



Policy Dialogue on Gender-Just Food and Nutrition Security in India

Venue: Tamarind Hall (Gate 1), Indian Habitat Centre

Date: August 29, 2016

Time: 9:00 am-6:00 pm

Agenda

Inaugural Session: 9:00 am-11:00 am

Welcome Address: *Devesh Roy*, IFPRI

Opening Remarks: *Nitya Rao*, Professor, University of East Anglia UEA, Norwich, UK

Key Note Address: *Lalitha Kumaramangalam*, Chairperson, National Commission for Women

Gender-Just Food and Nutrition Security: Government Perspective

Sri Amarjeet Sinha, Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development

Sri Amjad Tak, Secretary-cum-Commissioner, Department of Food and Civil Supplies

Representative of Ministry of Women and Child Development

Sri Alok Kumar, Niti Aayog

Sri J P Mishra, Adviser Agriculture, Niti Aayog

Subhalakhmi Nandi, UN Women

Aasheesh Sharma, Deputy Editor-Brunch, Hindustan Times

Coffee Break: 11:00 am to 11:30 am

WORKING SESSIONS

Gender and Social Protection: 11:30 am-1:00 pm

Chairperson/Moderator: *Reetika Khera*, Professor (Economics), IIT-Delhi / *Devesh Roy* (IFPRI)

1. Does ICDS improve quality and quantity of children diets?
JV Meenakshi, Delhi School of Economics, DSE
2. ICDS and Nutrition Outcomes from a Gender Perspective
Monica Jain, International Initiative for Impact Evaluation, 3ie
3. Women Political leaders Corruption and Learning
Farzana Afridi, Indian Statistical Institute, ISI

4. How gender inclusive is MGNREGA in practice?
Upasak Das, Centre for development studies, CDS
5. Gender-based Preferences in PDS: A Case Study in Bihar
Mamata Pradhan, UEA

Lunch: 1:00 pm-2:00 pm

PARALLEL SESSIONS: Tamarind Hall

Gender differences in Assets Ownership (land, inputs, technology, irrigation, credit): 2:00 pm-3:30 pm

Chairperson/Moderator: *Ratna Sudarshan*, Trustee, Former Director, ISST/***Avinash Kishore***, IFPRI

1. Land Rights Challenges of Women and Poor in Conflict areas
Naveen Kumar, LANDESA
2. Gender Dimensions on Farmers' Preferences for Direct Seeded Rice (Drum Seeder) in India
Md. Tajuddin Khan, Avinash Kishore and P.K. Joshi, IFPRI
3. Finance for Rural Women: Challenges, Prospects and Policy Dilemmas.
Tara Nair, Gujarat Institute of Development Research, GIDR
4. Agricultural insurance for smallholder farmers: What do we know?
Bidisha Barooah, 3ie

Coffee Break: 3:30 pm-3:45 pm

Gender, Employment and Labour: 3:45 pm -5:00 pm

Chairperson/Moderator: *Meera Priyadarshini*, Former World Bank/***Jaspreet Aulakh***, IFPRI

1. Female Labor Supply, Caste, and the Gender Wage Gap in India
Kanika Mahajan, Ambedkar University, Delhi
2. Gender and Dynamics of Labor Use in Agriculture - Evidences from the VDSA
Nareppa Nagaraj, ICRISAT
3. High Participation in Agriculture and Low Awareness among the Rural Women
Itishree Patnaik, Gujarat Institute of Development Research, GIDR
4. Agriculture Wage Labour and Gender in MGNREGA
Deepak Varshney, DSE

PARALLEL SESSIONS: Maple Hall

Gender and Natural Calamities: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Chairperson/Moderator: *Aditi Kapoor*, Director (Policy Advocacy & Partnerships) Alternative Futures
/Kalyani Raghunathan, IFPRI

1. Food Insecurity and Gender in Drought Prone Areas in India: A case study of Odisha and Gujarat
Basanta Sahu, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, IIFT
2. Health and Nutrition of Women in Drought Prone Area of Maharashtra
Aayushi Jain, TERI University
3. *Gender Issues and livelihood in drought prone rice farming households in Odisha*
Diptimayee Jena, Orissa University of Agriculture and Technology, Bhubaneswar
4. Flood and Gendered Drivers and Conditions Leading to Vulnerability in Flood Plains of West
Champanan, Bihar
Pranita Bhushan Udas, International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development, ICIMOD

Coffee Break: 3:30 pm-3:45 pm

Women's Empowerment and Food Security: 3:45 pm – 5:00 pm

Chairperson/Moderator: *Lekha Chakarborty*, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, NIPFP
/Nitya Rao, UEA

1. Women's Empowerment as Pathway to Food Security and Productivity in the Agriculture Sector in
India
Pranati Mohanraj, CARE USA
2. Who Experiences Food Security Among Women Living in Tribal Communities in Rural Rajasthan?
Manisha Kabra, Freedom from Hunger
3. Experiential Evidence on Women's Collectivization and Food & Nutrition Security
Anand Kothari, Consultant, World Bank

Ways Forward for Policy: Policy and Practice (5:00 pm- 6:00 pm)

Chairpersons: Nitya Rao, UEA

Panel: *Ratna Sudarshan, Trustee*, Former Director, ISST; *Aditi Kapoor*, Director (Policy Advocacy & Partnerships); *Lekha Chakarborty*, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy; *Meera Priyadarshini*, Former World Bank; *Devesh Roy*, IFPRI

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