

THINKING OUT OF THE BOX

‘Thinking Out of the Box’ is a compilation of fourteen articles which stand testimony to the endurance of the champions to display excellence in administration, innovate within the broad framework of Government functioning and assume leadership to manage change. With the authenticity of being written by the champions of these initiatives, each of the articles reveals the process of conception, designing and implementation of governance initiatives.

Ranging from mobilisation of community in Tripura to achieving health and nutrition to improving the habitat for urban poor in Surat, Gujarat; from Socio-economic empowerment of rural poor through sustainable community institutions in Bihar to liberating manual scavengers in Uttar Pradesh; from participatory scientific watershed management in Gujarat to home based palliative care in Kerala.

The common string that runs through all these articles is the zeal of the champions to do something beyond the call of duty to improve public service delivery and to achieve something which was perceived to be difficult, if not impossible. These case studies are believed to stimulate others to adopt, replicate and further innovate in their own sphere of activity.