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MICROFINANCE

Principles Practices Perspectives

An INAFI – INDIA Initiative

Microfinance has established itself globally as powerful instrument to address poverty. Thanks to the involvement and intervention strategies of the NGOs, microfinance has made rapid strides in reaching out to the poor for delivering the financial services. Over the past decade, the sector has seen several models and approaches in providing microfinance.

In the Indian context, SHG model has emerged as a predominant microfinance programme. This unique Indian initiative of SHG model has turned out to be the fastest growing cost effective model in enabling 11.6 million poor families to access sustainable financial services from the banking system, through a network of over 7,00,000 Self Help Groups (SHGs). The sector is characterised by a few large microfinance programmes and a huge number of small NGO's who are having small outreach or have just initiated microfinance programme. There is a need to provide good orientation and capacity building for facilitating the expansion of small NGOs Programme and managing the growth thereof.

INAFI-INDIA, being a network of microfinance practitioners sees a great role for building the capacities of such NGO's and to contribute to the growth sector. In this scenario, INAFI-INDIA is pleased to announce MP3 in Microfinance. The major objective of this "Primer" programme is to expose the participants to the **Principles, Practices** and build their knowledge and **Perspectives** in Microfinance.

For Whom?

Chief Executives of Small NGOs who have initiated microfinance programme with small outreach.

Programme Content:

The Primer programme has been designed with following four modules

Module 1: History & Background

- Principles & Perspectives
- Model at Work Delivery/Enabling
- Indian Scenario

Module 2: Programme Components

- Products Savings, Credit, Insurance etc.
- Bank Linkages
- Resources Grants and Loans
- Livelihood Promotion
- Collaboration with Government Programmes

Module 3: Programme Management

- Accounts & Audit Systems
- MIS
- Portfolio Management
- Financial Management

Module 4: Best Practices/Future Direction

- Programme quality issues and Standards
- HRD Issues
- Cost Coverage
- Networking
- Plan of Action

Pedagogy

This is a three-day residential programme. Two day in house training and one-day field visit with following methodologies.

- Reflection on experiences, presentations
- Resource lectures and discussions
- Experiential learning
- Case analysis and discussions
- Group Discussion & Group Exercises

Resource Persons:

Experienced practitioners of microfinance would be the resource persons, who are drawn from organizations, which have proven their excellence in running microfinance programmes.

Cost Sharing

The participants will pay a nominal fee which will cover Food & Accommodation expenses, training kit with materials and local conveyance. However, the entire travel expenditure will be borne by the participants.

Venue/Schedule: INAFI – INDIA is organizing the programmes in four regions of the country with the member organizations playing the local host. Interested Small NGO's in respective regions may contact our member organizations in the respective regions