Course Outline

- Social Systems
  - The base-line survey.
  - The indicators of social health.
- The conception of an intervention
  - The types of intervention
  - The need for a project
  - The formulation and technology choice
- Developing the Community-Project Bond
  - requirement for the correct design and success
  - transparency and people’s participation
- The planning and execution of a project
  - Designs-social and technical
  - schedules and resources
- The PERT/CPM method
- The project and the external world
  - Sponsors, and internal reporting and costs
  - Contractors and delegation
  - Vested interest and wider issues
- The analysis
  - Financial, Economic and Environmental
  - Risk and Sustainability
- Case Studies
- Project and Assignments
Let's take a tour...

The village of Gudwanwadi

- In Karjat Tribal Block, 100km from Powai
- roughly 45 households, 370 people
- Thakar community
Nestled between Matheran and Bhimashankar
As we enter, we notice

Scrub Jungle
In the monsoons, green fields
A Brick Kiln

[Image of a brick kiln on a dirt field with a date stamp of 08/04/2006]
In the village
In the village
In the village
A Buffalo

![A Buffalo](image-url)
We go to the first house

- How many people are there in the house? 8
- They are weaving a mat... from what, for what?
- What is that basket for? for the bakris
- What do they do? carpentry, bakris and farming
- Do you have any land? Yes, 30 gunthas
The next house

What are you doing?
Repairing my house

Whats that? Its bamboo for my window

What is this pole for?
Its for the mandav

Do you have any land? No

Then what do you do?
More of the same...
Making Bricks
Pounding Nachni
Getting the Nachni
Making the Cart Frame
Minding the babies
Happily...
Happily...
Child in Swing
Children
Children
Children
Though not all of them look healthy
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Energy-Cooking Needs also, a look inside the house
Getting the firewood
and Storing It
and Storing It
Electricity
For the TV
A Toilet for the old
The bath
Washing Utensils
A typical scene—with the school in the background
The School from inside
And the teachers
The Daily Meal
The Anganwadi
The Polio Dose
Indira Awas Yojana
All about water
The Well
The Handpump
The Well in January
And then in March
And then in March
Either, you hunt for water
And find little
Or you go to River Shilar, 2.5km
and fetch water, on your head
and fetch water, or by cart
The tanker comes sometimes
This is holi-time
And every one is in a good mood
Once sun has set ...
And the fire is lit...
It's time to dance
Discussion

1. If you were to report on this village, what would be your section headings?
2. Compare this village with a village you are familiar with?
3. What do you think is the importance of villages in India?
4. Why should we, as independent individuals, attempt to study and develop villages at all?