

## **International Conference on Andhra Pradesh Experience with Membership Based Organizations of the Poor**

### **Programme Schedule**

Venue: Centre for Economic and Social Studies  
Hyderabad

#### **June 5 2007**

9am – 9.30 am - Registration

#### **Inaugural Function**

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| 9.30 – 9.40   | Welcome Address: Prof. S. Mahendra Dev<br>Director, Centre for Economic and Social Studies                                      |
| 9.40 – 9.50   | About the Conference: Prof. Ravi Kanbur<br>T.H. Lee Professor of World Affairs and Economics<br>Cornell University              |
| 9.50 – 10.00  | Chairman's Address: Prof. C H Hanumantha Rao<br>Chairman, CESS  |
| 10.00 – 10.20 | Key Note Address: Dr. G. Chinna Reddy<br>Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development, NREGP and SHGs<br>Government of Andhra Pradesh |
| 10.20 – 10.30 | SEWA's Experience with Women Empowerment: Renana Jhabvala<br>National Coordinator, SEWA   |
| 10.30-10.40   | Launch of MBOP Volume by the Honorable Minister   |
| 10.40 –10.45  | Vote of Thanks: Prof. S. Galab<br>CESS  |

#### **10-45-11.00: Tea Break**

#### **Technical Session I – Global Session (11.00 – 1.00)**

**Chair Person – Prof. Ravi Kanbur (T.H. Lee Professor of World Affairs and Economics, Cornell University)**

**Discussant: Dr. Emmanuel D'Silva (former World Bank Staff Member and currently Visiting Scientist, ICRISAT)**

- Literacy and Internal Control of Community Finance Institutions in Cambodia - *Brett Matthews (Specialist in Community Based Micro finance with Math wood Consulting Company)*
- Informal Governance and Organizational Success: The Effects of Noncompliance among Lima's street-vending Organizations - *Sally Roever (Visiting Professor of Public Administration Leiden University, Netherlands)*
- Membership-based Indigenous Insurance Associations in Ethiopia and Tanzania - *Joachim de Weerd (Research Director EDI, Tanzania)*
- Organizations of the Poor: Conditions for Success - *Eve Crowley (Senior Officer for Rural Livelihood Strategies, FAO)*

### **1.00 – 1.45: Lunch Break**

#### **Technical Session II: Women Empowerment – Livelihoods, Poverty (1.45 – 3.30)**

**Chair Person:** K. Raju (Principal Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of Andhra Pradesh)

**Discussant:** C S Reddy (CEO, APMAS)

- Women Empowerment and Child Well Being - *Nicola Jones (Research Fellow, Overseas Development Institute, London), Madhuri Mukherjee (Policy Coordinator, Young Lives Project), S. Galab (Senior Fellow, CESS)*
- Self Help Groups – Impact on Poverty - *S. Mahendra Dev (Director, CESS), S. Galab (Senior Fellow, CESS), C. Ravi (Fellow, CESS)*
- Performance of Self-Help Groups on Group Dynamics and Graduation to Micro Enterprises in Andhra Pradesh – An Impact Assessment – *V. Puhazhendhi (General Manager, NABARD, Mumbai), K C Badatya (Asst. General Manager, NABARD, Regional Office, Hyderabad)*
- Do Self-Help Groups help People in Moving out of Poverty - *Deepa Narayan (Senior Advisor, World Bank), Giovanna Prennushi (Lead Economist, World Bank), Soumya Kapoor (Research Analyst, World Bank)*

### **3.30 – 3.45: Tea Break**

#### **Technical Session III Self-Help Groups and Institutions (3.45 – 5.45)**

**Chair Person:** Prof. R Radha Krishna (Director, IGIDR, Mumbai)

**Discussant:** K Hanumantha Rao (Associate Professor, NIRD)

- Formation, Functioning and Sustainability of SHGs - *V. Uma (Professor, S V University)*
- Self-Help Groups and Political Participation – *M. Gopinath Reddy (Fellow, CESS)*
- Women Empowerment – Functioning of Formal and Informal Institutions – *S. Galab (Senior Fellow, CESS), P. Prudhvikar Reddy (Fellow, CESS), D. Sree Rama Raju (Associate Fellow, CESS), G. Alivelu (Project Associate, CESS)*
- Emerging SHGs, Federations and Challenges - *CS Reddy (CEO, APMAS), N. Tirupathaiah (APMAS), S. Ramalakshmi (APMAS)*

### **June 6 2007**

#### **Technical Session IV Self-Help Groups – Government and Non-Government Organizations (9.30 – 11.30)**

**Chair Person:** Prof. S. Mahendra Dev (Director, CESS)

**Discussant:** Prof. S. Galab (Senior Fellow, CESS)

- Co-operative Model of SHGs and their Contribution to Women Empowerment – *S. Nandita Ray (CESS)*
- Experience of BASIX as an implementation agency of SHGs – *K. Rama (Vice-President BASIX)*
- What have the Poor and Women Taught Us? Or How the Poor Empowered DDS? – *P V Satheesh (Director, Deccan Development Society)*

**11.30 – 11.45: Tea Break**

**Session V – Panel Discussion (11.45 – 1.15)**

**Chair Person: Prof C H Hanumantha Rao (Chairman, Centre for Economic and Social Studies)**

*A K Goel*, (Special Chief Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh)

*T. Vijay Kumar* (Chief Executive Officer, Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, Government of Andhra Pradesh)

*D Narasimha Reddy* (Visiting Faculty, IHD, New Delhi; Former Dean, School of Social Sciences, University of Hyderabad)

*Renana Jhabvala*, Coordinator and Member, Executive Committee, Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA)

*C S Reddy* (CEO, APMAS)

**Way Forward (1.15 – 1.30)**

**Concluding Remarks** – Prof. Ravi Kanbur (T.H. Lee Professor of World Affairs and Economics, Cornell University)

**Vote of Thanks** – G. Aivelu

We will close the conference with lunch on 6<sup>th</sup> June.

**Conveners**

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