

## CONCEPT-NOTE

### **External Evaluation: Of the Programme Phase “Let Justice Roll” ( 2005-2008) , First Phase of 10 years perspective plan “ Resistance and Hope”**

#### **Evaluation: Need and Purpose**

Organization does not exist in vacuum; they are dynamic in nature and having continuous interface with its external environment. Each of the organization, to be relevant is interested or has prime responsibility to make an impact on the environment. In return of its contribution, environment contributes its resources for continuation of an organization. To make a positive and effective contribution, organization requires utmost sensitivity. Otherwise they may turn to be redundant and irrelevant and process of decay begins.

Organizations define their relationship with their environment by developing the strategy. This strategy determines systems and process in the organization effectively improving the performance of an organization, essentially an impact of an organization.

For an organizations like CNI SBSS working towards ensuring justice for the marginalized communities by realizing their socio economic and politico rights, it is important to develop in built mechanism for such exercise which would sense and receive changes and needs in its environment, plan its strategy, develop and monitor its systems and process, evaluate its activities and adequately contribute making an impact.

CNI SBSS has developed inbuilt mechanism and planning; monitoring and evaluation process to asses its impact and review and change and or improve its strategy and systems accordingly. In fact over a period of time CNI SBSS has built a culture to be available for constructive critic and review. O bring an objectivity to the process, often external experts involved in issues of development, justice and movement are often invited to learn from their views and perspectives. The primary approaches of CNI SBSS (process oriented, rooted in values and rights based) call for a dispassionate analysis of its work, functions and performance. In fact the process of evaluation too should be process oriented, rooted in values and rights based. It should be inclusive and participatory involving all key stake holders.

The process of evaluation is also a capacity building process for an entire SBSS family members involved with this task. This is also a step towards effective planning for the next set of activities.

#### **CNI-SBSS**

CNI SBSS is the justice and development wing of the Church of North India an expression of Christ love towards poor and marginalized. It is registered charitable society

It is a collective form of cooperation with the Diocese board of Social Services, implementing partners who are engaged with communities building their skills and asset and realize ESC and political rights.

The board was founded with 1970, but got its much required insights and vision in a consultation held in 1978 in Kolkata. Since then there are many changes in its program strategy and activities.

#### **Present profile (Annexure 1)**

Presently CNI SBSS is working with 24 DBSS. Programs at Bhopal and Pune are temporarily withdrawn. It is working with 2500 communities.

Subsequent to the preparatory phase ( 2004-5), CNI SBSS launched its 10years perspective phase and 3years program phase in October 2005. The present program phase would conclude in September 2008.

It is imperative for CNI SBSS to understand its impact and learning more objectively. So it plans to undertake external evaluation ( to be accompanied by external those are associated with CNI SBSS or its network).

#### **Process and Plan for accompaniment**

The process of identification and approval of the accompaniers should be finalised by November 2007.

The first preliminary meeting of accompaniers is called in second week of September to finales TOR and submits to the RSA. We are expected to receive their comments and suggestions by end of November 2007.

The process of consultation with CNI SBSS for clarification and logistics would begin in January 2008 third week. The field work should take place in February 2008. By end of March 2008, the report needs to be submitted.

#### **Resources for Looking, learning and Improving**

It should be done by a team of 4 accompaniers. One of the would be expertise in gender justice and one should have expertise in finances. Each of them besides understanding of development management, should have contemporary challenges like RBA and involvement in movement building.. Each of them should give at least thirty working days in required period.

CNI SBSS would provide all logistic support and pay agreed fee towards their involvement in the process.