

## A Brief Background of the Centre

B N Yugandhar Centre for Rural Studies (BNY-CRS), since its establishment in the Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie in the year 1989, has emerged as a leading resource/ establishment for training of Officer Trainees (OTs) of the Indian Civil Service and for policy recommendations.

The Centre conducts and promotes research, training and publications in the field of land administration and allied areas. It fundamentally organises Field Study and Research Programme (Village Visit Programme) for OTs during the Foundation Course. It is also involved in preparation and canvassing of schedules and conducting in depth village studies through OTs of the Indian Administrative Services during their District Training. The data on various socio-economic issues is captured and used for preparing Socio-Economic and Land Reform Reports of assigned villages. Based on these reports the Centre regularly published a series of 'Land Reforms in India' and three series of 'Socio-Economic Profile of Rural India.'

Other publications of the Centre include books, articles, research papers and most importantly the peer reviewed Journal of Land and Rural Studies (JLRS), published by Sage Publications, New Delhi, is an international platform for disseminating and sharing opinions on above mentioned subjects. The Centre is also engaged is organizing workshops and seminars for regular exchange of views on land administration and rural development.



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