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Policy Implementation and Institutional Dynamics
(A Study of Biofuel Policy in Chhattisgarh, India)

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The biofuel programme around the world were promoted with the mandate of decreasing the dependence on petroleum oil, reducing greenhouse gases emissions, increasing agricultural profitability and providing options for rural employment and development. However, the exploration of political economy of different countries/regions showed varying priorities and institutional arrangements for promotion of biofuel policy. Based on the approach of iteration and knowledge of field this study explored ‘the implementation and institutional dynamics of the jatropha based biofuel policy’.



The study based its conceptual foundation on Iterative Model of Policy Implementation (Thomas and Grindle 1990) and Institutional Analysis and Development (IAD) framework (Ostrom 2007) to explore the issues of policy implementation and institutional dynamics, respectively. The archives (year 2005-06 to 2010-11) of Programme Implementing Agencies (PIAs) were accessed to understand the changes in policy objectives during implementation. Four village / Gram Panchayat (Bastar-2, Janjgir-Champa-1 and Kabirdham-1) level case studies were done based on embedded multiple case design and information oriented approach (Yin 1984).



The findings of the study indicates that the Operational Level Institutions (OLIs) were not able to evolve over time due to i) the dilution of policy objectives in favor of few State agencies, ii) lack of clearly defined funding approach, and iii) lack of clarity within and between PIAs regarding programme activities. The lack of access to resources (especially land and fund) and market for OLIs led to the withdrawal of people from the programme activities. This was aided by the lack of accountability on part of

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the PIAs during the programme implementation at different stages.

The study provides comprehensive details for policy makers to check the possible flaws that permeate the design of developmental programmes. At empirical and policy level, the findings assert for providing more importance to OLIs in decision making, fund allocation and demand based support from PIAs. At theoretical level the study contributes to the debate of institutional studies with focus on 'Problem-Driven Iterative Adaptation', as proposed by Andrews (2013).

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