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Regional Specialized Training Programme on

Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM)

07th - 08th February 2023 at Surat, Gujarat.

Key Highlight

The key highlight of this programme was the exposure site visit conducted at Surat to exhibit the good practices of 'Shelter for Urban Homeless' to the participants.

BACKGROUND

Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) was launched by the then Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation (MoHUPA), Government of India (Gol) in 2013. Its objectives included reducing poverty and vulnerability of the urban poor households by enabling them to access gainful self-employment and skilled wage employment opportunities, resulting in an appreciable improvement in their livelihoods on a sustainable basis, through building strong grassroots level institutions of the poor. The mission also aims at providing shelters equipped with essential services to the urban homeless in a phased manner. In addition, the mission also addresses livelihood concerns of the urban street vendors by facilitating access to suitable spaces, institutional credit, social security and skills for accessing emerging market opportunities.

With this background, the Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies (RCUES) of All India Institute of Local Self Government (AIILSG), Mumbai organized a Regional

Specialized Training Programme on 'Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM)' on 7th - 8th February, 2023 at Surat, Gujarat. This training programme was supported by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Government of India (Gol).

KEY OBJECTIVE

The key objective of this training programme was to encourage the Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) and other stakeholders in effective implementation of DAY-NULM for sustainable livelihoods opportunities.

PARTICIPATION

In all 49 participants comprising Hon'ble Mayors, Elected Representatives, Project Officers, Dy. Project Officers, Community

Organizers, MIS Managers – Self-Employment Programme (SEP), Representatives of Area Level Federation (ALF) and City Level Federation (CLF) from the State of Gujarat attended this training programme.

INTRODUCTION

The training programme was commenced with an introduction by Ms. Maleka Ansari, Sr. Research Officer (SRO), RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai. She welcomed the dignitaries, resource persons and participants. She briefed them about the objective of the training programme and also mentioned the activities conducted by RCUES, Mumbai in training, capacity building and research. The two-days training programme included presentations by the experts, and exposure visits to show the good practices developed under the component of Shelter for Urban Homeless (SUH), as under the mission.



Ms. Maleka Ansari, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai addressing the participants.

INAUGURATION

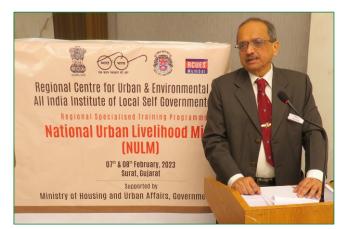


Ms. Hemaliben Boghawala, Hon'ble Mayor, Surat Municipal Corporation (SMC), Gujarat inaugurated the training programme by lighting the lamp.

The specialized training programme was inaugurated by Ms. Hemaliben Boghawala, Hon'ble Mayor, Surat Municipal Corporation (SMC), Gujarat in presence of Dr. Jairaj Phatak, IAS (Retd.), Director General, AIILSG, India by lighting the traditional lamp. In her inaugural address, she said that the urban informal sector comprises a large part of the unorganized economy, low level of education and skill in the unorganized sector workers have resulted in their inability to access the opportunities offered by emerging markets. This underscores the criticality of skills up-gradation for better livelihood opportunities in urban areas. Further she said that DAY-NULM envisages universal social mobilization of urban poor into Self Help Groups (SHGs) and forming their federation. At the end of her inaugural session, she re-iterated that the SUH component of the mission supports the poor section of the society and aims at providing shelter and a healthy environment by reducing their vulnerable conditions.

Dr. Jairaj Phatak, IAS (Retd.), Director General, AIILSG, India gave the keynote address in which he highlighted that in order to implement various components of the DAY-NULM, formation of strong grassroots level institutions of the poor are important in order to reduce poverty and vulnerability at community level.

TECHNICAL SESSIONS



Dr. Jairaj Phatak, IAS (Retd.), Director General, AIILSG addressing the participants.

The first session on 'Need for Convergence in Planning and Implementation of Missions and Programmes' sponsored by Government of India' was conducted by Dr. Jairaj Phatak. He commenced the session with an all-time appealing quote by Abraham Lincoln that "Democracy is Government by the People, of the People and for the People" by highlighting the intent of the quote. He briefly discussed the concept of welfare, happiness, development and efficiency in the context of citizens and welfare policies for the people at large. Further he mentioned the obligatory functions of the ULBs and antipoverty programmes which are implemented in rural as well as urban areas of our country. In concluding his session, he presented an overview of the current scenario of various missions as are being implemented in urban areas by mentioning their funding pattern towards development of infrastructure as well as socio physical achievements. He advised the participants to make efforts to devise local level strategies in order to improve livelihood opportunities under DAY-NULM.



Mr. Mayank Mishra, National Mission Manager, DAY-NULM, MoHUA, Gol, New Delhi addressing the participants.

The next session on 'Convergence of DAY-NULM & Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro-Food Processing Enterprises (PM FME)' was conducted by Mr. Mayank Mishra, National Mission Manager, DAY-NULM, MoHUA, GoI, New Delhi. Beginning his session, he discussed DAY-NULM by stating that it is Centrally Sponsored Scheme, launched in 2014, aiming to uplift urban poor like street vendors, slum dwellers, homeless, rag pickers, unemployed and differently-abled etc. by enhancing sustainable livelihood opportunities through skill development and employment. He further mentioned the provision of subsidies to urban poor i.e., interest subsidy of 5% - 7% for setting up individual micro-enterprises with the loan of up to 2 lakhs and for group enterprises with a loan limit of up to Rs.10 lakhs.

Further he explained the PM FME by elaborating upon the concept of One District One Product (ODOP) approach. He said that the ODOP is a strategy introduced to promote sale of local products like agri, food, non-agri, minor forest etc. He gave the detailed information about the PM FME which is centrally sponsored scheme introduced by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI), Gol in June, 2020 by forming partnership with the State/UT Governments for providing financial, technical and business support for up-gradation of the existing micro food processing enterprises. It is a five-year project including funding pattern in 60:40 ratio between Central and State Governments. He also discussed the provision of seed capital @ Rs. 40000/- per member of SHG as a working capital and purchase of small tools. Further he pointed to the need for convergence of DAY-NULM & PM FME to ensure the positive outcomes of the mission at the bottom level of the community.

The next session on 'Good Initiatives under NULM' was conducted by Dr. Gayatri Jariwala, Dy. Municipal Commissioner, SMC, Gujarat. She briefly discussed the Central and State Government schemes implemented by SMC including DAY-NULM, PM Street Vendors AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi), Mukhyamantri Mahila Utkarsh Yojana (MMUY). She elaborated upon the livelihood projects supported by SMC by highlighting Garib Kalyan Mela, Sevasetu programme etc. She stated that the DAY-NULM envisages universal social mobilization of urban poor into SHGs and their federations. These groups are intended to serve as a support system for the poor, to meet their financial and social needs. In addition, DAY-NULM lays emphasis on the betterment efforts for the vulnerable sections of the urban population such as SCs, STs, minorities, female-headed households, persons with disabilities, the destitute, migrant labourers and especially vulnerable occupational groups such as street vendors, rag pickers, domestic workers, beggars, construction workers etc.



Dr. Gayatri Jariwala, Dy. Municipal Commissioner, SMC, Gujarat addressing the participants.

Further she focused upon the achievements under implementation of the DAY-NULM especially the components of creating livelihood opportunities through skill training and providing financial assistance to start micro enterprises. She spoke about livelihoods projects implemented for the urban poor and vulnerable section of society including Pink Auto, Pink E-Auto, AVSAR etc., by collaborating with Airport Authority of India, One Station One Product with the support of Ministry of Railway to promote Vocal for Local Vision, Rakhi and Navaratri mela, Green Ganesha, reuse of waste items during festival of Ganesh immersion, empowerment of women by providing training in making artificial ornament under HUNNAR project and cotton bags by facilitating markets and raw materials.



Mr. Ranchhodbhai Patel, Project Officer, DAY-NULM, SMC, Gujarat addressing the participants.

On the second day, a session on 'ULBs Presentation on NULM Implementation' was taken by Mr. Ranchhodbhai Patel, Project Officer, DAY-NULM, SMC, Gujarat and Ms. Dipti Aagoriya, Sr. Community Organizer, Rajkot Municipal Corporation, Gujarat. They briefed about the strategies adopted for implementation of DAY-NULM components, challenges faced during the implementation and outcomes under DAY-NULM in their cities. Mr. Patel initiated with a brief description of various components implemented under DAY-NULM in Surat city. Further he explained the gist of the successful projects completed under the mission in collaboration with other stakeholders under PPP to create sustainable livelihoods opportunities in Surat for women. Ms. Aagoriya discussed the strategies adopted for implementation of various components under DAY-NULM, challenges faced during the implementation and outcomes benefitted under the mission.



Ms. Dipti Aagoriya, Sr. Community Organizer, Rajkot Municipal Corporation, Gujarat addressing the participants.

GROUP EXERCISE



Participants engaged in group exercise.

After the session, a group exercise was conducted in preparation of an action plan for achieving convergence in implementation of all missions and programmes. Eight groups were formed comprising 6 to 7 participants in each group. The

participants were involved in group exercise with live discussion among them. Each group developed a framework for achieving convergence during implementation of various missions and programmes, in their cities. Each group presented their action plan. The best group was awarded a token of appreciation for best plan preparation and presentation amongst the eight groups.

SITE VISIT

A site visit was organized in the post lunch session at Althan area of Surat city. Ms. Kavitaben Desai, Dy. Project Office (DPO), DAY-NULM, SMC, Gujarat welcomed participants. She briefly explained the formation of Shelter for Urban Homeless (SUH) at Althan area and its management. Further she informed that it is a SUH situated at Althan- Bhatar area, near Soham Circle in south west zone of SMC with a capacity of 384 beneficiaries' accommodation. It was constructed in accordance with the DAY-NULM guidelines on a 40640 sq. area that includes 25 family rooms and 11 dormitories. It has a kitchen facility, washing area and sufficient toilet bathrooms for male, female and the persons with special needs. SUH at Althan area has provided accommodation to old and disabled persons at ground floor.

The internal management of SUH is handed over to Jyoti Samajik Seva Sanstha (JSSS) by SMC, Gujarat. Mr. Tarun Mishra & Ms. Jyoti Pandya, Project Manager, discussed with participants about the facilities provided for the homeless like recreation activities area, library, locker room, study area etc. All basic facilities and services like free food, efforts for children's education and admission in school, medical facilities to all inmates of shelter, Reproductive Child Health (RCH) services to all adolescence girls and pregnant women, social security scheme benefits, support to get identity documents to procure government scheme benefits etc., are also available. Further DPO informed that SMC is planning to construct shelters at all strategic locations of the city which would not only provide accommodation but also have minimum effect on livelihood sources of poor and homeless people. The participants observed and interacted with the beneficiaries about the services received in the shelter home.



Participants during the site visit at SUH at Althan area of Surat city.

SUMMING UP

After taking the feedback and Question & Answer session, the training programme was concluded by proposing a Vote of Thanks to the trainers / subject experts and the participants by Ms. Maleka Ansari, SRO, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai.

GLIMPSES OF THE SPECIALIZED TRAINING PROGRAMME





Regional Specialized Training Programme on

Role of Elected Representatives and Project Functionaries in Implementing Programmes on National Missions

20th - 21st February 2023 at Rajkot, Gujarat.

Key Highlight

The key highlight of this programme was the group exercise followed by technical sessions to facilitate the understanding about the implementation of urban development missions and role of Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) to achieve the intended outcomes.

BACKGROUND

The Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Government of India (GoI) is implementing various flagship missions and programmes such as Swachh Bharat Mission – Urban (SBM-U) 2.0, Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM), Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U), Smart City Mission (SCM), Atal Mission for Rejuvenation & Urban Transformation (AMRUT) 2.0 to promote sustainable and inclusive cities that provide core infrastructure and to give a decent quality of life to its citizens, a clean and sustainable environment, sustainable livelihoods and application of 'Smart' Solutions.

The collective city level efforts of ULBs along with the multiple stakeholders in creating synergies in effective implementation of the said missions and programmes, is an impetus for sustainable development and effective urban governance. The elected representatives and project functionaries play vibrant role in implementing these missions at ward / community level for good governance and citizens' welfare.

Considering this background, the Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies (RCUES) of All India Institute of Local Self Government (AIILSG), Mumbai organized a Regional Specialized Training Programme on 'Role of Elected Representatives and Project Functionaries in Implementing Programmes on National Missions' on 20th - 21st February, 2023, at Rajkot, Gujarat. This training programme was supported by the MoHUA, Gol.

KEY OBJECTIVE

The key objective of this training programme was to discuss the significant role of elected representatives and project functionaries in creating synergy with ULBs in implementing various missions and programmes for effective urban governance and sustainable development.

PARTICIPATION

In all 56 participants including Dy. Mayors, Elected Representatives, Municipal Engineers, Urban Planners, Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) Experts, Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) Managers, Project Officers, Project Managers, Community Organizers, Sanitary Inspectors and concerned officials from various cities of Gujarat State attended this training programme.

INTRODUCTION

Mrs. Maleka Ansari, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai, welcomed the dignitaries on the dais and participants. Thereafter, she gave an introduction of the training programme by explaining its objectives.



Ms. Maleka Ansari, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai addressing the participants.

INAUGURATION

The training programme was inaugurated by Dr. Darshitaben Shah, Hon'ble Dy. Mayor, Rajkot Municipal Corporation (RMC), Gujarat in the presence of Dr. Jairaj Phatak., IAS (Retd.), Director General, AIILSG, India. In her inaugural speech, she spoke about the important role played by ULBs in providing services through implementation of various national missions and programmes sponsored by State as well as Central Government.



Dr. Darshitaben Shah, Hon'ble Dy. Mayor, Rajkot Municipal Corporation (RMC), Gujarat inaugurated the training programme by lighting the lamp in the presence of Dr. Jairaj Phatak., IAS (Retd.), Director General, AIILSG.

Further, she stated that executive and deliberative wings are the backbone of ULBs in the process in creating significant scenario of development programmes. She advised the elected representatives to develop bond with the people and the ULB functionaries through whom they can play a positive role in the effective implementation of the various socioeconomic development programmes in a sustainable manner.

TECHNICAL SESSIONS

Dr. Jairaj Phatak, IAS (Retd.) delivered a special address on 'Need for Convergence in Planning and Implementation of Missions and Programmes sponsored by Government of India' in the first session. He mentioned AIILSG's key role in the field of training, research and advocacy. Further he stated that AIILSG has provided a good platform for elected representatives and municipal officials for enhancing their capacities in their work.



Dr. Jairaj Phatak, IAS (Retd.), Director General, AIILSG addressing the participants.

Further he focused on his session by highlighting the need and importance of convergence of planning and implementation of all the urban development missions in order to achieve holistic development of the urban centres in our country. He briefly talked about the various welfare programmes and missions implemented by the State as well as Central Government. Further he focused on the city level approach for achieving sustainable outcomes of the missions by highlighting the important aspects of the strategies adopted by cities including improving operational efficiency and quality of life of urban residents. In concluding the session, he discussed Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) implemented with the aim of making cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

The next session on 'Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) 2.0' was taken by Ms. Tithi Soladhara, Expert, AMRUT & Visiting Faculty, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat. She focussed on the concept of **AatmaNirbhar** Bharat which was introduced in the second phase of AMRUT in October, 2021. She briefly discussed the reforms to be achieved during the implementation of SBM-U 2.0 including water conservation, governance, energy efficiency and urban planning to enhance city water security, financial health of ULBs and ease of living of citizens.



Ms. Tithi Soladhara, Expert, AMRUT & Visiting Faculty, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat addressing the participants.

Further she discussed the tools for effective implementation of the mission by describing rural and urban synergies as well

as synergies created among the missions for achieving intended outcomes. In concluding the session, she stated that state level efforts are necessary to enhance the functional knowledge and improvement of job related skills of the targeted groups, capacity building among elected representatives and ULB functionaries, contractors and their staff and citizens for making **AatmaNirbhar** cities.

Ms. Falguni Joshi, Consultant, Paryavaranmitra, Ahmedabad, Gujarat discussed 'SBM-U 2.0 and Garbage Free City (GFC)'. She spoke on the objectives of SBM-U 2.0 by stating that in order to achieve the vision of GFCs over the next five years including safe containment, transportation, disposal of faecal sludge, and septage from toilets. Further she focused on the scenario of GFCs mentioned in SBM-U 2.0 by highlighting a steady reduction in the waste generation and beautification which is necessary to achieve a clean and aesthetically pleasing city.



Ms. Falguni Joshi, Consultant, Paryavaranmitra, Ahmedabad, Gujarat addressing the participants.

Further she added that implementation of the measures to remediate all legacy waste and scientific management of

municipal waste including solid, liquid, plastic and construction & demolition are intended for achieving GFC. In concluding her session, she also focused on source segregation of solid waste, utilizing the principles of 3Rs reduce, reuse, recycle, scientific processing of all types of municipal solid waste and remediation of legacy dump sites for effective waste management. She said that elected representatives and project functionaries are playing important role to accelerate progress towards GFCs.



Mr. Mahesh Pandya, Director, Paryavaranmitra, Ahmedabad, Gujarat addressing the participants.

Mr. Mahesh Pandya, Director, Paryavaranmitra, Ahmedabad, Gujarat discussed 'SBM-U 2.0 and Sustainable Sanitation'. In the beginning, he mentioned the legal framework related to waste management. Further he briefly discussed SDGs with a special focus on SDGs 11.6, which measures the progress of performance of a city's solid waste management. He pointed out to the reduction in waste generation by citing the example of lockdown status. He said that rapid changing life style has adverse impact on waste generation especially plastic waste. He advised the elected representatives to promote awareness among the citizens through organizing IEC campaigns. He added that project functionaries can also play important role in encouraging communities for sustainable waste management.

Mr. Hardik Desai, Project Manager, Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM), Navsari Municipal Council, Gujarat addressed the issues under DAY-NULM and Need for convergence with Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro-Food Processing Enterprises (PM FME)'. He discussed the current status of implementation of all the components of the mission in their cities. Further he spoke about the challenges faced at the initial stage during the implementation especially in team building. He cited several good initiatives achieved under the implementation of DAY-NULM including skill training programmes, shelter for homeless, PM Street Vendors AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) etc.



Mr. Hardik Desai, Project Manager, DAY-NULM, Navsari Municipal Council, Gujarat addressing the participants.

Further he focused on the guidelines of PM FME and its objectives. He explained the main objective which included extending support to microfood processing units of urban

SHGs. He said that PM FME was launched by Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India on 29th June 2020 in order to enhance the competitiveness of individual microenterprises in the unorganized segment and promote formalization of the food processing sector by adopting the strategies of One District One Product (ODOP). He also talked about the importance of implementing PM FME and DAY-NULM in a convergent manner to support sustainable livelihoods projects. At the end of the session, he discussed details of district-wise products to be covered under ODOP in Gujarat state and current updates of PM FME Scheme which are being implemented in 35 states and union territories of India.



Mr. K. S. Gohel, City Engineer, Housing & AMRUT, RMC, Gujarat addressing the participants.

Mr. K. S. Gohel, City Engineer, Housing & AMRUT, RMC, Gujarat discussed 'Current status of PMAY-U implemented by RMC'. He stated that PMAY is targeted to make all cities slum free and provide affordable housing to the eligible beneficiaries of economical weaker section and lower income groups. He highlighted the issues and challenges faced during the implementation of housing projects under the mission, including non-availability of proper documentary evidence, irregular disbursement of project fund under Beneficiary Led Construction (BLC) component etc. He informed that in all 36,000 beneficiaries have benefited under Credit Link Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) in Rajkot city. While concluding his session, he said that elected representatives act as support system in implementation of PMAY in Rajkot.

Last session was addressed by Mr. Dipal Kathad, Consultant, SBM-U 2.0, RMC, Gujarat in which he discussed 'Current Status of 'SBM-U 2.0 Issues and Challenges in Waste Management and Role of Elected Representatives in its Implementation'. In his presentation, he gave a brief overview of the city profile. He mentioned RMC's objectives towards implementing SBM-U 2.0, targeted sustainable solid waste management, sanitation and treatment of wastewater, awareness among citizens and enabling high capacity operationalization by promoting institutional capacity.



Mr. Dipal Kathad, Consultant, SBM-U 2.0, RMC, Gujarat addressing the participants.

Further he discussed the strategies implemented to achieve outcomes of the mission by organizing mega cleanliness campaigns in which 10582 women volunteers from various fields like schools, colleges, government employees, hospitals, traffic police, safai karmcharis, SHGs, NGOs, etc. participated. He added that first time ever it happened that such a large number of female volunteers gathered for cleanliness campaign and promotion of SBM-U2.0.

GROUP EXERCISE



Participants engaged in group exercise.

After the session, a group work was conducted where the participants were distributed into seven groups and asked to make action plans to achieve garbage free city. The participants were asked to discuss among themselves key actions that they will undertake in their respective cities to ensure garbage free. Along with this, they were asked to discuss key initiatives that they will undertake to start planning and management in the operations of solid and liquid waste.

This was followed by presentation on key points discussed by each group. A token of appreciation was given to the preparation and presentation of the best action plan.



Participants awarded for best group exercise and presentation.

SITE VISIT

A site visit was organized in the post-lunch session at a dormitory developed under the scheme of Shelter for Urban Homeless (SUH) at branch No. 10, Hospital Road, Rajkot. Ms. Kashmia Vadher, Project Officer, DAY-NULM, RMC, Gujarat welcomed the participants. She briefly explained the entire operations of SUH and its management. She explained the infrastructural facilities provided in this SUH including age wise accommodation, common kitchen, bathroom, toilets, entertainment room etc. Further she added that services like food, health, education, water and sanitation are also provided to the beneficiaries. Participants discussed with beneficiaries about the availability of services and overall management of SUH.



Participants during the site visit at SUH at Rajkot city.

SUMMING UP

After taking the feedback and Question & Answer session, the training programme was concluded by proposing a Vote of Thanks to the trainers / subject experts and the participants by Ms. Maleka Ansari, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai.

GLIMPSES OF THE SPECIALIZED TRAINING PROGRAMME





Regional Specialized Training Programme on

Role of Elected Representatives and Executives in Implementing Programme on National Missions

21st - 22nd February 2023 at Vadodara, Gujarat.

Key Highlight

The participants learned the strategies of convergence of the flagship missions and developing industrial hubs under Dholera Smart City Projects in the training programme.

BACKGROUND

The Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Government of India (GoI) is implementing various flagship missions and programmes such as Swachh Bharat Mission - Urban (SBM-U) 2.0, National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM), Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U), Smart City Mission (SCM), Atal Mission for Rejuvenation & Urban Transformation (AMRUT) 2.0 to promote sustainable and inclusive cities that aims at providing core infrastructure in the cities and giving a decent quality of life to its citizens, a clean and sustainable environment, sustainable livelihoods and application of 'Smart' Solutions.

The collective city level efforts of the Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) along with the multiple stakeholders are instrumental in creating synergies for effective implementation of the said missions and programmes, which is an impetus for sustainable development and effective urban governance. The city administrators play a vibrant role in implementing these missions at city level for good governance and citizens' welfare. It is necessary to understand the city level approach to be adopted by city administrators in creating synergy with other stakeholders in their implementation at city level.

The Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies (RCUES) of All India Institute of Local Self Government (AIILSG), Mumbai conducted a Regional Specialized Training Programme on 'Role of Elected Representatives and Executives in Implementing Programme on National Missions' on 21st - 22nd February 2023 at Vadodara, Gujarat. This training programme was supported by the MoHUA, Gol.

KEY OBJECTIVE

The key objective of this training programme was to discuss the significant role of elected representatives and executives in adopting an appropriate city level approach in implementing various missions and programmes for effective urban governance and sustainable development.

PARTICIPATION

In all 66 participants comprising Dy. Mayor, Elected Representatives, Municipal Secretary, Assistant Municipal Commissioner, Chief Accountant, Ward Officers and Sanitary Inspectors from Gujarat State attended this training programme.

INTRODUCTION

This training programme was commenced by Mr. Dinesh Patel, Regional Director, AIILSG, Vadodara by welcoming the dignitaries on the dais. Later, Ms. Neha Hardikar, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai stated that this training programme provides an opportunity to understand the current status of all flagship missions through this unique platform. This training programme is designed to explore opportunities of convergence of various missions and the significant role of elected representatives and executives in implementing the missions.

INAUGURATION

The training programme was inaugurated by Mr. Banchhanidhi Pani, IAS, Municipal Commissioner, Vadodara Municipal Corporation (VMC), Gujarat in the presence of Dr. Hitendra Patel, Chairman, Standing Committee, VMC, Mr. Girish Kumar Kotecha, Dy. Mayor, Junagadh Municipal Corporation (JMC), Gujarat, Mr. Hareshbhai Parsana, Chairman, Standing Committee, JMC, Mr. Ranjit Chavan, President, AIILSG, India, Ms. Hansa Patel, Executive Advisor, AIILSG, Vadodara and Ms. Neha Hardikar, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai. Mr. Ranjit Chavan, President, AIILSG, India felicitated Mr. Banchhanidhi Pani, IAS, Municipal Commissioner, VMC, Gujarat by offering a memento.



Mr. Banchhanidhi Pani, IAS, Municipal Commissioner, Vadodara Municipal Corporation (VMC), Gujarat inaugurated the training programme by lighting the lamp. Also seen (L to R) Ms. Hansa Patel, Executive Advisor, AIILSG, Vadodara, Dr. Hitendra Patel, Chairman, Standing Committee, VMC, Mr. Ranjit Chavan, President, AIILSG, India, Mr. Girish Kumar Kotecha, Dy. Mayor, Junagadh Municipal Corporation (JMC), and Mr. Hareshbhai Parsana, Chairman, Standing Committee, JMC, Gujarat.

TECHNICAL SESSIONS

The first technical session on 'Current Status of Implementation of AMRUT 2.0 in Gujarat State' was conducted by Dr. Vijay Anandkat, Senior Fellow, World Resources Institute (WRI) & Advisor - Urban Development Department for AMRUT & Smart City Missions, Gandhinagar, Gujarat. He initiated the session by explaining significance of developing water-secure cities in India. The emphasis was given on moving towards AatmaNirbhar Bharat with the aim of making the cities 'water secure' and providing functional water tap connections to all the households. He initially gave an overviews of the status of AMRUT phase-I. The necessity for AMRUT 2.0 was emerged to holistically address the issues of water conservation, irrigation, rainwater harvesting, rejuvenation of water bodies, desalination of seawater, and treatment of wastewater. He added that these issues can be addressed through infrastructure development in the water supply and sewerage sector by focusing on 100% tap water in all cities and 100% sewer connection in AMRUT 1.0 cities. He explained the infrastructure components and mandatory as well as optional reforms under AMRUT.



Dr. Vijay Anandkat, Senior Fellow, WRI & Advisor – Urban Development Department for AMRUT & Smart City Missions, Gandhinagar, Gujarat addressing the participants.

He said that Gujarat has undertaken various rejuvenation of water bodies and development projects worth more than rupees ten thousand crores covering 161 ULBs of Gujarat State. He further said that universal coverage of water supply, sewerage, septage management and recycle/ reuse of treated used water, and rejuvenation of water bodies and creation of green spaces are the thrust areas focused on improving sustainability and efficiency in water sector. Elected Representatives (ERs) can support ULB officials by facilitating and ensuring citizens' participation for achieving water security and sustainability of the projects. It was also mentioned that Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) is envisaged as a key strategy for spreading awareness on conservation of water and enhancing water use efficiency among the citizens. Moreover, ULBs with support from ERs can submit detailed City Water Balance Plans (CWBPs) and City Water Action Plans (CWAPs) through online portal, covering proposed projects in the thrust areas under AMRUT 2.0. He further said that mission has a reform agenda on ease of living of citizens through reduction of non-revenue water, recycling of treated used water, rejuvenation of water bodies and strengthening urban finance. He concluded the session by emphasizing on treatment of wastewater and achieving cities the status of water+ cites under AMRUT 2.0.

On the second day, the session on 'Current Status of Implementation of SBM – Urban 2.0 in Gujarat State' was delivered by Dr. Anil Roy, Sr. Associate Professor, Faculty of Planning, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat. He commenced the session by speaking on global scenario of sanitation as stated in the Urban Development Goals of the UN which points out that 81% of the global population lacks safely managed sanitation services, 80% or more wastewater returns to the environment without adequate treatment and 50% people still practice open defecation. Integrated Wastewater and Septage Management trainer module of the NIUA states that 88% of the India's population have access to basic sanitation, 67% of wastewater returns to the environment without adequate treatment and 12% people still practice open defecation at India level. He explained sanitation approaches and the evolving stages up to SBM U 2.0.



Dr. Anil Roy, Sr. Associate Professor, Faculty of Planning, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat addressing the participants.

He spoke on sanitation which has been neglected in India due to the lack of awareness and peoples' participation. Urban Sanitation has acquired attention in metro cities whereas small and medium towns faced severe lack of finance, technology etc. JNNURM provided some support for urban sanitation through the housing for all, where basic services at the dwellings were ensured but that was not enough. He added that SBM is the world's largest sanitation programme though Smart City and AMRUT which recognized the issues of water and sanitation. While talking on Swachh Certification Protocol, he presented an overview of ODF certification progress till date. So far 964 cities became ODF++ and only 9 cities became water+. He further focused on progress of Gujarat State under SBM U 2.0 and mentioned the latest status of solid waste management and Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) in Gujarat State. ERs can play a vital role in supporting the administrators for effective implementation of programme at ground level by taking a lead in IEC and Behaviour Change (BC) drives for effective implementation of the missions at the ULB level. He concluded the session by stating that Water+ is a complete sanitation programme, which will lead to making India self-reliant in urban sanitation. Through this the cities can positively achieve circular economy status in the long run. Innovations need to scale up and replicate in cities under SBM U 2.0, he added.

The next session on 'Issues and Challenges in Implementing Solid Waste Management in Gujarat State' was conducted by Ms. Monika Patel, Environmental Engineer (SWM), Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC), Gujarat. She commenced the session by focussing on Ahmedabad which has a distinction of being an award winning Cleanest Mega City consecutively for four years under Swachh Survekshan (SS). He further mentioned about the door-to-door waste collection system practiced in Ahmedabad city. The entire waste collection system is monitored through GPS system. She said that more than 165 closed-body vehicles are deployed for waste collection from the nuisance spots from August 2019. The collected waste through this system is transported to nearby Refuse Transfer Stations (RTS). She also stated that AMC has constructed at least one RTS with a capacity of 300350 TPD in all the seven zones of the city. Currently 8 RTSs are operational in the seven zones. Each Transfer Station has 2 to 3 Stationary Compactors, 9 Large Hook Loader Vehicles and 11 Large Containers with a capacity to carry 12 to 15 MT waste. These RTSs were constructed by AMC and given on 0&M basis. She also added that these Transfer Stations helps AMC to save on transportation cost, reduce pollution and ease traffic congestion, resulting in effective and speedily collection of waste.



Ms. Monika Patel, Environmental Engineer (SWM), AMC, Gujarat addressing the participants.

She spoke on the bio-mining of Pirana dump site which is a pilot project initiated by AMC, Gujarat. More than 72 lakh MT legacy waste was cleared and approximately 35 acres land was reclaimed through this project till date, she said. She further spoke on the challenges for waste segregation at source due to lack of awareness and concluded her session by saying that segregation can only be successful if there is a behaviour change in the people and appropriate facilities are provided to them.

The next session on 'Smart City Project - Dholera' was conducted by Mr. Dilip Bramhbhatt, General Manager, Dholera Industrial City Development Limited, Gandhinagar, Gujarat. Initially he spoke on the National Industrial Corridor Development Programme, which is India's most ambitious programme aiming at developing new Industrial Corridors and Smart Cities. The Programme is aimed at development of futuristic industrial cities in India which can compete with the best manufacturing and investment destinations in the world. The development has started with Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC) and eight Smart City Nodes on it. The programme will create employment opportunities and bring about economic growth leading to overall socio-economic development. Dholera is the biggest node under DMIC and is at the most advanced stage of development. He further said that Dholera industrial city lays equal emphasizes on social and recreational aspects in the planning to compliment industrial ecosystem.



Mr. Dilip Bramhbhatt, General Manager, Dholera Industrial City Development Limited, Gandhinagar, Gujarat addressing the participants.

He said that Dholera Special Investment Region (SIR) is spread over an area of 920 sg.km., and Dholera SIR is the First Planned Greenfield Industrial Smart City of India, certified by the Indian Green Building Council, offering a number of possibilities of growth and advanced infrastructure making it a connected and sustainable city, by fast tracking approvals with the single window clearances system. Dholera Taluka in the District of Ahmedabad, is envisaged to be bigger than the city of Ahmedabad. It is strategically located between the industrial cities of Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Rajkot and Bhavnagar. The proximity that Dholera SIR Project shares with the DMIC corridor makes the location even more desirable, making it a potential global trading and manufacturing hub. The connectivity of the region has been well planned and connects it through roads, rail, metro, highway and by air to all important cities of the world. He further added that Dholera SIR is fast emerging as the hotspot for residential, commercial and industrial plots investment. The city is expected to have its self-sustaining ecosystem comprising various economic drivers through social infrastructure, logistic and utility infrastructure, and overall industrialization. He concluded the session by saying that Dholera SIR has world-class infrastructure and connectivity within and outside the industrial area. This concept can be replicated under Smart City Mission/Projects, he said.

SUMMING UP

In the concluding session, Ms. Hansa Patel, Executive Advisor, AIILSG, Vadodara welcomed Smt. Rajmata Shubhangini Raje Gaekwad, Vadodara and felicitated her by offering a memento.

participants.

Shubhangini Raje Gaekwad to the participants. The training programme was concluded by proposing a Vote of Thanks to the distinguished trainers and the participants by Ms. Neha Hardikar, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai.

Certificate distribution by Smt. Rajmata Shubhangini Raje Gaekwad, Vadodara in closing session.







GLIMPSES OF THE SPECIALIZED TRAINING PROGRAMME





Regional Specialized Training Programmes on

Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM)

15th March 2023 and 16th March 2023 at Jaipur, Rajasthan.

Key Highlight

The participants learnt the significance of convergence of DAY-NULM with other missions to generate more and more livelihood opportunities in SWM & sanitation sector.

BACKGROUND

Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) was launched by the then Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation (MoHUPA), Government of India (GoI) in 2013 with the objectives to reduce poverty and vulnerability of the urban poor households by enabling them to access gainful self-employment and skilled wage employment opportunities, resulting in an appreciable improvement in their livelihoods on a sustainable basis, through building strong grassroots level institutions of the poor. The mission inter alia, aims at providing shelters equipped with essential services to the urban homeless in a phased manner. In addition, the mission also addresses livelihood concerns of the urban street vendors by facilitating access to suitable spaces, institutional credit, social security and skills to the urban street vendors for accessing emerging market opportunities. The Urban Local Bodies (ULBs), DAY-NULM functionaries and other stakeholders develop a synergy in its implementation to achieve sustainable livelihood opportunities.

Considering this, Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies (RCUES) of All India Institute of Local Self Government (AIILSG), Mumbai conducted Regional Specialized Training Programmes on 'Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM)' 15th March 2023 & 16th March 2023 at Jaipur, Rajasthan. These training programmes were supported by the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Government of India (Gol).

KEY OBJECTIVE

The key objective of these training programmes was to encourage the ULBs and other stakeholders in effective implementation of DAY-NULM for sustainable livelihoods opportunities.

PARTICIPATION

In all, 98 participants comprising Chief Executive Officers, Joint Directors, State Mission Managers, City Mission Managers, District Mission Managers, State Project Managers, District Project Managers, and President, Dy. President & members of ALFs attended these training programmes from the State of Rajasthan.

Sr.	Date of the	No. of
No.	Training Programme	Participants
1	15 th March 2023	45
2	16 th March 2023	53
	Total	98

INTRODUCTION



Ms. Neha Hardikar, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai addressing the participants.

Ms. Neha Hardikar, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai initiated this training programme. She welcomed trainers and participants and gave a background of functioning of the RCUES, Mumbai. She further spoke about the need of effective implementation of DAY-NULM at ULB level for creating sustainable livelihoods opportunities. The convergence of DAY-NULM with other flagship missions like Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) and Atal Mission for Rejuvenation & Urban Transformation (AMRUT) will create many livelihoods opportunities to sustain urban poor. This programme will be certainly helpful to understand convergence strategies to be implemented / replicated at city level.

The second training programme was commenced & coordinated by Ms. Maleka Ansari, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai.



Ms. Maleka Ansari, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai addressing the participants.

INAUGURATION

The first training programme was inaugurated by Mr. Bhanwarlal Bhairwa, Project Director, DAY-NULM, Government of Rajasthan (GoR) in the presence of Dr. Jairaj Phatak, IAS (Retd), Director General, AIILSG, India, Dr. (Prof.) Sneha Palnitkar, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Waste Management Resource Centre (WMRC), AIILSG, Mumbai, Mr. Vinod Paliwal, Regional Director, AIILSG, Jodhpur, Rajasthan and Mrs. Neha Hardikar, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai.



Mr. Bhanwarlal Bhairwa, Project Director, DAY-NULM, GoR inaugurated the training programme by lighting the lamp. Also seen (L to R) Mr. Vinod Paliwal, Regional Director, AIILSG, Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Dr. Jairaj Phatak, IAS (Retd), Director General, AIILSG, Dr. (Prof.) Sneha Palnitkar, CEO, WMRC, AIILSG, Mumbai, and Mrs. Neha Hardikar, Sr. Research Officer, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai.

Dr. Jairaj Phatak, IAS (Retd), Director General, AIILSG felicitated Mr. Bhanwarlal Bhairwa, Project Director, DAY-NULM, Government of Rajasthan by offering a plant.

Mr. Bhairwa addressed the participants by saying that this is a good opportunity for all the participants to understand the implementation strategies for developing more and more livelihoods opportunities. DAY-NULM implementing functionaries should focus more on convergence with the other missions, he said.

The second training programme was also inaugurated by Mr. Bhanwarlal Bhairwa, Project Director, DAY-NULM, GoR.

TECHNICAL SESSIONS

The first technical session on 'Overview of Central Government supported Missions & Programmes' was delivered by Dr. Jairaj Phatak, IAS (Retd.), Director General, AIILSG. Firstly, he spoke on democracy and its advantages; and obligatory functions of municipal bodies. Later, he spoke on poverty alleviation programmes in which he explained the wage employment and self-employment schemes. He added that organizing urban poor in Self-Help Groups (SHGs), creating opportunities for skill development leading to market-based employment and helping urban poor to set up self-employment ventures by ensuring easy access to credit, are significant indicators under DAY-NULM. He elucidated the Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), which gives one-third weightage to health, one-third to education and one-third to standard of living. Thus, nutrition, child mortality, years of schooling, school attendance, sanitation, cooking fuel, drinking water, electricity, housing and assets get due weightage. From 2005-06 to 2015-16, the poverty levels in India almost halved from 54.7% to 27.5 % with 27.1 crore people crossing the poverty line. It was further reduced to 25% by 2021.



Dr. Jairaj Phatak, IAS (Retd.), Director General, AIILSG addressing the participants.

He also spoke on SBM, AMRUT, Infrastructure programmes like Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) and Integrated Development of Small & Medium Towns (IDSMT) and highlighted the best performing city under each of the missions. He concluded the session by focusing more on benefits of convergence of DAY-NULM mission with SBM & AMRUT missions to generate more livelihoods opportunities.

The next session on 'Convergence of DAY-NULM & SBM' was delivered by Dr. (Prof.) Sneha Palnitkar, CEO, WMRC, AIILSG, Mumbai. She commenced the session by emphasizing on need for convergence of DAY-NULM and SBM. She said that the guidelines issued by the MoHUA, GoI in 2018 suggest a convergence model under both the missions through promoting livelihoods options for SHGs, informal sanitation workers, marginalized communities and those working in sanitation and solid waste sector at city level. The guidelines stated that all SHG members to play a role of ground level/ community level facilitators and encourage interpersonal communication within SHGs.



Dr. (Prof.) Sneha Palnitkar, CEO, WMRC, AIILSG, Mumbai addressing the participants.

She also talked on livelihoods opportunities under Solid Waste Management (SWM). These opportunities include contracts of street sweeping, collection & operation of dry waste, door to door waste collection and its segregation, operation of Material Recovery Facility (MRF) centre, waste collection from slums etc. SHGs can be involved in handling these activities. Besides, she also spoke on generating livelihoods opportunities through art and craft products from waste. The useful products can be created by training and engaging waste pickers and slum dwellers families to make creative products. These activities generate livelihoods to the waste pickers and other slum dwellers, and reduce the burden of ULBs of waste collection and transportation of waste in cities. She depicted several pictures of creative recycled items and furniture made out of waste. She further added that creation of interactive gardens and wall arts can be made by involving communities, which leads to increase in livelihoods opportunities through convergence of missions.

Further in her session, she explained City Inclusive Safai Mitra Suraksha Challenge Fund (Manhole to Machine) initiative taken under SBM. Rehabilitation of informal safaimitras can be achieved through linkages with entrepreneurship and livelihoods opportunities. She also talked on zero garbage implementation approach which includes conducting assessment of existing situation, awareness building, encouraging waste segregation, door to door waste collection, decentralized waste processing facilities etc. This implementation can be done at ULB level. She added that the strategies adopted by ULBs such as mobilizing SHGs of sanitation workers & waste pickers, skill development of SWM and sanitation workers, capacity building of DAY-NULM & SBM functionaries, creating enabling governance frameworks, strengthening community engagement platforms for sanitation and SWM, promoting livelihood opportunities in sanitation and SWM. She concluded the session explaining the livelihoods opportunities through plastic waste management under SBM.

The above two sessions were conducted on both the days. Following are the technical sessions which were conducted after above-stated starting two sessions on 15th March 2023.

The session on 'Overview of DAY-NULM and Indira Gandhi Shahari Credit Card Yojana' was conducted by Mr. Nitin Pareek, State Mission Manager, DAY-NULM, GoR. He started the session by mentioning the current status of implementation of the DAY-NULM across Rajasthan State by explaining component wise physical progress under DAY-NULM. He also explained PM Street Vendors Atma Nirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) which aims to empower street vendors by providing loans to them to tide over their difficulties in the wake of the pandemic and restart their business. Further, he explained the progress of PM SVANidhi, in which he elaborated upon total eligible applications, total sanctioned applications and total loan disbursed till date across Rajasthan State. At the third stage of loan process, the number of applications received were less as street vendors can not apply for third stage until he repays the loan amount of the second stage.



Mr. Nitin Pareek, State Mission Manager, DAY-NULM, GoR addressing the participants.

He further emphasized on Samridhi scheme, which aims to assess potential eligibility of PM SVANidhi beneficiaries and their families for central welfare schemes and facilitates the linkages to other schemes. This scheme is currently being implemented in 48 cities of Rajasthan.

He also spoke on Indira Gandhi Shahari Credit Card Yojana launched by Chief Minister of Rajasthan State in 2021 -22. It provides interest free loans of up to fifty thousand rupees for a period of one year to street vendors, unorganized services sector employees and unemployed youths registered under district employment centre of urban areas. The primary benefit of this scheme is that it provides financial assistance to the unemployed youths so that they can revive their business. In fact, various selfemployment opportunities in urban areas are being developed through this scheme. This scheme helped to reduce the impact of pandemic on the informal business sector. He concluded the session by explaining the significance of the given schemes in enhancing wellbeing of marginalized urban poor.

The next session on 'Status of DAY-NULM in Rajasthan State' was jointly delivered by Mr. Ashwini Kumar, State Mission Manager, DAY-NULM, GoR & Mr. Ahmed Tehreen, State Mission Manager, DAY-NULM, GoR. They focused on the issues and challenges tackled by DAY-NULM functionaries during implementation at multiple clusters while implementing DAY-NULM at city level.

Mr. Kumar gave an overview of implementation status of Support to Street Vendors and Homeless Shelters components under DAY-NULM. He explained all the components under DAY-NULM with its current progress as some of the participants were joined newly as DAY-NULM functionaries under the mission. He insisted all participants to read the guidelines of Support to Street Vendors for their better understanding to implement the component.



Mr. Ashwini Kumar, State Mission Manager, DAY-NULM, GoR addressing the participants.

Mr. Tehreen discussed the overall strategies, approaches undertaken at state / ULB level while implementing the components of the mission. He also highlighted the emergence of phase two of DAY-NULM in the near future.



Mr. Ahmed Tehreen, State Mission Manager, DAY-NULM, GoR addressing the participants.

Following are the technical sessions which were conducted after starting the first two sessions on 16^{th} March 2023.

Mr. Manmohan Sharma, State Project Officer, Social Mobilization & Institution Development (SM & ID), DAY-NULM, GoR spoke on 'Convergence of DAY-NULM & Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro-Food Processing Enterprises (PM FME)'. In the beginning he said that it is a centrally sponsored scheme launched on 29th June, 2020 to support collective enterprises like Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), SHGs, Cooperatives along the entire value chain. He explained One District One Product (ODOP) approach introduced in implementation of PM FME. He stated that products like agriculture produce, food, non-agriculture, minor forest etc. will be preferred to support the existing individual processing unit for ODOP. He also spoke on the strategies to be followed in implementing PM FME including provision of seed capital Rs. 40,000/- per member of SHGs and credit linked 35% grant for capital investment for training, handholding, and marketing support. He further noted that implementation of PM FME creates a platform to address seed capital support, credit link subsidy for capital investment and support to common infrastructure, which can be converged with DAY-NULM, Area Level Federation (ALF) and City Level Federation (CLF) to start group employment ventures.



Mr. Manmohan Sharma, State Project Officer, SM & ID, DAY-NULM, GoR addressing the participants.

Further he discussed city level initiatives implemented under DAY-NULM by highlighting Shelter for Urban Homeless (SUH) targeting dignified human living by providing the basic common facilities and amenities such as water, sanitation, electricity, food, cooking space, common recreation space facilitates etc.

Ms. Sandhya Bhandari, State Project Manager, Self-Employment Programme (SEP), Financial Inclusion and Micro Enterprises (FI & ME), DAY-NULM, GoR addressed the 'Issues and Challenges in Implementing DAY-NULM - Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) - Orientation & Awareness'. She initiated the session with an overview of the DAY-NULM scenario in Rajasthan by highlighting the gaps between demand and supply of employment opportunities in urban areas. She briefly discussed the self-employment programme, under which financial assistance is provided to individuals / groups of urban poor for setting up gainful self-employment ventures / micro-enterprises, suited to their skills, training, aptitude and local conditions.



Ms. Sandhya Bhandari, State Project Manager, SEP, FI & ME, DAY-NULM, GoR addressing the participants.

She emphasized on the need to orient ground level institutions to encourage needy and poor to take advantage from livelihood opportunities created under DAY-NULM.

She focused on the importance of SHGs, ALFs, and CLFs in effective implementation of sustainable livelihoods programmes under DAY-NULM. She explained the benefits of the revolving funds for the vulnerable groups in cities. In the concluding session, she noted that City Livelihood Centres (CLCs) and their important role in generating livelihoods by encouraging local skill and talents.

Mr. Ravi Kiran Bokam Naydu, State Coordinator, Centre for Advocacy and Research (CFAR), Jaipur discussed the 'Role of SHGs in Sanitation'. He spoke on the project implemented by Jaipur Municipal Corporation by creating livelihood opportunities in sanitation by outsourcing the cleaning and maintenance services to the vulnerable groups through SHGs, in collaboration with CFAR. Further he informed that a total 23 SHGs are involved in sanitation based livelihood.



Mr. Ravi Kiran Bokam Naydu, State Coordinator, CFAR, Jaipur addressing the participants.

He added that to strengthen SHGs post-COVID period and to enhance their livelihood options, trainings were conducted for them in making bio-degradable sanitary napkins, kitchen waste compost, mask making, phenyle and hand wash making. At the end of the session, he informed that their centre is planning next training in digitalizing the marketing of the SHGs products.

SUMMING UP

The first training programme was concluded by Ms. Neha Hardikar and the second training programme was concluded by Ms. Maleka Ansari, both Sr. Research Officers, RCUES, AIILSG, Mumbai by proposing a Vote of Thanks to the trainers / subject experts and the participants.

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