

## E - NEWS LETTER

### Capacities of the team was triggered at Phillipines

3<sup>rd</sup> South Asia Workshop of the Regional Learning and Exchange Platform for Facilitating Change Processes towards Food Sovereignty took place in Penafancia Resort, Naga city, Phillipines from 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2018. The work shop was hosted by Masipag, Phillipines. Ms. Bess from Phillipines and Sagari Ramdas from India were facilitating the entire learning and exchange journey with the devoted involvement of the participants. Through this workshop, change facilitators have shared experiences and the insights gained in the last few months. The facilitators emphasized on experiential learning processes towards People-Led Development for Food Sovereignty. The participants learned on agro-ecology and during the field visit to the village in Naga City, called Benarashon. Interacted with the farmer's organization Bayanihan. It consisted of 16 members and they shared about their struggle to get their land from the landlords and now the farmers have their own land and cultivate for their needs. Learnt about rice breeding and also few organic pests repellent. The main thing is that all the participants had an opportunity to facilitate the process for a day.



### Forum Director's Reflection and Action meet

All the forum directors of India came together at Pastoral Centre Port Blair for a serious reflection and action in the second week of April 2018. The senior directors oriented the team towards the new trends and responsibilities of the directors in particular regions. The directors shared the particular issues of the region. Bishop Alex Dias SFX shared the challenges he is facing in the diocese and the measures he has taken over the time to address it. This sharing session boosted the directors.



### Monitoring visits in the region

A two days visit was done by Regional Program Officer Mr. Balendra Singh Kaurav at Jeevan Jyoti Health Service, Meghnagar, St. Teresa Mission Hospital, Thandla & St. Rossello Health Centre, Hari Nagar at Jhabua on 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Discussion was held on PPTCT (Prevent Parents to child Transmission) scheme under the MPSACS, JSY scheme Under the NHM and Americare India foundation schemes. Discussion was also done with Directors, Administrators and in-charge of member institutes on registration of health centres and how proper implementation of schemes can take place in hospitals.



### ***Growing Model Villages were visited by Programme Manger in the region***



Under the Community health Project RPO Mr. Balendra Singh and Program Manager Ms. Indra Rani visited field at Manav Vikas Seva Sangh, Sagar on 21st April and Sanjo Social Centre, Banda on 22nd April 2018. During the field visit meeting of community health volunteers, discussed on work and maintaining of Daily dairy took place. Visits also took place to Gyaganj, Sagar and Jamunia at Banda with MVSS Director Fr. Thomas Philip, Sr. Merena and Sr. Karuna.

### ***Justice for Asifa-***

MPSSS team represented the entire region in the advocacy meet along with the Civil Society Organizaitions of Bhopal. 300 to 500 participants belonging to groups of NGOs, civil societies and individuals came together to express their concerns on the violence case that took place at "Kathua in Jammu with 8 year old girl". Civil societies raised their concern over such types of cases which take place and there is no fear among the abusers. Demands for justice to the victim being raised and candle light procession took place.



### ***Half yearly review meet and Up scaling the Skills***

Half yearly review meeting of Community Health Coordinators was held on 19th & 20th April 2018 at MPSSS Bhopal. Participants were Ms. P Indirarani, Program Manager, Fr.Kiran, Director MPSSS, Community Health Coordinators, Regional Program Officer. Discussion on achievements and challenges met during the implementation of the program took place. Meeting also have discussion on gaps in reporting such as beneficiary list of IGP and SSS, Case studies and new reporting formats.



### ***Training by RRT-Gwalior- 19 to 20 April 2018***

Two day training was organized by RRT members from 19 to 20 April 2018 at Gwalior. Regional Resource Team is the team consisting of experienced resourceful staff from 9 partner diocese, who are resource persons at home organisations. This training conducted at GCSS was with objective of: to provide space for regional resource team members to demonstrate and transfer their skills to next level of leadership in 9 organizations, Seeking feedback from zone partners on training modules prepared by them, Motivating participants that they could also be Resource persons like RRT members. This training was conducted by two members of Regional Resource team- Mr. Santosh from Kripa Ujjain on Micro planning for entrepreneurship initiative in livelihood programs and Mr. Sudhansu from ANWC Bhopal on 'Agro marketing -a step ahead form doing farming to making out of farming'.



### *The New Management Team of Caritas India was congratulated.*

On the occasion of the installation of New Executive Director and Assistant Executive Director Rev Frs Paul Moonjely and Jolly Puthenpura respectively was congratulated by the MP Regional Forum Director. Big thanks were expressed to the outgoing director Fr Fready on behalf of the Chairman Bishop and of the Region.



### *State level dissemination workshop with Government officials*

Dissemination of knowledge and sharing workshop was organized on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018. The participants were farmers and community leaders from 313 villages of Madhya Pradesh. MPSSS Director, Fr. Kiran Olakkengil welcomed all the dignitaries on the Dias and all the participants from 38 districts of Madhya Pradesh. There were four Government officials namely, Mr. Raman Wadha, Deputy CEO from Madhya Pradesh State Livelihood Mission, Mr. Vijay Agrawal, Deputy Director of Horticulture Department, Mr. Om Prakash Sharma, Seed Certification Officer and Mr. Manoj Bharadwaj, Deputy Director from Animal Husbandry department, Mr. Ramdat Tomar, Regional Coordinator, Ekta Parishad. After each session the participant's queries were clarified by the officials. Lastly MPSSS Director thanked all the persons who were part of the workshop.



### *Networking and linkage meeting with NGOs*



One day meeting was organized on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018 with the Change Agents of Madhya Pradesh. 34 representatives from 22 Development Organizations were part of the meeting. Objective of the meeting was to foster solidarity and unity among the people who are working in the development sector. Besides this one hour session on "Corporate Social Responsibility" was also organized by MPSSS. Ms. Anuradha Singhai, President Indo-European Chamber of Commerce & Industry (IECCI) took the session in which she explained the various possibilities on how the organizations can avail the CSR funds.

### ***Forthcoming Events***

- National Review meeting at Secundrabad
- Data Collection and Accompaniment Visits to Partners