



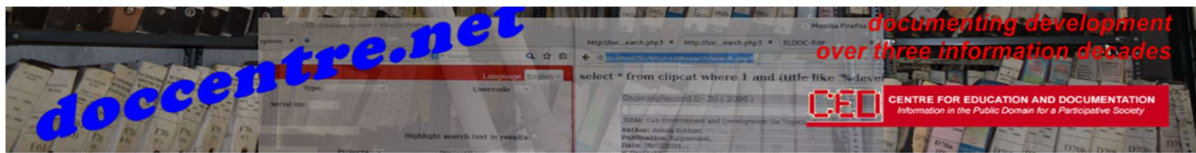
Annual Report 2021-22

Introduction

Lockdown condition continued for most of this year. Work From Home (WFH) is the dominant work system and Webinars have become the dominant knowledge and information exchange culture. While this could have led to a broadening of access and opportunity, there are processes at work which privilege high speed, quick-fire opportunistic social processes. This includes the political process which has been driven to extremes thanks to dramatic, crowded and binarised agenda leaving little time and space for cross filtration of ideas, development of alternatives. On the social front too, entire communities which were easily labeled and stereotyped now reach cathartic antagonistic opposition. Just as one comes to grips with one aspect, another issue comes out.. along with simultaneous affronts on other issues, so much so that the social justice and change agenda keeps getting crowded. Therefore the “social dilemma” that was announced as a systemic cancer, is actually also being fueled by the major players of “reactionary” politics. Also endemic is the systematic exploitation of binarisation by social media models by hegemonistic economic and cultural economic fronts. There is no space to simultaneously step back, and build an alternative social education and civil participation model. CED once again sees its role as providing as a counter-information, or peoples knowledge space, not as adding to the existing information processing education and cultural system. CED’s role. But creating a working algorithm to counter the information polarisation, through decentralised networked IEC system. CED cannot be a “portal” of such a system, but needs to start a chain of such efforts, which builds of the current information flow, but slows it down, to bring “reflective” information and education in a non-monopolise space – be it the giant googled, and facebooks, or centralising issue based initiatives. The task is more difficult because people seem to be socialised into the model, they are made to believe as active agents, lobbyist in the old regime, and “disruptors” in the current scenario.

Given this external environment, CED’s activities focused on what it could do under Work from Home, particularly in the digital space. There was also continued pressure on finances, due to uncertainties of legal frameworks, donor preferences, and implementation impediments due to COVID and the changing education and referencing scenario.

Our website www.doccentre.net whose purpose was to document development over three information decades is a catalog, outside the dominant search engine system, of our curated physical library collection. But it also bridges into the digital, as it makes accessible selective information online, while pulling the more serious researcher to the physical collection.



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<p>Library Catalogue</p> <p>Books, Reports, Journal, CDs</p>	<p>Clipping Files</p> <p>Selected clippings from Selected topics in CED Mumbai. List.</p>	<p>Documentaries & AVs</p> <p>Before Youtube, we documented and compiled over 1000 documentaries in CDs and DVDs. new-video.jpg</p>	
<p>CED Publications</p> <p>Books & Monographs available on order</p>	<p>CED Videos</p> <p>Primary Documentation of Thinkers, Activists, Events</p> <p>interviews.png</p>	<p>Digitised Docs</p> <p>Digitised Documentation</p> <p>The most important Clippings from the 80s and 90s have been digitised by us and are made available in soft form. Check this database.. new-digitisation.png</p>	<p>DOCSWEB</p> <p>Thematic Webpages</p>

Then with the long and winding road to structural transformation, (www.lnwr.in) we have been experimenting and developing curated information which can serve as knowledge to the socially engaged (rather than the researcher) students, young professional, social worker, concerned citizen. It is this in view that Given the current rush of Information, Education and Communication (IEC) technology, we adopted the perspective of slowing down knowledge in the form of video documentation of campaign & mobilisation meetings, middle level seminars of activist and social practitioner and as well as in-depth interviews with the field level activists and social workers. The main documentation, centers around ongoing values, analysis, prescription and responses to social change, development, social justice.



Given the new IT environment, the main emphasis was to shape the e-library system with the minimum of costs. The task was to populate and curate the E-Library with information and analytical sources, using links to online sources wherever possible while creating an annotation for the main target audience of CED namely the young activist, student, social and development worker and content creator.

Thus, the documentation system of CED... must deliver access in a manner which while not being neutral, is critical. Everyone is putting out content, from the highly academic to the in-your-face argument. While there is no need to more content, the task is again to organise critical bits into slow, reflective process, even as one is engaged. The information plethora is omniscient yet crowded mainly because search agents and BOTs have taken over. The film Social Dilemma aptly describes how the economics of data moves it in a way leads to polarisation - "to him who opines, more shall be given"

Now any organisation is able to create its content, and propagate its ideas, analysis, actions, and future vision - but the current social media throws them into a) instant short reactive messaging, most of which get disaggregated from the organisations goals and mobilisation.

b) Move towards hierarchical communication - of Webinar.. rather than work-groups, and work-shops, each bring in heavy weights into the discourse.

c) mobilisation also tends to get vertical, rather than horizontal, as immediately gains of organisations of on the carrot stick of social media.

The competitive political scenario also gives each one an illusion that they are actively in one camp or the other, when there is only a virtual

Designing New Shared Systems transiting from physical Documentation to E- Library & On-line self-learning

Thus CED has been trying to evolve its systems, such that it brings together, not in a portal manner, but more as a network of informations nodes, each having it own flavour, and emphasis, yet relying on each other for sharing and systems.

The Long & Winding Road website is a separate Joomla-based website: lnwr.in, which is based primarily on direct documentation in AV form of events and interviews of people in the NGO and Social Sector space. This involved four steps of documentation: (1) Video Documentation of events, interviews, lecture as creation of content, (2) Making AV modules and uploading them in a public domain space, like youtube. We have now added a e-library system, which takes this documentation further by (3) Creating webpages and notes for publishing on websites and (4) outreach the content through social media platforms like facebook, whatsapp, email groups.

The latest site that we are working on is emeets.lnwr.in, which contains over 1700 articles organised into 1. E library 2. Blog. 3. Docsweb & 4 Letters. The mining of these articles are from social media and emeets among NGO groups, activists, engaged professionals, teachers, social workers etc.

We are using a curated Blog model for specific topics like Ahimsa, Climate Change, COVID. By default, each blog and e-library is latest first. This is because we do not have the person-power to process every document that we put into the system. So at the first level we just enter the article, classify it into main categories. To enable it to be access using the e-library menu which then shows up in reverse chronological order.

At the next level, we break up each category into sub-categories, and re-classify the article, and re-order the articles to show up in a blog to make for a better ordered read. This is possible to do on a batch processing basis, rather than an ongoing daily basis. It is designed such that this can be done on-line by volunteers, interested persons.

Video Documentation



Vikalp Sangam III - at LEH



Climate Change

Community Documentation of Water Since Irrigation



At CED we plan to have separate sections like docsweb, a curated commented article with links to on-line and off line links to the e-library. Another section is letters which is more interactive essay for ongoing contribution and debate.

Creating AV content

The following videos were uploaded in the Long & Winding Road You tube channel and links to them shared with a wider international CBR community as part of their campaign of including CBR in UN health for all, <http://emeets.lnwr.in/index.php/1961-poverty-hunger-and-disability-the-missing-link>

Glimpses of CBR - 18 Shorts of Cases edited earlier and uploaded for limited viewing was made accessible to public on 11th Feb 2022.

Tribal Displacement 3 min:26 sec

Video received from Shiraz on NDA (No Data Available) on Tribal Displacement. featuring the recent replies in parliament abdicating their responsibility of having information on tribal displacement Feb 13, 2022

The following other content has been created and uploaded as videos on Youtube: some are for internal group consumption and have been unlisted for the moment. KICS search for a new direction: nine short uploads. Community Based Rehabilitation International Meets: 16 uploads. Community Based Rehabilitation shorts for Insta and Youtube campaign: 37 short of 2 to 5 minutes each. Suicide Prevention for care givers: 16 cuts.

The following videos are for documentation in a restricted access cloud, either as back-up, or pending-permission-to-use issues

Seminar on Pew Survey of Religion: Five videos. Internal training on Sufism, Omar Kayam, two videos.

Due to COVID restrictions, video recording has been restricted to on screen recording of seminar content. A few of them have been segmented in lieu of editing from online and converted into posts and/or article within different Blogs. In addition to generating our own content, we are experimenting with valourising third party videos to bolster documentation/information modules.

Making available physical Documentation in hybrid mode

The old database search programme which integrated the online and off line documentation needs to be upgraded as the old software programming is outdated. Further there is a heavy cost of maintaining data servers on-line. Given that library staff has been withdrawn, access to physical documentation is planned in a semi-automatic mode. We have been working to update software, and develop low maintenance hybrid systems for the physical documentation.

Working on a system to integrate old on-line documentation in the new readymade CMS system - as part of the e-library, and the special blogs, and Letters / LMWR section. The category programme as well as data maintenance. This process has been started to simplify the systems into ready available and upgradeable



MediaLabs

In view of COVID restrictions, this programme is being redesigned. A system of Open Course on Media and Development is being designed, based on the documentation model of syllabus, and flexible interactivity. Exercises are being documented in the cloud. A blog to link to reading material and course content is also being populated in the Slow Post website at least for the time being. Progress on this is slow, as WFM is not conducive to critical development of this.

Outreach

The main system of Outreach has been to create posts linking to different blogs and documents, and circulating them on different social media groups, we are a part of. Since March several posts have been made on Whatsapp and Email, linking them to themes being discussed in those groups.

Some of the themes are these posts are -ahimsa-as-action -bhopal-gas-tragedy-survivors-pose-37-questions -corporate-takeover -s-n-subba-rao -11-months-of-the-samyukta-kisan-morcha-movement-dr-sunilam – rss-stronger-presence-wronger-vision – stubble-burning-centre -must-push-states-to-adopt-the-pusa-bio-decomposer-model -the-political-economy-under-fascism – long-covid-post-covid-condition -ambulance-workers-protest-in-lucknow-locked-in -chennai-floods-and-poromboke -the-perils-of-climate-activism -gandhi-s-ideas-against-use-of-violence-to-achieve-political-objectives-ring-true-today -religion-in-india-tolerance-and-segregation -gandhian-trusteeship -institutional-casteism -agroecology -sahodaya-an-alternative-but-native-ways-of-learning-and-living -restoring-mao-s-economic-vision -colonial-mind-set-in-climate-change-negotiations -prof-j-s-bandhukwala -on-narayana-guru-in-ahimsa-conversations-between-m-dinakaran-backwaters-collective-and-rajni-bakshi -new-india-how-not-to-be-gaslighted-by-it - indian-culture-our-failings TM Krishna.. To liberals/Progressives.. -here-are-the-reforms-india-s-farmers-really-need-kavita-kuruganti -report-of-the-scholars-at-risk-academic-freedom-monitoring-project -andolajeevi-a-re-iteration -auroville-protests -on-trend-for-privatisation-kanhaiya-kumar -condemn-even-the-hints-of-using-or-acquiring-nukes

(These are being highlighted to give the user an idea of the kind of information that they come across in Social media that can be “slowed-down”, and curated in their own websites or blogs, in addition to forwarding.)

Ahimsa Conversations

Ahimsa Conversations upto this financial year every week without fail taking the tally of 56 episodes to 108. Ahimsa Conversations was launched on Mahatma Gandhi's martyrdom day, January 30th, 2020. March end 2021 -- 56 episodes. Two years later there are 100 episodes online with speakers from 22 countries. This is an almost solo effort of Rajni Bakshi. Thanks also to viewers and those who have subscribed to this channel.

The screenshot shows the gantry website interface. On the left, there is a vertical navigation menu with the following items: ABOUT CED, THE PEOPLE, REPORTS & FINANCIALS, DECLARATION UNDER FCRA (with a right-pointing arrow), STUDY & DOCUMENTATION OUTPUTS, L & W ROAD, ASSOCIATED NETWORKS, and CONTACT US. To the right of the menu is a collage of various reports and documents, including titles like 'LET'S', 'FASSEM', 'Secularism and Secular Action', 'The Economic and Social Justice', 'Participatory Approaches for Development', and 'Rural and Urban Security'. Below the menu, the main content area contains several paragraphs of text. The first paragraph describes CED or DOCCENTRE as an organization focused on Development Information & Education for structural transformation. The second paragraph states that for over 30 years, the organization has compiled news clippings for field workers and social activists. The third paragraph notes that over the years, CED has become a repository of development history and critique. The fourth paragraph explains that today, CED's theme is "slow knowledge" and mediated communication. On the right side of the content area, there is a section titled "Associated Networks" which lists several organizations: Vikalp Sangam, Indian Network of Ethics on Climate Change (INECC), Knowledge in Civil Society (KICS), Climate Neutral Village (CNV), and Bangalore Platform for Climate Change.

Financials

Accounts & Review of past financial Year 21-22.

Income & Expenditure for FY 21-22.

Exp	Yr. 21-22 Apr-Mar.	Income	Yr. 21-22 Apr-Mar.
Salary/Fees:	Rs. 17.05	ROI: div./int.	Rs. 5.75
Direct Prog.:	Rs. 0.07	ROI- ret.on repur	Rs.12.26
Indirect Prog.:	Rs. 3.11		
Computer/Eq:	Rs. 0.15		
To Reserve		Reserves utilized	Rs. 2.37
Total Expenditure	Rs. 20.38	Total Income:	Rs. 20.38

Balance Sheet as of 31/03/2022.

	31/03/21	31/03/22		31/03/21	31/03/22
Funds/ Liabilities:	Rs. 233.55	Rs. 231.17	Property/ Assets:	Rs. 233.55	Rs. 231.17
Reserves.	Rs.1.66	Rs. 0.38	Investments (*)	Rs. 229.04	Rs. 226.98
Corpus.	Rs.214.12	Rs. 214.12	Bank Balance	Rs. 0.73	Rs. 0.55
Other Dep.	Rs.2.73	Rs. 2.73	Adv/TDS Dep.	Rs.1.18	Rs. 1.43
SSS Fund	Rs.15.04	Rs. 13.94	Asset- L&W	Rs.2.60	Rs. 2.21

Organisational Aspects

The Management of CED is the responsibility of the Executive Council. The current members of Anjum Rajabali, Rajni Bakshi, Walter Mendoza, John Dsouza, Preeti Bhat, Leena Abraham. The trust matters are the responsibility of the trustees: who are: Anjum Rajabali, Rajni Bakshi, Walter Mendoza and John D'Souza. Four Meetings of the Executive committee were held during the year. The Annual General Body meeting was held on 28th March 2022. The following are the General Body members. Anjum Rajabali, Rajni Bakshi, Walter Mendoza, John D'Souza, Sumi Krishna, Kaiwan Mehta, Karuna D'Souza, Leena Abraham, Preeti Bhat, Abhishek Bharadwaj, Amita Malkani, Carmen Kagal, Tanvi Patel, Tanya Goveas.

Staffing has been restricted due to the lack of funds. Staff: Praful Sawal, Admin & Accounts. Rajshekara M our retired office assistant in Bangalore comes into CED Bangalore office as and when required for cleaning, as well as user visits to library, and is paid on a pro-rata basis. Consultant & Contracts: John D'Souza, Maya Bondre, Arnaz Khan. They have been working on a part-time basis against reporting of work done and delivered. Vinod Kumar, who was handling website maintenance, and management on a voluntary basis. Rajni Bakshi has been volunteering to organised several events and has pioneered the Ahimsa Conversation platform.

Thanks to all of you.



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