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Bio

Bhavya Chitranshi (Jan 2016 – Jan 2019) was the first Rohini Ghadiok Foundation (RGF) Fellow in Action Research at the Centre of Development Practice, Ambedkar University, Delhi has continued her work around questions of ‘Singleness and Sangathan’ in Rayagada district of South Odisha, engaging primarily with ‘single’ women among the Kondha tribe. Her work is supported by the Rohini Ghadiok Foundation. The project initially began in the village of Emaliguda (i.e. during her MPhil dissertation) and has been carried forward by her since then with the help of the Eka Nari Sangathan – a single women’s collective that has been birthed in the course of this work. She engages critically with ideas of co-creation, collaboration and transformation and has collectively engaged with the Sanghathan, over issues ranging from gender to agriculture, all the while keeping the question of collectivization alive.

As part of current research her focus is on connections between indigenous knowledge systems, world-views and practices and possible postcapitalist-feminist praxis undertaken collaboratively by the women's collective through engaging in ecosensitive collective agriculture.