

Budget Analysis and Research Centre Trust

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BARC TRUST: AN INTRODUCTION

The Budget Analysis and Research Centre (BARC) Trust is an independent organization working towards enhancing transparency and accountability in governance through rigorous analysis of the government's policy and budget.

BARC Trust was officially registered as a Trust on 4th March, 2015. It is virtually the new avatar of the Budget Analysis Rajasthan Centre (BARC), which was established by Astha Sansthan in 2003 as an unregistered organization and a part of Astha. The aim of BARC is to analyze the Rajasthan State Government budget, and examine if the commitments made by the government through policy documents, election manifestos, budget speeches and international commitments are matched by adequate financial provisions in the State Budget, and to disseminate the findings through training and publications.

The registration of BARC Trust was needed for two reasons – (a) to assure the independent work of BARC on the long-term, and (b) to formally expand the scope of the work on Social Policy Research and Action by renaming the registered organization as the “Budget Analysis and Research Centre Trust”. There was a desire to build on the solid base laid down by the organization since 2003, and so “Budget Analysis” was retained as a major focus. Budget Analysis is indeed an efficient way to influence social policy, and we can affirm that over the 12 years (2003 – 2015) of the existence of the organization, activists, journalists, people's organizations, elected representatives – and BARC have been successful in doing so! When needed or when the opportunity arises, the Centre also takes up Social Policy Research and trainings to address issues and problems faced not only in Rajasthan, but in other states and areas as well.

BARC has been involved in analyzing the state budget from the perspective of the poor and the marginalized and has been using its analysis to further the issues and concerns of marginalized sections such as Dalits, Tribals, Women and Children. BARC has been working closely with PRIs and ULBs along with the NGOs, POs, media and civil society to create a pool of budgetary information through its research and training activities.

VISION

To work towards a policy environment that ensures rights, justice and well-being for all, especially the deprived and marginalized. BARC Trust works to contribute in the efforts of the larger civil society to create pro people and pro marginalized public policies and budgetary processes.

MISSION

To simplify complicated budget data and key policy matters for the wider public.

OBJECTIVES OF BARC TRUST

To strengthen transparency in governance

To make public budget and its processes comprehensible for the wider public

To facilitate marginalized groups to increase their access to the government and non-government development programs and schemes

To undertake training and capacity building of individuals and organizations (by collaborating with them)

To coordinate and collaborate with the organizations in India and/or internationally to create networks which will focus on ameliorating conditions affecting the poor

To undertake and provide consultancies to any person, institution, government or NGOs in the broad area of work

To develop resource centers and documentation centers that would promote public education and accountability in governance and policy

KEY FOCUS AREAS

1. Budget Transparency and Accountability

2. Local Self-Governing Organizations

3. Marginalized Groups

- Children
- Women
- Differently Abled Persons
- Dalits
- Tribals
- Senior Citizens
- Minorities
- Unorganized Workers
- Urban Poor

4. Social Sector

- Health
- Education
- Drinking Water and Sanitation
- Social Security
- Nutrition and Food Security

5. Rural Economy

- Agriculture
- Irrigation
- Employment
- Housing

6. Energy, Environment and Climate Change

KEY ACTIVITIES

Policy Analysis and Research

Budget Analysis and Advocacy

Budget and Planning of Local Self-Governing Bodies

Capacity Building and Training

Workshops and Seminars

Partnerships and Networking

Monitoring and Evaluation

Publications

ACTIVITIES: 2020-21

Budget Advocacy

BARC Trust analyses the Union and State budget and conducts pre and post budget advocacy with the government and elected representatives to promote transparent, accountable and participatory governance and a people centric perspective with regards to the preparation and implementation of the budgets.

❖ Pre-Budget Advocacy

Every year, BARC Trust engages in Pre Budget-advocacy for increasing the understanding and participation of people in the budgeting process. The Pre Budget-Advocacy is done with the Rajasthan government by involving Non-Government Organizations (NGOs), Community Based Organizations (CBOs), Unions and Associations functioning across Rajasthan.

It also involves conducting a pre-budget workshop with the Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) of Rajasthan by giving suggestions and raising demands for the upcoming budget at both the Centre and the State level. A pre-budget consultation with state NGOs and Civil Society is also conducted. BARC Trust participated actively in the pre-budget advocacy on the Union budget with the Union government by the People's Budget Initiative (PBI).

❖ Pre-Budget Consultation with Civil Society:

- **Pre-budget Consultation:** An online pre-budget consultation was organised by BARC Trust on December 28, 2020 for the state budget 2021-22. More than 60 people from various civil society organizations participated in the consultation. The consultation focused on child rights issues like education, health, employment and livelihood, food security and nutrition, child protection, children of marginalised groups. Ex-IAS officer Rajendra Bhanawat, Nikhil Dey from MKSS, Sanjay Nirala from UNICEF, Dr. Narendra Gupta from Prayas, Chittorgarh, and other eminent CSO members joined the consultation. A charter of demands (CoDs) was prepared based on these discussions and presented to the government in, before the presentation of the budget for the year 2021-22 by the state government.
- **Pre-budget consultation with Finance Secretary:** BARC Trust participated the Pre- budget consultation organized by the Finance Secretary, Government of Rajasthan.
- BARC Trust also participated in the **Chief Minsiters Pre-budget Consultation** organized to take the suggestions from the CSOs before the presentation of the state budget 2021-22 and presented our suggestions and submitted the Charter of Demands.

❖ Post Budget Activities

Budget Analysis

- **Responding to the Budget 2021-22:** The state government presented its Budget for the year 2021-22 on February 24, 2021. After the announcement of the Budget, BARC Trust shared the analysis of the State Budget with the media, researchers, civil society organizations and MLAs. Articles on budget published in the newspaper and views were shared on the TV channels. BARC article and analysis was shared on with the CSOs and social media.



- **Responding to the Union Budget:** The union government also presented its budget for the year 2021-22 in January 2021. BARC came out its analysis of the union budget which was published in newspapers.

बजट में केवल निजीकरण



सामाजिक सुरक्षा कार्यक्रम (पेंशन), स्वच्छ भारत मिशन, रूर-बन मिशन, राष्ट्रीय ग्राम स्वराज योजना, राष्ट्रीय स्वास्थ्य बीमा योजना, समेकित बाल विकास योजना, मध्यमह भोजन के बजट में या तो कटौती हुई है या बढ़ाया नहीं गया है। अगर किसी एक योजना के बजट में सबसे अधिक बढ़ोतरी हुई है तो वो है, जलजीवन मिशन।

संक्षेप में बजट 2021-22 के अंतर्गत सरकार का जो विकास और अर्थव्यवस्था को बढ़ावा देने का उद्देश्य है, उसे निम्नलिखित बिंदुओं पर ध्यान देकर समझना चाहिए। पहला बिंदु यह है कि बजट में या तो कटौती हुई है या बढ़ाया नहीं गया है। अगर किसी एक योजना के बजट में सबसे अधिक बढ़ोतरी हुई है तो वो है, जलजीवन मिशन।

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Advocacy for Budgeting for Children

- **Consultation on Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme:** BARC Trust organized online consultation on Pre-matric Scholarship for SCs, STs, OBCs and DNTs on January 25, 2021. In this consultation, major findings of the desk study conducted the cost assessment and budget availability for the scholarship for the studying children of these groups were shared and issues related to the scholarship scheme were also discussed. The consultation was participated by the members of NGOs, media and government officials of education department of state government.

Responding to the COVID-19 Pandemic : Sajag Pahal network

Towards the starting the year when the Covid-19 pandemic broke out and a 21- day lockdown was announced to curb the spread of the pandemic. Later the union government extended the lockdowns in different phases with little relief. The four phases of lockdown created major crisis for the poor people, the daily wagers and the migrant workers. The CSOs in Rajasthan came together to provide support to the affected people. The central and the state governments also announced various relief measures.

In this context, BARC, together with ARAVALI and other 100 organizations in collaboration with UNICEF has formed a knowledge platform of 100 CSOs called as “**Sajag Pahal**” literally translated as “aware beginnings”.

Some of the initiatives taken by the Sajag Pahal are:

- Creating a data base of all the CSOs working on Covid relief measures – 103 CSOs from all districts of the state registered on a form created for this purpose
- A survey was conducted among CSO heads with objective of understating their concerns and their views of the crisis and how their organisations are responding to the problem
- A rapid assessment survey of the about 1000 families from 27 districts of the state was conducted in June 2020 with objective of evidence generation
- Again a follow up survey to the rapid assessment survey was conducted to in month of October 2020

BARC Trust conducted three survey-based studies under the banner of “Sajag Pahal” for assessing the impacts of COVID-19 lockdown on vulnerable populations in Rajasthan. Sajag Pahal is a knowledge platform, constituted by BARC Trust, Association for Rural Advancement through Voluntry Action (ARAVALI) and some other organization for CSOs in collaboration with UNICEF. Following study surveys are conducted by BARC with other partners/members of Sajag Pahal;

- (1) Assessing the Impact of COVID-19 Lockdown on Vulnerable Population in Rajasthan:**
BARC Trust conducted a study survey in July 2020 with other partners of Sajag Pahal for

Assessing the Impact of COVID-19 Lockdown on Vulnerable Population in Rajasthan. The platform partner organizations identified 1000 respondents spread over 27 districts to assess the impacts of COVID lockdown on vulnerable population in the state.

- (2) The follow up study of the above study “**Assessing the Impact of COVID-19 Lockdown on Vulnerable Population in Rajasthan**” was conducted in the month of September, 2020 to see the improvements (if any) after the period of COVID-19 lockdown.
- (3) In the third phase of the studies, “A Post Pandemic Civil Society Assessment of the Impacts of COVID-19 Induced Lockdown” was conducted in the months of November and December 2020. The study survey was mainly focused on “Looking at Returned Migrant Workers’ Condition and Governance”.

Besides these survey-based studies, BARC Trust conducted two desk studies in response to COVID-19 lockdown and pandemic.

- (1) **Implementation of COVID-19 Relief Measures of Union and State Governments in Rajasthan:** After imposing the lockdown to check the spread of COVID-19, millions of the people especially informal workers, urban poor, migrant workers and other vulnerable groups including women, older, children and other vulnerable groups are adversely affected in the country. The people faced multi-facet socio-economic and physiological problems in form of food insecurity, hunger, losing jobs and employment, long walk to reaching back home, lack of transportation and shelter facilities, insecurity threaten for women and children etc. The state government as well as union government announced several measures for providing relief to affected people. In this backdrop, BARC Trust conducted this desk study to understand and analyse the governments’ (union and state) relief measures and their implementation of these measures in the state of Rajasthan.
- (2) **Relief Measures for COVID-19 in Select Indian States (Kerala, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, Odisha, Chhattisgarh and Assam):** As discussed, the COVID-19 pandemic has adversely affected almost all the countries across the globe. The four phases of lockdown imposed in India had badly affected the millions of people specially workers, farmers cultivating their own land, landless agricultural workers, tribals, urban poor, migrant workers and other vulnerable groups including women, older, children and disables etc. Though, the state governments as well as union government have taken several measures for the affected people during the pandemic and lockdowns. In this context, BARC Trust conducted a desk study on “Relief Measures for COVID-19 in select Indian States (Kerala, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, Odisha, Chhattisgarh and Assam)”. Main objective of the study is to study the relief measures taken by the states for providing relief during the COVID-19 pandemic, and to study the best practices of the states and learning outcomes for outbreak the COVID-19 pandemic.

Research Studies:

Pre-Matric Scholarship in Rajasthan:

Estimating Resource Gap in Implementation of Pre-Matric Scholarship in Rajasthan: BARC Trust conducted study on “Estimating Resource Gap in Implementation of Pre-Matric Scholarship in Rajasthan”, which was supported by IPE Global, New Delhi. Pre-Matric Scholarship is a scholarship scheme for the children of SCs, STs, OBCs, De-Notified Tribes, children of manual scavengers, and Minorities, studying in classes 6 to 8 (state scheme) and 9 to 10 (centrally sponsored scheme). The Pre-matric scholarship is an important incentive for retaining students in school especially girls, reducing dropouts especially in transition from elementary to secondary education, thereby delaying the age of marriage and opening wider opportunities for girls. The scholarship can help meet a part of the expenses on girls’ education, especially in post-COVID times when vulnerable families are struggling economically. By focusing on girls from marginalised groups, the scholarships help create equity in access to education at secondary level. These scholarships contribute to girls’ agency, making them empowered both economically and socially. In this context, the study was aimed to analyse the budget trends for PMS in the State of Rajasthan over the last 5 years from 2016-17 to 2020-21 and estimates the resource requirement for providing the benefit under the scheme to all eligible Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST) and Other Backward Classes (OBC) students in the State for years 2020-21 and 2021-22.

Based on the study findings, a brief note of recommendations was also prepared for the State Government to increase the envelope of funds available for the scheme to meet the demand. The brief was also shared with some elected MLAs to raise issues of Pre-matric scholarship in state assembly during the Budget Session (2021-22).

Urban Governance:

SDG 11 and Urban Local Bodies: BARC Trust conducted a study on “Mapping of Urban Government Institutions Working towards Sustainable Development Goals in Rajasthan”. The constitution of India has already brought 74th Amendment Act of 1992, in which part IX-A, Article 243P to 243 ZG are solely devoted to the power, functions, finance, jurisdictions etc. of Urban Local Bodies responsible for urban development. In the recent past, the increased urbanization brought many challenges which led into the development deficit related to sanitation, water, housing, transport, lack of access to basic services, increased burden on available resources to be précised these problems need to be addressed for desired Urban Development.

To address challenges associated with these changes, United Nation has specifically dedicated 2 of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) i.e. SDG 6, Clean Water and Sanitation and SDG 11, Sustainable cities and communities out of 17, which are solely dedicated to the sustainable urban development.

For achieving these goals, national level reforms in urban governance has been done in our country. The NITI Aayog has undertaken mapping of schemes related to SDGs, targets and responsible ministries/departments. In Rajasthan, for effective implementation of SDGs, initiatives have been taken by the state government which includes, organizing various department to make dedicated institutional set ups like state and district level SDGs implementation and monitoring committees, developing a monitoring framework, capacity building, periodic reporting etc. The study report mainly focuses on urban governance of Rajasthan in context with SDGs specific to the urban development i.e. SDG 6 and SDG 11.

Study

Baseline Study Survey to Assess the Level of People’s Participation in ULB’s Planning and Budget Process and to Access of the Basic Entitlements and Services to the Poor in two Select Wards of Jaipur City: A baseline study survey was conducted to study the state of basic facilities and government services and problems faced by poor families in accessing the different services (ICDS, MDM, sanitation, housing, drinking water etc.) and entitlements (PDS-Ration, social security pension etc.) in two select wards of Jaipur city. About 400 families of social and religious background are selected for interview from two constituencies i.e. Vidyadhar Nagar and Jhotwara covered Jaipur Greater Municipal Corporation. Apart from these, the study also assesses the functioning of responsible agencies/bodies for providing these services at local level as well as people’s participation in planning and budget process of ULBs.



Training need assessment of ULB Representatives: A survey of the elected representatives of the ULBs in the state to assess their understanding of the roles and functioning of the ULB and need of their capacity building began towards the end of the year.

State Finance Commission Recommendations and Fund Utilization by Rural and Urban Local Bodies in Rajasthan: The study on “State Finance Commission Recommendations and Fund Utilization by Rural and Urban Local Bodies in Rajasthan has been initiated in the month of March, 2021 with support of UNICEF, Rajasthan. The 6th State Finance Commission is also to be constituted and will be making its recommendations, it is also pertinent to understand the logic of the previous SFCs while making their recommendations and how the resources were distributed between the RLBs and ULBs and among the various types of RLBs and ULBs and how the resources were to be utilized as per the guidelines and how exactly the resources have been utilized by the Local Bodies. Therefore, main objective is to study the functioning of the devolution in the state with special focus on the recommendations made by the 4th and 5th SFCs and guideline on the utilization of devolved amount and pattern of the utilization of the devolved resources and their priorities of expenditure in the compliance of guidelines issued by the government based on the SFC recommendations.

Conferences and Workshops

The following conferences and workshops were conducted during the year 2020-21:

- **Pre-Budget Consultation:** As mentioned above, BARC Trust organized online one-day Pre-Budget consultation on January 28, 2021 with support of UNICEF.
- **Consultation on TSP and SC-SP:** A one day consultation on TSP and SC-SP Legislation was jointly organized by BARC Trust, Centre for Dalit Rights (CDR), Rajasthan Adivasi Adhikar Manch (RAAM) with other organizations on January 19, 2021
- **Consultation with MLAs:** BARC Trust organized consultation on state budget 2021-22 with elected MLAs of the state.
- **Consultation on Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme:** BARC Trust organized online consultation on Pre-matric Scholarship for SCs, STs, OBCs and DNTs on January 25, 2021.
- **Capacity Building Workshop:** BARC Trust organised a one-day workshop on Budget and Finances for Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) for the organizations (NGOs/CSOs & Pos) working on issues of urban governance and urban poor at the State Resource Centre (SRC), Jaipur.

Workshops conducted under Sajag Pahal network:

- **Panchayati Raj Institutions and COVID-19 Pandemic:** This webinar was organised on May 30 2020 in which more than 100 people participated. The webinar focused on role of panchayats in managing of the relief and rehabilitation during the crisis as well as on skills and livelihood and MGNREGA in the state. Senior ex-IAS Shri MN Roy, Rajesh Singhi from Idteda, and Shantanu Roy from FES spoke in the webinar.
- **Child Rights during COVID-19 Pandemic:** This webinar was organised on June 5, 2020 in which impact of the pandemic on the rights of the children was discussed. Prof. Sanjai Bhatt of Dept. of Social Work, Delhi University, Vandana Kandhari of UNICEF, eminent social activist and Prof. Shanta Sinha, former Chairperson, NCPCR, Sangita Beniwal,

Chairperson, Rajasthan State Commission for Protection of Child Rights spoke in the webinar. More than 100 people participated in the webinar.

- **Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Urban - with specific focus on congested urban settlements:** This roundtable was organised on June 8, 2020 to discuss the emerging issues in the urban areas due to the COVID crisis. **More than 15 people participated in the roundtable to discuss the emerging issues in the urban areas.**
- **Business and Human Rights & COVID-19 Crisis:** This webinar was organised on June 19, 2020.

Collaboration and Networking

BARC Trust has always worked in collaboration with the various state level networks and organizations, such as the **Right to Food Campaign, Suchna evam Rozgar Adhikar Abhiyan** etc. There have been a significant number of participants from state NGOs in BARC's pre-budget consultations and other programmes. During the year 2020-21, BARC collaborated with many organizations for conducting various research studies and interventions, as mentioned above. Apart from this, BARC Trust also participated in various meetings, seminars and advocacy initiatives undertaken by various organizations.

MAKAAM (Mahila Kisan Adhikar Manch):

We have also participated in the activities of MAKAAM, a national network of organizations working with women farmers and farm workers.

BARC AS A RESOURCE CENTRE

As stated earlier, one of the roles that BARC Trust assumes is to be a Resource Centre for the NGOs/POs, as well as for the journalists, MLAs and the public at large. The Centre was set up to provide high quality research data and analysis to support advocacy efforts. During the year 2020-21, BARC has provided support to various organizations. Some of the organizations which requested for specific budget data and information include Hunger Project, CfAR, Action Aid, SR Abhiyan, JSA and other Civil Society Organizations.

Various news articles quoted BARC's analysis of the state budget in their reports including in the newspapers like Times of India, Dailynews, Dainik Bhaskar etc. BARC members also published their articles in the new papers.

Publications: BARC Trust came out with following publications during the year

- Policy Brief on "Implementation of COVID-19 Relief Measures of Union and State Governments in Rajasthan"
- Policy Brief on "Relief Measures for COVID-19 in Select Indian States (Kerala, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, Odisha, Chhattisgarh and Assam)"
- Manual on Urban Governance (in Hindi)
- Mapping of Urban Government Institutions Working Towards Sustainable Development Goals in Rajasthan (in English)
- Policy Brief on Pre-Matric Scholarship 2021-22 in Rajasthan
- Facilitating Access: Pre-matric Scholarship in Rajasthan



Website:

BARC Trust's website (www.barctrust.org) has been created to help citizens and other organizations to find information about Rajasthan state's budget and public policies with a pro-poor and pro-marginalized peoples' perspective. As a portal for budget and policy related information, the site gives an overview of Rajasthan's socio-economic status, and provides a simplified understanding of the state's budget and policies over the years.

The website is structured to reflect our strategic focus. Rajasthan's budget has various sections such as budget documents, simplified budget data and disclosure of budget which are directly accessible from the home page. Apart from "About Us", which introduces the visitors to the Trust's Vision, Mission and Objectives, the site has sections on "Rajasthan Budget Data Simplified", which presents the Rajasthan government's budget data in a simpler form and the "Panchayat Budget" which introduces the visitors to the Trust's work with the Panchayats in the

Tonk district of Rajasthan. The section on “Nutrition in Rajasthan” introduces the status of nutrition in the state, while the publication section provides all our publications online. The Website has been updated after the budget 2021-22. A section on Covid-19 has also been added this year with relevant information on government’s relief measures and BARC’s study reports and policy brief on Covid-19.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

Proposed Legislation for the TSP and SCSP: The state government announced in the budget 2021-22 for **legislating the TSP and SCSP to ensure the development of tribals and dalits**, which has been one of the BARC’s demands from the government. It would be milestone towards the rights of marginalized in budget and a tool to monitor the realization of the rights of these marginalized groups.

Campaign for Right to Health Act: The ruling party in its manifesto had promised to come with a Right to Health act. BARC with Jan Swasthya Abhiyan (JSA) campaigned for such an act to be passed in the state. The issue was also raised in the charter of demands prepared by BARC Trust and pre-budget consultations organized by the government. The state government has reiterated its commitment to pass such an act in the state. In the state budget 2021-22, the state government announced universal health insurance scheme named “Mukhya Mantri Chiranjeevi Swasthya Bima Yojana” for providing health insurance coverage of Rs. 5 lakh to each family of the state.

Article Published on Online News Portals

Union Budget 2021-22: Nothing much on offer for the marginalised communities at Newsclick:
<https://www.newsclick.in/union-budget-2021-22-nothing-offer-mrginalised-communities/>

‘India’s Irony: Women Remain Marginal to Gender Budgets’ at The Leaflet:
<https://www.theleaflet.in/indias-irony-women-remain-marginal-to-gender-budgets/>

CONCLUSION

BARC Trust is continuing its journey of budget analysis and policy research and is working towards improved governance at the state and at the local levels for better accountability. This year, BARC Trust has engaged in its capacity to provide support to the CSOs in Jaipur engaged in the relief work during the period of COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown. BARC also came out with a summary of all the measures announced by the central and state governments and shared it with the CSOs across the state. BARC Trust along with ARAVALI in collaboration with UNICEF has formed a knowledge platform titled as “Sajag Pahal”. About 100 CSOs working across the state have been registered and this platform. Three survey-based studies are conducted to assess the impacts of COVID-19 lockdown on vulnerable population in the state as well as studying the

returned migrant worker's condition and governance. Based on the findings of these study surveys, advocacy efforts are done with government for proper implementation and improvement of COVID-19 relief measures.

Besides this, BARC Trust's regular work of pre and post budget analysis and advocacy has also continued. BARC Trust has been closely associated with other organizations and campaigns like PBI (People's Budget Initiative), MAKAAAM (Mahila Kisan Adhikar Manch), Right to Food, Suchna evam Rozgar Abhiyan, etc. BARC has also participated in various meetings, seminars and advocacy initiatives undertaken by various organizations.

We are committed to continue our work even more passionately in the coming years.

Annexures

Annexure – 1

Workshops and seminars attended by BARC Trust Team members in 2020-21:

Nesar Ahmad, Director

Participated as speaker/resource person

- Participated in Pre-Budget Consultation organized by Feminist Policy Collective on November 23-24, 2020
- Participated as resource person in Gender Budget trainings organized by HCM RIPA, Jaipur
- Participated as resource person in various webinars organized by SOHARD and FES
- Participated as resource person in webinars organized by The Hunger Project on November 2-3, 2020
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- Participated "The Budget Dialogue: A Discussion on Union Budget 2021-22" on February 4, 2021 organised by CBGA, New Delhi
- Participated in National Webinar on "Barriers and Enablers to Girls' Secondary Education: COVID-19 and Beyond" on January 12, 2021 organised by Development Solutions and IDS, Jaipur

Mahendra Singh Rao, Research Officer

- Participated "The Budget Dialogue: A Discussion on Union Budget 2021-22" on February 4, 2021 organised by CBGA, New Delhi
- Participated in National Webinar on "Barriers and Enablers to Girls' Secondary Education: COVID-19 and Beyond" on January 12, 2021 organised by Development Solutions and IDS, Jaipur
- Participated Round Table on "Understanding Barriers and Enablers to Girls' Secondary Education: COVID-19 and Beyond" on December 1, 2020 organised by Development Solutions and IDS, Jaipur

- Participated in National Webinar on “Securing Forest Rights and Livelihood of Tribes amidst COVID-19 and Post COVID Challenges” on January 12, 2021 organised by NIRDPR, Hyderabad
- Participated “S. R. Sankaran Memorial Lecture” on September 4, 2020 organised by NIRDPR, Hyderabad

Annexure – 2

Trustees of BARC Trust

Dr. Virginia (Ginny) Shrivastava, President

Dr. Ginny Shrivastava is one of the founders of Astha Sansthan and has played a key role in establishing various organisations like Ekal Nari Shakti Sangathan and BARC Trust. She has been working on various issues related to women, tribals and other oppressed sections of society in Rajasthan since 1970. She completed her Masters in Adult Education from the University of Toronto, Canada in 1970. Dr. Ginny Shrivastava's doctoral thesis completed in 1980 was on "Non-formal education programs for women in India".

Dr. Pradeep Bhargava, Secretary

Dr. Pradeep Bhargava, recently retired, is a Professor from the Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Amarkantak (MP). Previously, he has been a faculty at Institute of Development Studies, Jaipur from 1987 to 2007 and also at G B Pant Social Science Institute, Allahabad. He holds a PhD in Economics from University of Rajasthan, Jaipur. He has published articles in various Indian and international journals. He has led multiple policy dialogues with the state and central governments and multilateral agencies.

Ms. Sharda Jain, Treasurer

Ms. Sharda Jain has worked as accounts and finance coordinator in Astha Sansthan for more than 30 years. She has led the overall financial activities of Astha and has extensive experience of preparing annual budget of the organization, accounts and financial reports for donor agencies, tax compliance, accounting and auditing requirements of the organization.

Ms. Aditi Mehta, IAS (Retired)

Ms. Aditi Mehta is a Retired Government Official. She is M. A (Economics), MBA (Administration) from Harvard University. During her tenure as IAS, she held various important positions in Administration, Finance and Social Sector in the Government of Rajasthan and retired as Additional Chief Secretary from the Government of Rajasthan.

Barkha Mathur

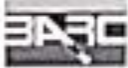
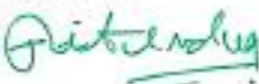

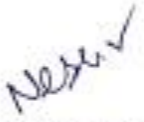
Barkha Mathur is a Senior Sub Editor in NDTV Convergence, which controls all NDTV websites and microsites. She writes for NDTV's long-running campaign 'Banega Swasth India' which aims to spread awareness about critical health issues facing the country like malnutrition, anemia, diarrhoea and other such diseases and highlights the importance of WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene), environment and programmes like Public Distribution System (PDS), Mid-day Meal Scheme, POSHAN Abhiyan and the role of Anganwadis and ASHA workers are also covered. Prior to NDTV, Barkha was with BARC for almost five years as a Budget Analyst. Barkha has done MA Communication from Doon University, Dehradun.

Dr. Nesar Ahmad, Director (Ex-officio member)

Nesar Ahmad is the founder director of BARC Trust. He holds Ph.D. degree from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi on a topic related to "Women and Technology in the Mining Sector". He has done MSW from Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) University, New Delhi and has experience of working with various NGOs in India. His interest areas include: issues related to poverty, livelihood, food security development-induced displacement, gender, women's rights, child rights, and issues of governance, decentralization, and budget analysis and advocacy.

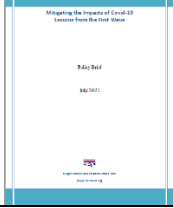
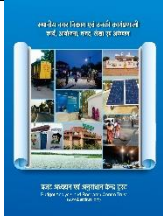



Annexure – 3

Details of Income and expenditure of BARC Trust during 2020-21

BUDGET ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH CENTRE TRUST		
Registered Office - 1/244, SFS, Agarwal Farm, Mansaovar, Jaipur - 302020		
Income & Expenditure for the year ended 31st March 2021		
	Schedule	Amount
Income:		
Unutilised Grant b/f		3,17,382.00
Grant & Consultancy Received		
Unicef - Evidence Generation and advocacy for strengthening		
State government's post-COVID response, especially for urban poor		16,12,000.00
IPE (Estimating Resource Gap in Implementation of Pre-matric scholarship in Rajasthan)		2,83,341.00
Other Incomes		
Bank Interest - FDR		3,014.00
Bank Interest - Saving Account		13,447.00
Interest on IT Refund		5,184.00
	'a'	22,34,368.00
Expenditures :		
Project Expenditures		
Unicef - Engaging with the Government Budget Processes		3,17,382.00
Unicef - Evidence Generation and Advocacy for Strengthening		13,88,080.00
IPE (Estimating Resource Gap in Implementation of Pre-matric scholarship in Rajasthan)		3,341.00
Administration Expenses	'F'	50,128.23
Capital Expenditure	'C'	-
	'b'	17,58,931.23
Grant Refund to Tata Trust and Unicef	'c'	-
Unutilised Grant c/f	'd'	2,23,887.00
Excess of Expenditure over Income		2,51,549.77
Balance carried to Balance Sheet	(a-b-c-d)	2,51,549.77
Significant Accounting Policies & Notes to Accounts are attached		
The schedules referred to above form an integral part of the Financial Statements.		
In Terms of our Audit Report even date attached For J. K. Jaiman & Associates Chartered Accountants FRN - 014064C		For Budget Analysis and Research Centre Trust
  (CA. Jitendra Kumar Jaiman) Proprietor M.No. - 407738 Place : Jaipur Date : 22-10-2021		 (Nesar Ahmad) Director DIRECTOR Budget Analysis and Research Centre Trust

Annexure – 4

List of Publications of BARC Trust

Cover	Title	Description
	Mitigating the Impacts of Covid-19 Lessons from the First Wave - Policy Brief (2021)	A policy brief on Impact of Covid-19
	Covid – 19: Relief measures announced by the Rajasthan and Union governments – II (2021)	Relief measures announced by the Rajasthan and Union governments
	Covid – 19: Relief measures announced by the Rajasthan and Union governments (2021)	Relief measures announced by the Rajasthan and Union governments
	Manual on Urban Governance (Hindi) (2021)	A manual on functioning, plan, budget and accounts of the ULBs in Rajasthan
	Policy Brief on Budget and programmes for Minorities (Hindi) (2021)	Major issue of Minorities in Rajasthan
	Policy Brief on Pre-Matric Scholarship 2021-22 in Rajasthan (2021)	Estimation of resource gap in pre-matric scholarship
	Study Report: Resource gap in pre-matric scholarship (2021)	Estimation of resource gap in pre-matric scholarship
	Covid – 19: Relief measures announced by the Rajasthan and Union governments (2020)	Relief measures announced by the Rajasthan and Union governments

	<p>Policy Brief on TSP & SCSP in Rajasthan (Hindi) (2019)</p>	<p>A policy brief arguing for the legislation for TSP and SC-SP in Rajasthan</p>
	<p>Policy Brief on Resource gap in nutrition- Rajasthan (2019)</p>	<p>An estimation of required budget for proper implementation of nutrition schemes in Rajasthan</p>
	<p>Policy Brief on Resource gap in nutrition - Dholpur (2019)</p>	<p>An estimation of required budget for proper implementation of nutrition schemes in Dholpur district</p>
	<p>Policy Brief on Resource gap in nutrition - Udaipur (2019)</p>	<p>An estimation of required budget for proper implementation of nutrition schemes in Udaipur district</p>
	<p>Promoting Participation: Unpacking the Budgetary Process of the State Government (2019)</p>	<p>Explaining the budget cycle and budgetary process in the state for the civil society and people's organizations and common people</p>
	<p>Promoting Participation: Unpacking the Budgetary Process of the State Government (Hindi) (2019)</p>	<p>Explaining the budget cycle and budgetary process in the state for the civil society and people's organizations and common people</p>
	<p>Skill Development Policies and Programmes in Rajasthan: An Overview (2019)</p>	<p>An analysis of skill development policies and programmes in the Rajasthan</p>

	<p>Status of Child Budget in India and way forward for Rajasthan (2019)</p>	<p>Status of child budget in India and how Rajasthan can move ahead.</p>
	<p>Policy Brief on District Mineral Fund Trust (Hindi) (2019)</p>	<p>A policy brief on utilization of DMFT funds in Rajasthan</p>
	<p>Social Sector Budgets in Rajasthan (2019)</p>	<p>An analysis of social sector budgets in Rajasthan in last five years</p>
	<p>Village Work Guideline [Gram Karya Nirdeshika (GKN)] (Hindi) (2017)</p>	<p>The Gram Village Work Guideline [Gram Karya Nirdeshika (GKN)] is a detailed guideline which sets the norms for the Panchayats to carry out their work. This manual provides a summary of the GKN in simple Hindi.</p>
	<p>Panchayati Raj System in Uttarakhand (Hindi) (2016)</p>	<p>This booklet gives a gist of the Panchayati Raj system in Uttarakhand and is based on the Uttarakhand Panchayati Raj Act.</p>
	<p>Policies and Programmes for Children in Rajasthan (2016)</p>	<p>This booklet highlights policies and programs for children in Rajasthan and has been published with support of UNICEF, Rajasthan.</p>
	<p>Sources of Funds for Panchayats (2016) (In Hindi)</p>	<p>This booklet highlights the sources of funds available to the Panchayats in Rajasthan and what work can be done with the available funds according to their guidelines.</p>

