

**INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF RESEARCH
MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION
(IARMA) :
BUILDING A PROFESION TOWARDS 21ST CENTURY FOR
IMPACTING SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF
EXCLUDED COMMUNITIES**

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RESEARCH IN INDIA

- Research in higher education (PG) is 1%.
- Conducted by a very few academicians;
- No encouragement/ support from the system;
- Research funds are not-utilised/ under-utilised;
- Huge communication gap between Administrators & Academicians on research issues;
- Delays in finalisation of contracts, late submission, possibility of missing deadlines;

RESEARCH IN INDIA

- Researcher work in isolation;
- No links with the world community engaged in research;
- Lack of awareness about publications of research results;
- No resources for publishing research results;
- No faith in 'what researcher / research can do to the society' at large.

EXCLUDED PEOPLE IN THE INDIAN CONTEXT

Social Groups:

- Dalits / Untouchables/ lower castes,
- Tribals/ Adivasis/ Indigenous Peoples,
- Religious and linguistic minorities,
- The most backward castes- DTNT/ OBC.
- Especially women and children among these social groups.



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INITIATIVES BY IARMA / CSSEIP

- NO OF WORKSHOPS /SEMINARS FOR YOUNG RESEARCHERS
- LEAD PRESENTATION AT SATELITE SYMPOSIUM ON GLOBAL UNIVERSITY EXTENSION NETWORK AT UNIVERSITY OF ALLAHABAD IN OCTOBER 2009.
- DEVELOPMENT OF CERTIFICATE COURSE IN FOUNDATIONS OF RMA;
- ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN FRAMING NEW GUIDELINES FOR RESEARCH AT THE UNIVERSITY
- DEVELOPED 'CHANCELLOR'S INITIATIVE FOR TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT'
- PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH WITH WIDOWS OF FARMERS WHO COMMITTED SUICIDE IN VIDARBHA REGION & POLICY RESEARCH WITH NOMADIC TRIBES.
- LINKING RMA WITH AVISHKAR- A RESEARCH COMPETITION IN UNIVERSITIES IN THE STATE.

The overall goal of any participatory action research should be to provide alternate models of development which will enable excluded communities to make use of choices, spaces and opportunities in the economic, social and political spheres for their improved well-being in sustainable ways and it should also develop their abilities to negotiate the unequal societal structures.

PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH



