



Accompanier

Journeying Together Towards Building Communities of Resistance & Hope . . .



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Meditation

The field of the poor may yield much food but it is swept away through injustice. ” *Proverbs 13:23*

Appreciative Enquiry...

Developing self-renewing properties, continuous scrutinizing of the capabilities and acting –reacting towards the environment makes an effective organization. CNI SBSS too as a progressive organisation examines and re-examines the structures, systems and procedures from time to time, taking the staff and partners in confidence, discussing and redesigning the policies and strategies for mutual benefit and betterment of the person and communities at large.

Appreciative Enquiry, an annual relationship process was held in an encouraging atmosphere during September 7-9, 2007 at FMSF, Noida in which the SBSS team participated and whole heartedly accompanied each other helping to know self better in regards to inter and intra-personal relations and performance. With SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) framework, every accompanier was appreciated for his/ her initiatives throughout the year, was made aware of the areas for improvisation, the opportunities and the threats while journeying towards the larger vision.

CNI RCSA's accompaniment to the co-travelers...

Curbing Trafficking

Barrackpore CNI RCSA team conducted a programme with livelihood approach to curb the trafficking and migration practices at Tara Gram Orcha and Development Alternative, Jhansi in Madhya Pradesh in which concept of trafficking, its reasons and the ways of prevention with available legal framework were discussed along with an effort to understand whether trafficking is a gender phenomenon

From the existing solutions like legal framework and government's role and response to combat trafficking that were discussed, it became clear that the general emphasis is on cure mechanism i.e. reducing, repatriating, rehabilitating and reintegrating trafficking victims. An equal amount of importance has to given to prevention mechanism, to make sure that communities are empowered at the source itself to combat the phenomenon of trafficking or in essence, decrease the vulnerabilities – social, economic, cultural and political which makes them susceptible to being trafficked.

Revisiting ourselves...

Continuing the accompaniment, matching steps with the fellow-mates in the journey, CNI RCSA teams enabled and assisted each other in the processes of planning of cash-flow preparation. Together they revisited the perspectives, realizing their current standings, correcting the course and moving further strengthening themselves.

In this process, while the RCSA teams facilitated, the DBSS staff representing communities at large shared their experiences from the field and expectations. The whole process offered a platform to see the various trends and seeing the movement building initiatives at different stages guiding further to achieve the set goal linking perspectives with the action plan.

Reformation Sunday

The CNI congregations shall be coming together with the global ecumenical community against the devastating enforced trade that is inflicting misery on millions of our unprivileged brothers and sisters, joining in reflection & in action for Justice observing Reformation Sunday on October 28, 2007.

October 14-21, 2007 is a key moment prayerfully to call for just trading relations and to join millions of other people who are taking action that week. Churches worldwide shall be dedicating this week of October as a time for heightened awareness, critical reflection, prayer, advocacy and a call for trade justice and impacts on food security. This will be an opportunity to plan and strategise a campaign on exploring the interactions between trade, agriculture, food and human rights.

A special liturgy for the Reformation Sunday Worship is being compiled by CNI SBSS' Church Mission Engagement (CME) wing along with the related resource material.

Crossing Boundaries...



CNI SBSS' partner organization ChristianAid (CA) has given us an opportunity to meet and interact with existing CA partners in UK, outlining the work we are doing and sharing the stories of the people that were benefited by SBSS' interventions. Dr Shailendra Awale, Chief Coordinator and Secretary, representing CNI SBSS, shall be visiting three separate CA area-offices at Lewes, Oxford and London and also the local churches and schools encouraging and inspiring the people to contribute by different means towards the larger cause.

Days to Remember in the month of October: Hearty Greetings...

- 01 - International Day of Elderly,
- 02 - Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti,
- 03 - World Habitat Day,
- 04 - World Animal Welfare Day,
- 13 - International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction,
- 14 - World Standards Day,
- 16 - World Food Day,
- 17 - International Day for the Eradication of Poverty,
- 24 - World Development Day/ United Nations Day,
- 28 - Reformation Sunday,
- 30 - World Thrift Day.



Many Happy Returns to our companions on their Birthdays – Ashananda Tandy (3rd October) Elizabeth Martin (14th October) and Sinju Matthew (24th October). May Lord Almighty bless them abundantly and be with them always as they are serving Him being an important actor in His mission.

We also extend our prayerful wishes on the Wedding Anniversary of Mrs & Mr Christo Sebak Das (13th October) and John S Kumar (23rd October).

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