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ACTION RESEARCH AND SUSTAINABLE TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT

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ABSTRACT

Action research for Sustainable Tribal Development is applied generally in the social sciences to identify the issues and causal factors which stand as bottlenecks of sustainable tribal development. The intervention during the action research is to solve the problem on one side and document the process to develop a new body of knowledge on the other. It seeks transformative change through the simultaneous process of acting and doing research, which is linked together by critical reflection. The social action for sustainable development, the lesson learnt and continuing the research leading to the following social action is like a spiral of steps, each composed of a circle of planning, action, and fact-finding about the result of the action.

Sustainable Tribal Development is a process to develop the capacity of the tribal and facilitate enable policy and environment and overall natural systems to provide resources for a decent living, education and facility for health in such a way that the HDI improves The Brundtland Report in 1987 defined sustainable development as "development that meets the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generation to meet their own needs.

There is a need therefore to conduct action research on various tribal issues that will give valuable inputs for the Policy makers for preparing strategy for achieving sustainable tribal development in India. Already some seminal action researches have been conducted in India, though in small number inputs of which have been meaningfully translated in to action for sustainable tribal development. Keeping this in view, a special session on the theme "Action Research and Sustainable Tribal Development" has been chosen for the World Anthropology Congress under the domain DEVELOPMENT, APPLIED & ACTION ANTHROPOLOGY.

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