

Regional Media Briefing Workshop

The Workshop Agenda



The National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA): Opportunities and Challenges

November 16-17, 2006, Hyderabad

Thursday
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Time	Session
9.00-9.30 am	Registration Welcome address and outlining of workshop objectives
	NREGA: STATUS AND SIGNIFICANCE
9.30-10.30 am	The state of the NREGA <i>Introduction:</i> Richard Mahapatra, Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), New Delhi <i>Speaker:</i> Dr Murali, Director, NREGA-Andhra Pradesh
10.30-11.15 am	NREGA: the last opportunity to fight poverty? <i>Speaker:</i> Richard Mahapatra
11.15-11.30 am	<i>Tea break</i>
	BUILDING ASSETS WITH NREGA
11.30 am-1.00 pm	The NREGA as a development tool <i>Session Coordinator:</i> Umi Daniel, Action Aid International-India, Hyderabad <i>Presentations from:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Mahapatra • B Sada Siva, Dhan Foundation, Hyderabad • K S Gopal, Centre for Environment Concerns, Hyderabad
1.00-1.30 pm	<i>Question hour</i>
1.30-2.30 pm	<i>Lunch</i>
	THE QUESTION OF DELIVERY
2.30-4.30 pm	Panchayats and their role in implementation of the NREGA <i>Session Coordinator:</i> Richard Mahapatra <i>Presentations from:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surekha Sule, National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad • Praveen, Participatory Research in Asia, Hyderabad
4.30-5.00 pm	<i>Question hour + Tea break</i>
	THE IMPACT OF NREGA: CASE STUDIES AND PERCEPTIONS
5.00-6.00 pm	<i>Session Coordinators:</i> Richard Mahapatra and Umi Daniel Open Forum

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Field trip
9.00 am-4.00 pm

To an NREGA village in Medak district