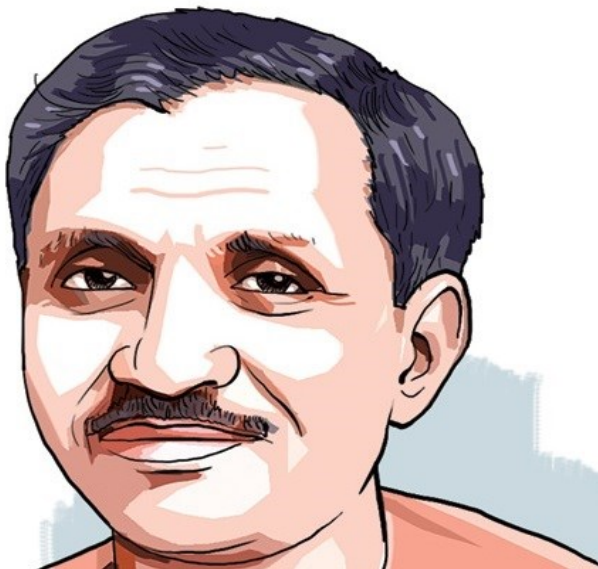




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PANDIT DEEN DAYAL UPADHYAYA

Birth Anniversary Special



Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya was the leader of the Bharatiya Jana Sangh from 1953 to 1968. A profound philosopher, organiser par excellence and a leader who maintained the highest standards of personal integrity, he has been the source of ideological guidance and moral inspiration.

His philosophy of Integral Humanism, which provides a holistic alternative perspective for political action and statecraft consistent with the laws of creation and the universal needs of the human race. Pt Deendayal Upadhyaya as a philosopher, economist, sociologist has contributed tremendously to Indian Political thought.



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EVENTS AT PPRC

July 15, 2016

PPRC organized in house Presentation and Discussion on 'Making Villages Open Defecation Free: Issues in institutionalization of success' Chaired by- Shri Ravindra Sathe.

August 22, 2016

PPRC releases study report titled 'Making Villages Open Defecation Free: Issues in institutionalization of success' at Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti, New Delhi.

Understanding Socio-Economic Development and Security paradigm in the border districts of Rajasthan



At Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini (RMP) through Public Policy Research Centre (PPRC) in collaboration with Border Security Force (BSF), it is endeavored to understand the social, economic development process in the light of specialized security framework in the border villages of Rajasthan through this study. For this, the demographic profile and recent developments in the settlement pattern has been explored. The nature, scope of development policies and the relevant impact on social and economic infrastructure has been taken into consideration in order understand the potentials for growth in the region.

The field research team surveyed 36 villages in the average range 0-15kms along the Radcliffe line in Rajasthan to the west of NH-15. The field research covered a sample size of 262-Households selected after purposive sampling to cover other relevant demographic, social and economic variables, and 30 interviews with relevant experts and stakeholders. The findings aim at creating an updated dialogue amongst the policy-makers, security experts and international relations forum on various strategic and development issues along the Western Border of the country in the state of Rajasthan.

STRENGTHENING THE DEMOCRACY

PPRC extends research services, viz., *Parliamentary Business Insight (PBI)* and *Parliamentary Committee Insight (PCI)* to Parliamentarians. The INSIGHT program has been launched on the first anniversary of the NDA-II government - 26th May 2015.

The idea for developing such a program was given by Shri Narendra Sawaikar (MP-South Goa, convener of the program. The Steering Committee is led by Advocate Nalin S. Kohli.

Services under PBI are given in general to all MPs, while those under PCI are extended on demand and/or expressed research need. All communication is paperless.

Since its launch, several MPs have taken research assistance under the INSIGHT program.

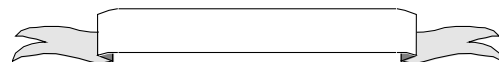
INSIGHT: RESEARCH SUPPORT PROGRAM TO PARLIAMENTARIANS

PPRC's INSIGHT program launched on 26th May 2015 has been appreciated by several Parliamentarians. The services have catered to the research needs of several Parliamentarians in such a short period. Few Parliamentarians have expressed specific research demands which has been duly provided.

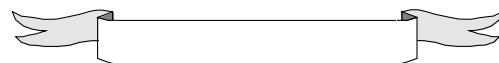
Research briefs on Maritime Security, Make in India, Tobacco Industry Regulations and New Foreign Trade Policy 2015 were provided to Sh Narendra Sawaikar and Transgender laws and Waqf board legislation to Kunwar B.Singh (MP-Bijnore), on their demand.

Briefs on the popularly called Black Money legislation passed by Parliament and on Judicial Appointments in India was sent to all Parliamentarians for general understanding.

During the Monsoon and Winter Sessions 2015, legislative briefs on the Land Acquisition Amendment Bill (popular name), National Waterways Bill, Benami Transactions Bill, Real Estate Bill, MSME Amendment Bill, SC/STs Amendment Bill



“Insight program aims to provide quality research support to MPs armed with the necessary data and analytics”



(popular name), Child Labour Amendment Bill (commonly called), Delhi HC Amendment Bill and Bureau of Indian Standards Bill, Electricity Amendment Bill and Commercial Courts/Divisions/Appellate in HC Bill was provided to the MPs. We also provided thematic briefs for discussion on the Constitution Day.

Some of these legislative briefs provided included specific demands from Prof CM Malviya (MP, Ujjain). We received testimonials from Smt Meenakshi Lekhi (MP-Delhi), Sh Meghraj Jain (MP-Indore) for the research assistance provided.

Release of Study Report 'Making Villages Open Defecation Free: Issues in institutionalization of success'

Ceremonial Release of PPRC's Study Report titled "Making Villages Open Defecation Free: Issues in institutionalisation of success" at the hands of Shri Narendra Singh Tomar (Honorable Minister Rural Development, Panchayati Raj and Drinking Water and Sanitation), Chaired by Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe (Member of Parliament - Rajya Sabha, Vice President - RMP) on 22 August, 2016 at B.N Pandey Hall, Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti, opp. Rajghat, NewDelhi.



Review of Health Insurance Scheme :

Case Study of Rajasthan

Providing accessible and affordable healthcare is an important goal for developing countries. These nations endeavour to provide health insurance as social security benefits. Adequacy and efficacy of governance in providing such benefits is a challenge for governments. India in a similar backdrop, has been providing health insurance benefits to its citizens. This report presented a review of Bhamashah Health Insurance Scheme of Rajasthan, which has earned credentials due to its effective salient features.

Bhamashah Swasthya Bima Yojana is the government sponsored health insurance scheme of Government of Rajasthan. It had been envisaged as a simple, transparent and sustainable alternative to the previous scheme. Since the scheme is getting acclaims from a wide section of users, Public Policy Research Centre decided to review the scheme and document its salient features. A comparative analysis of the current scheme with respect to the previous scheme has been done in order to identify the positive interventions. A ground level survey amongst the hospitals implementing the current scheme has also been done to verify the claims. This report provides an insight to good interventions and effective practices of the state government in order to share these with other state machineries for their perusal.

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