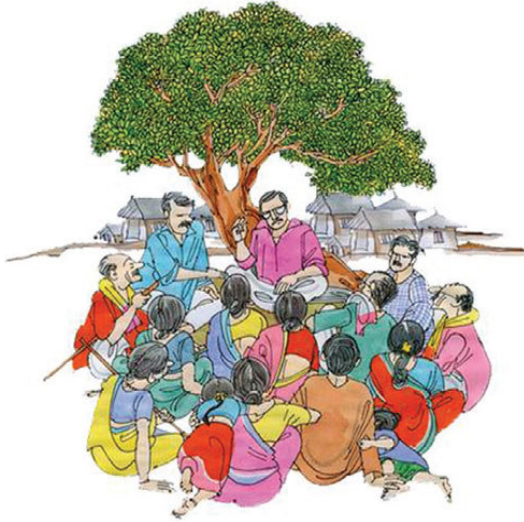


AGRASRI Regular Activities/Programmes

The Academy of Grassroots Studies and Research of India (AGRASRI) is organising multi-farious activities and programmes, besides its regular research studies, publications, field visit reports, exposure visits, seminars, conferences, workshops, round-table meetings and capacity building & training programmes for elected representatives of Panchayati Raj Institutions, Self-Help Group Members, Youth and Women leaders and Social Activists at the grassroots level:

❖ National Panchayati Raj Day Celebrations (24 April Every Year):



Every year April 24 is being observed as *National Panchayati Raj Diwas* across India. This date marks a defining moment in the history of decentralisation of political power to the grassroots level. The impact of the 73rd Amendment in rural India is very visible as it has changed power equations irreversibly. Accordingly, the Government of India decided in consultation with the States to celebrate 24th April as National Panchayati Raj Day. Ministry of Panchayati Raj organises National Conference on 24th April every year to commemorate the National Panchayati Raj Diwas. Best performing Gram Panchayats are conferred with Rashtriya Gaurav Gram Sabha Purskar by the Union Ministry of Panchayati Raj on this day.

In pursuance of the aims and objectives of the AGRASRI towards strengthening grassroots democratic Institutions as self-sufficient Village Republics in India, the Academy should not only stimulate a proper study of panchayati raj administration but also train directly a number of elected representatives of Panchayati Raj Institutions, Self-Help Group (SHG) Members, Youth Leaders and Social activists in the discipline, art and practice of administration for good governance at the grassroots level in contemporary India.

The Academy is organising the National Panchayati Raj Day Celebrations every year on 24 April at Tirupati by involving the elected representatives of PRI's at the Village, Taluk and Zilla Parishad level for better understanding the update developments in Panchayati Raj Administration and Law, in delivering good governance at the grassroots level, as policy makers.

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