



Institute for Rural Research and Development (IRRAD)

GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF THE RURAL RESEARCH CENTER

The Rural Research Center of IRRAD, works closely with the Capacity Building Center and the Center on Policy Governance and Advocacy. It promotes action research with a people centered approach. In achieving this it works within a framework of values and principles that assure its efforts have firm ethical grounding and foster institutional effectiveness.

Putting People First: At the heart of the Rural Research Center's (RRC) work is a belief that socio - economic development is a human enterprise. The center's foremost commitment is to the individuals and families who live in Mewat regions.

Commitment to Innovation: The Rural Center will constantly search for social and economic strategies for combating poverty at the grassroots level that are both creative and feasible-- recognizing that good ideas come from many sources.

Impact through Partnerships and Leveraging: Bringing about significant, widespread change in rural Mewat requires the dedication of many organizations. That's why the Rural Research Center will build partnerships with government officials, foundation leaders, business and finance leaders, economic development professionals, educators and researchers, non-profit and grassroots leaders. Working with others, the center can leverage funds and effect change that reaches hundreds of communities and thousands of rural people.

Accountability, Evaluation, and Replication: Believing it should be accountable to the people it serves; the Rural Research Center will conduct evaluations of the programmatic activities of IRRAD and determines their effectiveness and their potential for replication in other communities.

Work ethics: The staff of the rural research center will fully understand the serious nature of working with human participants and conform to national and international stands of conducting ethical research, and be committed to their work every single day in the office or field. The team will try to minimize costs to IRRAD by bringing external funding and make use of resources available effectively.

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