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Decentralisation and Equity for Children in Kerala - A Field Exposure (Field Visit Guide)





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WORKSHOP AGENDA

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Time	Topic	Resource Person / Facilitator
DAY-1 16th April 2012		
09.30-11.00	Inaugural Session Welcome and Objectives of the Consultation	Mr. James Varghese IAS, Principal Secretary, LSGD, Govt. of Kerala,
	Inaugural Address	Mr.Kishore Chandra Deo, Hon. Minister for Tribal Welfare and Panchayati Raj, Government of India
	Key Note Address	Ms.NeelaGangadharan IAS, Secretary , DWCD, Govt. of India
	Special Addresses	1)MrEdouardBeigbeder, Chief Field Services, UNICEF India
		2) Mr JayantPatil, Hon. Minister for Rural Development, Government of Maharashtra
	Decentralization in India- Vision and stock taking	Mr.S.S Meenakshisundaram
	Presidential Address	Dr.M.K.Muneer, Hon.Minister for Panchayats and Social Welfare, Government of Kerala
	Vote of Thanks	Dr. P.P. BalanDirector KILA
11.00-11.30	Tea Break	

11.30-11.50	Priorities for Children in the 12 th plan	Ms Vandana Kumari Jena, Senior Advisor, Planning Commission, Government of India
11.50- 12.10	Decentralization for achieving outcomes for children	Mr. Hrushikesh Panda, IAS Additional Secretary MoPR, Govt. of India
12.10-12.30	International best practices in Decentralization	Mr. Andrea Rossi, UNICEF Regional Advisor, Social Policy
12.30-13.00	Plenary discussions	Session Chair: Mr. James Varghese IAS
13.00- 14.00	Lunch break	
14.00-14.45	Decentralization Experience-The Kerala Case and lessons learnt - People's planning - Kudumbhashree - Balpanchyats	Mr. S.M. Vijayanand IAS, Addl. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Kerala and Director, IMG
14.45- 15.00	Discussion	
15.00- 15.15	Decentralization in Kerala- Reflections	Mr Thomas Issac, MLA and former Finance Minister
15.15-15.30	Tea Break	
15.30- 16.00	ICT for Local Governance	Dr. M.N. Roy IAS (Retd.)
16.00 - 17.30	Presentation of Good practices	15 mts each
	DPMUs- Orissa	Mr. R.V. Singh, Officer on Special Duty and Member Secretary, PHDMA, Planning and Coordination Department, Government of Odisha
	Decentralized Planning Madhya Pradesh	Mr. Mangesh Tyagi, Advisor Planning Commission, Madhya Pradesh
	Jharkhand- Ghumla model	
	Convergence at the panchayat, block and district level- Krishnagiri	Dr. Maheswaran, District Collector, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu
	Maharashtra – GP based planning process	Mr. Sumedh Gurjar, Director, RDC, YASHADA, Government of Maharashtra
17.15-18.00	Plenary Discussions	Session Chair : Mr. Hrushikesh Panda IAS

DAY-2 17th April 2012		
08.30-18.00	Field visit to District Panchayats and Gram Panchayats	Groups of 10 to 10 different locations
	Field Visit locations : Ernakulam, Thrissur, Kottayam, Alapuzha Districts	
DAY-3, 18th April 2012		
09:00-10:00	Preparation of presentations (Field visit reports, based on ToR)	
10:00-10:30	Field Visit Reflections : Presentation by groups	Feed back by Panel Panel members: Mr.S.M.Vijayanad IAS Mr. M. N. Roy IAS (Retd.) Session Facilitator: Mr.G.Balagopal IAS (Retd.)
10:30-10:45	Tea/Coffee	
10:45-12.00	Field Visit Reflections: Presentation by groups	
12.00-13:00	Group work on i). Recommendations for state Governments ii).Support required from National Govt. iii) Support from UNICEF	
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
14.00- 15.00	Presentation of recommendations	Poster Presentation by each stateModerated by Mr. S.M. Vijayanand
15.00 - 16.00	Valedictory Session	Mr. V.Ramachandran IAS (Retd.) Mr.S.M.Vijayanad IAS (Addl. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Kerala and Director, IMG) Mr Joaquin Gonzalez- Aleman, Chief Policy and Planning, UNICEF IndiaDr. P.P. Balan