

MONITORING, LEARNING AND EVALUATION

CARD specializes in quick concurrent, mid-term, end evaluations, physical and financial monitoring of various development programs. It has continuously been working as state/ zonal level monitoring agency for the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India for regular monitoring of its centrally sponsored rural development schemes for the period between 2003 and 2007. It was associated with a nationwide network of MoRD monitoring agencies and conducted district-level monitoring of all centrally sponsored projects of Rural Development and social welfare. The schemes monitored were Rural Development schemes (SGSY, SGRY, IAY, Watershed- IWDP and DPAP), Water & sanitation (ARWSP, TSC and Swajaldhara), National Social Assistance Program schemes (NFBS, NMBS, and NAOPS) in the states of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. We have given a new dimension to the monitoring process by adopting a participatory monitoring system rather than practicing the policing system. The other regular partners in Evaluation Studies include; the Planning Commission, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh and various International donor agencies.

The main objectives of monitoring assignments

- To maintain the flow of authentic and reliable information about the performance of the programs of Ministry from the district level to the Central Ministry level,
- To obtain qualitative feedback about the implementation and policy environment at the district level to remove bottlenecks in the implementation and make it more effective,
- To check and verify the physical achievements reported by the district level implementation agencies, the evaluations are generally carried out to make an objective assessment of how the project activities are going, how well the participants are doing, and what effect it has on intended beneficiaries. The outcome is used to improve the performance.

CARD acted as State level monitoring agency for Rajeev Gandhi Watershed Mission, Department of Rural Development, Government of Madhya Pradesh during 2006-09. It was directing and coordinating with 16 district-level Monitoring agencies, all independent NGOs for State-level quality monitoring (SQM) of all watershed programs (IWDP and DPAP) in the state. It was associated with the Department of Animal Husbandry, the Government of Chhattisgarh, and Madhya Pradesh to set up Monitoring systems (2005-08).

CARD was empaneled with MoRD to verify Nirmal Gram Puskar awardees and conducted annual verifications during 2006 and 2012. We have verified more than two thousand gram panchayats in Gujrat, Maharashtra, Uttranchal, and Madhya Pradesh.

Details of Monitoring & Learning Projects

S.No.	Project Title	Location Area	Period (Year)	Donor Agency
1.	National Level Monitoring of SECC	Himachal and Goa	2012 - 13	Ministry of Rural Development, New Delhi
2.	National Level Monitoring of Rural Development Works	Chhattisgarh and Gujarat	2012 - 13	Ministry of Rural Development, New Delhi
3.	Verification of Nirmal Gram Puruskar	States of Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Uttranchal	2006 to 2011	Ministry of Rural Development, New Delhi
4.	State Quality Monitoring	Quarterly Review of 20 NGOs work for all Districts of MP	2006 to 2009	Rajiv Gandhi Watershed Mission, Govt. of M.P.
5.	District level Quality Monitoring	Jhabua & Burhanpur	2006 to 2009	Rajiv Gandhi Watershed Mission, Govt. of M.P.
6.	District Level Monitoring of Centrally Sponsored Scheme	Balaghat, Betul, Chhindwara, Dindori, Harda, Hoshangabad, Mandla, Narsinghpur, Raisen, Sehore and Seoni	2006 - 2007	Ministry of Rural Development, New Delhi (Department of Land Records)

7.	District Level Monitoring of TSC & Swajaldhara Programme	Betul, Narsinghpur, Sheopur, Sidhi, Chhatarpur, Shivpuri, Shajapur, Seoni, Jhabua and Sehore	2004 - 2005	Ministry of rural Development, New Delhi (Department of Drinking Water Supply)
8.	PFT-Team / Block District Level Monitoring & support	All districts of Chhattisgarh	2006 - 2007	World Bank Supported DPIIP project
9.	District Level Monitoring of Centrally Sponsored Schemes of rural development	Bhopal, Vidisha, Guna, Sehore, Betul, Jhabua, Chhatarpur, Sidhi and Sehore districts	2002 - 2006 onwards	Ministry of Rural Development, New Delhi (Monitoring Division and Department of Land Records)