## **Mission:**

Since its inception, the Centre's research and teaching strategy has been aimed at studying the West Himalayan sociology, geography, anthropology, ecology and developmental perspectives besides studying people and culture of the region in particular. The centre also plans to have wider field-based ethnographic research as well to understand the diversified landscape of the west Himalayan societies besides publishing relevant research on the sociological and other aspects on the region in the Centre's own Newsletter "West Himalayan Expressions" besides other noted journals. The Centre has a mandate of working on all pressing issues that have largely marginalized the development of the region. Besides, engaging with diverse communities and their indigenous traditions with a comparative approach of research between the communities living in the region and that of the outside world to develop better understanding and interaction on the whole. The centre is currently offering Doctoral Programme with multidisciplinary approach in social Sciences and has also introduced an Open Elective (OE) Courses titled "Tribe and Tribal Development" in sync with National Education Policy (NEP 2020).