

Chapter-7

The Epilogue

The study was an Endeavour to understand and explain livelihood generation, food security and agricultural development in the light of micro-communication in the hills of north-eastern states of India in a time where agriculture is still under the mercy of nature, gamble with market price, non-remunerative, natural resources depleting very fast, input cost are increasing, resource flow in agriculture is declining, average land holding decreasing, suicide owing to indebtedness of farmers steeply rising and thereby leading to low social organizing and new generation of farm youth unwilling to accept farming as a profession but at the same time the era has witnessed the sea change in the advancement of science and technology, literally communication explosion made the world into a „Global village“. Does the blessing of science showered on the remotest area of north-east.? What kind of micro-communication developed for intercultural communication? By this time Govt. of India came out with the „Right to Food“ by enacting „Food Security Act through National Food Security Bill that entitles about two third population at an affordable cost so as to ensure that all Indians “live a life with dignity”. In a sense, all the preludes are

interwoven and the analyses of the results have been able to throw some lights in the followings:

The agricultural development, livelihood generation in the form of man days and income from agriculture all are closely interrelated and the observation suggests that the social participation, contingency information, family size, body language, interactive information, economic status and contact within periphery played a major role.

Therefore, it may be concluded that the communication in any form, from any source can help to get information on the availability of job and capitalizing on that the accrued income have been enhanced significantly and the development of agriculture can also be done as well.

Present works reveals that the perception of security, food security, and economic security all are largely depend on the family size, age, economic status, kinesics, contingency communication, capacity information and contact within periphery. Though food security has now become a global challenge and famine somehow threatened several parts of the globe, social network to be developed through micro-communication and the physical characteristics have to be developed to overcome any threat perception from food or economic security.

So far as the calorie intake and expenditure on health care are concerned with nutritional security. Food and nutritional security go hand in hand. The study reveals that age, occupation, economic status, body language and all sorts of contacts and communication have played a major role. Availability, access and absorption of food are the indicators of food security. Food insecurity exists when people are undernourished. Therefore, to provide

enough food, agriculture to developed thereby creating livelihood and sufficient income will be obtained and more expenditure on calorie intake and health care to be done.

Though modern era is an era of communication for development is a new paradigm of late much talked about. The trickledown effect of communication is being observed and the development communication is also observed with a purpose. But the micro-communication is still persists in information input, information processing and information output pattern within the family members, friends, peer groups and relatives. The study identified, analysed and documented some of micro-communication pattern/networks in different locations, on different age groups and even on gender dimensions also. The topic of discussion varied widely from location to location and on age group also. The intercultural communication pattern where people negotiate, meet, greet and build relationships to be identified and used for the development of the society in particular and for the enhancement and preservation of human values in general.

The issues of livelihood, economic security, agricultural development and above all food security, are the basic concern of the people at large. The ability of human being especially the producer of food have to be cope up with the existing situation and the situation to be arise in future in certain respect to a great extent. Communication is playing a role and has to be played a greater role in mitigating the challenges. Mass media is to be attuned with the interpersonal sources of communication effectively. Intercultural micro-communication is a time tested

proven means of communication, where the people themselves raise issues, identify their problems and make their own priorities. The need based location-specific information to be aired through the mass media so that people can take the queue from this media and make a point of discussion and thereby develop their capacity to debate and share information, in more number in more places and come out with some acceptable proposition. This micro level social networking system could be developed in a strong foundation in rural social system getting understanding the need of the people, the messages can be developed for transmission in the macro communication mode in a more efficient way for the betterment of the society.

Future Scope of Research:

The process of communication is a rich and complex that involves lots of messages sent through channels encoding, decoding, etc. in the present study an attempt was made to identify and analyse and document some of the interaction, evolved some models for better comprehension in the light of some specific objectives. It would be unjust to say that everything was done, obviously some valuable information gathered, presented but still there are lot of space to know more about the micro-communication. These are:

- The study can be replicated elsewhere, and the outcome, if in similar lines, the generalization or the recommendation can be made.
- Gender specific role of micro-communication could be included
- More numbers of variables may be considered in identifying the conceptuality of micro-communication

- Role of micro-communication in development and dissemination of ITK could be incorporated
- Efficacy of micro-communication in settling down the social issues could be studied
- Differences among the different tribes dwelling in different altitude could also be studied.