

## **Rural Development**

Rural development is a broad and interesting field of inter-disciplinary research. At IIT Kanpur we have focused on monitoring and evaluation of rural development schemes, education and health. This work is done mostly in collaboration with research NGOs like Population Council and Wizmin Management Consultant. In one of the pioneering works, done jointly with consultants of GTZ, we have developed methods of Training Needs Assessment (TNA). These methods were used for TNA of elected representatives of Gram Panchayats in Himachal Pradesh

(<http://hppanchayat.nic.in/pdf%20files/CapacityBuilding/TNA/ENG.pdf>).

We have also done a study on working of an NGO, named Banwasi Seva Ashram, which has devoted more than fifty years in the service of tribals in Sonbhadra district of UP.

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