all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture (Land use statistics, Irrigation statistics, Livestock statistics, Industry (Annual surveys of industries), Infrastructure (water supply, water ways), Socio-economic (Health and family welfare statistics, Educational statistics, Consumption surveys and level of living) and corporate sector. It operates at National level and has seven branches spread all over India. The geographical spread of the agency is quite impressive. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has a very good strength of employees comprising both own and hired staff. The agency has good number of statistician and IT specialists. The agency reports that it has 16 persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in hired accommodation

of size 1000 square m. It has good infrastructure. The average turnover on survey related activities is 255 lakhs (approx.)

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Continuous Tourist survey for collecting socio-economic demographic information about the foreign as well as domestic tourists.
- Collection of Domestic Tourism Statistics for the state of Goa.
- KVIC retail sales outlets survey across the country.
- Maharashtra Rural education needs assessment survey.
- Jalnidhi rural water supply sustainability exercise.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Maharashtra Rural education needs assessment survey

This project was financed by Indian Tabaco Company (ITC). The project was of four months duration. The budget sanctioned for this project was 18.3 lakhs. Initially the survey was planned for five districts but because of shortage of time the survey was carried out in two districts of Maharashtra viz Yavatmal andAmravati. The primary objective of the survey was to prepare an educational need assessment report of the rural areas of Maharashtra. This includes the assessment of the existing educational facilities available in rural areas of Maharashtra, identification of the educational needs of the local folk and finally to give recommendations for improving the existing educational facilities of the study area. Concepts and definitions used in the study are not reported. The questionnaires were developed by the agency. Proper training was imparted to the staff and instruction manual was also prepared. The sampling design used was stratified multistage random sampling. Units at the ultimate stage were selected by systematic sampling. Data collection was carried out by own staff by the method of inquiry as well as by physical observation. Instruction manual prepared for the field staff. The data was analyzed through computers using statistical packages like SPSS, SAS and STATA. Disaggregated analysis was also carried out. Tables, charts and graphs are well presented in the report. Although some analysis has been carried out using SPSS, it is restricted to computing averages

and percentages only. Besides this no other statistical analysis was carried out. Although the report is well drafted, it is lacking in statistical contents.

24. Department of Social Work [D-07]

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This is a Delhi based agency, which is part of the University of Delhi and was established in the year 1948. It does not have PAN and TAN. The agency does not have any regular statistician. Thus it is not covering all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency has specialization in Socio-Economic Sector. It operates at District level. It has no branch elsewhere. The agency has completed 14 projects since 1998-99. It has 63 regular employees. It has a very experienced facility. Agency has very good infrastructure as it is a part of University of Delhi. The annual turnover on survey related activities is Rs 30 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted the following five projects.

- Impact Assessment Study of Rural Development Programs in District.
- Evaluation of Plan Scheme in Delhi
- Social Survey of Rural Assets
- An Evaluation Study of Training under NSLRS (completed)
- Street Management and Self-Enrichment

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Impact Assessment Study of Rural Development Programs in

District

It was a project executed in district of Rajasthan. It was funded by Ministry of Rural Development (Govt. of India). The main objectives of the survey were

- To examine whether guidelines on various programs are being followed with reference to the selection of beneficiaries, utilization of funds allotted and transparency and involvement of programme implementation
- To examine the survival of assets created.
- To assess the impact of programs on the productivity and poverty alleviation
- To examine the role and functioning of the Panchayati Raj Institutions in the implementation of program

A multistage random sampling design was used in the survey. For the purpose of gathering feedback on the actual impact of the individual benefit schemes, appropriate toolkits were used. The selected sample was drawn from ten short listed villages from each block. The methodology adopted for the study was sound. Due to this both quantitative and qualitative outputs were achieved. Tables and graphs are very well represented in the report. The report of the project is impressive.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

The agency was registered in September 24, 1997. It has PAN and TAN. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). It uses random sampling design. It has two regular statisticians. Thus it is covering all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

Major areas of specialization of the agency are Socio-Economic survey in which the sub-areas are Population and basic statistics at the Local level, Health and family welfare statistics, Labour and employment statistics and education statistics, and Agriculture. It has the capacity to undertake surveys at National level. The other areas of specialization are Infrastructure and Industry, Corporate sector. It has two branches, one in Ahemdabad (Gujarat) and the other in Secunderabad (A P).

There are 18 executives including subject matter specialists in the areas of statistics, economics and information technology, the agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has a very good strength of employees comprising both own and hired staff. Annual turnover of the agency on survey related activities is Rs. 378.90 lakhs.

The agency has reported five completed projects in the filled-in questionnaire since 2002-03 onward. The projects are funded by the Government agencies like Ministry of Health and Family Welfare/World Bank /Ministry of Rural Development/Government of Gujarat etc.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- District Level Household Survey Reproductive Child Health.
- Facility Survey under RCH Programme.
- Karmayogi sarw abhipraya: Employees satisfaction survey.
- District level monitoring of rural developments programs: District level monitoring of total sanction campaign and Swajaldhara.
- Study on status of Village Industries in India: Report on all India Survey-2004.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Status of village information in India

The agency has submitted the project report entitled "Status of village information in India: Report of all India survey-2004". The funding agency was Khadi and Village Industries Commission, Mumbai. The sanctioned project budget was Rs 49,93,800.

The objectives of the survey were as follows:

- To analyse the impact of policy decisions on rural industries.
- To evaluate the impact of the recent opening up of the economy on the rural industries.
- To estimate the contribution of the rural sector to the country's GDP.
- To identify relevant matters related to rural employment and rural industries.
- To obtain qualitative and quantitative data on level of competition, quality, marketing, social upliftment, availability of credits etc.

It was a National level survey. Sampling was done by using a stratified three stage sampling design with district as primary stage unit, blocks as secondary stage unit and villages as the ultimate stage unit. The 69 geo-climatic regions, provided by NSSO, were divided into six strata. Auxiliary information from Economic Census and NSSO was used. Questionnaires were prepared by the agency. Proper training was imparted to the staff. Instruction manual was prepared by the agency. Data collection was carried out by own staff by the method of inquiry as well as observation. During the period of survey, supervision of the field work was also carried

out with 1:5field man / supervisor ratio. The data were processed by using computers which included editing of the questionnaires, data entry, data cleaning and tabulation. Software packages SPSS and Excel were used for analysis purpose. Results are well presented in the report with the help of tables and diagrams. Consolidated average values of different variables in percentage have been presented. State-wise results have not been presented. No statistician was involved in this survey. The report fails to formulate the objectives of the survey in statistical terminology. The get up of the report is good. The report contains some details which are not required. Although impact evaluation is one of the important objectives of the study, impact is not defined statistically. No estimation procedure has been developed.

26. Development Management Trust [N(S)-19]

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This Delhi based agency was established and registered in 1997 with the sub-registrar Office, Old court, Kashmere gate New Delhi-6. It has PAN and TAN. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). It has a regular statistician. The agency is using probability sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency meets all the four non -negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Service, Infrastructure and Socio-economic sectors. It operates at National level and has three branches. It conducts complete survey. It has undertaken 15 Local, 2 State and 2 National level surveys till date. Total manpower engaged with the agency is 36 regular and 154 contractual employees. Agency is working in owned accommodation of 100 square yards and 1500 square feet area for data center having 10 rooms and power backup facility. It has 20 persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of the agency is Rs 146.82 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Study for Improvement of Service Sector Statistics for motion pictures, video production and television activities.
- Study for improvement of service sector statistics for Advertisement sector
- Housing Typology survey.
- Housing Demand Assessment Survey.
- Socio-Economic Impact Assessment survey.

Most of the projects reported by the agency in the questionnaire are ongoing. The best project report submitted is one, which is different from best five projects reported.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Rehabilitation and upgrading to 4/6 divided carriageway of Tumkur-Haveri section NH4 in Karnataka State.

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highway under the National Highway Authority of India NHAI aims to improve the performances of the national highway road transport network by improving road condition and capacity to plan, develop and maintain Karnataka road network. The project aims at achieving the goals in the following ways

- To improve the performance of the National Highway.
- To maintain the performance of the NH roads effectively.
- To ensure road safety.
- Involuntary resettlement to be avoided.
- To minimize where feasible, alternate projects design may develop.
- Where displacement is unavoidable, people losing their assets, livelihood or other resources shall be assisted in improving regaining their former status of living at no cost to themselves.

The methodology consists of

- Primary data collection.
- Secondary data collection.
- Reconnaissance survey and social trip mapping.

- Sample socio economic survey.
- Socio-economic survey as per Census pattern.

Graphs, pictures, maps are well presented in the report. Questionnaires used for data collection are attached with the report. Report is silent on the statistical aspects of survey. Recommendation and conclusions are given in the report. Indicators are well defined.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This Delhi based agency was established in the year 2002 it is not yet registered. It has PAN but no TAN. It does not have e-mail. The agency is connected through telephone and fax only. There is no statistician working with the agency. The project report was not submitted therefore probability sampling could not verify. Thus the agency does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It claims specialization in Agriculture, Industry, Service sector, Socio-economic and Infrastructure surveys. It claims to have capacity of operating at National level. It has no branch Office. It claims that it can conduct complete survey including report writing. It has a good strength of employees both regular and contractual. There are eight persons in the reserved panel. The agency is working in hired accommodation of size 50 square meters. The average annual turnover of the agency on survey activities is about Rs.1.13 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has not submitted any project since it has not carried out any survey work.

Its survey capability appears to be limited.

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The agency was established in the year 1977 and was registered in 2003. The agency has both PAN and TAN. The agency is easily approachable, as it has got connectivity by all the three ways, namely, telephone, fax and e-mail. It has three regular statisticians. In view of the nature of the projects handled by the agency random sampling/purposive sampling is used for sample selection. Thus the agency covers all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Corporate Sector, Service Sector, Infrastructure, Socio-economic, Market-research, Market Survey and Opinion polling for all industry types. It operates at National level and has 42 branches in 26 countries. It conducts complete surveys including report writing. It also conducts Employee Engagement Survey, Customer Engagement Survey, Brand tracking and Market research. Number of surveys carried out by Gallup India till date are 10000 approx., out of which 1000 were conducted at district level, 1000 at state level and 8000 at national level. It

has strength of 73 regular employees and 200 contractual field investigators. Agency is working in hired accommodation of 2475 square meters. The agency has ICR facility and DTPL. There are 6 rooms with power back up facility. It has both owned and hired data entry set up having 60 workstations and 50 computers for data processing. It has a very good infrastructure. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities during the last three years is 6.51 crores.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Sample survey research for National Tourism Board.
- Gallup World Poll.
- Leading Industrial Group in India.
- Leading Hospitality Chain in India.
- Candidates Countries Euro Barometer.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Leading Industrial group in India

The project was funded by corporate client (confidential), a national funding agency. The duration of the project was 6-7 months (July, 2004 to March, 2005). The budget sanctioned for the project was more than one crore. The Objectives of the project were as follows

• Research to assess the satisfaction and engagement of employees in the managerial cadre within the group organizations.

The geographical coverage was international. Auxiliary information was used at the planning stage. Complete enumeration was adopted for data collection. Schedules were prepared but not tested by the agency. Instruction manual prepared and training imparted to the field staff. Data collection was carried out by owned staff. Supervision of field work was carried out in the ratio 1:10. Analysis of data was carried out through computer using SPSS. Simple tabs and advanced techniques such as regression were used. Standard errors have been worked out. The report is well written.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It does not have a website. It specializes in Socio-economic and Industry survey. It operates at the State level but has only one branch i. e. field Office in U. P. One project carried out by the agency during last three years was nationally funded. It conducts complete surveys including report writing. Total number of surveys carried out by the agency till date are 36 out of which 15 surveys were conducted at district level, 18 surveys were conducted at State level and three surveys conducted at National level. It has 6 regular and 34 contractual employees. There are 14 persons in the reserved panel, all are experienced and experts in the field of specialization. The agency is working in hired accommodation of size 100 square yards having three rooms with power back up facility of inverter. It has own data entry set up with 4 computers for data processing. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities during the last three years is Rs. 12.47 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Study of Socio-economic status and occupational profile of minorities and backward classes in Uttar Pradesh.
- Evaluation of 33 vocational training centers and schools run by NGOs under the scheme to promote voluntary action for persons with disabilities in Uttar Pradesh.
- Evaluation of 53 voluntary organizations having received grant-in-aid under the scheme of assistance to voluntary organizations working for the welfare of OBCs.
- Evaluation of 128 voluntary organizations implementing the programmes under the scheme to promote voluntary action for persons with disabilities.
- Evaluation of Jan Shikshan Sansthan of Datia and Bhind (MP).

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Study of Socio-economic status and occupational profile of minorities and backward classes in Uttar Pradesh.

The project was funded by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Govt. of India. The duration of project was eight months (April to November, 2002). The budget sanctioned for this was Rs. 6.19 lakhs. This study was undertaken in rural as well as urban areas of seven districts of U. P. with the following objectives.

- To prepare a database of the socio-economic status of the minorities and backward classes (BC) in Uttar Pradesh.
- To assess the needs and the problems faced by the minorities and BC in their occupations, education and general health.
- To make a comparison between different minority communities and BC for better understanding of the status and problems of each.
- To prepare an occupational profile of both the groups in urban as well as rural areas.
- To enlist the suggestions of both the groups, for the improvement of their social and economic status.

It appears to be a routine survey. The agency has not formulated the objectives of the survey statistically. The review of literature has not been made. There is no separate chapter on concepts

and definitions. Schedules appear to be in line with the objectives of the survey. A multistage random sampling design was adopted for data collection purpose. Estimation procedure has not been given in the report. Primary data was collected mainly from the minority as well as BC families. The data was collected by own staff and hired staff in the ratio 3:2. Supervisor: field man ratio was 1:3. No instruction manual was prepared. The analysis of data was carried out through computer using statistical soft wares and MS Excel. However, only the percentages and averages have been calculated. Besides this no other statistical analysis was carried out particularly for testing of the hypothesis. A possible explanation for this lies in the fact that no statistician was involved in this survey. Standard errors have not been worked out thus it is not possible to comment on the adequacy of sample sizes used. Disaggregated analysis has not been performed thus some of the important conclusions have been missed. Tables, charts and graphs are well presented in the report. The results of the survey are matching with the overall objectives.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio Economic Sector and Households Surveys. It operates at the State level. It does not have any branch. It specializes only in planning of survey and data collection work. The agency was involved in five studies till date out of which two were conducted at district level and three at state level. It has strength of three regular employees and 31 contractual staff. There are four persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size150

square meters. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities during the last three years was Rs. 1.49 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following four projects.

- India Programme of Research on Human Development in Haryana.
- India Programme of Research on Human Development in Delhi.
- India Programme of Research on Human Development in Rajasthan.
- Data collection work for mapping of high risk population HIV/AIDS in Haryana (for Faith Healthcare Organization).

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: India Programme of Research on Human Development in Haryana, Delhi and Rajasthan (Report not attached).

The project was funded by NCAER, UMCP (USA), National funding agency. The duration of the project was 9 months (Sept., 2004 to Feb., 2005). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 4.22 lakhs (approx). The Objectives of the project were as follows

- To assess the geographically specific origins of social and economic changes.
- To assess the actual impact of fertility decline, sex ratio and infant mortality etc.
- To study the impact of poverty, gender inequality and specific policies on access to health and education.
- To collect information on employment, income generation, saving, asset formation, rural, infrastructure, agriculture economics, fertility and social capital.
- To assess the need and availability of health services to rural disadvantaged population.

The geographical coverage of the study was state level. Auxiliary information was used at the planning stage. Schedules were prepared by the funding agency but testing of schedules was done by the agency. Instruction manual was not prepared but training imparted to the field staff. Data collection was carried out by both owned and hired staff in the ratio 3:7 own/hired ratio.

Supervision of field work was carried out in the ratio 1:4 supervisor/field man ratio. The specialization of the agency appears to be limited.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Trade, Socio-Economic, Financial and External Corporate Sector and Household Surveys. It operates at the National level and has five branches. The agency conducts complete survey. It has conducted four State and four National level surveys so far. The agency has 74 regular employees. It has 13 persons in its reserved panel. Agency operates in hired accommodation of size 5572 square meters having 11 rooms. The average annual turnover of the agency is 48 lakhs approx. The agency has a good infrastructure.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Sustainability of upper Kolab irrigation project and upper Indravati irrigation project.
- Baseline survey of lifeline projects.

- Data basing and criterion of agricultural scientists and experts to solve farm level problem.
- Market mapping and market information services for organic, Herbal and medicinal plants.
- Feasibility study on Herbal and medicinal plants in Uttranchal.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Market Mapping and Market Information Services for Organic, Herbal and Medicinal Plants.

The National level project was funded by Society for Promotion of Wasteland Development (SPWD). It was of one year duration (Nov'04 to Dec'05). It covered six major states Uttranchal, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh and Jharkhand. The objectives of the survey were

- To identify market linkage for medicinal plants market mapping exercise and market information system of different system of different states under study.
- To assess the organic farming adopted by cultivators of medicinal plants.
- To identify the supporting institutions in the sector and the role played by them.
- To examine the initiatives for value –addition to medicinal plants products.
- To identify the gap areas in the medicinal plant market system as also potential areas of growth.
- Recommendation for strengthening the sector through need based intervention. A

multistage sampling design was used in the survey for data collection. Review of literature was done. Primary data was collected for qualitative analysis while secondary information from various sources was collected for quantitative analysis. No questionnaire for data collection and instruction manual is attached. Maps, charts, diagrams are well presented in the report. Data collection was carried out by own and hired staff in the ratio of 3:2. Supervision of the field was carried with a 1:10 supervisor /field man ratio. Analysis was carried out by SPSS software. No statistician was involved in the survey. Report is lacking in statistical content.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Delhi based agency was established and registered in 1962 under the "Registrar of Societies, Delhi". It has PAN and TAN. Regular statistician is working with the agency. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, fax and e-mail). Agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency covers all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service, Socio -Economic, Corporate Sector, Enterpreneual and Household surveys. It operates at the National level and has no branch. The agency conducts complete survey. It has undertaken 20 Local/District, 10 State Level and 15 National Level surveys from the year 2000 onwards. The agency has 133 regular and 25 contractual employees. There is no reserve panel of personals. Agency operates in owned accommodation of total campus area 15.5 acres having 100 rooms. The agency has an impressive infrastructure. The average annual turnover of the agency on survey related activities is 400 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Bench marking Human Development in North Eastern India.
- Human Development Index (2002-03).

- Prime Minister Rozgar Yojna (PMRY) (III Round Evaluation)
- Identification of skills at district level and organization of training for rural poor (Rapid Market survey on skill identification.
- Assessment of requirement of food technologies managers and entrepreneurs in food processing industry.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Assessment of requirement of food technologies managers and entrepreneurs in food processes industry.

This national level survey was funded by Ministry of Food Processing Industries. It was of 10 months duration (Dec'03 to Oct'04). The budget sanctioned for this project was Rs. 8. 93 lakhs. The objectives of the survey were

- To project demand for food technologies /food analyst (certificate, diploma graduate and post graduate levels), techno-commercial managers entrepreneurs and skilled manpower for the processed food industry during the next ten years.
- To prepare a directory of existing institutions, their capacity with courses and evaluate whether existing state and national level HRD and other training institutions can meet the projected requirements.
- To identify the state level/national level HRD institutions which need to be strengthened with the details of infrastructure and other facilities.
- To identify the HRD institutions which need to be created to meet global Challenges.

The universe and sampling for the field survey was finalized in consultation with the officials of the M/o FPI (Food Processing Industry). The stakeholders wise details of universe and sampling frame is provided in the report. Purposive sampling was carried out on the basis of state /sector specific concentration of various stakeholders. Review of literature was made. Secondary data on employment and economic and educational data was collected from various sources i.e. CSO, CMIE, DGE and T, NSSO, census of India, labour bureau, ministry of industry, finance, commerce, planning commission, UGC, ICAR, AICTE respectively. In addition to available

secondary data more data were collected through field investigation. Nine questionnaires were designed, pretested and canvassed among five respondents groups. Data collection was carried out by own staff by the method of inquiry and observations. Supervision of the field was carried out. Supervision ratio was 1:10. Standard errors were not calculated. Only simple analysis was carried out manually and through computer. No statistician was involved in the survey. There is a separate chapter on conclusions and recommendations.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established and registered in the year 1981. The agency is Delhi based. It has PAN and TAN. It has Statistician employed on regular basis. Agency is using random sampling and follows sound survey methodology. Thus the agency meets all the non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency specializes in Entreprenual, Household, and Socio-economic and Financial and External Sector Surveys. It operates at National level. It does not have a branch. All the projects executed by the agency are Nationally funded. Planning, Data collection, data processing/analysis and report writing are different types of activities performed by the agency. The agecy has 92 regular employees out of which four are statisticians. It has 16 persons on reserved panel all are highly qualified and experienced in their respective fields of specialization. The agency is working in its own accommodation of size 10,142 square meters. It has six class rooms, one Auditorium, three conference rooms, 200 rooms for Professors, Research Staff and students. The agency appears to be Professionals in conducting surveys and projects. The agency has good infrastructure.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following four projects.

• Quick Evaluation of the program of supply of Improved Toolkits to Rural Artisans (SITRA)

- Impact Assessment Studies of Poverty Alleviations Programs of Ministry of Rural Development in the Jagatsinghpur and Nabarangapur District of Orissa.
- Impact Assessment of Studies of Poverty Allevation Programs of Ministry of Rural Development in the Vaishali and Muzaffarpur districts of Bihar.
- Impact Assessment of Studies of Poverty Alleviation Programs of Ministry of Rural Development in the Nagaon District of Assam

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Impact Assessment Studies of Poverty Alleviation Programs of Ministry of Rural Development in the Nagaon District of Assam

Objectives

- To examine whether the guidelines on various programs are being followed with reference to selection of beneficiaries, utilization of funds, transparency and involvement of people in program implementation.
- To examine whether all the assets created under the schemes have survived, are in use cost effective.
- To assess the impact of the programs on productivity and poverty alleviation and, in particular, whether the programs have contributed in increasing/improving production and employment and enhancing the living conditions of BPL rural poor. The study was required to estimate the number of people who have crossed the poverty line after availing of the assistance under various programs.
- To examine the role and functioning of Panchayati Raj Institutions in program implementation.
- The other objectives of the study include verification of village level assets, the quality of construction and maintenance of the common facilities created, and whether infrastructure development under JGSY, SGSY, IAY, IWDP, etc. has contributed in providing minimum basic services and overall improvement in the living conditions of rural poor.

The project was of 12 months duration (April 2002 to June 2003). It was a household survey funded by Govt. of India. The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs.6,50,00. The Survey work was conducted in one district of Assam. The primary objective of the study was to assess the impact of rural development program in Nagaon District. The survey appears to be routine type. Impact has not been statistically defined. Impact assessment has been made in terms of parameters like income, expenditure of the household assets, productivity in agriculture etc. There is no statistician involved in the project. The report does not review the work done earlier. The schedules were prepared and tested. Instruction manual was also prepared. Training was imparted to the field staff. As the study was sponsored by the Ministry, the area and location was identified by the Ministry itself. The frame was available, so frame preparation activity was not carried out. Both own and hired staff was used for data collection. The survey seems to be well planned as the non-response problem was foreseen and mechanism devised for the same. The data collection was done once only. The supervision of field work was carried out with 5:1 field/supervisor ratio. The editing of questionnaires, data entry, data cleaning and tabulation, preparation of charts, graphs and case study was also done by computer. Software package such as Ms-excel and Ms-Word was used for data entry, analysis report writing etc. However, analysis was restricted to percentages and averages. A serious lacuna in the analysis is that no test of significance of difference has been applied to statistically test whether impact is significantly different or not as in many cases the differences from control values are small. In the absence of standard errors in the report it is not possible to comment on adequacy of sample sizes. The report is well drafted chapter wise. However review of literature is missing in the report. The report includes charts, graphs, tables even pictures of village fields, list of abbreviations, preface. Seen from the technical angle the report is well written. Statistician was also involved in the survey.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established in the year 2002 and was registered in 2003 under the registrar of company NCT of Delhi and Haryana. The agency is having PAN but not TAN. No regular statistician working with the agency. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). Agency is not using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency does not cover all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It does not have a website. It specializes in Agriculture, Service Sector, Infrastructure, Corporate Sector, Socio-Economic and Household Surveys. It operates at the National level and has one branch in Kolkata (WB). Projects undertaken by the agency during the last three years are funded by National agency and are having good geographical coverage. It conducts complete surveys including report writing. Total number of surveys carried out by the agency so far are 110 out of which 20 projects were conducted at district level, 75 projects at State level and 15 projects conducted at National level. It has seven regular and 70 contractual employees. There is one person in the reserved panel. The agency is having own accommodation with covered area of 110 square meters. There are four rooms with power back up facility i.e. inverter to support entire Office. It has its own data entry set up and five computers for data processing. Average turn over on survey activities during the last three years is Rs. 18.53 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following three projects.

- Evaluation of Shriram Krishi Vikas Program.
- Research for Development and Communication Strategy.
- Evaluation of Innovative Stream for Rural Housing and Habitat Development Scheme.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Evaluation of Innovative Stream for Rural Housing and Habitat Development Scheme.

The project was of six months duration. It was funded by Ministry of Rural Development.

The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 1.67 lakhs. The agency was assigned six projects under Innovative Scheme for Rural Housing and Habitat Development (ISRHHD) for evaluation with the following objectives.

- To evaluate the program implementation at grass root level.
- To assess the satisfaction of beneficiaries.
- To assess the extent of replicability of the new technologies deployed in the districts.

It is primarily a routine type of small scale evaluation study. Six districts were covered under the study. The total sample size was 179 (121 beneficiaries and 58 other community) and 10 FGDs (Focus Group Discussions of community people). The sample selection was purposive. Personal interviews were conducted with the beneficiaries, Govt. officials/panchayat members and project implementing agency head. Schedules have been prepared and attached with the report. Focus groups discussions have been organized among the community people (both from beneficiary and non beneficiary group). Data collected by own staff. Supervisor/ field man ratios was 1:4. The analysis of data was carried out through computer using SPSS. However, only percentages and averages have been calculated. Besides this, no other statistical analysis was carried out. No statistician was involved in this survey. Tables and charts are well presented in the report. References have not been given. The results of the survey are matching with the objectives. Proper survey data analysis was not carried out. Review of literature was not carried out. There is no chapter on concepts and definitions. On the basis of the submitted report it is not possible to make a realistic assessment of survey capability of the agency.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established in 1987 and registered in May 1995 under the registrar of companies N. C. T. of Delhi and Haryana. It has PAN and TAN. It uses an appropriate sampling method. Agency has Fax, E-mail and telephone. Agency has regular statistician. Thus the agency meets all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. The Major areas of specialization of the agency are Agriculture, Service Sector, Industrial and Financial and External Sector. It has one branch. It has capability to conduct the surveys at National level. It has 3 regular and 3 contractual statisticians. The agency has 85 regular and 405 contractual employees. It has five persons in the reserved panel. The annual turn over is 4.44 crore. Out of the five projects mentioned during last three years four are on going and one is completed. The agency is having its own accommodation of size 6750 square feet area with three floors building consisting of forty cubical rooms. It has twenty computers but the type not mentioned. It has one statistical software package i. e. SPSS. It has a very good infrastructure.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Collection of Domestic Tourism statistics for the State of Madhya Pradesh.
- Tripura agriculture Development Project.

- Biodiversity conservation and management in Punjab.
- Improvement of Service Sector Statistics Goods Transportation by Road.
- Evaluation of Impacts in Project Intervention under Uttaranchal Diversified Agriculture Support Project.

Out of the five projects under taken by the agency three are nationally and remaining two are internationally funded. The duration of all the projects is about one year.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Evaluation of Impact of Project Interventions under Diversified Agriculture Support Project- Uttranchal

Objectives:

- Evaluate the impact of project interventions, in terms of key monitoring indicators for the project.
- Evaluate the impact of technology dissemination through the demonstrations and make recommendations for improving their spread effect.
- Evaluate the privatized model of Technology Dissemination and Extension services in comparison of the traditional UA-DASP model using NGOs for community mobilization

This project was sponsored by "Project Coordinating unit of DASP, Uttranchal. The project was of 6 months duration from15th Nov. 2002 to 15th May 2003. The budget sanctioned for the project was of 74 Crores. The Survey work was conducted in three districts of Utranchal. Stratified multistage sampling was used for data collection. Concepts and definitions were not given in the report. Report does not contain review work done earlier. Impact assessment has been made in terms of Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry, Dairying, Technology dissemination and Market Infrastructure.

It was a state level project. There was no statistician involved in the project. Agency did complete survey work including report writing. The survey work was conducted in fifteen blocks of three districts. Frame preparation exercise was carried out. A total sample of fifteen respondents was selected from each village out of 10% of villages from the population and

corresponding numbers of control villages in non project area. The schedules were prepared and tested. The instruction manual was prepared. The method of enquiry and observation was used for data collection. Both own and Hired staff was used for data collection. For collection of data 55 persons were employed. The supervision of field work was also done with 5:1 field/supervisor ratio. In the absence of standard error it is not possible to infer whether the sample sizes are adequate. The statistical analysis is limited. Only averages and percentages are given. No graphs etc. were given in the report. Test of significance of difference could have been used for impact assessment but it has not been done. The recommendations are well drafted. The report appears to be satisfactory.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio-economic Sector, Enterpreneual and Household Survey. It operates at the National level and has no branch. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has strength of 11 regular employees and 104 contractual employees. There are four persons in the reserved panel, all are highly experienced and very well qualified. The agency is working in hired accommodation of size 150 square meters. The average turnover of the agency is 21. 67 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Performance Appraisal of ICDS and Non ICDS.
- Review of Performance of NRDCS.
- Situation cum impact Assessment of Socio-Economic Development Program among PTG'S
- Opinion poll survey

• Impact Assessment Study of Rural Development Program in Panipat and Ambala districts of Haryana.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Impact Assessment of Rural Development Program in Panipat District of Haryana.

This project is funded by Ministry of Rural Development; Govt. of India. The project was of four months duration (Jun.'02 to Oct.'02). The budget sanctioned for this project was 11.00 lakhs. The survey work was carried out in Panipat and Ambala districts of Haryana. The main objective of the survey was to assess the impact of poverty alleviation programs on the beneficiaries as well as the sustainability of assets created under these schemes and their impact on an individual and community. Proper training was imparted to the field staff. **Systematic sampling design was adopted for sample selection.** Stratas have not been defined in the report. Auxiliary information available could have been used in selection of sample. Impact assessment is the main objective of the report but it has not been statistically defined. The overall assessment of the impact was made on the basis of 2 criteria.

- 1) Economic
- i) Impact on income enhancement.
- ii) Impact on employment
- iii) Impact on improved socio economic awareness.
- 2) Social
- i) Impact on women empowerment.
- ii) Impact on infrastructure/agriculture development.

For the beneficiaries before and after the poverty alleviation schemes, data collection was carried out with the help of both hired and own staff by the method of inquiry. The report is silent on how data quality was maintained. No review work reported. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 1:4 supervisor / field man ratio. Only frequency and cross tabulation kind of analysis was performed using statistical packages. Tables, Charts and Graphs are very well presented in the report No statistician was involved in the survey and no estimation procedure

developed and therefore no standard errors reported. There is no separate chapter on concepts and definitions. Indicators are properly defined. It is not clear whether the indicators used are standard indicators. Conclusions and recommendations are well drafted but there are no recommendations on designing of similar surveys in future.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in research activities in Applied Economics, Enterpreneual and Household Surveys. It operates at the National level but does not have any other branch. It conducts complete survey. Total manpower engaged with the agency is 88 regular and 97 contractual employees. Agency operates in owned accommodation of size 14700 square feet having 115 rooms and power back up facility of 582 KV. There is no person in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of the agency on survey related activities is 70 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: The agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following two projects.

- Domestic Tourism Survey.
- Indian Science Report.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Domestic Tourism Survey.

This survey was funded by a National agency "Ministry of Tourism and Culture, GOI. It was of the one year duration. The sanctioned budget for this project was 1.46 crore. The geographical coverage of the survey was **National**. The objectives of the survey were

- To estimate the total no of domestic tourists by purpose of trip and to estimate and illuminate the tourist expenditure behavior.
- To measure the role of domestic tourism to Indian Economy.

Review of literature was done. Concepts and definitions are well presented in the report. Sampling frame was already available for the survey. Auxiliary information was used at every stage. Sampling design used for survey was very sound. Schedules were properly prepared and tested. Instruction manual was prepared for field staff. Training was also imparted to the field staff. Data collection was done by the method of both inquiry and observation. Statistical analysis was done by computer using the software SPSS, SAS, and STATA etc. Standard errors were also computed. Report is very well drafted. Statistician was also involved in the survey. Estimation procedure was also developed.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency specializes in Infrastructure and Socio-Economic Surveys. There are 32 regular employees with the agency. The agency specializes in data collection and data processing. The agency operates at National level but it does not have any branch. The agency is working in own accommodation of size 1200 square meter with power backup facility. The agency has about 50 Computers. It has good infrastructure. The agency does not have reserve panel of personals.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Evaluation Study of Centrally Sponsored Accelerated Urban Water Supply Program.
- Impact of the Constitution (74th Amendment) Act on the working (74th Amendment) Acton the working of urban local bodies.
- Urban Governance Decentralization in India -A Review.
- State Finance Commission's Recommendation and Follow up Action there on.

• Status of Water Supply, Sanitation and Solid Waste Management in Urban Areas.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Status of Water Supply, Sanitation and Solid Waste Management in Urban Areas. (Based on the information available in main questionnaire)

This survey was Nationally funded by Central Public Health and Environmental Engineering Organization (CPHEEO), Ministry of Urban Development, Govt. of India. It was of two years duration (1999 to 2001). The approved sanctioned budget for this project was Rs. 20 lakhs. The survey work was carried out in 300 cities across the country.

The main objectives of the survey were

- To assess the current status of water supply, sanitation and solid waste management in the Metropolitan Cities, Class I and II towns of the country.
- To analyse the revenue receipts and revenue expenditure of the selected services.
- To estimate the capital investment requirements for full coverage of population by these services from 1999-2022 (at five yearly intervals).

Project report is not submitted by agency.

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This Delhi based agency was established and registered in 1997 under the registrar of companies, Delhi. It does not have PAN and TAN. The agency does not have any regular statistician. It uses random sampling design. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, fax and email). Thus the agency does not satisfy all the four non-negotiable criteria

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It has undertaken 38 Local, 101 State and 54 National level Surveys so far. It specializes in Agriculture, Industrial, Trade, Service Sector, Infrastructure, Socio-Economic, Financial and External Sector, Price, Corporate Sector, National Account Statistics. Total number of regular manpower engaged with the agency is 495. It has three branches. The agency conducts complete survey. There are 8 persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in a hired accommodation of size 3716 square meters having 41 rooms and power back facility of DG sets. It has a very good infrastructure. Average annual turnover of the agency is Rs. 7crore 37 lakhs approx.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Study of the NGO Network Supported by SIDA.
- Haryana Tourist Corporation Marketing Research and Consulting for the 45 Tourist complexes of the State of Haryana.

- Indo-Sri Lanka FTA- To analyze the potential trade sectors and the areas of mutual understanding of the trading patterns across the various service sectors.
- FDI in Retails To investigate the growth of retailing across various segments and the likely impact of opening up of specific segments of retailing to direct foreign investment.
- NPIL (Nicholas Piramal India Pvt. Ltd.) –To gauge the effectiveness of the Medical representatives (Task force) across the country.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Indo-Sri Lanka FTA- To analyze the potential trade sectors and the areas of mutual understanding of the trading patterns across the various service sectors.

This was an Internationally funded project funded by South Asian Network for Educational Institutes. It was of two months duration (Dec'2003 to Feb'2004). The survey work was carried out in India (Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, and Bangalore and Manipal) and Sri-Lanka (Colombo). It was joint venture of Planman Consulting which carried the survey work in India and Ceylon Chamber of Commerce in Sri-Lanka. The primary objective of the survey was to assess the trade potential and identify areas of mutual Co-operation between India and Sri-Lanka in the service sector. More specifically the study was to identify sectors of bilateral trade interest, identify domestic and external barriers to trade in those sectors and recommend measures for removal /reduction of such barriers through proposed FTA. Two stage random sampling was used in the survey. Designing of questionnaire was also carried out. Data was collected by own staff. Supervision of field work was carried out with 1:2 supervisor / field man ratio. Quantitative and Qualitative analysis was carried out. Instruction manual not prepared. Ms-Excel and SPSS were used for data analysis. There is a separate chapter on abbreviations used. No statistician involved in the survey. Standard errors were not calculated. The report of the project is satisfactory.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has a website. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service Sector, Infrastructure, Socio-Economic Sector and Enterpreneual and Household Surveys. It operates at the National level and has NO branch. It has undertaken three National, one State and one local/District Level Survey so far. One of the projects executed by the agency was internationally funded. There are 10 persons in the reserved panel.. Agency is working in a hired accommodation of size120 square meter having five rooms. The agency has 14 regular employees. The average turnover of the agency on survey related activities is Rs 3.39 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following three projects.

- Craftsmen Training and Employment, an Evaluation of ITI's in Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan.
- An evaluation of implementation of the schemes of National and State enhance Development corps.

• JBIC Project: Integrated National Resources Management and Poverty Reduction in Haryana (seven Districts).

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: JBIC Project: Integrated National Resources Management and Poverty reduction in Haryana (seven Districts).

Integrated National Resources Management Poverty Reduction in Haryana (seven Districts) was an Internationally funded project. It was funded by Japanese Bank for International Corporation through Haryana Govt. It was an 11 month project (Jan 2005 to Nov 2005). It was a State level project covering 85 villages in seven districts (Bhiwani, Jind, Hissar, Sirsa, Fathebad, and Rewari and Mahindragarh). The total budget sanctioned for the project was Rs 3,36,000. The primary aim of the survey was to assess the multidimensional nature of rural poverty in the specified villages and to provide analytical clarity to the inter linkage between various indicators.

As per the objective, the study has been divided into four major areas:

- The first research area is the human resource status. It emphasises on intra household disparities by gender, caste and participation in decision making.
- The second is the structure of the household economics and the income sources.
- In the third area, the locus will be on assessing the effectiveness of education on poverty in the field of education the level of literacy is used as the defining characteristic and to represent the threshold for illiteracy as the poverty line.
- Fourth area is to examine the awareness amongst the villagers, it consists of awareness and interest about SHG and integrated natural resources management.

No review of literature given. In the absence of review of literature, it is not possible to make out whether the indicators used are standard ones. Concepts and definitions used are not given. Stratified random sampling design was used for data collection. Frame preparation exercise was carried out. Questionnaire of household and village profile is attached. Schedules were properly tested. Instruction manual was not prepared by the agency. Data collection was carried out by own staff by the method of inquiry, group discussion and observations. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 7:2 fieldsmen/supervisor ratio. Data analysis restricted to working out

percentages using user packages MS-Access, SPSS-10, MS Excel. Bar-diagrams pie charts, tabulation of data in each district are very well presented in the report. Standard errors were not worked out. The report is lacking in statistical content. Report quality is average.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established and registered in 1994. It has no PAN, TAN and Website. It does not have regular statistician. It has got connectivity by all the three ways i. e. telephone, e-mail and fax. Agency is not using random sampling design for selection of sample. Thus the agency does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio- Economic, Infrastructure Sector, Financial and External Sector, Price sector, Trade, Industry and Service Sector. It operates at regional level. It has only one branch Office in Jaipur. One project undertaken during 2004 was internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has total staff strength of 19employees out of which seven are regular. It has two persons in the reserved panal. The agency has own accommodation of size 180 square yards. It has two computers, two printers, a scanner and a CD writer. The average turnover on survey activities is Rs. 3.29 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following two projects.

- Impact of Fines and Penalties on Recalcitrant Vehicle Drivers.
- Strengthening of Inter-State Trade Statistics by road transport Pilot study of Rajasthan.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Impact of Fines and Penalties on Recalcitrant Vehicle Drivers

The objective of this survey was to tame the untrained vehicle drivers. This project was funded by the Bureau of Police Research and Development, Ministry of Home Affairs, and Govt. of India at a total cost of Rs. 2.5 lakhs. The duration of this project was one year. The survey was carried out in four Metropolitans of India viz. Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai. No sampling design was used in the survey. Auxiliary information was not used. The questionnaires were prepared by the agency and duly approved by the funding agency. Training was imparted to the field staff but no instruction manual was prepared. Data collection work was carried out by own and hired staff in the ratio of 2:3. Supervision of field of field work was also carried out; the supervisory and field man ratio was 1:10. The analysis of data was done with the help of computer but only percentages have been worked out. No other analysis was done. Some tables have been given in the report. The estimation procedure has not been developed. Standard errors were not calculated. There is no chapter on concepts and definitions used in the survey. The report appears to be of routine type.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This is a Delhi based agency which was established and registered in the year 1992. It has PAN and TAN and uses probability sampling mechanism for selection of sample. Agency has telephone, Fax and E-mail. It doesn't have a statistician on regular basis. Thus it does not satisfy all the four non negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio-Economic, Agriculture, Infrastructure and Industry and Service Sector. It operates at National level but does not have any branch. The agency has 36 regular employees. There are 37 persons in the reserved panel, all are highly experienced and very well qualified. The agency conducts complete survey. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 1500 square feet. There are six rooms including one hall with full power backup. The average turnover of the agency is about Rs. 100 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

• Preparation of 20 years Perspective Plan for Sustainable Development of Tourism for the State of Jammu and Kashmir.

- National and Zonal "Techno Economic Feasibility study" for Development of Horticulture in the Eastern Zone.
- District Level Monitoring of the Programs of Ministry of Rural Development in Himachal Pradesh.
- Study on Demographic and Socio-economic Profile of Users and Demand for various Telecom Services.
- Study of the Pre and Post Rehabilitation and Resettlement Status of Project Affected Families of the Sardar Sarovar Project.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Study on Demographic and Socio-economic Profile of Users and Demand for various Telecom Services.

The project was financed by the Ministry of Communications, Govt. of India. The project was of six months duration (Aug.'04 to March 05). The sanctioned budget for the project was Rs. 22.50 lakhs. The survey work was carried out in Himachal Pradesh and J and K. The primary objectives of the survey were

- Demographic and Social Profile of Users of various telecom services and projection of demand of respective services based on such profiles
- Assess level of consumer (Subscriber) satisfaction.
- Assess the impact of telecom services on economic growth particularly with reference to rural areas
- Assess the impact of value added services on basic telephone services
- Assessment of demand for broadband and internet services and constraints in creating demand

A multistage random sampling design was used for the survey. Sampling was done in five stages. Auxiliary information was not used. The problem of non-response was not foreseen. Thus no mechanism was devised to tackle the problem of non response at the time of planning of survey. Questionnaires / Schedules were designed, pre-tested and got approved by the Ministry

of Communications. Data was collected by own staff from primary and secondary sources by the method of inquiry and physical observation. No instruction manual has been provided by the agency. Supervision of the field work was also carried out with 3:1 field man / supervisor ratio. Multiple regression models were used in the analysis to estimate future demand. Standard errors were not calculated. **No statistician was involved in the survey.** The results of the survey are matching with the objectives.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio-Economic, Agricultural Statistics, Industry and Household Survey. The Agency operates at National level and has one branch. It has undertaken eight district level and four State level survey project so far. The Agency has 13 regular employees. There are no persons in the reserved panel. The agency is working in own and hired accommodation of size 100 square meter and 65 square meter respectively having one hall and three rooms. The Agency also has a power back up facility. The Agency has SPSS-10.0 and Foxpro-6.0 software for data analysis. The average annual turnover of the Agency is 55 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- District level household survey
- Setting up of taskforce for strengthing Population Research in the country.
- Women's economic Activity: Perception and reality
- Mid term evaluation of Watershed program in Himachal Pradesh
- Monograph on "Population, Social environment and development"

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

District level household survey

Title of the Project: This project was funded by "World Bank". This project was of one year duration. It was a State level project covering 50 percent of districts of J and K, H. P. and Delhi. The main objectives of the study were

- To provide reliable information on reproductive and child health
- Coverage of ANC and Immunization services
- Proportion of safe delivers.
- Contraceptive Prevalence rates
- Unmet need of family planning
- Awareness about RTI/STI and HIV/AIDS
- Utilization of health services and user's satisfaction

A Stratified three stage sampling design was used for the survey. District, Village and household constituted three stages of sample selection. At the first stage of sampling, 50% of districts from each state were selected from either first or second district with random start and then alternate districts were selected. At the second stage villages were selected with PPS after stratification of PSU. The village/ward/UFS level population of 1991 census and female literacy was used for this purpose. Non response problem was foreseen at the time of planning of survey. Auxiliary information was used at the time of planning, sample selection and estimation. Sampling frame was prepared for sample selection. Schedules were properly prepared and tested by IIPS, Mumbai. Instruction manual for field staff was also prepared by IIPS, Mumbai. Training was

imparted to the field staff. Data collection was carried out by hired staff by the method of inquiry. Supervision of fieldwork was carried out with fieldsmen/supervision ratio 4:1. Proper information about the study team members are given in the report. Separate questionnaire for households, women, husbands and village were prepared and attached with the report. Standard errors were not computed. Only descriptive analysis is reported. Thus the inferences drawn are limited. Data analysis was carried by readymade software. No statistician was involved in the survey.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio-Economic, Infrastructure, Industrial Sector and Enterpreneual (including institutional), Household Surveys. It operates at regional level and has one branch in Delhi itself. SERC has undertaken eight studies and surveys during last three years. Some of the projects executed by the agency are internationally funded. Thr agency has 12 regular employees. There are eight persons in the reserved panel, all are highly experienced and very well qualified. The agency conducts complete survey and also provides training. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 90 square meters. The average turnover of the agency is about Rs. 60 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Survey on unpaid work by women.
- Concurrent evaluation of special projects, under Swaranjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojna (SGSY) with three sub-projects.
- District Level Household Survey under Reproductive and Child Health Round II, Phase II and Nutrition Survey.
- Study for updating some of the norms used in National Accounts Statistics in Agriculture Sector.
- Concurrent Evaluation of Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojna in Uttranchal.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: District Level Household Survey under Reproductive and Child Health Round II, Phase II and Nutrition Survey.

District level surveys under Reproductive and Child Health Program and Nutrition Survey Round II, Phase II was one of the principal surveys undertaken by the SERC. The project was financed by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and funded by World Bank. The nutrition component was financed by UNICEF. The project was of 2 years duration (Oct'03 to Oct'05). The total budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 89.07 lakhs. The survey work was carried out in two states Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. The primary objective of the survey was, to generate district level data, to estimate important indicators of reproductive and child health other than service statistics on utilization of the service provided by Govt. healthy facilities, to assess people's perception in quality of services and to determine nutrition status of women and children. Although the questionnaire was originally designed by the agency, the International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai, made necessary modifications in the questionnaires. The questionnaires were prepared bilingual (English and regional). Proper training was imparted to the field staff, but no instruction manual has been provided by the agency. No review of literature has been made in the report. The details to be followed in the measurement process are very well presented. Sampling design used in the survey appears to be very sound as selection was done in three stages (multistage stratified sampling), first selecting fifty percent districts, available at the time of 2001 census; and by systematic circular sampling

selecting 40 village from each district by adopting PPS sampling; and then selecting household from all the selected village/urban block by systematic random sampling. Frame preparation exercise was carried out at the ultimate stage of sampling. The survey seems to have been well planned, in the sense that necessary care was taken to tackle the problem of non-response. Data collection was carried out by own staff as well as hired staff by the method of inquiry as well as physical observation. Supervision of the field work was also carried out with 4:1 field man / supervisor ratio. The data was processed using micro computers which include editing of the questionnaires, data entry, data cleaning and tabulation. Software packages were also developed by IIPS for tabulation and by SERC for computer scrutiny and validation. Tables, charts and graphs are very well presented in the report. Statisticians were involved in this survey and some analysis work has been carried out using SPSS, it is only restricted to computing average values. Besides this no other statistical analysis was carried out. The report is lacking in clear cut estimation procedure although some scanty details are given here and there. It is thus no surprise that it does not report any standard errors. In all in all the report is lacking in statistical contents. The results of the survey are matching with the objectives. There is no separate chapter on concepts and definitions but the indicators are well defined. From the technical angle the report is well written.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Infrastructure and Socio-economic Surveys. It operates at National level. It does not have any branch. The projects executed by the agency are nationally as well as internationally funded. Total number of surveys carried out by the agency so far are 105 this includes National, State, District level surveys. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has ten regular employees. There are four persons in the reserved panel, all are experienced and experts in their field of specialization. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 1000 Square feet having four rooms and having power backup of 2 KW. The agency has office automation i. e. Internet and Fax are available. The average turnover of the agency is about 23.33 Lakhs (appox).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Baseline study on Social Benefits of IIT and UWO Technology utilization Fly Ash and Sewage Sludge for Wasteland remineralisation and plantation
- Review of Healthcare Waste Management Practices in World Bank supported state Health System Project in India.
- Technology Assessment in Metal Handicrafts of Moradabad, U. P.
- Financial Planning for Municipal Waste Management in 3 towns each of Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh and three hill region in Shimla, Nainital and Shillong.
- Perpetration of District level Energy plans under IREP of MNES, Govt. of India for 3 districts of U. P.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Baseline study on Social Benefits of IIT and UWO Technology utilization Fly Ash and Sewage Sludge for Wasteland remineralisation and plantation.

This project was funded by "India Canada Environment". The project was of four months duration (June 2002 to Oct. 2002). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 5.00 lakhs. The survey work was carried out in Raipur sites (Chattisgarh) and Dhankanal, Orissa State. The objectives of the survey were as follows.

- To find out linkage between people and forests with particulars sequence to the role of forest produce in the economy of a household,
- To identify the role of minor forest produce in a village economy,
- To study and identify existing social structure of the village / formal / informal institutions and their role in CPR management,
- To determine the existing leadership pattern and the decision making structure in the context of different socio economic population strata,
- To identify the potential employment generation after the implementation of the project.

Schedules were prepared for data collection but no training to field staff was given and no instruction manual was provided by the agency. Stratified random sampling was used for selection of samples. Frame was already available at ultimate stage of sampling. The data collection was carried out by own and hired staff in the ratio of 1:4 supervisor/field man ratio. The analysis of the data was carried out through computer. No estimation procedure was developed. Statistical package was not used for analysis of data. The objectives of the survey were not formulated statistically. Only the percentages have been calculated. No charts and diagrams have been given in the report. Standard errors not worked out. There is no chapter on review of literature and concepts and definitions used in the survey. It is a routine type of survey report.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It does not have website. It operates at the State level. It doesn't have any branch. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has 18 regular employees. There are 40 persons in the reserved panel. The agency is working in own accommodation of size 200 square feet. The infrastructure of the agency seems to be very poor. The average turnover of the agency is Rs. 15.32 lakhs. The agency has mentioned five projects in the filled-in questionnaire but only one project has been completed after 2002-2003 onwards. The **remaining** four projects shown by the agency in the questionnaire were completed during 1994 to 1999. The agency has not shown any on-going project. The projects completed by the agency were funded by the

Government agencies like Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources and Office of D C. (Handicrafts), Central Ministry of Textiles.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects

- Concurrent monitoring of central rural energy program viz National Project on Biogas Development (NPBD) and National Program on Improved Chulhas (NPIC) (01-04-2002 to 15-06-2003).
- Bench-mark survey of socio economic status of artisans engaged in wooden crafts in Jodhpur (Rajasthan), Trivandrum (Kerala), with specific reference to employment of women (Sponsored by UNIFEM under the aegis of Council of Handicrafts Development Corporations (COHANDS) (12-08-1998 to 20-02-1999.
- Characteristics of S and T manpower engaged in R and D activities in the institutions/PSUs/autonomous Bodies under Central Socio Economic Ministries (15-10-1996 to 15-08-1998).
- Study of Socio-economic status and census of handicraft artisans in Himachal Pradesh and Haryana 15-02-1995 to 20-06-1996).
- Socio-economic conditions of banjara Embroidery Artisans (15-02-1994 to 20-10-1994).

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Concurrent Monitoring of Bio-gas Plants- Household survey of owners of Biogas Plants in Punjab.

This project was sponsored by Ministry of Non-Conventional Sources of Energy. The report envisages the socio-economic status of beneficiaries of biogas plants set up in Punjab during 2002-03. The total sanctioned project budget was Rs. 13.88 Lakhs.

The report deals with the Socio-Economic parameters of the households owning biogas plants in Punjab with particular emphasis on their experience with operation of the plant. The report covers proportion of biogas plants by type of model, level of satisfaction with reasons, benefits from the use of biogas, the problem faced by the households in using the biogas plants, operation

details of the working plants including storage and disposition of slurry, suggestion for improvements, willingness to finance needed repairs, satisfactions of the users with the services provided by the agencies etc.

In this report, random sampling has been used. The sampling frame was already available as the list of beneficiaries provided by the program implementing agencies at the states levels. The sample size comprised 15 to 17 percent of total population of the years 2001 to 2003. Villages were so selected that the maximum beneficiaries of NPBD and NPIC could be covered. As mentioned in the report, 125 households owing the operational biogas were contacted personally during the survey conducted in February – March 2003.

Number and percentage of households have been estimated to get an idea about the socio-economic background of the plant owners. In this regard, the socio-economic parameters like income, land holding, occupation, caste, family size, education, cattle holding, annual household income etc. have been taken.

The schedules for data collection were prepared by the agency. Proper training was imparted to the staff. Instruction manual was prepared by the agency. Data collection was carried out by own staff by the method of inquiry. During the period of the survey, supervision of the field work was also carried out with 1: 5 field man / supervisor ratio. The data entry work was outsourced. Analysis of the data was carried out by using readymade software packages SPSS and STATA. Some other programs were written in FORTRAN to analyze the data. Results are presented with the help of tables. Consolidated average values of different variables in percentage have been presented. Statistician was involved in the survey. Nothing has been given in the report except the tables and their interpretation. No methodology, review of literature, estimation procedure, summary and conclusions has been given in the report. Statistically, the report is graded poor.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency has no website. The agency specializes in Entrepreneurial, Household, Socio-economic, Opinion Survey, Financial and External Sector Surveys. It operates at National level. It does not have any other branch. All the five projects reported are nationally funded. Planning, data collection, data processing/ analysis and report writing are different types of activities performed by the agency. It has 13 regular employees. The average turn over on survey activities during last three years was Rs. 18. 86 lakhs. It has seven persons in reserved panel all are highly qualified and highly experienced in their respective fields of specialization. The agency is working in own accommodation measuring of size 3176 square feet. It has eight rooms and one conference Hall. It has five KVA power back up.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Impact Assessment of Rural Development Programme
- Quick Intensive Mid Term Evaluation of Watershed
- Concurrent Evaluation of Sampoorna Grameena Rozgar Yojana (SGRY)
- Independent Evaluation of the Functioning and Continued Utility of the Consumer Disputes Redressal Agencies
- Coconut Biomass Study

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Independent Evaluation of the Functioning and Continued Utility of the Consumer Disputes Redressal Agencies.

Objectives:

- To what extent the objectives of the consumer Protection Act 1986 have been achieved by the State Commission and District Forum in the State.
- Consumer's opinion, experience, trade and Industry/Precautions of law on the functioning of Consumer Courts.
- Does the monitory value of relief granted by the State Commission/District Fora, Justify the amounts spent for the sustenance of Consumer Courts.
- Are the Consumer Courts relevant in the changing Economic Scenario.

The project was of 2 months duration (Jan. 2002 to March 2002). It was conducted in 7 districts and the State Commission of Karnataka State. The Study was funded by Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Department. Govt. of Karnataka with a sanctioned budget of Rs.2 Lakh. The primary objective of the survey was to collect information on different stakeholders, Traders, Beneficiaries, General Public, Consumer Forum and Consumer Activists within a scope Term of Reference (TOR) at district level and State Commission level. The questionnaires were prepared for each stakeholder separately, discussed and tested in Mysore city. Proper training was imparted to field staff but no instruction manual was prepared by the agency. The sampling

design used for data collection was unistage random sampling. The frame preparation exercise was carried out at the ultimate stage sampling. Data collection was carried out by Inquiry as well as by observation using own and hired staff in the ratio 2:3 own/hired ratio. Supervision of the field staff work was carried out with 5:1 field man/ Supervisor ratio. The report of the project appears to be exhaustive and well drafted. There are separate chapters on Introduction, Methodology adopted. All the objectives are well discussed. The results are supported by Tables (showing Percentages and numbers), Charts and Graphs. The results of the survey are matching with the objectives. Analysis was done manually and by computer using ready made software. M S Office software was used for report writing. There was no statistician involved in the project.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Delhi based agency was established in the year 1989 and was registered in 1993. It has both PAN and TAN. It has its own website. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways, namely, telephone, fax and e-mail. Statisticians on regular basis are engaged by the agency. The agency uses probability sampling design i. e. follows statistically sound survey methodology. **Thus the agency covers all the four non-negotiable criteria**.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio-Economic and Infrastructure Sector, Enterprennual as well as Household Surveys. It operates at National level and has 16 branches spread all over India. The geographical spread of the agency is thus quite impressive. Some of the projects executed by the agency are internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has a very good strength of employees comprising both own and hired staff. The agency reports good number of statisticians, economists and IT specialists. There are six persons in the reserved panel, all are highly experienced and are experts in their field of specialization.

Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 10,500 square feet. There are 21 rooms with good power backup facility. It has got good infrastructure. The average annual turnover of the agency is about 29 crores (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- District Level Monitoring of schemes of ministry of Rural Development
- Survey on Child Health and Environment in Rural India
- Operations research to improve newborn Health and Survival in the integrated nutrition and Health program INHP-II Area of CARE India
- Impact of Zinc and IFA supplementation on Mortality and Morbidity of children (2-23 months)
- Reproductive Child Health (RCH) District Level Household Survey

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: RCH District Level Household Survey

The Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) District Level Household Survey (DLHS) was initiated by the government of India and financed by the World Bank / MOHFW, IIPS. The project was of 6 years duration (Feb'98 to Dec'2004). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 9. 00crores. The survey work was carried out in Uttar Pradesh, Orissa and West Bengal. The primary objective of the survey was, to generate district level data to estimate important indicators of reproductive and child health (Coverage of ANC and immunization services, Proportion of safe deliveries, Contraceptive prevalence rates, Unmet need for family planning, Awareness about RTI/STI and HIV/AIDS and Utilization of health services and users satisfaction) other than service statistics, on utilization of the service provided by Govt. health facilities and to assess people's perception on quality of services. Although the questionnaire was originally designed by the agency, the International Institute for Population Studies (IIPS), Mumbai, made necessary modifications in the questionnaires. The questionnaires were prepared bilingual (English and regional). Proper training was imparted to the field staff, PPS and random sampling design was used for sample selection. Frame preparation exercise was carried out at the

ultimate stage of sampling. The survey seems to have been well planned, in the sense that necessary care was taken to tackle the problem of non-response. Data collection was carried out by own staff by the method of inquiry as well as by observation. The details to be followed in the measurement process are very well presented. Supervision of the field work was also carried out with 5:1 field man / supervisor ratio. During the period of the survey, the IIPS team headed by the Research Officer did 10% of the quality check. The data was processed using micro computers which include editing of the questionnaires, data entry, data cleaning and tabulation. Software package was also developed for the purpose of data entry and tabulation. Tables, charts and graphs are very well presented in the report. Although some analysis work has been carried out using SPSS, it is only restricted to computing average values. Besides this no other statistical analysis was carried out. The report is lacking in clear cut estimation procedure although some scanty details are given here and there. It is thus no surprise that it does not report any standard errors. In all in all the report is lacking in statistical contents to the extent desirable. There is no separate chapter on concepts and definitions. It is not clear from the report if the indicators used are standard ones. The results of the survey are matching with the objectives. Various chapters of the report are well drafted.

GUJARAT

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Gujarat based agency was established in April 1991 and registered in October 1991 with "Vadodara Municipal Corporation". The agency has PAN and TAN. The agency follows statistically sound survey methodology. It has a regular statistician. The agency has all the three ways of connectivity (telephone, e-mail and fax). Thus the **agency covers all the four non-negotiable criteria**.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency Specializes in Socio-Economic, Financial and External Sectors and Household Survey. The agency operates at the National level. The agency has one branch in Patna, Bihar. The agency is having its own accommodation of 450 size square meters with 13 rooms and a three phase power back up facility. The Agency has a good number of computers (20/P4). Agency has six persons in reserved panel. The average annual turnover on survey related activities is 1.66 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Situation analysis for condom promotion in State of Gujarat
- Reproductive and child health project District level household survey
- Baseline survey for UNFPA supported IPD Project Maharastra
- Quality assurance Project in Gujarat and Maharastra-Baseline facility survey
- Strengthening Immunization Plus in Bihar and Jharkhand

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Situation analysis for condom promotion in State of Gujarat

This project was financed by "DKT India". The project was of 6 months duration (21/12/04 to 16/06/2005). The sanctioned Budget for the project was Rs. 4,93,830. The study was carried out in 8 districts of Gujarat. The study aims to understand the barriers to condom use through assessing the level of

- Personal risk perception
- Myths and misconceptions related to use of condoms
- Consistency of use
- Availability and accessibility of condoms
- To identify need gaps and determine activities that would strengthen the condom promotion in the state

The study was conducted among the vulnerable population in rural areas. To get a representative sample, the state was divided into eight parts and samples from each of the divisions were selected. Multistage stratified sampling design was used in this survey for the purpose of data collection. Sampling frame was made at the ultimate stage. The problem of non response was taken care of at the time of planning of survey. Questionnaire/schedules were properly prepared and tested. Data was collected by own and hired staff in the ratio 3:2 by the method of interview. Schedules were also prepared and tested for data collection. Training was imparted to the field staff. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 6:1 fieldsmen /supervision ratio. Data processing was carried out by micro Computers. Tables and graphs are very well presented in the report. Relative standard errors were not calculated.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency is Gujarat based, established and registered in the year 2005 under the charity commissioner, Government of Gujrat, Ghandhinagar. It has no PAN and TAN. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity through telephone and e-mail. Agency has one regular statistician. The agency does not meet the non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has no website. It claims specialization in Agriculture, Industry, Service Sector, Socio-Economic and Price related projects Enterpreneual as well as Household Surveys. It claims to operate at National level but does not have any other branch. It has not taken up any project. The agency claims to conduct complete survey including report writing. It has one regular employee. The agency has one room. It operates from the residence of the chairman of the agency. It has one P-IV computer.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has not submitted any project.

Comments on one best project report:

In the absence of project report it is not possible to objevtively comment on the survey capability
of the agency.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This Ahemdabad based agency was established and registered in the year 1978. The agency has TAN and PAN. Agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways i. e. telephone, e-mail and fax. The agency has no regular statistician. So far agency has never used any probability sampling design in their past handled project. Thus it does not meet the non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency does not have website. It specializes in Industry, Infrastructure, Corporate, Service and Socio-Economic Sectors. It has the capacity to operate at state level. It has no branch elsewhere. The agency conducts complete survey as well as part of the survey e.g. data collection etc. It has 37 regular employees. The agency has very good number of reserve personnels. The agency possesses very good infrastructure including own building with covered area around 10,000 square feet. It has 10 Pentium IV personal computers with LAN Server. The average annual turnover of the agency on survey activities was around Rs. 65 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Tourist Flow Information System (TFIS) in the State.
- Survey of un-registered Industries (only data collection)
- Four Laning of Estate Linking Roads.
- Survey of Artisans
- Agricultural and Animal Husbandry Livelihood for earth quake affected district of Kutch

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Tourist Flow Information System in the State

Tourist Flow Information System (TFIS) in the Gujarat State was initiated by Gujarat State and funded by Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Ltd. Gandhinagar. The project was monthly survey for 5 years (i. e. April, 2002 To March, 2007) and the budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 19.20 lakhs per year. The survey work was carried out in whole of the Gujarat State.

The primary objective of the survey was to prepare a database on tourist accommodation capacity, actual flow and distinctive features of flows, the design of a system for collection, processing and analysis of information on tourist flows and a better understanding of conceptual and practical issues underlying the operation of TFIS with the concepts as i) Definition of Tourist, ii) Tourist purpose, iii) Tourist class and iv) Tourist origin.

Sampling frame was prepared by the agency. Questionnaire was designed by the agency. Instruction manual was also prepared by the agency. This was a complete enumeration based survey. For data collection agency has prepared three questionnaires. Instruction manual was also prepared. Data was collected through enquiry on monthly basis by hired staff and supervised in 10:1 supervision ratio. Standard software package were used for data analysis. Results are very well presented in the report. However statistical contents are missing in the report to the extent desirable. Overall the report is well drafted.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

The agency was established in the year 2003. It is not registered. It has no PAN and TAN. The agency is approachable as it has got connectivity in two ways, namely, telephone and e-mail only. There are no Statisticians employed on regular basis. Agency is not using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency does not meet all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It does not have website. It specializes in Socio-Economic and Agriculture Sector, as well as Household Surveys. It operates at the District level. It does not have branch. It does data collection work. It has three regular executives only. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 300 squareft on ad-hoc basis. The average annual turnover of the agency on survey activities is Rs. 1.0 lakh.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has not submitted any project.

Comments on one best project report:

At the time of the visit, the agency could not produce any project report.

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This Gujarat based agency was establish in 1995 and registered in 1996 under the registrar of societies, Ahmedabad. It has PAN and TAN. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (Telephone, e-mail and Fax). No regular statistician working with the agency. Agency is using random sampling design for the sample selection. Thus the agency does not meet all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Socio-Economic, Corporate Sector. It operates at the regional level and has four branches in North India. It has undertaken five National level surveys so far. It undertakes IEC material development along with complete survey. Total manpower engaged with the agency is 21 regular and two contractual employees. Agency is working in owned accommodation of 4000 square feet having 16 rooms and power back up facility of DG sets of 15 KW. It has over 100 persons in the reserved panel. The annual turnover of the agency is Rs 78.20 lakhs approx.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- National Family Health survey 2005-06(NFHS-3)
- District level Household survey of RCH(Round –II,Phase-II)

- District level Household survey of RCH(Round –II,Phase-I)
- Satisfaction Assessment of Patients and Health Providers.
- Spanning the Digital Divide An Assessment Study.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: District level Household survey of RCH (Round –II, Phase-I)

Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) District Level Household Survey initiated by Government of India (GOI) was internationally funded by World Bank through ministry of Health and Family welfare. The total budget sanctioned for the project was Rs 81 lakhs. It was of duration 18, months march'02 to Sep '03. It covers the states Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland (covering 50 % of the total districts of 3 states).

The objectives of the survey were

- Coverage of ANC and immunization services
- Proportion of safe deliveries
- Contraceptive prevalence rates
- Unmet need for family planning
- Awareness about RTI, STI and HIV/AIDS
- Utilization of health services and the user's satisfaction

The objectives of the survey are not formulated statistically. There is separate chapter on concept and definitions. Sampling design appears to be very sound. Frame preparation exercise carried out at the ultimate stage i. e. household stage. 10% extra sample was taken to tackle the problem of non-response. Questionnaires were prepared bilingual for Assam state. The International Institute for Population Studies (IIPS), Mumbai and the Nodal agency for DLHS-RCH Project has made necessary modifications and added some items to the questionnaires. The indicators are well defined. Data collection was primarily carried out by inquiry but nutritional status was determined through physical measurement. No clear cut estimation procedure was developed. Supervision of the field work was carried out by trained professionals with 1:6 supervisors: field man ratio. The data was processed and properly scrutinized using micro computers. Software

used for data entry, data cleaning and tabulation of data was developed by IIPS. Tables and graphs are very systematically presented. The results presented were according to the objectives.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

The agency was registered in 1998 and established in 1999. It has TAN but does not have PAN. The agency is connected through telephone and e-mail. There is no fax facility. It does not have regular statistician. The agency uses random sampling design. Thus it does not satisfy all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Trade, Infrastructure and Socio-economic sectors. It operates at regional level. It has no branch Office. Some of the projects handled by the agency are international funded. There are thirteen regular employees and one person in reserve panal. The agency is working in hired accommodation of size 320 square meters. There are eight rooms with good power back-up. It has 11 computers and one laptop. The average turn over of the agency is 47.93 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects. The details of the above project were not reported in the main questionnaire.

- Consultation with the poor-participatory poverty assessment in Gujarat
- Impact of Agricultural policies and progress on women farmers and agricultural labours in Gujarat
- Inclusive mega cities of Asia in Globalizing world
- Assessment of the Impact of Rural poverty Alleviation Programs on the poor: A study in Gujarat
- Environment, Employment and sustainable development: A study in three Indian states-AP, Gujarat and Orissa.

Comments on best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Valuation of Mangroves in Gujarat.

The agency has not provided the details of this project. This project is sponsored by the Gujarat Ecological Commission, Vadodra.

The primary objectives of the study were

- To study the changes in the states of mangroves in Gujarat state during the past two
 decades or so and to estimate the nature and extent of depletion and degradation of
 mangroves in physical terms.
- To complete monetary value of changing status of mangroves using alternative methods.
- To develop a methodology of computing value of a renewable natural resource in the process and
- To infer policy/action implication of the study for improving the status of mangroves in the states.

From the details of the project Consultation with poor participatory poverty it is clear that the agency prepared questionnaire, tested it in the field. Instruction manual prepared by the agency and training to field staff imparted. Random sampling design was used and frame preparation exercise was also carried out. Data collection work was carried out by own as well as hired staff.

The supervision ratio was 1:8. Data analysis was carried out through computer. Tables, charts and graphs are well presented in the report. The report is lacking in statistical contents. There is no chapter on concepts and definitions. Standard errors have not been given in the report. The report appears to be satisfactory.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Service, Infrastructure, Socio-Economic, Financial and External Sector, Enterpreneual and Household Survey. It operates at the District level and has no branch. There are seven regular employees working with the agency. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 66.27 square meters having two rooms. It has two persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of the agency is Rs.1.67 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

• Women empowerment through S. H. G in Panchkula district in collaboration with total

sanitation in Uklana block of district Hissar.

- Problem faced by harijan sarpanch in the field of rural development.
- Irrigation and drinking problem in Mewat dist of Haryana.
- Study of self help group having linkage in Bhiwani district of Haryana.
- Total sanitation uklana block of district Hissar.

Comments on one best project report:

Report not submitted by the agency. The survey capability, of the agency appears to be very limited.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service, Socio-Economic Sectors, Enterpreneual and Household Surveys. It operates at the National level. It does not have any branch office. It has carried one Local/District, three States and one National level survey so far. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has ten regular and 24 contractual employees. It has 11 persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in owned accommodation of size 100 square meter having three rooms and a power back up facility of generator and inverter. The average annual turnover of the agency on survey related activities is four lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following three projects.

- Livestock crop production system analysis for sustainable production in U. P and Uttranchal.
- Livestock crop production system analysis for sustainable production in Rajasthan.
- Assessment of production and post harvest losses of milk (Haryana, U. P. and Delhi).

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Livestock crop production system analysis for sustainable production in U. P. and Uttranchal

This was a National level project funded by "National Agriculture Technology Project NATP (ICAR), World Bank". The duration of the project was two years. The total budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 3 lakhs. The survey work was carried out in all the 10 agro- climatic zones of Uttar Pradesh and Uttranchal. The objectives of the survey were:

- To identify various livestock production system in the different agro climatic regions of Uttar Pradesh.
- To identify the constraints in practicing various livestock production system in different agro-climatic regions of Uttar Pradesh.
- To study the resources structure and socio-economic profile system of the farmers practicing various livestock crop production system in different agro- climatic regions of Uttar Pradesh.
- To study the economic characteristic and productivity level in various livestock maintained and crops grown in different parts of the state in different system.
- To study the various breeding feeding and management practices followed by the farmers.
- To ascertain the practices involved and the constraints faced in the marketing of crop livestock and livestock products.
- To ascertain the input output relationship for the various livestock crop production system in the different agro-climatic regions of Uttar Pradesh
- To ascertain the potential for increasing the income and employment through

• Adoption of improved technology in various livestock-crop production systems.

Data collection was carried out by both (own/ hired) staff in the ratio 10:1. Sampling frame was prepared at ultimate stage of sampling. Secondary data from various sources viz. NATP, Directorate of Economic and Statistical, Deptt. of Animal Husbandry, Ministry of Food and Agriculture, Govt. of India, Soil Conservation Deptt. and CSO were used for the classification of villages into various livestock crops. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 1:3 supervisor /field man ratio. Data analysis restricted to working out mean, average and percentages. Results and discussions about the project are given in detail in the report. No standard errors computed. No statistician was involved in the survey. The reports appear to be satisfactory.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Industries, Corporate sector and Socio-economic surveys. It operates at regional level. It does not have any branch. Some of the projects executed by the agency are nationally as well as internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has eight regular and forty four contractual employees. There are four persons in the reserved panel, all are experienced and are experts in their field of specialization. The agency is working in hired accommodation of size 1200 square feet having three rooms and

one hall with good power backup facility. The average turnover of the agency is about Rs. 3.33 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following three projects.

- Socio-economic study of villages around Vedanta Alumina Limited (VAL) in Lanjigarh.
- Baseline Survey of Impact of Low Cost Irrigation technique on Farming Household.
- Endline Survey on Gender Dynamics in Y A R S Project area in Jharkhand and West Bengal

Comments on one best Project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Socio Economic Study of villages Around Vedanta Alumina

Limited (VAL) in Lanjigarh

This project was funded by 'Vedanta Alumina Limited- Sterlite Group'. The Project was of three month duration (Jan 2006-March-2006). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 9. 00 lakhs. The survey work was carried out by Asian Institute for Sustainable Development Ranchi in collaboration with Xavier Institute of Social Service Ranchi. The primary objectives of the survey were as follows

- To trace the habitations and socio-economic linkages the locals have particularly with the natural resources and forests.
- To look into present infrastructure facilities and the efforts made by government and other developmental agencies,
- To study the key social institutional, which are likely to be affected by the mining and other developmental projects,
- To assess the attitude and participation of locals towards the existing programs of government and other sectors including industry,
- To ascertain the needs of villages in the area,
- To ascertain the available skills among the local people in the study area,
- To ascertain the income generating sources in the area,

• To find out the training needs of the community if they opt for income generating scheme

Vedanta Alumina Limited decided to carry out a socio-economic survey of villages which were situated within 10 Km. radius from the aluminum refinery plant, village situated on both sides of railway track linking the plant with Rayagada-Sambalpur railway line and villages situated in and around the proposed mining sites. 811 households from 81 villages were studied. These were selected through systematic random sampling from each village. All the villages were grouped into three zones. Schedules were prepared for data collection and training to field staff was given but no instruction manual was prepared by the agency. The data collection was carried out by own as well as hired staff in the ratio of 16:84. Supervision of the field work was also carried out with 5:1 field man / supervisor ratio. Quantitative data analyzed with the help of SPSS. No Estimation procedure has been given in the report. The Objectives of the survey were not formulated statistically. Only percentages have been calculated and different tables have been prepared as per the objectives. Histogram and Pie diagram are given in the report. Standard errors not reported. There is no chapter on review of literature and concepts and definition used in the survey. It appears to be a routine type of survey.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established and registered in the year 1980. It has PAN and TAN. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity in all the three ways, namely telephone, fax and email. It has two regular statisticians. Agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency covers all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service Sector, Infrastructure, Socio-Economic Sector Enterpreneual and Household Surveys. It operates at regional level. It does not have any branch. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has 26 regular and 90 contractual employees. There are four persons in the reserved panel; all are experienced and are experts in their field of specialization. The agency is working in hired accommodation of size 6000 square feet having 15 rooms and 6 research cells with good power backup facility. It has good infrastructure. The average turnover of the agency is Rs. 99.85 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Incidence and affect of drought: A case study for Karnataka
- Socio-economic and Environmental of power sector reforms in Orissa
- A study on subsidies in the Tobacco sector for Tobacco growers in India
- Natural Resource Accounting for Land and Forestry sector in Karnataka
- Impact Assessment of Mahiti Sindhu Program

Comments on one best project report:

The agency has not submitted the project report despite repeated reminder. It is therefore not possible to objectively assess the survey capability of the agency.

59. Institute for Social and Economic Change [R-04]

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Bangalore based agency was established and registered in 20.1.72 under the registering authority Registrar of Society Bangalore, Govt. of Karnataka. It has PAN and TAN. It has regular statistician. It uses an appropriate sampling methodology for survey. It has got connectivity by all three ways namely telephone, e-mail and fax. Thus the agency fulfills all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Service Sector, Infrastructure, Socio-economic, Financial and External Sector and Household Surveys. It operates at National level. It does not have any branch. There are 127 regular employees. Agency is working in its own accommodation of size 78300 square feet having a generator with power backup facility. It does not have any reserve panel of personals. The agency has very competent faculty and very impressive infrastructure. The average annual turnover of agency on survey activities is 5.52 crores.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Free uniforms to school children- an evaluation.
- Effectiveness of microfinance programs in reducing vulnerability to Debt Bondage in Andhra Pradesh.
- Rates of Rural Local Organization in development projects.
- Alternative strategies for Rural Water Supply Comparative Study of Gujrat and Karnataka.
- Consumer demand for Telecom Services in Karnataka and Goa

Comments on the Best Project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Free uniforms to school children- an evaluation

This survey was funded by "Dept. of Education Government of Karnataka". The sanctioned budget for this project was Rs 4,33,550. It was of 4 months duration (01-02-2003 to 31-05-2003). It was a state level project. The main objectives of this survey were

- To study the spread of scheme of coverage across geographical areas and social segments
- To assess the impact of the scheme in improving the attendance in school
- To study the nature of supply and distribution of material from production centre to the target beneficiaries

Review of literature was carried out. Standard concepts and definitions were used. A multistage stratified sampling design based on geographical regions and educational development was followed to select districts, blocks, schools, students, parents and other stake holders. The study covered an overall sample of 8 districts, two under each of the four educational divisions, 16 blocks corresponding to eight select districts 160 schools, 800 student's beneficiaries, 320 parents of student beneficiaries and 160 community representatives. Schedules were properly prepared and tested. Instruction manual was provided and training was also imparted to the field staff. Data collection was done by own staff by the method of inquiry. Supervision ratio was 3:1 field man/supervisor ratio. Data analysis was done by using software SPSS, Excel. Standard errors not computed. The report is very well drafted.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This is a Bangalore based Agency. The Agency has PAN and TAN. The Agency doses not have any regular statistician. Agency is not using any sampling method for survey and does not follows sound survey methodology. Agency has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). Thus the Agency is not covering all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has four branches. Total manpower engaged with the agency is five regular and 75 contractual employees The Agency is working in a hired accommodation having five rooms. The agency has two persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of Agency is 38.32 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following one project.

• Evaluation of gp Libraries.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Evaluation of gp Libraries.

This survey was funded by a National Agency, Dept. of public libraries. The sanctioned budget for this project was 3.61 lakhs. It was a local project of four months duration. The objectives of this survey are not mentioned in the main questionnaire. Survey report is not given. Random sampling was used in the survey. Schedules were prepared and tested for data collection. Instruction manual and training was also imparted to the field staff. Hired staff carried out data collection by the method of inquiry. All the analysis was done by the computer using the software SPSS. Standard errors were not calculated. Report format is not prepared by computer. No statistician involved in survey.

61. JSS Consultants [R-05]

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established and registered in the year 1993. It has PAN and TAN. It has Statisticians as regular employees. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity in all the three ways i. e. telephone, fax and e-mail. It uses probability sampling design. Thus the agency meets all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency specializes in Entrepreneurial, Household, Socio-Economic, Financial and External Sector Surveys. It has the capacity to undertake the surveys at regional level. It has three branches. All the five projects mentioned are nationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has 68 regular employees. The average turn over on survey activities during the last three years was Rs. 34.83 Lakhs. It has six persons in reserved panel all are highly qualified and experienced in their respective fields of specialization. The agency is working in its own accommodation of size 10,000 square meters. It has eight rooms and one conference Hall. It has a very good infrastructure.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Impact Assessment of Rural Development Programme
- Quick Intensive Mid Term Evaluation of Watershed
- Concurrent Evaluation of Sampoorna Grameena Rozgar Yojana (SGRY)
- Independent Evaluation of the Functioning and Continued Utility of the Consumer Disputes Redressal Agencies
- Coconut Biomass Study

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Independent Evaluation of the Functioning and Continued Utility of the Consumer Disputes Redressal Agencies.

Objectives:

- To what extent the objectives of the consumer Protection Act 1986 have been achieved by the State Commission and District Fora in the State.
- Consumer's opinion, experience, trade and Industry/Precautions of law on the functioning of Consumer Courts.
- Does the monitory values of relief granted by the State Commission/District Fora, Justify the amount spent for the sustainance of Consumer Courts.
- Are the Consumer Courts relevant in the changing Economic scenario

The project was of two months duration (Jan. 2002 to March 2002). It was conducted in 7 districts and the State Commission of Karnataka State. The Study was internationally funded by Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs department, Government of Karnataka with a sanctioned budget of Rs. 2.00 Lakh. The primary objective of the survey was to collect information on different stakeholders, Trade, Beneficiaries, General Public, Consumer Forum and Consumer Activists within a scope Term of Reference (TOR) at district level and State Commission level. The questionnaires were prepared for each stakeholder separately, discussed and tested in Mysore city. Proper training was imparted to field staff but no instruction manual was prepared by the agency. The sampling design used was random sampling. The frame preparation exercise was carried out at the ultimate stage sampling. The sample size taken was

Consumer Activist – 17, Beneficiaries- 65, Members of Trade – 196, General Public – 476. The criterion of selection was TOR. There was no Non response problem. Data collection was carried out by Inquiry as well as by observation using hired staff in the ratio 2:3. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 5:1 field man/ Supervisor ratio. There is no separate chapter of Introduction, Methodology and reference. All the objectives are well discussed district wise. Tables (showing Percentages and numbers) Charts and graphs are well presented. The results of the survey are matching with objectives. The Consumer Courts are relevant in the changing economic scenario but there is no statistical evidence. Analysis was done manually and by computer using ready made software. Ms Office software was used for report writing. Statistician was also involved in the project. In all the report is well drafted from Technical angle.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established as well as registered in the year 1991. It has PAN but no TAN. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity in all the three ways, namely telephone, fax and e-mail. It has one statistician on regular basis. Agency uses random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency does not cover all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It does not have a website. It specializes in Infrastructure and Socio-Economic Surveys. It operates at national level. It does not have any branch Office. Projects executed by the agency are nationally as well as internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has six regular employees. There are eight persons in the reserved panel, all are experienced and are experts in their field of specialization. The agency is working in owned accommodation of size 150 square meters having five rooms and power back up facility of UPS. The average turnover of the agency is about Rs. 1.12 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Study on Sustainable Livelihoods and Income Generating avenues from Forest and Non forest Resources,
- Socio-Economic-Impact assessment of Eastern Plains Forestry,
- Impact Assessment study of Watersheds in Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh,
- Longitudinal Study in Karnataka for the Planning Commission, Government of India,
- Study on Urban Poverty.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Socio-Economic-Impact Assessment of Eastern Plains Forestry

The above project was initiated by the government of Karnataka and funded by "Karnataka Forest Department". The project was of one year duration (Oct. 2001-Sep2002). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs 2.15 lakhs. The survey was carried out in the three districts namely Kolar, Gulbarga and Dharbad each representing three different agro-climatic zones of Karnataka state. The broad objectives of the survey were

- To preserve the ecologically sensitive area of eastern plains
- To afforest degraded lands so as to meet the biomass needs of the local communities,
- To initiate a process of joint forest planning and management (JFPM) by empowering user groups to contribute to the management decision affecting them,
- Capacity building of KFD personnel so as to successfully implement JFPM.
- Augment the income of the rural people by providing employment through afforestation and allied activities.

Proper training was imparted to the field staff but no instruction manual was prepared by the agency. Systematic random sampling design was used for data collection. The data collection was carried out by the hired staff by the method of enquiry. Supervision of the field work was also carried out with 2:1 field man / supervision ratio. Supervision was carried out by innovative method like conducting informal discussions, proper monitoring of discussions at regular intervals. The data analysis was done by readymade software i. e. MS Excel. No estimation procedure has been given. The objectives of the survey were not formulated statistically. Bar

diagrams and pie-charts are provided at some places, only percentages have been calculated and different tables were prepared. Standard error was not computed. No statistician was involved in the survey. The report appears to be of routine type.

63. Mahatma Gandhi Trust [R] Institute of Rural Developments

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This Mysore based agency was established in Jan 1995 and registered in Oct. 1999 under "Sub Registrar Mysore District". It has exempted from TAN. It has regular statistician. The agency has got connectivity by two ways i.e. telephone and e-mail. It does not have fax facility. It uses an appropriate sampling method and follows sound survey methodology. Thus agency is covering all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Service Sector, Infrastructure, Socio-Economic, Financial, External Sector, Enterpreneual and Household Surveys. It operates at state level and has three branches. It has undertaken 15 District level, 5 State level and 2 National level surveys till date. The agency has 35 regular employees. There are five persons in the reserved panel. The agency is working in hired accommodation of 2400 squareft having 10 rooms. It has seven computers. The average annual turnover of the agency is 20 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following one project.

• Tribal Survey, Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Facilities, Literacy Survey, Child Labour Survey and Girl Child Dropout Survey.

Comments on one best project report:

No project report is submitted by the agency. It is, therefore, not possible to make an objective assessment of the survey capability of the agency.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established and registered in the year 1984. It has PAN as well as TAN. It has one regular statistician. Agency uses random sampling design. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). Thus it covers all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has a website. It specializes in Socio-Economic, Corporate Sector and Infrastructure Surveys. It operates at National level. It does not have any branch. The projects executed by the agency are Nationally as well as Internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has six regular employee. There are ten persons in the reserved panel all are experienced and experts in their field of specialization. Agency is working in owned accommodation of size 150 Square meter having five rooms. It has four computers and one laptop, two printers and one scanner. The average turnover of the agency is about Rs. 19.44 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Institutional Strengthening Action Plan for Tamil Nadu Highways Department.
- Tamil Nadu Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Project-Development of Institutional Capacity Building Strategies.
- Tamil Nadu Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Project-Preparation of Sector Project Implementation Plan.
- Rural Water Supply and Sanitation in Karnataka: A status Report.
- Preparation of Handbook on Vulnerability Analysis in RWSS Sector.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation project.

This project was initiated by the government of Karnataka and financed by the "World Bank". The survey work under the project was carried out in ten Districts of Karnataka State. The objectives of the survey were as follows.

- Analyzing existing sanitation and hygiene pattern.
- Selection of hygiene messages.
- Incentives related to hygiene education
- Determining community role in planning, implementing and maintaining facilities under the proposed project.
- Evolving methodology for government and community interaction in the selection and planning of facilities
- Establishing system for timely delivery of hygiene massages/provision of latrines
- Identification of role of NGO's.
- Assessment of demand for increased water services levels
- Determining demand for latrines
- Determining demand for drainage under a cost sharing

• Assessing willingness of villagers to pay for water supply and sanitation facilities.

The report does not contain any chapter on review of literature and concepts and definition used in the survey. Multistage sampling design was used to collect the data. Three villages were selected in each district, a total of 500 households were selected from the selected villages, and household in the village were chosen from the house list, maintained by the Mandal Panchayat. The questionnaires were prepared. Proper training was imparted to the field staff but no instruction manual was prepared by the agency. Data was collected by hired staff. The data was processed using micro computers. The objectives of the survey were not formulated statistically. Tables, Charts are very well presented in the report. No Statistician was involved in the survey. Standard errors were not calculated. The report is lacking in Statistical contents.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established and registered in the year 1986. It is affiliated to Visversvarya University, Belgaum, Govt. of Karnataka approved by the All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) New Delhi. It has both PAN and TAN. No regular statistician working with the agency. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways i.e. telephone, e-mail and fax. Agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Industries, Corporate Sector and Socio-Economic Sector. It operates at State level. It has no branch. Projects executed by the agency are Nationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has 90 regular employees. There are two very senior persons in the reserved panel. The agency is working in own accommodation of size 12738 square feet with good power backup facility. The agency has 150 computers and has Mini Tap software package for statistical analysis, two lasers and five

ordinary printers, one photocopier and one scanner. The average turnover of the agency on survey activities is about Rs. 10.32 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following two projects.

- "Financial Performance of Sugar Industry in Karnataka" funded by ICSSR M/O HRD, GOI
- "Working Conditions of Kannadigas in Multi-National Corporation's (MNC's) in Karnataka
 Special Reference to Bangalore City" funded by Kannada Development Authority, Govt. of Karnataka.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Financial Performance of Sugar Industry in Karnataka

The objectives of the study were

- To evaluate the growth performance of sugar industry in Karnataka as a whole by considering two important performance indicators viz. physical and financial.
- To analyze the business performance of the sugar factories under different ownership in Karnataka by using seven types of ratios
- To identify the factors influencing the performance of sugar factories and evaluate the direction and magnitude of their influence by using Principal Component analysis.
- To identify the constraints in the functioning of sugar factories and to suggest appropriate strategies for improving the performance of sugar industry in the State by SWOP (T) management technique.

The questionnaire were prepared and tested. Proper training was given and instruction manual prepared. Random Sampling design was used for sample selection. Frame preparation exercise was carried out. The survey seems to be well planned. Data collection was carried out by the hired staff. Supervision of field work was carried out with 8:1 field man/Supervision ratio. Proper data analysis was carried out by using principal component analysis SWOP (T) management techniques, compound growth rates, and Ratio analysis etc. using statistical

software package. Review of literature was carried out. Concepts and definitions have not been given. Standard errors were worked out.

66. SADHANA [D-13]

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This agency is situated at a distance of 95 Kms from Raichur railway station. The agency was established as well as registered in the year 1995. It has PAN number but there is no TAN. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways, namely telephone, fax and e-mail. It does not have statistician employed on regular basis. The agency uses random sampling for sample selection. Thus the agency does not cover all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It does not have a website. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service Sector, Infrastructure and Socio-Economic Sectors and Household Surveys. It operates at regional level and has three branches. It has reported three projects, out of which two are ongoing and one has been completed. It has provided inception report of one ongoing project. Projects executed by the agency are nationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has 42 regular employees. There are four persons in the reserved panel. The agency is working in

hired accommodation of size 1500 square feet. having two rooms and power backup facility of generator. The average turnover of the agency is about Rs. 1.00 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following three projects.

- World bank aided Karnataka community based Tank, Rehabilative Project.
- World Bank aided Karnataka Rural Water supply And Sanitation Project (Jala Nirmala).
- HIV Aided Prevention among the Migrants.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Karnataka Rural Water supply and sanitation.

This is a World Bank aided project through Karnataka water supply and sanitation agency. The duration of the project is one year and total budget sanctioned is Rs. 20.58 lakhs. The coverage area is four Taluks of Raichur district.

The objectives of the survey are.

- To create community awareness for use of safe drinking water and sanitation,
- To use the water resources to the maximum extent,
- Encourage cost effective and appropriate technology in clear drinking water and sanitation.

The questionnaire was designed by the agency, tested and training was imparted to the field staff. No instruction manual was prepared. It was a complete enumeration based project. Data collection was carried out by own staff by inquiry cum observation method carried out. The field man supervision ratio was 8:1. The data processing was manually. The project is ongoing. The inception report has been submitted and accepted with some modification.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Karnataka based agency could not provide the year of establishment and registeration. Agency has no PAN and TAN. It does not have fax and e-mail. No regular statistician working with the agency. Agency is not using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus it does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It claims to have specialization in Agriculture, Industry, Service, Socio-Economic Sector, Enterpreneual and Household Surveys. It claims to operate at the District level. It does not have any branch. There are no regular employees working with the agency. Agency working in owned accommodation of nine square meters having one room.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following one project.

Opening of school.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Opening of school. (Project Report was not submitted by the agency to IASRI). It was of the duration 15 days (15/12/04 to 30/12/04). It was a local level project. Schedules were prepared and tested. Instruction manual was not prepared but training was imparted to the field staff. Supervision of fieldwork was also carried out. No analysis work was done. No project report was prepared. The survey capability of the agency is very limited.

68. Statisticians and Economists Advisory Research Council House India (SEARCH INDIA) [S-26]

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Trade, Socio-Economic, Financial, and External Sector Surveys. It operates at State level. It does not have any branch. The agency has undertaken one district level and three state level projects so far. It has 10 regular employees. The Agency is working in hired accommodation of 216 square meter having eight rooms. The Agency has no person in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of the Agency is Rs. 3.1 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following three projects.

- Evaluation of slum improvement programme and housing programme
- Karnataka social pension survey
- Socio-economic condition of members of vokkaligara sangla

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Evaluation of slum improvement programme and housing programme (Short Report of this project is provided by SEARCH INDIA).

This survey was funded by a state level Agency "Karnataka slum clearances Board". It was of 5 months duration. The sanctioned budget for this project was Rs. 4, 95,000. It was a State level project. The main objectives of the survey were

- Evaluation of impact of quality of life of system dwellers.
- Maintenance of facilities created.
- Involvement of slum population in improvement programme.
- Housing programme-quality of construction, opinion of beneficiaries on facilities provided, lapses if any in implementation

Simple Random sampling was used in this project at every stage. Sampling frame was already available for sample selection. Auxiliary information was not used. Schedules were properly prepared and tested. Instruction manual was not prepared but training was imparted to the field staff. Data collection was done by own and hired staff with percentage ratio 25%:75% by the method of inquiry. Supervision of the field work was carried out by fieldsmen /supervisor ratio 1:2. All the analysis was done by computer using the software MS Word and Excel. Standard errors were not computed. Report format was prepared in MS Word. A statistician was involved in the survey.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established and registered in 1974. The agency has PAN but no TAN. It has no regular statistician. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by way of fax, telephone and e-mail. Random sampling or purposive sampling was used for sample selection. Thus, it does not cover all the non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Energy, Environment, Policy Analysis, Bio-technology Sectors, Enterpreneual and Households Surveys. It operates at the National level and has five branches. It conducts complete surveys including report writing. Number of surveys carried out by the agency since 2000 onwards are 12, out of which 5 were conducted at district level, 5 at state level and 2 at National level. It has strength of 411 regular employees. It has three persons in its reserved panel, all are highly experienced and experts in the field of specialization. It has a good infrastructure. The agency is working in owned accommodation of size 26000 square feet having 70 rooms and good power back up facility i. e. generator. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities during the last three years was Rs. 36.45 Crore (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Evaluation of catalytic development programme, India (on going).
- Concurrent monitoring of biogas and improved chulha programme in southern state of India.
- Evaluation of NPBD, NPIC and IREP programme of Karnataka.
- Environmentally sustainable development of mines-pilot study of BBH mines of MEL, Chitradurga, Karnataka.
- Cost-benefit analysis of the development of common property resources in KAWAD.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Concurrent monitoring of biogas and improved chulha programme in southern state of India.

The project was funded by Ministry of Non Conventional Energy Resources, Govt. of India. The duration of the project was 12 months (April 2002 to April 2003). The budget sanctioned was Rs. 1.50 lakhs. The survey work was carried out in the southern region covering five states namely Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Pondicherry and Tamil Nadu. The objectives of the study were as follows.

- Collection of beneficiary-wise detailed particular from State Nodal Departments and Organizations concerned.
- Selection of a large sample of villages for physical verification of systems; selection of a small sample for quantitative and qualitative assessment of the programme, including systems construction/installation, systems functionality and satisfaction of beneficiaries.
- Monitoring of the availability of trained masons, self –employed workers and supervisors.
- Monitoring of the users courses and awareness raising publicity.
- Determination of the need for maintenance and repair servicing facilities.
- Monitoring of the disbursement of central subsidy to beneficiaries.
- Determination of the availability of institutional finance.

The questionnaire was designed and pre-tested by the agency. Training was imparted to field staff but no instruction manual has been provided by the agency. A stratified three stage random sampling design was adopted for sample selection. Secondary information was collected from the implementing agencies, manufactures, self employed workers, Turnkey Agents, Supervisors and Technicians from State/ District level nodal agencies on various aspects of NPIC and NPBD programme dissemination in the project states. To monitor the NPIC and NPBD programme primary data was collected with the help of survey tools i. e. visits to the site, inspection of the installed devices, administration of structured questionnaires and conducting focus interviews. No estimation procedure was developed. Data collection was carried out by own and hired staff by the method of personal interview. Supervision of the field work was carried out in the ratio 1:1. Schedules prepared for data collection were attached with the report. The analysis of data was carried out through computer. However, only the percentages and averages have been calculated. Besides this no other statistical analysis was carried out. No statistician was involved in this survey. Standard errors have not been worked out. Tables are well presented in the report.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This agency was established by an Act of the Govt. of Karnataka in 1986. It has both TAN and PAN. It also has a website. Agency is easily approachable, as it has got connectivity by all the three ways namely telephone, e-mail and fax. Agency has eight regular Statisticians on roll. It uses random sampling mechanism for selection of sample. Thus it covers all the non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Service Sector and Socio-economic Sector. It operates at State level and has four branch offices spread over whole Karnataka state. Some of the projects executed by the agency are ICAR funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has very good number of subject matter specialist and IT specialist. The University is spread over hundreds of hectares of land. It has got very impressive infrastructure. The annual average turnover on survey activities was Rs. 41 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Interface between forests and Tanda people An economic analysis in northern Karnataka.
- Infrastructure polices for price stabilization for onion and potato in Karnataka
- Market dynamics for Tanrind in Karnataka
- Empowerment of women in Agriculture
- Production and marketing of organic farm products in Karnataka

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Interface between forests and Tanda people – An economic analysis in northern Karnataka.

The objectives of the project are:-

- To study the demographic and socio-economic characteristics of sample Tanda people
- To study the pattern of collection, consumption and marketing of major and minor forest products by Tanda people
- To study the effect of development programmes on the economics of Tanda people
- To suggest suitable policy measures.

The questionnaire were designed by the agency and tested in the field. Proper training was imparted to the field staff. No instruction manual prepared by the agency. Sampling design used in the survey for data collection was multistage random sampling. Data collection work was done by both own and hired staff. Supervision of field work was also carried out by the agency. Only averages and percentages have been worked out and presented in tabular form. Standard errors were not calculated. The copy of the project report is awaited.

KERALA

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established in June, 2003 and registered in August, 2003 under the Government of Kerala, Registrar of Societies. It does not have PAN and TAN. It has got connectivity by all the three ways. Regular statistician is working with the agency. Agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus agency does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service Sector, Socio-Economic and Price Surveys. It operates at State level. It does not have branch. The agency has 22 regular employees and two persons in reserved panel. One project undertaken during the last three years was Internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The average turn over of the agency on survey related activities is Rs.1.35 lakhs (approx.). The agency has hired accommodation of size 101 square meters.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Action research on level statistics
- Time use survey in Kundum basree families in Kerala
- District Development index-2004

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Study of district development index for Kerala. The objective of this study were

- To construct a composite index as on alternative measurement for inter district comparison
- To identify the districts which are backward based on 39 variables.

This is a secondary data based study. Although from the submitted report it is not possible to assess the survey capability of the agency but keeping in view the faculty of the agency it is safe to infer that it has very good survey capability.

72. Institute of Small Enterprises and Development (ISED) [N-25]

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Kerala based agency was established as well as registered in the year 1988 under District Registrar (General), Ernakulam. It has PAN and TAN. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways, namely, telephones, fax and e-mail. It has a Statistician as a regular employee. The agency uses probability sampling mechanism in the survey. Thus it meets all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Industry, Socio-Economic, Infrastructure, Service, Corporate Sector, Entrepreneurial and Households Survey. It operates at National level and has three branches.. It conducts complete survey. There are five highly qualified persons in the reserved panel but there are only two regular employees working with the agency. It has good infrastructure. It has own accommodation of size 2000 square feet. Annual turnover during the last three is Rs 35 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Collective approach to poverty alleviation in India: A National study
- Nirmal Gram Puraskar Evaluation
- TSC Swajaldhara Evaluation Project
- Promotion of Entrepreneurship in the Renewable energy sub-sector in Asia
- National Project on SME Association.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Promotion of Entrepreneurship in the Renewable energy sub-sector in South Asia.

Case of India and Bangladesh

The study on Promotion of Entrepreneurship in the Renewable energy sub-sector in South Asia was financed by USAID, a national funding agency. The budget sanctioned for this study was Rs.15 lakhs. The project was of one year duration. The survey work was carried out in India (Kerala and Karnataka) and Bangladesh. The specific objectives of the study were

- To analyze the industrial status of non conventional energy in India and Bangladesh, in terms of key economic variables of performances;
- To analyze the experience of creation of first generation entrepreneurship in this sub-sector;
- To examine the constraints in creation of first-generation entrepreneurship, in relation to generally accepted factors like, achievement motivation, market perceptions, business culture, credit support etc;
- To make an assessment of the perceptions of promotional agencies, such as DFIs and government departments, as they deal with non-conventional energy as an industry;
- To outline an action plan on development of first-generation entrepreneurship in the nonconventional energy sector of the two countries; and
- To deliberate on the findings of the study in a Regional Workshop /Seminar, so that, such findings may be widely disseminated and action strategies evolved.

The methodology adopted for this study was the result of the sum total of perceptions of various sections of society:

- The perception of the potential start-up as a viable business opportunity
- The perception of an average entrepreneur regarding its usefulness as a source of energy
- The perception of all classes of entrepreneurs regarding its linkage potential; and
- The perception of all classes of consumers on renewable energy as an alternative source of energy

For meaningful analysis two key operational areas i. e. lighting (photovoltaics), and cooking (biogas) were covered. The study involved both collection of primary and secondary data. For primary data collection, a sample study was carried out in both the countries i. e. India and Bangladesh. Three categories of respondents formed the sample frame:1) established entrepreneurs (which also include entrepreneurs belonging to this specific area of research); 2) start-up (new) entrepreneurs; and 3) consumers of energy in industrial and service activities. Secondary data collection comprised state-wise installation of SPV lighting systems in India through the source MNES Internal Records, Govt. of India. State-wise prevalence rate of SPV installation was compiled by the authors. Out of the total sample, 20% of the respondents were from Bangladesh. This apportioning was based on the relative size of population of the two countries. For the selection of a sample of start-ups, the registered industrial units (i.e. units registered with some public authority) were listed for the selected district/region. From this list, all the units with an age less than one year were isolated, and a sample was chosen. The samples of established entrepreneurs were selected from the cumulative list of registered units with an age above one year. A sample of units from this category was selected on quota sampling principles. The following aspects were studied

- Produce structure of sample units
- Age distribution of sample units
- Level of Education of entrepreneurs
- Electricity consumption patterns
- Ideas on reduction of electricity bill
- Perception on major problem areas by entrepreneurs

- General perception on business success /failure
- Attitude to changes in the industrial sector
- General awareness on reliability of renewable energy
- Awareness of relevant Govt. programmes.
- Perception on the emerging development scene
- Perception on initiative for local Economic Development
- Willingness for collective initiatives
- Concerns behind adopting renewable energy.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

Kerala Statistical Institute was established in November, 1977 and registered in December, 1977 with the Government of Kerala (Travancore-Cochin Library, Scientific and Charitable Societies Act 1955), thus having an experience of 28 years since its establishment. The agency does not have its own fax number and website. The agency is using random sampling design. It has PAN but no TAN. The agency has three regular statisticians. It has connectivity through phone and e-mail only. **Thus the agency does not meet all the non-negotiable criteria**.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio-Economic, Agriculture, Price, Industry and Service Sectors. It has the capacity to undertake survey at regional level in the Southern belt. The agency has no branch Office. The agency conducts complete surveys including report writing. It has completed 41 projects till date out of which 4 were of local/district level and 37 of state level. It has 19 regular

employees. It has nine persons in the reserved panel. The Agency is working in leased accommodation of 180 square m. with eight rooms. The agency has seven computers, four printers, one scanner, five CD writers and one photocopier. The agency has internet facility and has owned eight work stations. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities was Rs. 19. 68 lakh (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Need assessment study of older population in Kerala.
- Enquiry on Morbidity Incidence, Prevalence and Associates.
- Study on conversion of paddy land in Kerala.
- Survey of coir industry in Kerala.
- Quick evaluation of rural development programmes in Tamil Nadu.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Need assessment study of older population in Kerala.

This study was carried out in three districts viz. Thiruvananthapuram, Pathanamthitta and Malappuram of Kerala state. The study was sponsored by the Director of Health Services, Government of Kerala under the integrated population and development project fund of the United Nations Fund for population activities. The sanctioned budget for the study was Rs 19.0 lakhs. The broad objective of this study was to identify the needs of the old persons and develop appropriate inventions to take care of there needs. The specific objectives were to assess the socio-economic and health problems of the elderly, identify the more vulnerable groups among them, study their role and status in family and society, evaluate the role of the care-givers, identify additional social support needed to strengthen the capacity of the family and find out how the existing health delivery system can be restricted to serve better the emerging needs of an increasing number of the elderly in the state.

The population surveyed was all elderly persons above 60 years of age in the districts of Kerala. Auxiliary information such as older population, their problems, their productivity, their creativity

etc. obtained from study reports were used at the planning stage. Sample selection was done by using random sampling. The frame preparation exercise was also carried out by the agency at the ultimate stage (ward level) of sampling and the sample size used for the study was 4500 persons aged 60+. The sampling design used was stratified random sampling with panchayat/municipal wards as the primary stage units and persons aged 60+ as the second stage units.

The agency has prepared the schedules for data collection and pre-tested in the field before data collection. Instruction manual was also prepared and the field staff was imparted training before the data collection. The data were collected by the method of enquiry through the trained hired staff (20), the supervision /field man ratio was 1:4. A team of two project Officers and four doctors for clinical assessment of elderly was also engaged on contractual basis by the agency. The data analysis was restricted to calculating means, percentages, frequency tables and tests of significance including chi-square. Ready made software's were used for the analysis of data. Standard errors were calculated. Tables, charts and graphs were well presented in the report. The report appears to be satisfactory.

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This MP based agency was established and registered in Jan 1983 under the registrar MP Societies Registration Act 1973 vide no. 11830. The agency has PAN and TAN. The agency is connected by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). It does not have regular statistician. The agency is not using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus agency is not covering all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Infrastructure and Socio- Economic Surveys. It operates at regional level but does not have any branch. It has strength of 16 regular employees. Agency is working in a hired accommodation of size 30000 square feet having 60 rooms and 5 halls. The average turnover of the agency on survey related activities is Rs 54.67 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following one project.

• Chronic Poverty in remote rural areas of South-Western MP.

Comments on one best project report:

Project report was not provided by the agency. Only annual reports are provided. It is therefore not possible to comment on the survey capability of the agency.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Trade, Infrastructure, Socio-Economic Sectors, Enterpreneual and Households surveys. It operates at the district level. It does not have any other branch. It conducts complete survey. It has undertaken 13 Local /District level surveys till date. The agency has only three regular employee. It has two persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in hired accommodation of 200 square meters. The average turnover of the agency is Rs 1.10 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following one project.

• Senior Citizen Homes (Mumbai).

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Senior Citizen Homes (Mumbai)

This project was financed by seven hills healthcare Pvt. Ltd. It was of three months duration (Sep'04 to Nov'04). The total budget sanctioned for the project was Rs 1 lakh. The primary objectives of the survey were

- Construction of high end guest homes for senior citizens targeting NRI parents /affordable target groups feasibility study.
- Providing healthcare, complete security and welfare.
- Taking care of the citizens in all aspects including stay /nursing / F and B (membership based).

It covered the senior citizen in Mumbai and Thane. Purposive sampling was used for the selection of sample. A copy of structured questionnaire used to get the views and opinions of senior citizens is provided by the agency. Data collection carried out in 30%:70% own/hired staff percentage ratio by the method of inquiry. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 1:5 supervisor / field man ratio. No instruction manual provided. Estimation procedure not developed. Data analysis restricted to calculation of percentages. Only averages have been worked out. Maps, charts, graphs and Tables are well presented in the report. The report is lacking in statistical content. No statistician was involved in the survey.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Corporate, Service Sector, Socio-Economic, Agriculture and Infrastructure Sectors. It operates at the state level and has eight branch offices spread all over the country. The agency conducts complete surveys including report writing etc. The agency has completed 45 projects till date out of which 10 are of local/district level, 15 of state level and 20 of the national level. It has strength of 106 regular employees. The agency has 10

persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in owned accommodation of size 1500 square feet with 6 rooms and power back up facility. It has reasonably good infrastructure. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities was Rs. 40 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But it has submitted following one project.

• Medical Termination of Pregnancy.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Medical Termination of Pregnancy (Copy of the report not provided)

Copy of the report has not been provided by the agency. This study was carried out in 6 districts of Maharashtra state. The study was funded by IPAS, USA, an international funding agency. The sanctioned budget of the study was Rs. 45 lakhs out of which Rs.15 lakhs were consumed on survey related activities. One statistician was involved on contractual basis during the course of study. Duration of the project was 8 months starting from 10-08-2004 to 31-03-2005. It was a state level project.

The main objectives of the study were

- To study trend and practices on termination of pregnancy.
- To assess volume of termination in various classes of the society.
- To study the practices and techniques being adopted by Surgeons or Gynecologists.
- To give recommendations and create awareness of IPAS instrument among medical fraternity.

Unistage random sampling design was used in the survey. Frame preparation exercise was carried out by the agency. Auxiliary information was used from the Health Department, Statistics Family Welfare Department and the Municipal Corporation. Schedules for data collection were prepared and pre-tested. The field staff was provided training for data collection. Instruction manual was also prepared. The data were collected by the method of inquiry by both owned and hired staff in the ratio 2:3 and the supervisor/field man ratio was 1:5. Processing of data, tabulation and computations were done by the available readymade software. Standard errors

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Socio-Economic, Financial, External Sector and Household Surveys. It operates at the regional level and has four branches. The agency undertakes complete survey including report writing. It has undertaken 3 Local/District 11 State level and 5 National level surveys since year 2000. The agency has 12 regular employees. It has five persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in owned accommodation of 4803.15 square meters having 250 rooms. It has a good infrastructure. The average annual turnover of the agency is Rs 110.13 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following four projects.

- External Evaluation of Janshala (GOI-UN) Programme in Chhatisgarh and Madhya Pradesh.
- Educational Index of the populace covered under the scope of J. P. Naik Gramin Mahila Vikasini Programme.
- A study of the extent and causes of drop-out in Primary school in rural Maharashtra with special reference to Girls dropout.
- Income –Generation Programme (IGP) for Poverty.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: External Evaluation of Janshala (GOI-UN) Programme in Chhatisgarh and Madhya Pradesh.

This National level survey was financed by MHRD, Govt. of India. It was of four months duration (Nov'03 to Mar'04). The total budget sanctioned for this project was Rs. 7.26 lakhs. The objectives of the survey were

- To look at the achievement with reference to the stated objectives of the Programme.
- To assess the nature, scope and effectiveness of the process initiated as a part of Janshala strategy for achieving expected outcome of the Programmed.
- To assess the sustainability of the process initiated under Janshala.
- To identify the innovations taken up in the areas related to the objectives and goal of the Programme.
- Two stages random sampling design was adopted for sample selection. Frame preparation was carried out at the ultimate stage of sampling. Data was collected by own and hired staff with 30%:70% own/hired percentage ratio by the method of inquiry. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 1:5 supervisor /field man ratio.

The report does not contain enough tables for presenting the results. There is a separate chapter on conclusions and innovations. Report is lacking in statistical content. Descriptive,

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Socio-Economic and Financial and External Sectors. It operates at the regional level but has no branch office. The agency conducts complete surveys including report writing. The agency has completed 32 projects till date. It has strength of eight regular employees, one executive, two subject matter specialists, one IT specialist, one field investigator, one computer operator and two supporting staff. The agency utilises the services of

statistician and economist on contract basis. It has two persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in owned accommodation of size 4300 square feet with 10 rooms. The agency has 20 computers, 13 licensed packages (general and statistical), five printers, two scanners, two CD writers and one photo copier. The agency has internet facility with data entry setup. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities is 13.68 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following two projects.

- A study on school sanitation volunteer's programme in Sangli district sponsored by Zila Parishad Sangli (May 2004 to August 2004).
- A study of Beed district in the context of seasonal migration of men, women and children for sugarcane harvesting (October 2004 to February 2005).

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: A study of Beed district in the context of seasonal migration of men, women and children for sugarcane harvesting.

This study was carried out in Beed district of Marathwada region of Maharashtra state. In this study, the issue of seasonal migration of labour for sugarcane harvesting to the outside factories has been studied. No statistician was involved in the study during the course of study. It has been shown that the migration of labour has a far reaching impact on the stability of family life of workers, education of their children and socio-economic conditions in the district. This study was funded by United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF), Maharashtra Region, Mumbai, an international funding agency. The duration of the study was three months from October 01, 2004 to January 01, 2005 but it was completed in April 05, 2005.

The main objectives of the study were

- To explore in-depth the condition and vulnerabilities that lead to the migration of families to work in the sugar industry in Maharashtra.
- To understand the impact of migration on the well being and the development of the child and the family as a whole.

• To enable UNICEF to identify possible alternative interventions that would help to address the issue of vulnerabilities among migrant families with the knowledge gained from the study.

Review of literature was done. Concepts and definitions are well presented in the report. The population surveyed was migrating sugarcane cutting workers and their families from Beed district. Auxiliary information from NGO's, Union leaders, sugar factories were used at the stage of planning. Frame preparation exercise was carried out at the ultimate stage of sampling. The design used was simple random sampling. Schedules for data collection were prepared and tested but no instruction manual for training to field staff was prepared. Data on nature of migration, its causes and its effects on the workers and their families was collected by interviewing the workers. Data on living and working condition of the workers and the facilities available to them, problems of factory management, sugar schools, NGO functionaries and contractors was also collected. Data were collected by the method of inquiry. The agency used own staff for collection of data. Only numbers and percentages have been given in the report. The results are not statistically presented. The standard errors were not computed. The final report of the study was accepted by the funding agency after some modifications.

79. Progressive Research Aids Pvt. Ltd. [R-13]

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This Pune based agency was established and registered in 1984 under the registrar of companies act Mumbai. It has PAN and TAN. Statistician on regular basis is employed by the agency. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, fax and e-mail). Agency is using probability sampling mechanism for the sample selection. Thus it covers all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Service, Infrastructure Socio-Economic Sector and Household Surveys. It operates at the regional level and has one branch in Vododra, Gujarat. It undertakes complete survey. It has undertaken 120 local /district, 50 state levels and 2 national level surveys till date. There are eight regular employees working with the agency. Agency is working in owned accommodation of 90 squaremeters having 4 rooms. It has 10 persons in the reserved panel. Average annual turnover of the agency is Rs 12.33 lakhs approx.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Baseline Assessment of Sarva Siksha Abhiyan in four districts.
- Student's attendance and achievements.

- Integrated Rural Energy plan.
- Capacity building Programme in two districts of Maharashtra
- Biomass assessment in two districts of Rajasthan.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Baseline Assessment of Sarva Siksha Abhiyan in four districts.

This project was funded by Maharashtra State Council for Education Research and Training. The total budget sanctioned for the project was Rs 7.61 lakhs. It covers Nasik, Jaglon, Dhule, Nandurbar districts of Maharashtra (The Report has been provided for Dhule District only). The objectives of the survey were:

- To measure the average performance of students of class III on the tests in Marathi (mother tongue) and mathematics and of the students of class VI on the tests in Marathi (mother tongue) English and Mathematics.
- To study the achievement difference with regard to gender, area (rural-urban) and social categories.
- To study the effects of certain variables related to home, school and teacher etc. on the students achievements.
- To assess the level of people's participation in primary and upper Primary education.

Sampling design adopted at each stage of the survey is very well defined in the report. Instruction manual prepared and training imparted to field staff. Research tools were pre and pilot tested. The problem of non-response was tackled by taking substitute samples. The analysis of data was carried out using t-test, Critical Ratio, Facility Value and Discrimination Index etc. Graphs, maps, tables, pictures are well presented in the report. There is a separate chapter on conclusions and recommendations /implication. Standard errors were worked out. Data collection was carried out by own and hired staff in the ratio 2:9 by both inquiry and physical observation. Supervision of the field work was also carried out with 1:8 supervisor/field man ratios. Data analysis carried out using ready made software, SPSS and software developed in Fox- Pro. The report appears to be good from statistical point of view.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Pune based agency was established in Dec. 1999 and was registered in Oct. 1982 under the "Charitable Trust Act and Society's Registration Act". It has PAN and TAN. It does not have a regular statistician. The Agency uses appropriate sampling method and follows sound survey methodology. The Agency has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax).

Thus the Agency is not meeting all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service Sector, Infrastructure, Socio-Economic, Entrepreneual and Household Surveys. It operates at regional level but does not have any branch. It has undertaken 12 districts level, 18 State level and 4 National level surveys till date. The agency has office in hired accommodation. It has 14 regular employees. It has 12 persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover on survey related activities is 27.33 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Report on study of war windows.
- Dayanand Social Security scheme (Govt. of Goa)-verification survey.
- Rapid assessment of Tillari irrigation project.
- Verification Survey of beneficiaries of Dayanand Society Scheme.
- Report on pilot study carried out for finding out remedy for the problem of unemployment among educated nomadic and tribal youths in Maharashtra.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Report on Pilot study carried out for finding out `remedy for the problem of unemployment among educated, nomadic and tribal youths

This study was funded by a national Agency National Commission for Youth, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, New Delhi. The sanctioned budget for this project was Rs 10 lakhs. It was of 5 months duration and was completed after two months of approved date of completion. It was a state level project covering districts of Maharastra.

The main objectives of the survey were

To explore probable avenues and opportunities available for the employment of unemployment educated youths from tribal and nomadic groups

- To collect information for finding out the type of training needed for increasing their skills for self-employment.
- To ascertain the willingness/preparedness of tribal and nomadic youth to venture into activities of self employment.
- To explore local availability of persons for imparting training to these tribal and nomadic youths, and if and where available collect their details.
- To prepare guidelines for solving the problem of unemployment among the educated tribal and nomadic youths, on the basis of information collected.

Purposive sampling was used in this survey. Schedules were properly prepared but not tested. Instruction manuals were provided to the field staff. Training was imparted to the field staff. Inquiry and observation both were adopted for data collection. Data was collected by own and

hired staff with own: hired ratio 2:3. No supervision of fieldwork was carried out. Data was analyzed manually as well as through computer by using user package. There are separate chapter for conclusions in the project report. Tables are very well presented. FoxPro package was used for data analysis. Standard errors were not computed. No statistician was involved in the survey.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Aurangabad based agency was established as well as registered in the year 1992. It has TAN but no PAN. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways, namely telephone, fax and e-mail. It has a statistician employed on regular basis. Agency uses random sampling mechanism for the selection of sample. Thus it does not meet all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It operates at State level and specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service, Infrastructure and Socio-Economic Sectors. It has one branch. The agency conducts complete survey. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 2000 square feet. It has 26 regular and 56 contractual employees and 5 highly qualified and experienced persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of the agency is 47 lakhs (approximately).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Impact Assessment of Rural Development Programme in Yavatmal district.
- District Level Monitoring of Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) and Swajaldhara programme.
- Evaluation of Mahatma Phule backward Class Development Corporation scheme.
- Concurrent Evaluation of Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojna.
- District Level Monitoring of Rural Development Programmes.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Impact Assessment of Rural Development Programme in Yavatmal district.

This project was sponsored by the "Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD), Govt. of India". The study was carried out in Yavatmal district of Maharashtra. The project was of six months duration. The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs.10 Lakhs. The primary objective of the study was to examine whether assets created have survived and are being used, are cost effective, are sustainable and have really helped in raising the production level. Issues like extent of employment generation, the involvement of the poor in implementation of the Ministry's programmes, improvement in the living conditions of the rural poor so as to cross the poverty line were addressed in the study. Four CD (Community Development) blocks were selected from the district, of which two were developed and the other two were under-developed (on the basis of geographical dispersion). 10 villages per block (selected randomly after stratification) and 15 beneficiaries per village (selected on pure random basis) were covered in the sample survey. Sampling frame was already available for data collection. For the purpose of this study data was collected by own staff and the supervision was done with 10:1 fieldsman /Supervisor ratio. Trained field investigators, under the leadership of an experienced Research Officer, canvassed the schedules for data collection. But no instruction manual has been prepared. Nothing was planned to tackle the problem of non response. No statistician was involved in the survey. Only percentages have been reported. Standards errors not worked out.

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The agency was established in 1966 registered in 1962 under the Assistant charity. Commissioner, Nagpur Region, Nagpur. Agency is having TAN but it does not have PAN. Agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways namely telephone, e-mail and fax. There is no regular Statistician employed with the agency. The agency follows random sampling design. Thus the agency does not satisfy all the non negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It does not have a website. It specializes in Family and Child Welfare, Medical and Psychiatric, Criminology and Correctional Admn. Labour Welfare and Personal Management, Counseling and Disaster Management type of Surveys. It operates at district level and has no branch. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has 38 regular employees out of which two are executives, 20 are subject matter specialist and one is IT specialists. There are nine persons in the reserved panel, all are qualified and experienced. Agency is working in own accommodation of size 66050 square feet. The agency has 26 computers, 4 printers, 5 scanners and two photocopiers. The average turnover on survey activities is Rs. 3.78 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following one project.

• Child rearing and early socialization practices in the Tribal Society of Ramtek Tehsil of Nagpur district.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Child rearing and early socialization practices in the Tribal society of Ramtek Tehsil of Nagpur district.

The objectives of the project were:-

- To systematically document the patterns of child rearing in the tribal society
- To trace the implications of such patterns/practices for the health, physical and psychic make up personality, the cognitive and emotional built-up of the tribal children.
- To identify potentially harmful practices for the psychosomatic organization of tribal children
- To specifically trace the process commencing with the child rearing and early socialization and as a consequences the type of persons the tribal children might develop into.

Schedules were prepared, schedules testing done by the agency. Training was imparted by the agency. Instruction manual was not prepared. The sampling design used in the survey was multistage random sampling. The frame was already available. The data collection was done by own and hired staff. The supervisor /field man ratio was 1:4. The data analysis restricted to working out percentages. Standard errors were calculated. Review of literature was not carried out. Concepts and definitions used are not given in the report. The report appears to be satisfactory.

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This Maharashtra based agency was established in 1989 and registered in 1986 under the Assistant Charity Commissioner, Thane, Maharashtra. It has PAN but no TAN. Regular statistician is not working with the agency. The agency has connected by telephone and E-mail. It does not have Fax. Agency is not using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio-Economic Sector and Household Survey. It operates at the district level and does not have any branch. Agency conducts complete survey. It has conducted six local/district level surveys till date. It has only two regular employee. It has six persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in owned accommodation of 350 square feet having two rooms. The average turnover of the agency is Rs 1.55 lakh.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But it has submitted only following one project in very short summery form.

• Socio economic survey of trabal people at Panvel taluk

Comments on one best project report:

No project details given, thus it is not possible to objectively assess the survey capability of the agency.

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This Meghalaya based agency was established in 03-05-1977 but not registered. The agency has PAN but it does not have TAN. The agency does not have a regular statistician. Agency has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). The agency uses probability sampling mechanism in sample selection. Thus agency is not covering all the four non negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency specializes in Household Surveys. It operates at National level. It does not have any branch. The Agency is working in a hired accommodation having 12 rooms and power backup facility of a generator. The agecy has nine regular employees. There are two persons in the reserved panel. The agency has a highly competent panel of experts drawn from NE states

universities. These experts are hired for specific projects. The average annual turnover of agency is 1.3 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following two projects.

- Mapping and size Estimation of Injecting Drug Use in five North Eastern States of India.
- The magnitude of the Problem of Elderly Persons in Meghalaya.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Mapping and size Estimation of Injecting Drug Use in five North Eastern States of India.

This survey was funded by Family Health International, USA. The sanctioned budget for this survey was 15 lakhs. It was of five months duration. It was a state level project. The main objectives of the survey were

- To understand the nature and extent of drug scenario.
- To obtain accurate information on areas of the IDUs
- Mapping of all possible IDU sites for easy formulation of area specific programmes for HIV
 /AIDS prevention
- To generate information regarding HCPs and NGOs working in the target populations and other STD /SIT care providers for disseminating such information in the masses for accessing care and services.
- To understand the current HIV /AIDS epidemic prevalence in the state among IDUs.
- To assess the risk behavior patterns of the IDUs for examining the possible spread of HIV to the general population.
- Identification of states having higher concentration of IDUs at risk of contracting HIV /AIDS /STD etc. (with more vulnerable population sub groups within the sites).
- Identification of factors contributing to drug abuse.
- To assess the available services for drug abuse prevention.

Review of literature was done. Concept and definitions are very well given in the report. The entire plan for this survey was divided into two phases. The 1st phase was rapid field assessment, the 2nd phase was geographic mapping, social mapping and size estimation. Capture, recapture method, census method were used for size estimation. Training was imparted to field staff. Data collection was done by hired staff by the method of inquiry and observation. The report is well presented. Standard errors were not computed thus only limited statistical analysis was carried out.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio-economic, Industry, Service sector and Infrastructure surveys. It operates at state level but has no branch Office. The projects executed by the agency are nationally as well as internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. The agency has seven regular employees out of which one is statistician and two are economists employed on regular basis. There are two persons in the reserved panel both are experienced and experts in their field of specialization. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 1100 Square feet having four rooms. It has three computers two printers and one scanner. The average turnover of the agency is about 3.77 Lakhs (appox).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Impact Assessment study of Rural Development Programmes in Keonjhar District of Orissa.
- Reform plan for Orissa, lift Irrigation Corporation.
- Evaluation study on Rehabilitation of Bonded Labour in Phulbani district.
- A study on the investment climate for handicrafts production in Orissa.
- Quick evaluation of beneficiary oriented SGRY Programme- component in Bolanger and Maluangiri district of Orissa.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Evaluation Study on Rehabilitation of Bonded Labour in Phulbani District of Orissa.

This project was funded by Govt. of India, Ministry of labour through Panchayat Raj Dept., Govt. of Orissa. The project was of six months duration (July 2004 to Dec. 2004). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 1.00 lakh. The survey work was carried out in Phulbani district of Orissa. The objectives of the survey were as follows.

- To examine and find out the impending reasons for entering into bonded and the conditions of bondage as also the socio-economic status of the family of the bonded labour during the period of bondage.
- To find out the nature of assistance provided in rehabilitating the freed bonded labours.
- To examine and assess as to whether the scheme of rehabilitation was successful and means of assistance provided under the scheme was useful to the rehabilitated bonded labours.
- To examine and find out the socio- economic status of the freed labours as a result of their rehabilitation.

It appears to be a routine kind of survey. Investigations in the field were done by administering two sets of questionnaire supplied by the Government. Form A comprising a set of questionnaire for eliciting information from the bonded labour on various aspects of their socio-economic status. Form B comprising a set of questionnaire for eliciting information from the Officers

involved in the process of identification of bonded labours. Agricultural and Rural Development Consultancy Society organized a detailed training programme for its field investigators, but no instruction manual has been provided by the agency. Two blocks namely Kotagarh and Nuagaon having highest concentration of bonded labours in the district were selected for the purpose of the study. Three Gram Panchayats from Kotagarh and five Gram Panchayats from Nuagaon block were selected. 150 beneficiaries were selected at the rate of 75 per block in Phulbani district. Data collection was carried out by own as well as hired staff in the ratio of 3:7. Supervision of the field work was also carried out with 2:1 field man/ supervisor ratio. The analyses of the data were carried out through computer. Estimation procedure was not developed. The objectives of the survey were not formulated statistically. Only the percentages and totals have been calculated and different tables have been prepared as per the objectives. No charts and diagrams have been given in the report. Standard error not reported. There is no chapter on review of literature. The report does not elaborate the concepts and definitions used.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It operates at the district level but does not have any branch. It has 4 regular and 50 contractual employees. It has 15 persons in the reserved panel. Agency operates in own accommodation of size 100 square meters. The average annual turnover of the agency is Rs. 1.5 lakh.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has not submitted any project.

Comments on one best project report:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Socio-Economic, Infrastructure Sectors and Enterpreneual as well as Household Surveys. It operates at the State level. It has one branch in Orissa. It conducts complete surveys including report writing. Number of surveys carried out by the agency till date are 8, out of which 7 were conducted at district level and one at state level. It has strength of 39 regular employees. There are 10 persons in the reserved panel, all are highly experienced and experts in the field of specialization. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 2500

squarem. There are 12 rooms with good power backup facility. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities during the last three years was Rs. 33 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Updation of project affected persons (PAP) database.
- Land restoration through waste management project.
- Impact Assessment Study of Rural Development.
- Five year prospective plans under National Food for Work Programme (NFFWP).
- Health for all through Community Need Assessment approach.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Impact Assessment Study of Rural Development.

The project was funded by Ministry of Rural Development (Monitoring Division), Govt. of India, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi. The project was of 4 months duration (January to May 2005). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 5.00 lakhs. Actual date of completion of the project was July, 2005. The objectives of the study were

- To examine whether the guidelines on various programmes are being followed with reference to selection of beneficiaries, utilization of funds allocated and transparency and involvement of people in programme implementation
- To examine the survival of assets created, in particular whether all the assets created under the schemes have survived, are in use and and cost effective.
- To assess the impact of the programmes on productivity and poverty alleviation and, in particular, whether the programmes have contributed in increasing/ improving production, employment and living conditions of people below the poverty line. The study is required to estimate the number of people who have crossed the poverty line after availing of the assistance under various programmes.
- To examine the role and functioning of the Panchayat Raj Institutions (PRIs) in the implementation of the programmes.

• To verify the assets created at the village level, the quality of construction, maintenance of the common facilities created and infrastructure development in the rural areas under various programmes.

A multistage stratified sampling design was used to select the blocks, gram panchayats, study villages and households. In the first stage 4 different blocks of Rengali, Jujumura were selected as relatively better developed blocks while Kuchinda and Bamara blocks were selected as relatively less developed blocks or backward blocks. Ten villages were selected from each block. The study covered 40 villages distributed over 4 blocks of the district. From each village 15 beneficiaries were identified at random. In the selected blocks since Swajaldhara was under implementation only in two villages, 20 beneficiaries household were selected for interview. Besides, 3 non-beneficiaries were selected for interview from each village which helped in cross checking the impact of the programmes at the village level. The study covered 620 beneficiaries and 120 non-beneficiaries households. A set of interview schedules, checklists, focus group discussions guidelines for different target groups were prepared and used for collection of primary data and secondary data. Two way analyses based on backward and relatively developed blocks and pre and post assistance period was carried out. Data collection was carried out by owned and hired staff in the ratio 2:3. Supervision of field work was carried out in the ratio 1:10. Schedules were prepared and tested. Instruction manual was not prepared for field staff. The analysis of data was carried out through computer. However, only the percentages and averages have been calculated. Besides this no other statistical analysis was carried out. No statistician was involved in this survey. Standard errors have not been worked out. Tables and graphs are well presented in the report.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Infrastructure sector and Households surveys. It operates at the regional level. It does not have any branch. It specializes in complete survey. It operates in hired accommodation of 800 square meters having four rooms. There are seven regular employees. There are two persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover of the agency on survey activities is Rs. 3.5 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following two projects.

- Mobilization of Tasar farmers in Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh state.
- Shifting Pattern of household consumption of energy in urban areas of Orissa.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Shifting pattern of household consumption of energy in urban areas of Orissa

This project was funded by CSO (Central Statistical Organization), Govt. of India New Delhi. It was of two years duration (Sept'97 to Sept'99). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 5.00 lakhs. It covered 132 towns /cities (urban local bodies) of the Orissa state. The objectives of the survey were:

- To ascertain the pattern of energy consumption in the household belonging to different crosssection of the urban household, separately for kitchen, water heating etc. and for lighting emergency arrangements.
- To collect demographic, Socio-economic, consumption details of the household with their housing structures, food habits and home–grown fuels, if any.
- To assess the shifts occurring in the energy use of the household belonging to different occupational and consumer group and their perception about conservation of energy.
- To find out the preferences for different sources of energy for different group of households use of energy saving devices, cooking pots etc.
- Apart from the kitchen and lighting needs, to collect information regarding transportation needs of the household members and the fuel consumed for running of the transport aids.
- To estimate roughly the trend of demand and supply of fuels for present and some future trends, adjusting it to the growth of population.
- To examine the source of supply of different types of fuels, infrastructure and agencies for supply.
- To compare the rate of energy consumption among one section of the household on the basis of level of annual household consumption.

Three stage stratified sampling design was used for sample selection. City /town (first stage), ward in a sample town (second stage), household in the sample ward formed the third stage unit of sampling. Six urban classes were taken as strata. The survey was carried out using 1600

households. Schedules were prepared and pre-tested. Training was imparted and instruction manual was prepared. The population on which inferences were drawn was clearly defined. The survey was well planned. The data collected through the survey matches with the objectives of the survey. Supervision of the field work carried out with 1:5 supervisor /field man ratio. Estimation procedure was developed. Standard errors were computed.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Orissa based agency was established and registered in 1992, under the "Officer In charge, Registration of societies, Koraput". It does not have PAN and TAN (exempted by income tax deptt. up to march'07). There is no regular statistician working with the agency. Agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus it does not cover all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure

It specializes in Agriculture, Socio-economic sector and Household surveys. It operates at the State level. It does not have any other branch. It undertakes micro planning along with complete survey. It has undertaken 11 local /district level survey and 2 state level surveys till date. The agency has 13 regular and 26 contractual employees. Agency is working in hired accommodation of 7000 square meters having 17 rooms. It has five persons in the reserved panel. The average annual turnover is about Rs. 8.84 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following four projects.

- In search of strategy to build a field model to ensure people's participation for sustainable development: A case study of Didayi, a primitive tribal group of Malkangiri district of Orrisa.
- Comprehensive Socio-Economic Survey of Nabrangpur District and Kalyansinghpur block of Rayagada district of Orrisa.
- Preparation of Five year Perspective plan (2005-06 to 2009-10) under NFFWP for Koraput District, Orrisa.
- Preparation of Five year Perspective plan (2005-06 to 2009-10) under NFFWP for Nabrangpur District, Orrisa.

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: In search of strategy to build a field model to ensure people's participation for sustainable development: A case study of Didaya, a primitive tribal group of Malkangiri district of Orrisa.

This project was financed by "Planning Commission, Govt. of India, New Delhi". It was of one year (Oct 2001 to April 2002) duration. The total budget sanctioned for this project was Rs. 2,30,000. The objectives of the survey were:

- To review strategy of development of primitive tribal group.
- To examine and analyze the present strategies adopted in Didayi development agency for the socio-economic development of Didayi.
- To ensure and establish empirical Models for active participation of people for their own development with the locally available resources.
- To spell out a set of recommendation for the development of Didayi tribe.

It covered Kudumulugumma block of Malkangiri district of Orissa. Two stage sampling technique was adopted for sample selection. Several key informants such as:

- Member of S. H. G's
- Beneficiaries of different poverty alleviation program
- Members of NGO are working in the area on different aspects of development.

- Field function of the micro project.
- Field functionaries i. e. Govt. officials involved in the implementation of various development schemes
- Heads of households.
- Opinion leaders including Nasik, Disharies activities ward member and sarpanchs.
- Members of women organization and above all the villagers were selected. The selection of key informants involved combination of both probability and non-probability sampling techniques. Following tools and techniques were used for the collection of data.
- 1) Household survey schedule. 4) Interview.
- 2) Attitude test Battery. 5) Documents.
- 3) Observation. 6) Field Notes.

Review of literature was carried out. Frame preparation exercise was carried out. Questionnaires used for data collection is given in the report. Data collection was carried by own and hired staff with a 1:5 own /hired percentage ratio by the method of inquiry and observation with FGD. Instruction manual provided to field staff. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 1:6 supervisor /field man ratio. Qualitative analysis with thick description and quantitative techniques of frequency, percentage, ratio etc. was carried out manually. No other statistical work carried out. Photographs and maps are very well given in the report. No chapter on concepts and definitions is given in the report. Standard errors not computed. No statistician was involved in the survey.

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Non-Negotiable Criteria:

This Orissa based agency was established in 1988 and registered in 1998 under the Registrar of Companies, Orissa, Cuttack. It has PAN and TAN. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (phone, e-mail and fax). No regular statistician working with the agency. Agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus agency does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Service-sector, Infrastructure, and Socio-economic sector. It operates at the State level and has one branch. Agency conducts complete survey. It has undertaken three state level surveys till date. Total manpower engaged with the agency is 14 regular and 4 contractual employees. Agency operates from two hired accommodations in Bhubaneshwar having total area of 2500 squarefeet with nine rooms. No person in the reserved panel. Average annual turnover of the agency is Rs15. 18 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has not submitted details of any project.

Comments on one Best report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Sample check of afforestration / tree planting activities in Chatra district of

Jharkhand State.

A short summery of above project was submitted.

This project was financed by India National Afforestration and Eco Development Board Ministry of Environment and Forest. This project was carried out in Chatara district of Jharkhand. 10% of the total area under plantation was sampled. The sampling units were of size 0.1 hectare. Stratified random sampling design based on area planted under different schemes of the implementing agencies was used. Total budget sanctioned for the project was Rs.30000. Suggestions to improve survival, comments on choice of species and condition of planting stock, technical and administrative changes to improve survival is given in the report. Pictures are given in the report. Data analysis was restricted to simple averages.

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Non-Negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established in the year 1993 and was registered in 1995. It has neither PAN nor TAN. It does not have a website and e-mail. It uses an appropriate sampling method and follows sound survey methodology. It has a regular statistician. Thus it does not cover all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio-economics, Labor and employment statistics. It operates at State level. It does not have any branch. All the projects executed by the agency are nationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has eight regular and three contractual employees including economist and a statistician. There are two persons in the reserved panel both are experienced and are expert in their field of specialization. The agency has own accommodation of size 1800 square feet. There are five rooms with good power backup facility. It has seven computers and four printers.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following five project.

- Child Labour Survey in Sonapur district (2004)
- Child Labour Survey in Balasore District (2004)

- Child Labour Survey in Gajapati District (2004)
- Migrant Labour Survey in Nuapada District (2004-05)
- Child Labour Survey in Bargarh District (2005)

Comments on one Best Project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the Project: Child Labour Survey in Sonapur district (2004)

This project was financed by National Child Labour Project Sonapur. The project was of three month duration. The total budget sanctioned was Rs.1.02 lakhs. The survey was carried out in Sonapur district of Orissa state in the year 2004. The objectives of the survey were as follows

- To open special schools for National Child Labour Project
- To know in details about boys and girls in the age group of 6 to 14 not going to school and their geographical distribution.
- To ascertain the establishments in which the above age group children are engaged and draw out a clear picture about their location in the society.
- To find out the reasons as to why the children in the age group 6-14 are not going to school.
- To probe in to the occupational ambits of these categories of children, besides, inculcate other detail information on these children in the age group of 6-14 who are really away from school.
- To take decision and prepare projects/ schemes for bringing these children to special school and subsequently taking them to the main stream of education and rehabilitate them, so that they are benefited along with their parents.

It appears to be a routine kind of district level survey conducted by the agency. Three sets of questionnaires /schedules were prepared. Instruction manual was also prepared. Training was also imparted to the field staff. The data was collected by own staff as well as hired staff in the ratio of 3: 1. Supervision ratio was 1:10. The survey work is complete enumeration based. The survey was conducted in all the urban local bodies and blocks of the district. The analysis of the data was carried out through computer. Only the percentages and averages have been calculated and different tables have been prepared as per the objectives. No charts and diagrams have been

given in the report. Perhaps a sample survey approach could have been better planned rather than a complete enumeration data collection approach. Statistician was involved in the survey.

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Non-Negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established and registered in 2000. It has PAN and TAN. The agency is easily approachable, as it has got connectivity by way of telephone, fax and e-mail. It has one regular statistician. Random sampling was used for sample selection. Thus, it covers all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Socio-economics, Infrastructure, Industry, Agriculture, Service sectors and Households surveys. It has two branches in Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh states. It conducts complete surveys including report writing. Number of surveys carried out by the agency till date are 30, out of which 15 surveys were conducted at district level and 15 at state level. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has 14 regular employees. There are four persons in the reserved panel, all are highly experienced and experts in their field of specialization. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 300 square meters. There are six rooms with good power backup facility. Agency is having hired data entry

set up with 16 workstations and four computers for data processing. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities during the last three years was Rs. 28.67 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Baseline survey for Chhattisgarh District Poverty Reduction Project (CGDPRP).
- M and E of reconstruction of primary school buildings-Orissa. (On going)
- Perspective planning survey under NFFW in Surguja district, Chhattisgarh.
- Tribal Land Alienation Study in Chhattisgarh (On going)
- Public transport users survey in Orissa.

Comments on one Best Project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Baseline survey for Chhattisgarh District Poverty Reduction Project (CGDPRP)

This project was funded by World Bank. The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 44.00 lakhs. The duration of the project was 12 months (April, 2005 to March, 2006). The World Bank assisted Chhattisgarh District Poverty Reduction Project is a community demand project that aims to create opportunities for income generation for rural poor, especially women and tribal. The DPRP project would add to the ongoing efforts of Government of Chhattisgarh in reducing poverty in the state. The survey work was carried out in all the districts of Chhattisgarh with the following objectives.

- Provide the CGDPRP with a credible model for measuring project benefit, interim and final that can support various policy decisions.
- Enhance the understanding of the CGDPRP regarding poverty situation in the project area, particularly various dimensions and determinants of rural poverty.
- Support the CGDPRP in project monitoring on the basis of key poverty indicators identified during the research.
- Enhance understanding of all stakeholders on various technical approaches to project evaluation studies.

A three stage stratified probability proportion to size sampling method was used for sample selection. The study covered 5600 households in 16 districts. Structured surveys were used to measure various monetary and non-monetary dimensions of poverty at the household and community level. The household survey was used to create indicators to reflect absolute and relative poverty in the DPRP region. The community/village survey was used to capture differences in the village infrastructure and endowments that has a strong bearing on the poverty at the household level. The Gram Panchayat survey was used to capture functional efficiency of Panchayats and their involvement in DPRP. The structured surveys were carried out in a village by a team of 5-7 researchers. The research supervisor with each team cross-check the schedules for missing and inconsistent data. The data entry of the various schedules was carried out using MS Access package. Sample check and query based checks for wrong entry and missing data were carried out several times before the data was accepted for analysis. Data collection was carried out by hired staff. Supervision of field work was carried out in the ratio 1:6. SPSS was used for data analysis and Logistic regression, Principal component analysis, correlation analysis; t-tests etc. were performed. No statistician was involved in this survey. Standard errors have not been worked out. Tables and charts are well presented in the report. The reported is graded satisfactory.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established in the year 1979 and was registered in 1980. The agency has PAN but there is no TAN (Exampted from income tax as registered under 12A). It is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by two ways i.e. telephone and e-mail. The agency does not have regular statistician. Random sampling is being used for sample selection. Thus it does not cover all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Socio-economic sectors and Enterpreneual as well as Household surveys. It operates at state level but does not have any other branch however it has networking with the NGO's in the Orissa state. It conducts complete surveys including report writing and micro planning, PRA. Number of surveys carried out by the agency till date are 15, out of which 12 were conducted at District level and two at State level and one at national level. The agency has 28 regular employees. There are 22 persons in the reserved panel, of which some are highly experienced and expert in the field of specialization. Agency is working in both owned and hired accommodation of 2000 and 1800 square feet having eight and six rooms respectively with power backup facility i. e. generator. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities during the last three years was Rs. 4.25 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- The status and the practice of herbs and shrubs among the traditional healers of Rayagada district in Orissa.
- Study on sustainable agriculture and micro planning on livelihood.
- Utilization pattern of reproductive health services by tribal adolescent girls (A study conducted under the guidance of Tata Institute of Social Science-Mumbai).
- To renovate the practice of mixed cropping among the Dongria Kondhs of Niyamgiri hills in Rayagada district of Orissa.
- To ascertain the number of target population and their sexual behaviour.

Comments on one Best Project Report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: To Ascertain the number of Target Population and Their Sexual Behaviour The project was funded by Orissa State AIDS Control Society, Govt. of Orissa, and Bhubaneswar. The project was of one month duration (Feb. to March 2006). The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 1.4 lakhs. The target population focused on core population i.e. Female sex workers (FSWs) and the Bridge Population with Women Laborers assumed to have multiple sexual partnership and Truckers. Hence for the intervention a bench mark study was necessary for each target population. The survey work was carried out in Rayagada district of Orissa. The following were the objectives of the project:

- To ascertain the number of high-risk population.
- To identify the high risk sexual behavior.
- To find out the knowledge and practice level on safe sex.
- To prepare an action plan for targeted intervention.

Door to door enumeration was undertaken in the villages and slums with identification of target population. Information was collected from 100 female sex workers, 350 slum women and 500 truckers were selected randomly. Method of data collection was through questionnaire, focus group discussions and in depth interview. The questionnaire was designed and pre-tested by the

agency. Training imparted to field staff instruction manual was prepared by the agency but it is not very exhaustive. A stratified random sampling design was adopted. No estimation procedure was developed. Data collection was carried out by owned and hired staff in the ratio 13:7. Supervision of field work was carried out in the ratio 1:4. Schedules were attached with the report. The analysis of data was carried out through computer using MS excel and SPSS package. However, only the percentages and averages have been calculated. Besides this, no other statistical analysis was carried out. Standard errors have not been worked out. No statistician was involved in the survey. Tables are well presented in the report.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Punjab based agency was established on October 2001 and it is in the registering process. The agency does not have PAN and TAN. The agency does not have regular Statistician. It is not connected by fax. The agency does not use any sampling design. Thus the agency does not cover all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency has its own website. It claims to have specialization in Agriculture, Service sectors, Infrastructure, Socio economic and Entrepreneur surveys. It operates at local level and does not have any branch Office. It claims that it can undertake planning of survey, data collection and data analysis work. It has five regular employees. Agency is working in a hired accommodation of size110 square meters having four rooms with power backup facility. The agency also has Internet and data entry set up facility. The agency does not have any reserve panel of personals.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has not submitted any project. The agency has not handled any survey project till date. The survey capability of the agency appears to be limited.

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This agency was established on Dec 1990. It is not registered till date. Agency has PAN but there is no TAN. It does not have regular Statistician. It is using random sampling in the survey project. It is connected by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax) Thus the agency is not covering all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency specializes in financial and external sector and household surveys. It has the capacity to undertake survey at district level. It does not have any branch. The agency has conducted three local level surveys. There are three regular employees in the agency. Agency is working in own accommodation of 40 square meters having three rooms. It has four Battery backup with two invertors. The agency has Internet and modest data entry set up facility. It does not have any reserve panel of personals. The average annual turnover of the agency is Rs. 1.3 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following one project.

Capital Survey

Comments on the one best project report:

Title of the Project: Capital Survey

The survey project was funded by a national agency. It was a local level project. Proper sampling design was not adopted for the survey. The project was of one year duration (1997-1998). The main objectives of the survey were:

- To find out the habits of survivals
- To find out habits of investors.

No project report was prepared by the agency. The survey capability of the agency is limited.

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Non negotiable criteria:

This Tamil Nadu based agency was established in the year 1988 and was registered in 2005 under the Registrar of Companies, Tamil Nadu. It has PAN and TAN. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity in all the three ways i.e. telephone, fax and e-mail. It has regular statisticians. It is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus it meets all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency does not have website. It specializes in Agriculture, Socio-economic and Infrastructure sector, as well as Household surveys. It operates at National level but has no branch however it has links in Assam, West Bengal, Gujarat and Orissa. The geographical spread of the agency appears to be quite impressive. Some of the projects executed by the agency are internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey. It has 11 regular employees. There is no person in the reserved panel. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 200 square meters. There are five rooms with 0.6 kva power backup facility only. The average turnover of the agency on survey activities is 25.67 Lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Management of water Supply and Waste Water Disposal in Chennai City (Consumer Satisfaction Survey).
- Monitoring and Evaluation of Resettlement Action plan of Tamil Nadu.
- Resettlement Action plan for Palanpur to Udaipur National Highway.
- Monitoring of World Bank's IDM Projects (IDM is India Country Level development Market Place, a world Bank project to assist innovative ideas of NGOs)
- Assessment of World Bank's Small Grants program.

Comments on one Best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Management of water Supply and Waste Water Disposal in Chennai City (Consumer Satisfaction Survey)

The project was a domestic consumer study to serve the water supply and sewage disposal needs of Chennai Metropolitan area. The project was of five years duration (Jan. '2000 to Feb. '2006). The project was funded by Chennai metropolitan water supply and sewage Board (CMWSSB), Govt. of Tamilnadu. The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs. 24 lakhs. The survey work was carried out in Chennai city. The primary objective of the survey was, to obtain the feedback from the consumers for quantity and quality of water supplied and sewage disposal. The questionnaire was prepared and tested. Proper training was imparted to the staff, but no instruction manual was prepared by the agency. There is no separate chapter on concepts and definitions. Sampling design used in the survey was Stratified simple random sampling. The sample size was 4490 consumers (i. e. 3880 domestic consumers, 160 commercial consumers, 450 users of public tap/tanks, all spread over 24 depots, covering 8 areas). Data collection was carried out by Hired staff by the method of inquiry. Supervision of the field work was also carried out with 10:1 field man / supervisor ratio. The data was processed using computers which include editing of the questionnaires, data entry, data cleaning and tabulation. Readymade Software and M S Access package was used for analysis, data entry and tabulation. The results are supported by Tables, Maps, Charts and raphs. Statistician was involved in this survey but standard errors are not reported. The results of the survey are matching with the objectives. The report of the survey is graded satisfactory.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

The agency did not provide the date of establishment and registeration. It does not have PAN and TAN. The agency is easily approachable, as it has got connectivity by all the three ways, namely telephone, fax and e-mail. It has no regular statistician. Thus agency does not cover all the non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and infrastructure:

It has a website. It specializes in Industry, Infrastructure, Service sector, and Socio-economic and Corporate sector surveys. It operates at National level and has 12 branches in India. The agency is working in hired accommodation in all the 12 branches in India. The geographical coverage of the agency is quite impressive. One project executed by the agency during last five year was internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has 200 regular employees. The agency has 14 persons in the reserved panel. It has very impressive infrastructure. The average turnover of the agency is about Rs. 2000 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Study to determine condom coverage study in Avahaan intervention areas in Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, A P and Karnataka.
- Perception and market research study for private sector fund raising.

- Monitoring survey for grading of project hospitals of UAHSD.
- Dipstick survey and qualitative research for evaluating BCC strategy for RCH program in Gujarat.
- Behavior surveillance survey in Adilabad, Dhambad and Jaipur halt point.

Comments on one Best project report:- The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

(The report submitted by the agency is different from the best five project reported)

Title of the project: Perception study for DFID (Department for International and Development)
Objectives

- Is the target audience aware of DFID's work in India?
- Do the target audience know how DFID operates in India and the financial support it provides?
- Are the target audiences aware of DFID contributions to key projects at state and national level?
- What is the target audience perception of DFID's influence in formulating government policy?
- Do the target audiences receive DFID's key communication messages and other communication material on a regular basis?
- Would the target audience like to receive DFID's key communication messages and other communication material on a regular basis? If yes, what are their preference communication channels?

The study was carried out in five states viz. Delhi, A P., M P, Orissa and West Bengal. The questionnaire were prepared and tested. Frame preparation exercise was carried out for selection of samples. Proper sampling design was adopted. The data processing was done through computer. Tables, Charts and graphs are well presented in the report. Only the percentages have been given in the report. No other statistical analysis carried out. No review of literature was carried out. Concepts and definitions are not given. The report is lacking in clear cut estimation procedure. No standard error given in the report the report appears to be of routine type.

98. The Gandhigram Institute of Rural Health and Family Welfare Trust [R-01]

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The agency was established in the year 1959 and was registered in 1980 under the Joint Sub-Registrar-1 exercising power of District Registrar, Dindigul. The agency is having PAN and TAN. Regular statistician is working with the agency. It has got connectivity by all the three ways namely phone, e-mail and fax. Agency is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus it covers all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Socio- economic sector. It operates at the regional level. It has no branch Office. Some of the projects executed by the agency are funded internationally. The agency conducts complete survey including development of inter-venison strategies etc. It has 104 regular employees out of which five are statisticians and 29 are subject matter specialists. The agency has no reserved panel of specialists. Agency has own accommodation of 2390 square meter with 50 rooms and complete power back up from Electricity Board, Generators and UPS etc. The agency has good infrastructure. The average turnover of the agency on survey activities is about 50 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- District level Household Survey / Reproductive and Child health –II Round, Phase II
- National Family Health Survey –II Follow up Survey
- Study on Infant Morality in Tamilnadu
- Local Versus Non –Local Anganwadi Personnel Assessment of States and potential Promotion of Localization
- Survey of clinics / centers using ultra Sound Machines in Tamilnadu

Comments on one Best Project Report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) District level Household Survey (DLHS)

This project was initiated by the Govt. of India and funded by the World Bank through Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW). The project was coordinated by International Institute of population Studies, Mumbai. The district selected in phase I was Thiruvannamalai of Tamil Nadu State. Thiruvannamalai district is one of the important districts of the Tamil Nadu State. It has 18 blocks and 6191 square km. land area. The objectives of the survey were

- Coverage of ANC and immunization services
- Proportion of safe deliveries
- Contraceptive Prevalence Rates
- Unmet need for family planning
- Awareness about RTI /STI and HIV /AIDS
- Utilization of health services and the user's satisfaction

The objectives of the survey are not formulated statistically. It is, therefore, no surprise that the estimation procedure is not given in detail but some scanty details are given here and there. There is no separate chapter on concepts and definitions used. The sampling design adopted appears to be sound. The frame preparation exercise was carried out at the ultimate stage i. e.

household stage. From a PSU (villages/wards/UFS) 25 households were selected. Ten percent extra samples were taken to tackle the problem of non-response. The questionnaire prepared appears to be exhaustive. It is prepared in bilingual (English and Regional). Although instruction manual has not been prepared specifically but it appears that separate manual is not required as schedules prepared were self explanatory. The indicators are well defined. Data collection was primarily carried out by inquiry but nutritional status was determined through physical measurements. The procedure for physical measurements is given in detail. Supervision of field work was taken up by the trained professionals. The data was processed and properly scrutinized by the micro computers. Software used for data cleaning and tabulation. Tables and Graphs are very systematically presented. The use of statistical package was restricted only up to computation of average and regression analysis etc. only. Standard errors have not been worked out. In the absence of this it is not possible to comment on the adequacy of the sample sizes taken in the survey. Although numbers of Statisticians were involved in the project, the survey is lacking in the statistical content to some extent. The results presented were according to the objectives. Technically report is well written and covers all the aspects as per requirement of the survey.

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Non-negotiable criteria:

This U. P based agency was established and registered in 1991. It has PAN and TAN. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, e-mail and fax). It has a regular statistician. The agency uses random probability sampling design for the selection of sample. Thus it covers all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has a website. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Infrastructure, Socio-economic, Financial and external sector, Enterpreneual and Household surveys. It operates at the National level. It has six branches in northern India. Agency conducts complete survey along with report writing and presentations. It has undertaken 32 local /district and 73 state level surveys till date. Some of the projects executed by the agency are internationally funded. Total manpower engaged with the agency is 110 regular and 195 contractual employees. Agency is working in owned accommodation of 244.8 square meters having five rooms and one hall and power back up. It has 22 persons in reserved panel. Agency has a good infrastructure. The average annual turnover of the agency on survey related activities are 126.26 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Baseline study for investing in Adolescent –Empowerment of Adolescent for health promotion and prevention of HIV/AIDS.
- Study of Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP)
- Concurrent performance survey at UPHSDP Facilities.
- Impact Assessment of Rural Development Programme.
- Evaluation of Safe Drinking water campaign of UPHSDP.

Comments on one best Project Report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Baseline study for investing in Adolescent –Empowerment of Adolescent for health promotion and prevention of HIV/AIDS

This state level project was funded by UN - World Food Program. It was of three months duration (Dec 2004 to Mar 2003). The budget sanctioned for this project was Rs. 4.93 lakhs. The objectives of the survey were:

- To generate the baseline value of the key indicators, showing current status with regard to
- a) Education, life skills and vocational skills.
- b) Awareness about general health and nutritional issue
- c) Awareness about reproductive and child health.
- d) Awareness about HIV/AIDS and RTI/STI.
 - To map the various governmental health facilities in the project blocks and to assess the access of adolescent girls to the same.
 - To identify the various channels through which the adolescent girls get information on general, sexual and reproductive health.

Multistage sampling design used by agency for sample selection. Frame preparation exercise was also carried out. For conducting in depth interview of various categories of respondents, five structured questionnaires were developed on the basis of extensive inputs from experts of WFP (World Food Program) and ICDS (Integrated Child Development Services).

Questionnaire for in depth interview of adolescent Girls.

Questionnaire for in depth interview of key influencers.

Questionnaire for in depth interview of AWWs.

Questionnaire for in depth interview of CDPO s/DPO s.

Questionnaire for in depth interview of MO (I/Cs)

Tables, graphs, diagrams are very well presented in the report. Data collection was carried out by own staff by the method of inquiry and focus group discussions. Efforts were therefore made to minimize the problem of non-response during the initial stages of the survey. Supervision of the field work was carried out with a 1:10 supervisor /field man ratio. A computer program was developed for consistency check. Data analysis was carried out through software developed in Fox Base 2. 0. Standard errors were not computed. Statistician was involved in the survey. The report is impressive.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Infrastructure, Socio-economic, Financial and external sector and Household surveys. It operates at the state level. It does not have any other branch. Agency conducts complete survey. It has undertaken 75 Local/District, 99 State and 20 National level surveys till date. The agency has 51 regular and 12 contractual employees. The agency does not have reserved panel. It is working in owned accommodation of 3000 square meters having 50 rooms and power back facility of generator. The average annual turnover of the agency is about Rs. 79.20 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Review of policy seven regulatory environment for micro and small enterprise.
- Evaluation of the scheme of rehabilitation of bounded labour in UP.
- Study on the status of land reforms and problems of its implementation in rural development of UP.
- Pilot study on national urban observatory for Moradabad and Bulandshahr cities.
- Study of marginal farmers and opinions for improving their livelihood.

Comments on one Best Project Report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Report on the evaluation of Prime Minister Rozgar Yojna

This report is other than the five projects reported in the questionnaire. This project was carried out in collaboration with IAMR New Delhi.

The study was conducted in three districts of Uttar Pradesh earlier IAMR has been entrusted with the overall responsibility to carry out the third round of evaluation of the implementation of PMRY in six states of India. The objectives of the survey were :-

- To assess the impact of PMRY in terms of extent of employment and income generated in relation to capital employed in each type of activity supported under the PMRY.
- To study the pattern of loan disbursement and its repayment.
- To examine the adequacy of PMRY unit of infrastructure, staff etc.
- To study the coordination mechanism at the district level for implementation of the scheme and its effectiveness.
- To study the impact of training programs taken up under the scheme and
- To look at the problem faced by the implementing agencies, financial institutions, training institutions and the individual beneficiaries.

Samples were drawn on the basis of performances. Stratified random sampling design was used for data collection. Sampling frame was prepared. Concepts and definitions are given in the

report. Structured questionnaire to collect information on various aspects from DICs, banks training institutions and the individual beneficiaries is mentioned in the report. There is a separate chapter on conclusions and suggestions. The statistical content of the report is limited.

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The agency was established and registered in 1982 with the Sub-registrar Chits Funds Society Uttar Pradesh, Allahabad, thus having an experience of 23 years. The agency has PAN but no TAN. There is no regular statistician working with the agency. The agency uses probability sampling in sample selection. The agency has connectivity by way of phone, e-mail and fax. Thus the agency does not meet all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It does not have its own website. It specializes in the Agriculture, Industry, Service-sector and Infra-structure sectors. It operates at the regional level and has one branch Office at Rae Bareli. The agency conducts complete surveys including report writing. It has completed 45 projects till date out of which 8 projects were of State level and 37 of National level. It has 14 regular and 49 contract based staff. It has four persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in hired accommodation of size 500 square meters with seven rooms. The agency has six computers out of which three are P-IV, three laser printers, one scanner, two CD writers and two photo copiers.

The agency has Internet facility and own data entry setup facility. Average turn over of the agency on survey activities was Rs. 18.01 lakhs (approx.).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following three projects.

- Swajal Dhara.
- Jai Nidhi.
- UPWSRP

Comments on one Best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

A separate project report was submitted.

Title of the project: Impact Assessment studies of Rural Development Programme in Chamoli district of Uttaranchal State.

This study was carried out in Chamoli district of Uttaranchal state sponsored by Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India. The reference years were 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000. The purpose of the study was to assess the impact of the major rural development programmes implemented in Chamoli district of the Uttaranchal state. The main objectives were

- To examine whether the guidelines on various programmes are being followed with reference to selection of beneficiaries, utilization of funds allocated and transparency and involvement of people in programmed implementation.
- To examine the survival of assets created, in particular, whether all the assets created under the schemes have survived, are in use and cost effective.
- To assess the impact of the programmes on productivity and poverty alleviation and in particular whether the programmes have contributed in increasing or improving production, employment and living conditions of people below the poverty line.
- To examine the role and functioning of the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) in the implementation of the programmes and verification of assets created at the village level, quality of construction, maintenance of common facilities created and infrastructure with the assessment of their contribution in the service of the weaker sections of the rural areas.

Review of literature was carried out. Concept and definitions are well presented in the report. Chamoli district was selected purposively by the funding agency for representing the geographical difference and also to eliminate those districts in which other type of studies like quick alleviation etc. have not been conducted in the recent past. From the district two developed and two undeveloped blocks were selected randomly on the basis of maximum number of rural development programmes implemented therein with the consultation of concerned district level officials. From each of the block, 10 villages were selected randomly on the basis of maximum number of development programmes implemented and from each village 15 beneficiaries were selected in such a way that appropriate representation may be given to all the selected major rural development programmes implemented in these villages. Thus 150 beneficiaries from each of the selected blocks making a total of 600 beneficiaries were selected.

Schedules for data collection were prepared. No instruction manual was prepared for training of field staff. Primary data were collected by survey method through specially designed schedules and questionnaires by contacting the samples personally under the supervision of senior Officers and overall supervision of the director of the Institute. Secondary data was also collected from available official records, reports and other published and unpublished documents/papers at state/region, district, block and village levels during the course of investigation. Statistical analysis of the data was done by using computers. Results are presented by graphs and charts. Only numbers and percentages of the results have been given in the report. The standard errors were not computed.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

Agency has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Socio-economic and Household surveys. The Agency operates at National level but does not have any branch. The Agency has carried out 23 local, 18 state level and 11 national level surveys till date. Some of the projects executed by the agency are internationally funded. It has 6 regular and 38 contractual employees. There are six persons in reserved panel. The Agency is working in a hired accommodation of 222 square meters having four rooms and one hall. The Agency has SPSS software. It has five P-IV and two P-III computers. It also has Internet, Fax and data entry setup facility. It has very competent facility. The average annual turnover of the Agency is 20.6 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Final Evaluation of Maternal and Infant survival project
- End line surveys for Impact Assessment of ISDS Food fortification in the status of MP and UP.
- End line survey for Impact Assessment of nutrition through food for education and states of Midday Meal Program in Madhya Pradesh.
- Impact Assessment of Nutrition through food for education in Uttranchal and Chattisgarh
- Situational analysis on Iron Deficiency Anaemia (IDA) and Vitamin A in Rural population of Utter Pradesh in India.

Comments on one best Project Report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: End Line Survey for Impact Assessment of Nutrition through

Food for Education and Status of Midday Meal Program in Madhya Pradesh

This state level project was funded by an international Agency "CARE INDIA", New Delhi. The sanctioned budget for this project was Rs. 10,000,00. It was of 40 days duration (10/01/2005 to 18/02/2005). It covered the state of Madhya Pradesh. The main objectives of this survey were

- To bring sustainable and quantitative improvement, in the health and nutrition status, of pregnant and lacting women.
- To increase coverage rates of health behaviors which have a demonstrated association with mortality reduction among pregnant and lacting women and their infants.
- To enhance the capacity of community based organization (CBO), Non government organization (NGOs), government functionaries, to sustain the promotion of health practices and improved nutrition through the provision of food, services and supplies behavior.

Multistage sampling was used for data collection. Sampling frame was already available for sample selection. Schedules were prepared and tested. Instruction manual was prepared and training was also imparted to the field staff. Data collection was carried out by own and hired staff. Supervision of the fieldwork was carried out by fieldsmen/supervisor ratio 2:1. Tables and

graphs are very well presented in the project reported. Questionnaire is also given with the report. Standard errors were also computed. Report format is prepared by computer. Statistician was involved in the survey.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established and registered in 1980. It has PAN, TAN and its own website. The agency is easily approachable as it has got connectivity by all the three ways i. e. telephone, fax and e-mail. There is no statistician working on regular basis. The agency uses random sampling design. Thus the agency does not satisfy all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It operates at state level. The agency has completed 198 surveys till date, out of which 50 were National level, 64 State level and 84 Local/district level. Some project executed by the agency is internationally funded. The agency has 52 regular employees and one person in reserve panal. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It is working in own accommodation of size 21000 square meters. It has good infrastructure i. e. 98 computers, 26 printers, 4 scanners, 4 photocopier and 50 CD writers. The average turnover of the agency is Rs. 37.66 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects. Details are provided only one project.

- Base line study of Primary Educational Standards in three Districts of U. P.
- Integrated area Specific Program on elimination of child labour: An evolution study of glass industry in Firozabad and carpet industry in Mirzapur district.
- Sampoorna Grameen Yojna (Food for work component) efficiency and effectiveness: A study of Uttar Pradesh
- Rural housing and Living conditions of people settled in rural Uttar Pradesh
- Education for development: the Mawana project

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Integrated area specific approach against hazardous exploitative forms of child labour in Firozabad: An evaluation report

The project was funded by International Labour Organization, New Delhi (Geneva). The project was of 30 months duration. This project was implimented in two Districts viz. Firozabad and Mirzapur. The budget sanctioned for each district was Rs.12 Lakhs (Approx.). The primary objectives of the study were

- Present withdraw and eliminate children hazardous work in Firozabad by channelising the entire package of critical IPEC inputs in a focused geographical area.
- Contribute to the implementation of the December 1996 supreme court decision requiring the immediate withdrawal of child labour from hazardous work through the provision of an integrated package, including direct services to child labors; strengthening the capabilities of families labor, enhancing the capabilities of government institutions through training to key functionaries; and awareness raising among different segments at the local community and district levels.
- Integrated delivery systems and coordination programs and activities by UN agencies, state, local and central governments, NGO's and public agencies with direct and indirect bearing on child labor in the selected area and sectors.
- Develop a model approach for possible replications by other NCLP societies.

The questionnaire were developed by the agency and tested in the field. Proper training was imparted to the field staff and instruction manual prepared. Random sampling design was used for selection of samples and frame preparation exercise was carried out at the ultimate stage of sampling. The survey seems to be well planned. The data collection was carried out by both own and hired staff. The supervision of field work was carried out in the ratio 5:1. The analysis of data was carried out using SPSS package but only averages and percentages are calculated. Standard errors not worked out. Tables, graphs and Charts are well presented in the report. The report appears to be good but lacking in statistical contents.

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The agency was established in 1992 and registered in 1998. It has PAN and TAN. It has a regular statistician. Agency follows statistically sound survey methodology. It has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, fax and e-mail). Thus it meets all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Trade, Service, Socio-economic sector and Household survey. It has the capacity to operate at the National level but does not have any other branch. The agency conducts complete survey including report writing. It has strength of 17 regular and 105 contractual employees. It has 10 persons in the reserved panel. Agency is working in a hired accommodation of size 200 square meters having four rooms. The average turnover of the agency is about 37.60 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

• Baseline Survey of Chayan Components of Rachna.

- Baseline survey of Primitive Tribal Group (reang) population of Tripura.
- Indian Programme of Research in Human Development (HDPI 2003-04) study.
- Facility Survey under RCH.
- Coverage Evaluation of Catch up rounds.

Comments on one Best Project Report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Baseline Survey of Chayan Components of Rachna

The project was financed by "CARE India". It was of three months duration, April 2003 to July 2003. The budget sanctioned for the project was Rs13. 40 lakhs. The survey work was carried out in selected districts of Chattisgarh, Rajasthan, U. P and Jharkhand. The objectives of the survey were:

- Knowledge, attitude and practices related to family planning among rural and urban couples
- Awareness and knowledge about RTI/STI and HIV/AIDS among women and men in the reproductive age groups in the rural and urban areas.
- Knowledge, behaviour, attitude and practice related to sexuality, condom use, RTI/STI and HIV/AIDS among high risk groups (CSW, truckers and, migrant population) in identified pocket in selected cities.
- Underlying causes (especially gender based) associated with the poor reproductive health status, particularly of women and vulnerable groups.

It is a very comprehensive report. The focus of the study is on women of reproductive age (15-44 years), unmarried youths (male, female 15-24 years) and high risk groups in selected urban and peri-urban areas for prevention of STI/RTI and HIV infection). All the details relating to planning of survey, sampling design used for data collection, estimation procedure, how data quality aspect was taken care of, level at which inferences were made, decision making on sample sizes, analysis etc. are contained in the report. The survey is a collaborative effort between the agency and the Institute of Research in Medical Statistics. The questionnaire was designed and pre-tested by IRMS (New Delhi) and TAG (Technical Advisory Group) constituted by CARE India. Questionnaires were developed for household, women, youth, ANM and AWM.

Training imparted to field staff. Sampling design used in the survey appears to be very sound. Frame preparation exercise was carried out at the ultimate stage of sampling. The problem of non-response was foreseen at the planning stage of the survey. Estimation procedure has been well developed. Data collection was carried by hired staff by the method of inquiry. Supervision of field work was carried out with 1:4 supervisor /field man ratio. During the period of the survey the researchers from IRMS and CARE India inspected the field work regularly to ensure that quality data can be obtained. Software was developed by CARE India for data entry. . Although some analysis work is carried out it is restricted to computing percentages and tabulation of the data. Standard errors not reported. The findings of the study are very exhaustive and very well presented.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

It has its own website. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Infrastructure, Socio-economic sector, Enterpreneual and Households survey. It operates at the National level but does not have any other branch. The agency conducts complete survey along with data compilation. It has undertaken one Local/District, two State and four National level surveys till date. It has strength of 32 regular and 72 contractual employees. Agency is working in a hired accommodation of 375square meters having four rooms and power backup facility of 2KW. There are eight persons in the reserved panel. The annual turnover of the agency is about Rs. 12.83 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Preparation of an Action Plan for development after opening up of Moreh –Impal and Zorkhatwar (champai)-Aizwal via Lunglei Highways.
- Pre Investment Feasibility Study on Development of Dairy Industry in North Eastern Region.

• Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) studies, Social Impact and R and R Studies including report preparation for detailed survey investigation and preparation of DPR for five roadways in the state of Sikkim:

Sevok-Rangpo –Bypass: 52 Km.

Rangpo-gangtok-Bypass: 43Km.

Gangtok –Nathula –Bypass: 52 Km.

Melli Bazar – Singtham-Bypass: 59Km

Ranipul – Kyangnosla – Bypass 40 Km

• Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) including Rehabilitation and Resettlement Plan (RandR) for:

i. Ramgarh - Chas Section of NH-23-85 km.

ii. Gola Charu Road 20 -km.

iii. Gola –Purabdin- Koramebe- Johna Road 31 km.

iv. Dhanbad –pathardih Road 22 km.

v. Khandra –Saraikela –Chaibasa road 49 km

vi. Chandradharpur –Sonua –Goilkera –Monoharpur -90 km

vii. Hat Gamahariya –Jagannathpur-Noamadi –Gua-Salia road 150 km.

• Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) studies, social impact and RandR studies including report preparation for detailed survey investigation and preparation of DPR for the proposed grading up of existing two lane road to four lane divided carriageway configuration from Ranchi to Rargoan (66 km) Selection of NH-33 along with another 20 km by pass from Vikas to Narkom bazaar on NH 33.

Comments on one Best Project Report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Pre Investment Feasibility Study on Development of Dairy Industry in North Eastern Region

This project was financed by Techno Economic Development Fund. It was of 10 months duration (Nov 2001 to Sep 2002). It covered A. P., Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura. The objectives of the survey were:

IMMEDIATE ODJECTIVES

- To examine the techno economic viability of taking up diary development projects in different locations of the NE Regions.
- To provide basic information together with the location specific data on project parameters to prospective entrepreneurs investor's, Financial institutions, Government Agencies etc. regarding business opportunities in the dairy sectors in different states of the NE Region.
- To provide above information in such a way that these would form the basis for preparation of a DPR by Domestic and international Investors.

WIDER OBJECTIVES

- Economic development of the NE Region through direct and indirect employment opportunities in dairy sector.
- Facilitating prospective entrepreneurs to invest in the region in the following activities.
- a) Dairy Farming.
- b) Milk processing units.
- c) Other entrepreneurial units.

At the first instance the study involved collection of good deal of data /information from various secondary sources published by CSO, NSSO, North Eastern Bank, Planning commission – working group on dairy. The gaps in the secondary data were filled by well designed statistical survey. Stratified multistage sampling design was used for data collection. At the first stage one or two districts per stratum were selected on the basis of SRS. At the second and third stage village and households were selected on the basis of SRS and circular systematic sampling respectively. A well designed questionnaire is given in the report. No information about the frame preparation is given. Data was collected by own and hired staff with 60%: 40% ratio by the method of inquiry and physical observation. Instruction manual not provided by the agency. Supervision of the fieldwork was carried out. Collected data was scrutinized, validated, processed and analyzed on the in-house computer network by data processing experts, analysts

and statisticians. Deeper analysis to measure demand and expenditure elasticity forecasting for future trends and a number of regression analyses building time series models etc was done after examining thoroughly the extent of coverage of data and its reliability. Summary of projects identified with respect to district overall and state wise identification of prospective districts and list of viable projects is given in the report.

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Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service sector, Infrastructure, Socio-economic, Entrepreneual and Household surveys. The agency operates at regional level but it does not have any branch. It has 105 regular employees. Agency does not have any reserve panel of personals. It has a very impressive infrastructure. It is working in a hired accommodation of 6252 square meters having more than 50 rooms and power backup facility. Agency has 150 computers and a good number of licensed packages. It has carried out 28 local level, 9 state level and 10 national level surveys till date. The average annual turnover of the agency is 596.2 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Social Impact Assessment including Gender Equity Plan for MI's Proposed Activities at MSE works
- Physical verification and evaluation of Solar Photo Voltaic Home Lighting
- Social Impact Assessment Studies for Sagardighi Thermal Power Project
- Social Economic Impact Assessment Study for North Karanpura Super Thermal Power Project
- Survey for Master Plan Preparation of Electrical Energy Supply in off grid Islands of Indian Sunderban

Comments on one best project report:

(No project report is attached with the agency. Information based on main questionnaire.)

Title of the project: Social impact Assessment including Gender Equity Plan for MI's proposed activities at MSE work

This survey was financed by international "MSI Air System Engineering, Mississauga, Canada, for Canadian Government". It was of one month duration (Dec. 2003 to Jan 2004). The sanctioned budget for this project was Rs. One lakh.

The main objectives of the survey were

- To benchmark gender participation and role of women.
- To benchmark gender participation level and traditional roles.
- To develop gender requirements and opportunities through focus groups and adjust for local cultural needs.
- To prepare a comprehensive gender equity progress including aspects of gender equality, sexual harassment, women's need in health and safety.

A stratified random sampling design was adopted for the purpose of data collection. Sample size comprised 15-20 % of the population size. Frame preparation exercise was carried out. Auxiliary information was used at the time of planning of survey. Schedules were also prepared and tested properly. Instruction manual was prepared and training was also imparted to field staff. Data collection was carried out by own staff by inquiry and physical observation. Supervision of field

work was not carried out. All the statistical analysis was carried out by computer. Standard errors were calculated. Statistician was not involved in the Survey.

107. Society for Socio-Economic Studies and Services (SSESS)

[N-08]

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

The agency was established and registered in 1996 under the Registrar of Firms, Services and Non-trading Corporation, West Bengal. It has PAN but no TAN. There are five regular statisticians working with the agency. The agency follows statistically sound survey methodology and has got connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, fax and e-mail). Thus it does not cover all the four non –negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

Website is being developed. It specializes in Agriculture, Industry, Service, Socio-economic, Corporate sector, Enterprenual and Household survey. It operates at National level and has four branches spread over lower part of India. Many of projects executed by the agency were internationally funded. The agency conducts complete survey as well as evaluation and participatory research studies. It has strength of 84 regular employees. There are 102 persons in the reserved panel. It is working in hired accommodation of size 200 square meter having six rooms and power backup of generator. Good numbers of licensed package/software are available with the agency. The average turnover of the agency is about 14.88 lakhs (approx).

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. It has submitted following five projects.

- Exploring the non profit sector in India.
- Dimension of giving and volunteering in West Bengal, Meghalaya and Maharashtra.
- End line evaluation of IPP-VIII (Indian population project), kolkata
- Pre-investment Feasibility Study on Development of Dairy Industry in the North Eastern States (eight States)
- Collection, Collation and Dissemination of Quality Statistics at the Local level

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Collection, collation and dissemination of quality statistics at the Local Level

The project was financed by Planning Commission, Govt. of India. The project was of two years duration (Mar'03 to Feb'05). The sanctioned budget for the project was Rs. 9.04 lakhs. The survey work was carried out in Nadia district of West Bengal. The primary objectives of the survey were

- To examine the existing statistical system and evolve a viable methodology /mechanism for data collection, processing and consolidation to serve needs of micro level.
- To conduct an intensive limited household socio-economic survey with two approaches viz.
 One point one time data collection approach and periodical longitudinal survey approach for the same common set of households to undertake a comparative analysis of the two approaches and make recommendations on the optimum approach to be adopted to collect quality statistics at local level.

A well-planned sampling design was made for the survey. Frame preparation exercise was carried out at the ultimate stage of sampling. Questionnaire/schedules were designed and modified by TAC (Technical Advisory Committee comprising eminent persons like K C Seal, T J Rao, J Roy, A M Goon, A Chaudhuri etc.). Data was collected by own staff by the method of inquiry and observation. Instruction manual has been provided by the agency. Supervision of the field work was carried out with 1:3 supervisor/fieldsman ratios. Preparation of end tables, estimation of parameters, analysis of LSD with f-test, Lorenze curve, correlation studies was

carried out using user package(MS-Excel) and software developed in FoxPro (6. 0). Relative standard errors computed. The study has been well researched. The existing set up has been studied in detail before the approach for reliable statistics at the micro level was suggested. The approach suggested for getting reliable statistics at the micro level seems to be workable and has the potential to generate statistics of quality at the smaller area level say a Gram Panchayat or a village. The second objective is also well researched. Statistical content of the report is of very high quality. The report is graded very well.

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Non-negotiable Criteria:

This Kolkata based agency was established and registered in 1997 under the West Bengal Societies registration act. It does not have PAN and TAN. It has got connectivity by all the three ways. No regular statistician working with the agency. It is using random sampling design for sample selection. Thus the agency does not fulfill all the four non-negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

It specializes in Agriculture, Infrastructure and Socio-economic sectors. It operates at the National level and has 10 branches all over India. Agency conducts complete surveys. It has undertaken 125 Local, 100 State levels and 20 National level surveys till date. The agency has strength of nine regular and 1069 contractual employees. It has six persons in the reserved panel. It is working in hired accommodation of 1700 square feet having 7 rooms and power backup facility of Generator. The average turnover of the agency is Rs. 140.77 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. The agency has submitted following five projects.

- Evaluation Study of SDT /VCTC and Blood for CGSACS, Chattisgarh
- Satellite Radio Study (IDC) Pied Piper.
- District level monitoring of Rural Development Scheme.

- Survey on Bonded labor in Haryana.
- Opinion poll in Maharashtra

Comments on one best project report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Evaluation Study of SDT /VCTC and Blood for CGSACS, Chhattisgarh

This state level project was funded by the Chattisgarh Health Society. It was of 3 months duration (Jan05 to March 05). It covered Bastar, Bilaspur, Durg, Kanker, Korba, Raigarh, Rajdangaon and Sarguja districts of Chattisgarh.

The objectives of the survey were

- To evaluate the impact of intervention Programme on the different subgroups of population and degree of success achieved by the various NGOs with respect to the five components of targeted interventions operation in the state of Chattisgarh for the control and prevention of HIV/AIDS. Specific research objectives of the study were
- STD: To assess the knowledge skill and services those are necessary for detection and treatment of STD infection for the high risk behavior groups.
- Condom: To assess the knowledge skill and services that are necessary for accessing and using condoms for the high risk groups.
- Enabling Environment: To assess the extent of support and facilitation to changes in the environment that enables the community to practice safer behaviors.
- Community mobilization: To assess the support and facilitation to changes in the community
 so that they are empowered to articulate their issues and develop their own solutions or
 advocate for the needed solutions.
- Behavior Change Communication: To assess BCC cross cutting issue that provide communication that is aimed at achieving the objectives of the above four components.

The method of study was a mix of both quantitative and qualitative which consisted of structured interview using Questionnaire / schedules for the target. Multistage random sampling design was used for data collection. Frame preparation exercise was carried out. Tables, Charts, Histogram are well presented in the report. Data collection was carried out by own staff by the method of

inquiry. Instruction manual prepared for the field staff. Supervision of field work was carried out with 1:4. Supervisor /field man ratio. Analysis of data was carried out using SPSS. Standard errors were computed. Statisticians were involved in the survey.

109. M/S Sudipta Chakerabarti [D-16]

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This WB based agency was established in Feb, 2003 and registered in April, 2003 under "Rajpur Sonarpur Municipality". The agency has PAN but no TAN. The agency has one regular statistician. Agency has connectivity by all the three ways (telephone, email and fax). The agency is not using any random sampling in the survey. Thus agency does not cover all the four non - negotiable criteria.

Expertise and Infrastructure:

The agency specializes in Infrastructure, Socio-economic, Agricultural and Household surveys. The agency has the capacity to undertake survey only at Local level. It does not have any branch. The agency undertakes, planning data collection, data processing and chemical analysis, disease investigation. There are two regular employees working with the agency. Agency has three persons in the reserved panel of personals. It is working in a hired accommodation of size 15 square meters having two rooms. The agency has two computers. It has one printer, one scanner and one CD writer. The average annual turn over of the agency is 0.98 lakhs.

Best project undertaken: Agency was asked to submit five best projects. But the agency has submitted only following one project.

• Survey of Human health due to Arsenic and other chemical contamination in Drinking Water in 24 Parganas (South) district covering two blocks

Comments on the best Project Report: The agency was also asked to submit complete report for one of the above projects. The comments on the report submitted by the agency are as follows:

Title of the project: Survey of Human health due to Arsenic and other chemical contamination in Drinking Water in 24 Parganas (South) district covering two blocks:-Baruipur and Sonarpur.

This survey was funded by a State level agency ANIR Engg. Inc. It was of four months duration (15-06-2003to 14-10-2003). The sanctioned budget for this project was 1.50 lakhs. It was a local level survey covering two blocks of the district. The main objectives of the survey were

- Survey of Health
- Identification of poisoning due to Arsenic
- Implement of new Technology to remove arsenic from drinking water
- To spread removal of plant and machines from business.

Random Sampling was not used for sample selection. Auxiliary information was not used in any way. Schedules testing were carried out. No instructions manual was provided to field staff, but training was imparted. Supervision of field work was carried out with 1:1 fieldsman supervision ratio. Data collection work was carried by hired staff. The analysis of data was done manually. Standard errors were not computed. One statistician was involved in the survey.

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GOAL

Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute (IASRI) conducts research, education and training in Agricultural Statistics and Computer Application in Agriculture

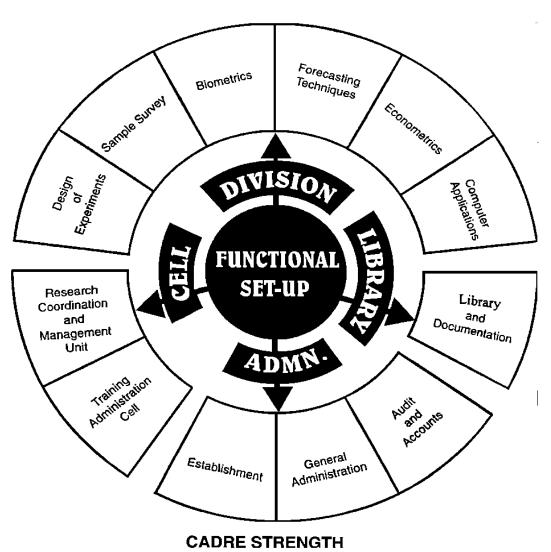
MANDATE

To undertake basic, applied and adaptive research leading to new developments in Agricultural Statistics and related fields for bridging of gaps in the application of statistical techniques to the problems of agricultural research

- To assist in the development and strengthening of National Agricultural Statistics System
- To conduct post-graduate and in-service training courses in Agricultural Statistics and Computer Application in Agriculture
- To provide advisory/consultancy services to agricultural scientists, planners, policy makers and others on their statistical and computing requirements
- To act as a repository of information on Agricultural Statistics for research and dissemination of such information
- To develop the Institute as an Advance Centre of Excellence for education and training in Agricultural Statistics and Computer Application

•	To liaise with ICAR Institute, SAUs and State Agricultural/Animal Husbandry/ Veterinary Sciences departments etc. and undertaking sponsored research and training for national and international organisations

FUNCTIONAL SETUP



POST	NO.
DIRECTOR	1
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PRINCIPAL SCIENTISTS	18
SENIOR SCIENTISTS	32
SCIENTISTS	80
	130+2

SAMPLE SURVEY

Mandate

 To evolve sample survey techniques for estimation of various parameters of interest relating to crops, livestock, fishery, forestry and allied fields and to develop techniques for analysis of survey data

Thrust Area

- Remote sensing and geographic information system
- Assessment and evaluation studies
- Production and area estimation
- Cost of production studies

Project handled

• Estimation of various parameters related to crops, livestocks fishries etc.

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The IIPS has helped in building a nucleus of professionals in the field of population and health in various countries in the ESCAP region. During the past 50 years, students from 42 different countries of Asia and the Pacific region, Africa, and North America have been trained at the Institute. Many, who are trained at the Institute, now occupy key positions in the field of population and health in governments of various countries, universities and research institutes as well as in reputed national and international organizations.

Nation Wide Surveys

National Family Health Survey:

Providing state and national information for India on fertility, infant and child mortality, the practice of family planning, maternal and child health, reproductive health, nutrition, anemia, and utilization and quality of health and family planning services.

District Level Household Survey and Facility Survey under Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) Project:

The Ministry of Health Family Welfare, Government of India (GOI) is implementing the Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) program in the country. The Government of India is interested in critical evaluation of the program implementation and outcomes. Therefore it was decided to undertake household survey to obtain estimates of programme indicators for all districts in the country, once in two years covering approximately 50 percent of the districts. These surveys are rapid, estimating a limited number of indicators, with focus the following on aspects: Coverage of ANC and immunization services; Proportion of safe deliveries; Contraceptive prevalence rates; Unmet need for family planning; Men and women's knowledge regarding RTI/STI, HIV/AIDS; and Utilization of health services and the user satisfaction.

Simultaneously with household surveys and in the same districts, the Government of India has decided to undertake surveys of selected facilities (PHCs, FRUs, CHS and district hospitals) to assess availability of trained staff, equipment and supplies and their utilization.

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The Institute organises need based training courses in Biostatistics and Electronic Data Processing for the students of the following Government Institutions.

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- Rajkumari Amrit Kaur College of Nursing, New Delhi.

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The Institute has conducted number of health related studies.

APPENDIX-B

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Assessment of Survey Capabilities of Private Sector

CHECK LIST FOR VERIFICATION

(A) Verification of Non-negotiable criteria

S. No.		Item	Information as per filled-in	Queries	Status as per physical verification
			Schedule		
1	Postal address of the agency				
	Cont	act Number			
	i	Office			
	ii	Residence			
	iii	Mobile No.			
	iv	Fax No.			
3	E- M	Iail address			
4	Web	site address			
5	PAN				
6	TAN	I			
7	Whe	ther registered, If Yes			
	i	Date of registration			

	ii	Name of registering
		agency
8	Statis	tician (regular)
9	Samp	ling design used in the best five reported
	proje	ets
	i	
	ii	
	iii	
	iv	
	v	

(B) Verification of indicator type on expertise and experience of agency

S. No.		Item	Status as	per Sche	dule	Status as per physical verification			
			Information	Score	Queries	Information	Score	Remarks	
1	Ler	ngth of Experience of the agency							
	i	Date of establishment of the agency							
	ii	Experience in years as on 31.8.2005							
		from date of establishment							
	Lev	vel of operation							
	(loc	cal/district/State/National)							
3	Nu	mber of branches							
4	Coı	re specialization of the agency							

I	Planning of survey			
Ii	Data collection			
Iii	Data analysis			
iv	All aspects of survey			

(C) Verification of indicator type on manpower

S. No.	Designation of	Position of staff	Status	as per Sc	hedule	Status as per	physica	l verification
	staff		Information	Score	Queries	Information	Score	Remarks
1	Executive	Regular						
		Contractual						
2	Subject matter	Regular						
	specialist	Contractual						
3	Statistician	Regular						
		Contractual						
4	IT specialist	Regular						
		Contractual						
5	Field workers	Regular						
		Contractual						
6	Computer	Regular						
	operators	Contractual						
7	Supporting Staff	Regular						
		Contractual						

No. of persons in reserved panel					
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(D) Verification of indicator type on Annual turnover on survey related activities on projects handled in past three years (2002 - 2003 onwards)

S. No.	Item	Status as per Schedule			Status as per physical verification				
		Information	Score	Queries	Information	Score	Remarks		
1	Annual turnover on survey activities								
	during last three years								

(E) Verification of indicator type on Infra-Structure

S. No.		Items	Status as	per Sched	lule	Status as per physical verification			
			Information	Score	Queries	Information	Score	Remarks	
1	Off	ice Accommodation							
	i	Own							
	ii	Hired							
2	Nu	mber of computers							
3	General Software (Licensed)								
4	Statistical Software (Licensed)								

5	Print	ters				
	i	Laser				
	ii	Ordinary				
6	Scan	ners				
7	CD	writer				
8	Phot	o Copier				
9	ICR	facility				
10	DTP					
11	Offic	ce automation				
	a	Internet				
	b	Fax				
	c	c Data entry Setup/ Owned				
		Workstations	Hired			

F) Verification of indicator type on projects handled in past three years (2002 - 2003 onwards)

Project 1:

S. No.			Item	Status	as per sch	nedule	Status as per physical observation				
				Information	Score	Queries	Information	Score	Remarks		
1	Fundi	ing age	ency								
2	Statis	tician	involved in the project								
3	Time	ly com	pletion of project								
	i	Dur	ation								
	ii	Star	t								
	iii	Con	npletion								
4	Geog	raphic	al Coverage								
5	Type of work under taken										
	i	Plani	ning of survey								
		a	Frame preparation/ updation								
		b	Sampling design and								
			selection procedure								
		С	Use of auxiliary information								
			at selection/ estimation								
			stage								

ii		Data	collection			
	ä	a	Preparation of schedules			
	1	b	Testing of Schedule			
	(С	Instruction manual prepared			
			for the field staff			
	(d	Training imparted to field			
			staff			
	•	e	Supervision Ratio			
	1	f	Ratio of Own staff : Hired			
			staff for data collection			
iii	i]	Data	analysis			
	ä	a P	roper Survey data analysis			
	1	b P	rocessing/Tabulation/			
		C	Computation			
iv	7	Com	plete Survey			
	7	a	Standard Error			
			(% SE)			
	1	b	Quality of the report as			
			judged by IASRI			