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EDITORIAL

Social work education scenario has been evolving as the world undergoes social, economic and political transformations. Moving away from a traditional framework, social work education is more theoretically rooted in the social sciences than ever before, incorporating robust research and evidence-based practice. Rights-based models of interventions are rapidly replacing remedial-based models of intervention. It has been our endeavor to bring forth literature representing varied dimensions of social work education. By curating a space for authors comprising of social work educators, researchers and practitioners across the social sciences, we have succeeded in bringing forth cutting-edge work. In the past we have faced difficulties in releasing the journal on time, however, we earnestly hope that we'll be able to bring the issue out in time in the future. We would like to express our gratitude to our valued readers for their continued support and encouragement.

The present issue carries five scholarly articles. Though not bound thematically, each article contributes greatly to social work's body of knowledge. These articles perform a variety of important functions, such as examining certain concepts and exploring their relevance to the field of social work, elucidate findings from empirical research studies, bring forth issues pertaining to migrant labor and displaced populations. They explore interesting and critical themes such as the status of Parsi women in inter-faith marriages and the social life of masculinity while working with men and boys.

We live in world that is more formal and bureaucratized than ever before, but it is also a world in which an overwhelming majority of the workforce is informal in nature. In such paradoxical times, the article by Vidyadhar Ishwar details the role played by the state in influencing the labor market policies, firm level practices and employment relations which in turn greatly affect the wage and job

security. His article discusses broad trends in economic policies in the context of globalization that have shaped the trajectory of employment relations across major developed and developing countries.

There are two articles dealing with migration based on important empirical research studies. The first article is a research study conducted in four blocks of Bargarh district among the Ganda (SCs) Community of Western Odisha by Madan Biswal. The study makes an attempt to examine the various patterns of recruitment and choice of destination among Ganda seasonal migrants of western Odisha.

The second research study deals with forced migration of tribal delineating the relocation case of Achanakmar Tiger Reserve in Chhattisgarh. The authors Hari Ram and Jagdish Jadhav highlights the issues of livelihood and socio-cultural exclusion being experienced by the relocated families in the resettlement area. This study also looks at the process of relocation, the benefits provided to the affected families and status of community facility in the relocation area.

The article by Behnaz Mogrelia and Meghna Vesvikar is based on a research study of Parsi Women in Interfaith Marriages (PWIM) - their religious orientation and involvement, the types and forms of discrimination faced by them, and their perceptions regarding the religious rules concerned with interfaith marriage.

Renu Shah brings forth interesting arguments related to the concept of Masculinity and its relation to the prevalence of domestic violence. The article derives significantly from three research studies as conducted by International Center for Research on Women (2002) in various parts of the country exploring the links between masculinity and domestic violence. The article in the end delves in discussing specific strategies to engage with men and boys in order to work towards gender justice for all.

We sincerely hope these strings of articles make interesting reading and generates further interest in topics covered.

-Vaijayanta Anand

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