

ASSESSMENT /EVALUATION REPORT OF MAJOR RESEARCH PROJECT (MRP)

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A. DETAILS OF PROJECT

Title of the Project : "Exploring the Dynamics of Vulnerability to Natural Disaster for Sustainable Hazard Mitigation: The Case of - 2013 Flood-Hit Uttarakhand"

Total duration of Project : 1/7/2015 TO 30/6/2018 (3 Years)

Project Status : Completed

Subject : Sociology

File Number (Ref. No.) : F.NO. 5-370/2014 (HRP) DATED: 5/10/2015

Grants Approved: Rs. 12,61,406/- (Twelve Lakh Sixty One Thousand and Four Hundred Six)

B. EVALUATION REPORT OF EXPERT MEMBER


1	Name of Principal Investigator:	Dr. Pradeep Kumar Parida
2	Designation:	Associate Professor
3	Address of Principal Investigator, Email, Cell no.	Department of Sociology, Pondicherry University, Puducherry - 605 014, India. Email: pradeeparida2003@gmail.com Cell No: 94420 35046
4	Whether work is focused on the title of the sanctioned project:	Yes, all objectives are discussed, analyzed and addressed.
5	Whether original work is done:	Yes, Original work on a very critical issue.
6	Whether significant contribution made by the Principal Investigator:	Yes, the principal investigator has published several papers as well as organized a national seminar related to this research.
7	Whether proposed work have relevance to the society/scientific community:	Yes, the work is highly significant to reduce disaster risk in disaster risk prone areas



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8	What type of contribution found in the final report: Theoretical/Practical. If there are theoretical contributions given by the principal investigator whether real applications are given:	Both theoretical and practical. The principal investigator has systematically provided various issues that can be used to reduce natural disaster in any mountainous region.
9	Whether theoretical contributions and their results and finds are published:	Yes, the principal investigator has published two papers in national journals.
10	Whether results and findings are significant:	Since natural disaster is increasing in the entire globe, the result is highly significant to save the people at risk. In the course of in-depth research, the principal investigator explored the causal structure of vulnerability in a hilly and mountain area like Uttarakhand for developing a broad flood reduction strategy
11	Whether the significant publications made by the principal investigators are in peer reviewed journals:	Yes,
12	The number of publications made by principal investigator in standard reputed journals	TWO publications 1. Parida, P.K. (2016) "Understanding' the Elderly in Natural Disaster: Need for Comprehensive Disaster Planning", <i>Research Process</i> , Vol. 4, No. 1, pp. 51-62. 2. Parida, P.K. (2015) "Natural Disaster and Women's Mental Health", <i>Social Change</i> , Vol. 45, No. 2, pp. 256-275 (Sage Publications).
13	Whether contributions made by the principal investigators is sufficient	Yes, this work will help to bring more papers in near future. (DRR)
14	The findings and results of the sanctioned Major Research Project are justifiable:	Yes, given the timings and hazardous study areas, the principal investigator justified the significance of this research. By employing the 'social vulnerability perspective', this study planned to identify and understand which groups of people are more sensitive and susceptible to the impacts of floods and why. This information



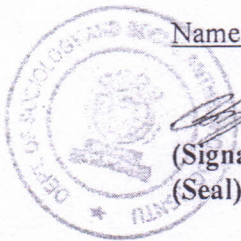

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		assists more pointed 'solutions' and strategies and will therefore advance the chance for effective mitigation and increase future social capacity and resilience.
15	Whether completed project work meet the proposed objectives:	Yes, the results and findings corroborate the objectives.
16	Give your brief comments on the overall work of the project:	The topic is very important as disaster is indiscriminately affecting the vulnerable people throughout the world. The research is methodologically correct. Both qualitative and quantitative methods justify the nature of the work.
17	Any specific comments:	The report has significant contribution. This report recommends initiating and practicing Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction (CBRR) not only in mountainous regions but also in all parts of our country to resist any kind of disasters. I hope this project would help both the state and central government to chalk out plans in the direction of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR).
18	Indicate your overall assessment of the project- Poor/Good/Excellent	Excellent

Date: 26/11/2018

Place: Laxpur, Amarkantak, Madhya Pradesh

Name and Address of the Expert:



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