

Report of the proceedings of developing plan of action for forth coming phase

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DBSS Kolhapur, Kolhapur

Background:-

In DBSS Kolhapur two days orientation process was carried out to understand the trends of the first phase with the mirroring process and to develop the content process and tools for the forth coming planning process.

In the orientation process all the staffs along with some board members were presented. The process was accompanied and facilitated by the team from SBSS (Mr. B.R Sagar G.F Finance, A.X Kaushal Programme associate and Rev. Akshal Coordinator Diocese of marathwada).

The orientation process consists of two parts of which the first part was to concentrate and analyzing the impact and learning for the first phase, identify the gaps and the aspect that need improvement in order to bring course correction and accommodate the demand of the process for improving the livelihood status of the reference community.

The second part of the orientation paid emphasis to identify the content, methodology and develop guidelines in the above context which will use full for the forthcoming planning process.

The Major components addressed under the orientation include the resource mapping and issues identification and making the issues as community issues so that people will mobilize, strengthening CBOs to form PO and move towards PM and AFM, strengthening Data base, integrating Gender at all level , strengthening CME initiatives and so on.

Objectives:-

- To share and reflect the present stands in term of existing structure, system process, to strengthen the movement building initiatives find out from the process of evaluation.
- To ensure mainstreaming of suggestion (success and failures) in the programme from the evaluation process for the proper planning of second phase.
- To develop guidelines and tools of planning which will be adopt by the DBSS while going through the intensive community planning process.

Proceedings:-

The orientation proceedings began on 9th April 2008 with the welcome and brief introduction of the participant where all the staffs shared about them, about their work and about their field. The objectives and purpose of the orientation was briefly shared .

Contextualization of the DBSS Stands and understanding the community issues:-

The contextualization of the process and stands was initiated with the group sharing .At the beginning the group shared about their work and then they given one group work as the work of DBSS spread in the two district (Miraj and Kolhapur) the staffs of the two areas were divided in to two group and based on the sharing and work they instructed to made an presentation to reflect the existing problems in the intervention areas and the activities carried out by the staffs to address the issues .

After listing out the activities the group again went for the group work and focused on the goals and objectives of the DBSS just to cross check what was their objectives and the gaps between the activities and the objectives.

Second day the team visited to village----- to interact the community and to understand the problems.

Outcomes and realization:-

The whole exercise helped the participant to realize the present context and where they succed and where they have to do more which are as follows:-

- The objectives was to spread the peoples organization in the four district of Maharashtra but presently could spread in the 2 district (Miraj and kolhapur) and with in that district 12 taluka in sangli and 15 taluka in Miraj has been covered.
- Another agenda was to empower the Dalit and tribal communities to access and control over 300 acars of land but till date only 60 acars land has been owned by the dalit community and around 7 acars of land ownership is in the process
- Agenda was to establish 80 village level unit of DSVP but could form only 21`village level unit of DSVP.
- Activities in term of capacity building, action, advocacy to address the issues of livelihood: drinking water, 9 SSS was addressed.
- Gaps between the field and staffs also no proper criteria for village selection .
- Confusion of dependence- Independence- Interdependence between the DBSS and DSVP.

B. Understanding of planning process

Through the group exercise we tried to find out what should we consider for the next planning process as the base based on the learning from the past in response to this question the group said :-

- a. Resources (what I have)
- b. Existing problems
- c. Our position (where do I stand)

We should consider while we are going for the next phase planning and out of this the vision and mission should be tested and bring course correction.

To the question where do I stand again the group emphasized the points mention above in the learning and realization

C. Identifying the gaps

The gaps in the process were found out through the discussion and sharing also by sharing of concern by Bishops which are as follows:-

- a. Gap between what we say and what practicing.
- b. Bringing the passion and experiences in the process
- c. Independence- Interdependence between the DBSS and DSVP.
- d. Selecting of villages with out proper criteria.

D. Identify task and Set Action :-

Outcomes:-

- Identified and prioritize of action to carry forward the planning process.
- Identified the content and the process for the forthcoming planning

Content	Process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviving the PO ,establish new unit in the other field. • Identification of problems and framing of issues. • Review and upgrading the data base to capture issue specific data. • Proper phasing out strategy and strategy for adopting new areas. • Ensuring man’s and women’s equal participation. • Identifying and promoting leaders in the reference community. • Strengthening Mahila Agadi and to emerge as strong PO. • Strengthening LAN initiatives. • CME intervention from identified congregation to the community. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with the community representatives. • Series of community and CBOs meeting . • Necessary data collection through PRA, door to door visit. • Compilation of plan at DBSS level. • Submission to Resource center.

a. Establish Responsibilities:-

In the process it was discussed and decided:-

- The community enabler will be in the community to be with the leaders and the community members so that a plan will develop.
- Involvement of community and CBOs, PO leaders at each level of planning is compulsory.
- Coordinator and the CDA will need to participate and contribute in the process where ever possible and give.
- The involvement of RCSA staff at the compilation level could be a advantages for the process.

TOOLS USED :-

- Working group list.

Limitation:-

- Time constraint

Conclusion:-

The review context process made it clear that something could achieve in the first phase but still there is a gap in the understanding and the process also between the staff and community and in other hand the community visioning process through review of community issues made it clear that the community have resources and the members/leaders have a desire and ideas to address issues and bring the change in the community. They would like to strengthen the CBOs and POs. to address the issues. Opportunity is there resources are available but the challenge is how to utilize both for a people centered planning.

If the content and process came out from the orientation process will be consider and if each actor will be play active role in the process by utilizing the available data then definitely a people center plan could be develop.

Thanking you

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