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Expanding the dynamics of right based approach is the need of hour: National Workshop on Human Rights-Based Approach (HRBA)

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Consensus emerged among the CSOs from across the country to adopt the human right based approach to bring in positive transformation among various actors in the development sector, in a national workshop on Huna Rights based Approach (HRBA) organised in Jaipur. The motto “Respect- Protect-Promote-Fulfil” human rights remained dominant in the workshop. The HRBA goes beyond the contours of need based approach. It is as an effective way to reconcile conflict of development and human rights, and expand knowledge and understanding of Human Rights/gender equity as under various International Covenants and the Indian Constitution.

On adopting the HRBA in development sector work, the CSOs can identify all the multiple stakeholders on various axis of vulnerability and identify duty bearers and explore if they have met their obligations. The workshop was aimed to equip the participating organisations and researchers to induct the approach in all activities of development sector from planning to implement them, by creating awareness among people and translating their claims into Rights and persuading State to fulfil their rights.

The National Workshop was organised by CUTS International in partnership with Swedish Society for Nature Conservation (SSNC), Stockholm (Sweden). Adv. Albertina Almeida, an eminent human rights activist and a Practicing lawyer from Goa facilitated the two days’ workshop.

While delivering the opening address, George Cheriyan, Director, CUTS International said, HRBA is a conceptual framework for the process of human development that is based on international human rights standards and directed towards promoting and protecting human rights. Sara Nisson, from SSNC, Stockholm in her address said, the approach centres around six facets called PLANET, i.e., Participation, linkages, accountability, non-discrimination, empowerment, transparency.

The workshop was very interactive and witnessed active participation to reinvent the right based approach from Human Rights perspective to contribute positively in realising them and using the approach in all activities of development projects.

Representatives of Civil Society Organisations across the county attended the workshop, along with delegates from SSNC, Sweden.

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