

**National Consultation on**  
**“Exclusion of Dalits from disaster response and risk reduction interventions:**  
**Advocacy for effective civil society monitoring, enabling policy regime and well defined state entitlements to ensure inclusion”**

*Date: 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2010*

*Venue: “Jacaranda - 1”, Habitat World, at India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road,  
New Delhi-110003*

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Time	Session	Speakers / facilitators	Description
10.00 – 10.30	Registration and tea		
10.30 – 11.30	Inauguration Session – Welcome, Purpose and Fagging issues of Equity	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dr. Harsh Mander (Member, National Advisory Council &amp; Special Commissioner, Supreme Court)</li> <li>2. Ms. Belinda Bennet (South Asia Representative, Christian Aid)</li> <li>3. Ms. Nisha Agrawal (CEO, Oxfam India)</li> <li>4. Ms. Marlou Geurts (Sr. Prog. Officer, Cordaid, Netherlands)</li> <li>5. Mr. N.M.Prusty (Chairperson, SPHERE India)</li> <li>6. Dr. S.D.J.M. Prasad (NCDHR)</li> </ol>	<p>The speakers would flag off the consultation, focusing on equity and inclusion, particularly of Dalits and vulnerable groups as a guiding principle of all humanitarian assistance by state and civil society</p> <p>(Session to be managed by - Lee Macqueen, Saswati)</p>
11.30 – 1.00	<p><b>Session I</b></p> <p>Presentations from the states where exclusion monitoring studies were undertaken (Evidence of exclusion)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr. Benoy Acharya, Unnati – Chair</li> <li>2. Dr. Wilson Bezwada – Safari Karmachari Andolan</li> <li>3. Mr. Leslie Martin - Dalit Watch-AP</li> <li>4. Mr. Basavaraj Kowtal, Human Rights Forum for Dalit Liberation – Karnataka,</li> <li>5. Mr. Ravindranath – Rural Volunteer Centre – Assam</li> <li>6. Dalit Watch - Bihar</li> </ol>	<p>10 minutes presentation followed by responses from the panel (5 minutes each)</p>

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1.00 – 2.00	<b>Lunch</b>		
2.00 – 2.30	<b>Session I (cont'd)</b> Presentations from the states where exclusion monitoring studies were undertaken (Evidence of exclusion)	7. Mr. Munish Kaushik, Cordaid - CMDRR platform	
2.30 – 3.00			
<b>Open discussion</b>			
2.00 – 4.00	<b>Session II</b>  Monitoring of exclusion – methodologies and instruments - developing a framework	1. Ms. Annie Namala, Director, Centre for social Equity and Inclusion 2. Mr. Srijan Nandan, National Coordinator, Social Equity Watch - PRAXIS	Munish - Facilitator
<b>Open discussion</b>			
4.00 – 4.30	<b>Tea Break</b>		
4.30 – 6.00	<b>Session III</b>  Overview of policy and legislation  Entitlements – a critical overview	1. Mr. Bobby Kunhu – Law expert 2. Fr. T.D.John – DW-AP 3. Mr. Kirit Parmar – Unnati	
<b>Open discussion</b>			

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9.30 – 10.45	<b>Session IV</b>  The experience of INGOs and the scope of inclusion of Dalits	Mr. Manas - ActionAid Mr. Avinash / Mr. Deepak – Oxfam India	
10.45 – 11.00	Tea / snacks		
11.00 – 1.00		Prof. Vinod Menon, Member NDMA Mr. Zubin Zaman (OXFAM India) Mr. Ravindranath (RVC) Mr. Vikrant Mahajan (SPHERE India) One representative of the CMDRR platform Mr. Vijay Parmar, National Convenor (NCDHR)	Session to be managed by Prasad
1.30 – 2.30	Lunch		
2.30 – 3.15	<b>Session IV</b>  Inclusion of Dalits in Right to Food/Food Security Interventions	Mr. Vikrant Mahajan, Chief Operating Officer, Sphere India	
3.15-4.30	Developing an agenda and strategy for Advocacy	Mr. Narender IPAC Dr. Mihir Bhatt - AIDMI Mr. Paul Divakar – General Secretary, NCDHR	To be managed by Saswati
<b>Open discussion</b>			
4.00 – 4.30	Concluding remarks –  Vote of Thanks	Mr. Prasad Chacko, National Coordinator, National Dalit Watch  Ms. Lee Macqueen, Research & Advocacy Officer, NDW	