

CONSULTANCY PROFILE



REGIONAL CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION (RCDC)

About RCDC

Regional Centre for Development Cooperation (RCDC) is a not-for-profit organization registered under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860 and Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act of 1976 of India. RCDC started its journey in 1993 with the mandate to carve a definite niche in the development sector with the agenda of empowering people for sustainable management of natural resources. RCDC works towards enabling the communities to manage their own natural resources efficiently and effectively for poverty alleviation and improving the quality of life.

Since its formation RCDC has grown steadily and is now recognized as one of the premier non-governmental organizations in Odisha in the field of Natural Resource Management and Climate Change. Its core strength lies in its substantial peoples led work on the ground, its studies and research based on the ground experience, the passion and competence of its board and staff, its place in and contribution to important policy discourses, and its ability to remain transparent and accountable as an organization. It has with it a multi-disciplinary group of professionals with vast experience in development sector to contribute significantly to the all projects that it takes up. It has its central office in Bhubaneswar and district level branch offices with adequate infrastructure facilities to systematically implement and monitor different projects and programmes.

It may be worthwhile to mention that RCDC has been accredited under the highest standards of “Desirable Norms” after a thorough audit of all its aspects the Credibility Alliance.

VISION

Rights Secured – Resources Managed and Sustained – Poverty is Past

MISSION

To support and facilitate the struggle for rights of the poor and marginalised community over resources, opportunities, institutions and processes to improve their quality of life, economic status and ensure social uplift and environment sustainability.

Backdrop of Consultancy Wing

RCDC opened its consultancy wing long back in 1992-93 with an objective of helping organizations, projects and partners in project formulation, strategic management of projects and programmes, organization and project evaluations, revival planning, impact assessment of development projects, capacity development of development workers, documentation, undertaking study and research in social development sector and provide best of its multi-dimensional expertise to the client organizations; be it livelihoods promotion, forestry sector development, organizational and project management, study and research etc.

It has a group of professionals who work for the wing and provide their best inputs to satisfy the client needs. Client satisfaction is our Motto.

Goal of Consultancy Wing

“Progressing Together ” – Fulfilling the needs of Clients in both Public and Private sector to help reduction of poverty, restoration of environment, manage natural resources, promote social development and address humanitarian concerns.

Objectives

- Provide need based services to client organizations, partners and projects
- To undertake collaborative effort in project designing and strategic planning
- To render counseling to interested organization in sector specific needs and interventions.
- To undertake documentation work for client partners
- To extend technical support in project monitoring and evaluation
- To undertake study and research to help client organizations to satisfy their requirements
- To undertake organization evaluation and development plan
- To provide services to the client organization in revival of organizations
- To undertake further study and research in emerging issues in development sector
- Any other work that befits to the goal of the consultancy wing and the organization

Our Sector Specific Achievements

Over the years it has undertaken the following study and assignments for different clients.

Study , Research & other Assignments		
Forest Sector		
Sl. No.	Assignments	Client organizations
1	Study on People and Forest: A Position Paper on Forest in Bolangir District of Orissa, February 1994.	RCDC
2	A Study on Legal Issues in Community Forest Management in Orissa, April 1996.	RCDC
3	Study on NTFP for Livelihood (Draft), supported by ActionAid, Bhubaneswar, 1999.	Action Aid

4	Exploring Possibility for Joint Protected Area Management (Draft) – a case study of Similipal Wildlife Sanctuary, supported by WWF, India, 1999.	WWF, India
5	Study on Community Forestry for Village Development, May 1999.	RCDC
6	Prepared a comprehensive report on policy issues and market potentials on Non-Wood Forest Produces in Orissa, for Actionaid, May 1999.	Action Aid
7	Study on the extent of forest dependencies of the Bonda tribes, one of the most primitive tribe groups of Orissa, in the Koraput district in August-November, 1997.	RCDC
8	Prepared two research documents on the possibilities of Joint Protect Area Management both in Satkoshia and Similipal Wildlife Sanctuaries, for World-wide Fund for Nature (WWF), New Delhi, April 1999.	WWF, New Delhi
9	Base Paper on Non-Wood Forest Produce for Oxfam/SIDA in September 1998.	OXFAM & SIDA
10	Comprehensive report on policy issues and market potentials on Non-Wood Forest Produces in Orissa, for Actionaid, May 1999.	Action Aid
11	Consulting support to evaluate all the OXFAM supported Community Forest Management projects in Orissa, March-April 1997.	OXFAM India Trust
13	Study on Policy and Trade environment of NTFP in Orissa and Andhra Pradesh	RCDC
14	Study on Community Forestry and village development in Mayurbhanj and Bolangir and their Village development activities	RCDC
15	Study on Ownership, Control and Management of MFPS-Schedule-V Areas- Role of Village Panchayat in Chhatishgarh, Orissa and AP	Ford Foundation
16	Status Review of Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value in Orissa	RCDC
17	Studying the Performance of Overseas Forestry Support Projects in Orissa – Analysis	RCDC
18	Assessing the Extent and Nature of Forestland conflicts in tribal areas of Orissa	RCDC
19	Study on Policy and Trade Research on Bamboo in Orissa	RCDC
20	Prepared a comprehensive report on policy issues and market potentials on Non-Wood Forest Produces in Orissa	RCDC
21	Study on NTFP Policies, Production and Management with special focus on NTFP enterprises in Orissa	RCDC
22	Studying the Comparative Strengths of Forest Produce Marketing Corporations in the Central Indian States	RCDC
23	Study on Issues and Challenges in sal seed procurement and Trade operation	RCDC
24	Study on Role of women in forest protection	Novib

25	Study on Operationalisation of JFM	RCDC
26	Study on Chuli Chanda versus Outsource investment in forests	SIDA
27	Study on Critical Wildlife Habitat	RCDC
28	Study on Elephant depredation	RCDC
29	Study on participatory forest management in Orissa, West Bengal, Chhattisgarh & Bihar	RCDC
30	NTFP Policy Regime after FRA: A study on select states of India	Keystone Foundation
31	Study on Planning Sustainable NTFP Management	Keystone Foundation project
32	Study on Community Forest Management in Odisha	RCDC
33	Toward Sustainable Use of Forest Resource: A study on Connecting Forest Ecology to Village Economy	RCDC
34	Study on Implementation status of FRA in Odisha 2014-15	RCDC
35	Study on the industrial perspective of NTFP in India	RCDC
36	Study of deregulation of Kendu leaf management in Odisha and Maharashtra	RCDC
37	Policy Prescriptions for Sustainable Management of Non-Timber Forest Produces in the Central Indian States: Recommendations of Multistakeholders' Consultations	RCDC
38	Safeguarding the Commons for Next Generation	Seva Mandir
Land and Water Management		
39	Study on Tenancy Operation in Junapani GP of Nabarangapur District, with Jayanti Pathagar, January 1996.	Jayanti Pathagara, Nabarangpur
40	Study on Land Reforms in Nabarangapur District with Jayanti Pathagar.	Jayanti Pathagara
41	Land and Water Management in Bolangir District (Draft). A study with Vikalpa, Kantabanji.	Vikalpa, Kantabanji
42	Report on various issues pertaining to land, water and forest in an environmentally fragile district like Gajapati, for Indo-German Social Service Society, New Delhi, July 1999.	IGSSS, New Delhi
43	Study on the traditional land and water management practices of the Bhatra tribe of Nabarangpur district in August-December 1997. Carried out an Impact Assessment Study of a promotional campaign on agricultural implement (Krishak Bandhu Pedal Pump) developed and promoted by International Development Enterprises (IDE) and prepared a comprehensive report on it in June 1995.	IDE, International
44	Research project on 'the possibilities of replication of traditional land and water management systems in Bolangir district' for VIKALPA, a development support group based at Kantabanji, Bolangir, Orissa, supported by Royal Norwegian Embassy, New Delhi, March 1994.	Vikalpa, Kantabanji
45	Report on various issues pertaining to land, water and forest in an environmentally fragile district like Gajapati, for Indo-German Social Service Society, New Delhi, July 1999.	IGSSS, New Delhi
46	Study on the traditional land and water management practices of the Bhatra tribe of Nabarangpur district in August-December 1997.	RCDC

47	Study on traditional practices in Land and Water Management in Bolangir	DCA
48	Study on Assessment of Actual Possession of Land distributed under Ceiling Surplus and Government Wasteland, in Koraput, Orissa	RCDC
49	Status Report: Land Rights and Ownership in Orissa	UNDP
50	Study on Traditional Land & Water Management	DCA project
51	Study on actual use of FRA recognized land at individual and community level	RCDC
52	Study on Land use management in Odisha	RCDC
53	Study on Rapid assessment of SEM System	UNICEF, Bhubaneswar
Livelihood Promotion		
54	Report on Baseline Survey in Junapani GP of Nabarangapur District, with Jayanti Pathagara, May 1995.	Jayanti Pathagara
55	Looking Back - Impact Assessment Study of the KB Promotional Campaign, May 1995.	IDE, International
56	Report of the Study on Extended Usage of Concrete KB Pump, Aug 1995.	IDE, International
57	'The Social and Institutional Analysis and Livelihood Systems Study of Tribal communities in some selected villages in Kandhamal and Gajapati districts of Orissa', for International Fund for Agriculture and Development (IFAD), Rome, for their Second Orissa Tribal Development Project, 2000, a bilateral tie up with Govt. of Orissa on tribal development.	IFAD, Rome
58	Farmers handbook on 'Sustainable Agriculture' in Oriya in 1995.	RCDC
59	Designed a promotional campaign strategy on Krishak Bandhu pump as well as developed the field trial (Market Research) response-module and also prepared its report in 1995.	IDE, International
60	Conducted an Evaluation of the Extended usage of Krishak Bandhu Pumps in the Balasore district for International Development Enterprises (IDE) – India, in October, 1994.	IDE, International
61	Comprehensive report on "Impact Assessment Study of a promotional campaign on agricultural implement (Krishak Bandhu Pedal Pump)" developed and promoted by International Development Enterprises (IDE) in June 1995.	IDE, International
62	Study on 'Promoting Responsible Business Behaviour in the Spice Sector in Orissa	Winrock International
63	Social and Institutional analysis of livelihoods system of Tribal Communities in Kandhamal and Gajapati districts of Orissa	RCDC
64	Study on Status of Inland Fisheries in Eight states of India	Oxfam-India
65	Impact of maize cultivation in Nabarangpur district : A Study in Select Pockets	
66	Study on Cashew cultivation in Nabarangpur district of Odisha state	RCDC
67	Documenting practices on Integrated Rice Fish Culture	Concern Worldwide Project

68	Study on Spiral of Poverty – a report based on the survey in Bongomunda and Turekela blocks of Bolangir, for VIKALPA & Marudi Pratikar Mancha, Bolangir, July 1997.	Vikalpa and Marudi Pratikar Mancha
69	Social and Institutional Analysis and Livelihood Systems Study of Tribal Community in some selected villages in Kandhamal and Gajapati districts of Orissa, Commissioned by IFAD, Rome, March 2000.	IFAD, Rome
Water, Hygiene & Sanitation		
70	Study on State of Drinking Water in Orissa	RCDC
71	Study on PRI & Water Management in Orissa	RCDC
72	Study on Pani Panchayat in Orissa	RCDC
73	Water Security Plan for Hydro Water Plant (Talcher)	Govt. of India
74	Study on 2 tier maintenance system of Tube wells	RCDC
75	Study on Tank Irrigation	RCDC
76	Study on Irrigation Efficiency	RCDC
77	Basin management plan of Mayabati River basin	KZE
78	Study on State of Water Resources in Orissa	RCDC
79	Study on Water Resources of Odisha: Issues and Challenges	RCDC
80	Study on WASH Restoration in Cyclone Devasted Zone	Water-Aid
81	Why Status Report: The scenario of drinking water in Odisha	RCDC
82	Efficiency study of some selected irrigation projects of Odisha	RCDC
83	Study on State of Panipanchayat in Orissa	RCDC
84	Developing an Integrated Land and Water Use Plan for selected GPs of Puri District	RCDC
Agriculture & Environment		
85	Study on the Biofuel Policy: Global Trends with Impact in Odisha	RCDC
86	Implementation of Biological Diversity Act in India : An Overview with Case Studies	Misereor-KZE
87	Study on Community Action in a Climate Change Regime: Managing Bio-diversity	Oxfam India
88	Conservation Reserve and Community Reserve in Odisha: A Study on the Potentials and Initiatives Taken so far	Misereor-KZE
89	Study on Contract Farming in Odisha: Prospects and Constraints	Misereor-KZE
90	Flood Situation Eases but the Misery Continues: Rising Waters of Mahanadi threatens 6 Coastal Districts – A study	RCDC
91	Study on Fluoride menace in Orissa	Simavi
92	From Cash-crops to Carbon sinks: A new identity to virtual land alienation in Odisha - A study	Misereor-KZE
93	Global Policy Regime versus Indian & Odishan Approach on Climate Change: A Brief Analysis	RCDC
94	Legal Framework for Panchayats in Bio-resource Governance (A compilation for Odisha)	Broederlijk Delen
95	Climate Change: A Primer for Coastal Communities	Concern Worldwide
96	Study on Gender and Livelihoods Impacts of Clean Cookstoves in South Asia (Odisha)	Practical Action

97	Working out Climate Change Adaptation Options	Concern Worldwide
98	Floods in Puri – a report based on PRA findings for Puri District Disaster Mitigation Forum, January 1997.	Puri District Disaster Mitigation Forum
99	Report on 'Assessment of Damages caused by the Cyclones of October, 1999 to the Fishing communities in Coastal Orissa,' for Royal Norwegian Embassy, New Delhi, January, 2000.	Royal Norwegian Embassy, New Delhi
Other Studies & Assignments		
100	Regional Strategy Paper for ActionAid, Bhubaneswar Region, 1998.	Action Aid, India
101	A Report on Non-Formal Education Project, for VARRAT.	VARRAT, Boulakani
102	Consultant to Stromme Foundation, Dhaka, for carrying out an Impact Against Objective Evaluation of Lead, a Koraput based NGO, in July, 2001.	Stromme Foundation, Dhaka
103	Prepared the Regional Strategy Paper for five years (1998-2002) for ACTIONAID (Eastern Region), July-August 1998.	Action Aid, India
104	Prepared a situational analysis of working children in the unorganized sector in Angul district and presented to the district administration for Angul Swechhasevi Sangathan Samukhya (ASSS), supported by SQN, Austria, August - September, 1997.	ASSS, Angul & SQN Australia
105	Carried out a pre-funding and post funding evaluation of Angul Swechhasevi Sangathan Samukhya (ASSS), Angul for IGSSS, New Delhi, in August 2001.	IGSSS, New Delhi
106	Objective review and preparation of Withdrawal Strategy for Samajik Seva Sadan, Dhekanal, for Actionaid, Bhubanesar, July-August, 2000.	Samajik Seva Sadan & Action Aid
107	Study on Planned Development in India and Role of civil society	RCDC
108	Study on Impact of mining on health	RCDC
109	Study on the Functioning of PESA in Odisha	National Institute for Development Innovation
110	The Odisha Community-REDD Project: A Brief Report on the Accomplishments	RCDC, CFI and Plan Vivo
111	The halfway mark and state of realisation of MDGs in Orissa – A study	KRS Campaign, Odisha

The Consultancy Services we offer

- Project formulation and strategic planning
- Technical guidance, monitoring and evaluation of development projects
- Project Impact Evaluation, concurrent evaluation, review and mid-term planning
- Undertake baseline survey for any project work
- Undertake study and research in social development sector – livelihoods promotion, forestry, climate change, natural resource management, women empowerment, water, health & sanitation, land and water management, watershed development, irrigation, education and environment, Agriculture etc

- Documentation work – Process documentation, Annual reports, project specific reports
- Capacity building of field level functionaries in development sector in terms of training, knowledge and skills development
- Development of training curriculum, learning materials, training manuals and modules
- Technical consultancy in cluster based development and administration
- Carry out socio-economic study for the corporate bodies and interested organizations
- Undertake CSR planning and evaluation of CSR activities for the corporate sector
- Any other customized study and assignments that suits to the organization and its resource availability

Our Team of Experts

Sl. No .	Name of the Expert	Qualification	Expertise
1	Mr. Kailash Chandra Dash	MA (Sociology)	30 years of experience in development sector. Expertise in project designing, execution, monitoring, Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate change, Project evaluation and budgeting, team management and administration, study and research
2	Mr. Shyam Sundar Barik	MSW	30 years of experience in the development sector – expertise in project proposal development, reporting and documentation, study and research, livelihood promotion in handicraft sector, organization revival planning, impact evaluation of projects and programmes, training for development professionals.
3	Mr. Asim Ku. Mahapatra	MSW	25 years of experience in development sector- expertise in project assessment, project planning and management, study and research, Action Research etc.

The CVs of the above professionals are enclosed herewith for reference

Multi-disciplinary pool of expert resource

Besides these core members of the wing, there is a pool of 25 multi-disciplinary resource persons who work with RCDC. While working on different consultancy assignments, their expert advice/involvement is taken to deliver the best services to the client requirements.

For further details please contact

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Legal Status

- RCDC Regd. under Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860; (No.- 4920-844 of 1992-1993 at Bhubaneswar).
- Registered under FCRA (No.104830035).
- Registered under Income Tax Registration Act. (No.Judl/86/12A/93-94/Bhubaneswar, Dt. 13th April, 1994). PAN No: AATR2167H
