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Microfinance Community



Community Update

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From the Resource Team

Dear Members,

We profusely thank members for giving their valuable inputs to the following four queries:

1. Insurance Coverage Key to Disaster Recovery - Advice; Examples;
2. Sustainable financial inclusion through use of technology- the role of Last Mile players - Experiences; Examples;
3. Utilization of Share Capital in Self-Reliant Cooperatives functioning as second level institution groups, Advice; Examples; References;
4. Motivating youth for skill training under DDU-GKY- Examples; Experiences.

Links to the consolidated reply for query 1 & 2 are given below:

1. <http://solutionexchange-un.net.in/ftp/drm/cr/se-drm-cr-mf-01041601.pdf>
2. <http://solutionexchange-un.net.in/ftp/mf/cr/cr-se-mf-2004201601.pdf>

We are in the process of preparing the consolidated reply for the other two queries which we will share soon. During this period we also started a discussion on innovative finance solutions for biodiversity conservation in India. A few members have shared experiences and examples. Members are encouraged to further provide their inputs to this query. We are extending the 'Reply by Date' to 31 May 2016.

In the months from January to April, a series of workshops and conferences were held nationally and internationally where members of Microfinance Community of Practitioners participated. We request them to share their learnings through this platform for the benefit of other members. In addition, it is seen that a lot of innovations take place at the grass root level which help in dressing critical needs of the community at large. These innovations need to be disseminated and documented at a wider level so that the learnings and models can be replicated with contextual modification. We also request members to share their ideas to make this platform more vibrant through discussions and information sharing, thus addressing the issues of all the stakeholders.

Regards,

[Sowmya Ramesh](#), United Nations Development Programme, New Delhi.

Members Postings

Workshops, Trainings, Conferences & Events

Recently Held:

From [Manushi Deepak](#), MicroSave, Lucknow



MicroSave Signs MoU with National Payment Corporation of India

6 April 2016



A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between *MicroSave* and NPCI (National Payment Corporation of India) to create India's first cashless village. As per the agreement, *MicroSave*, NPCI, and State Bank of India (SBI) will partner with each other to create a first of its kind - a cashless ecosystem. The move is designed to enhance the uptake of digital money and to create a cashless economy in India through RuPay, IMPS, AEPS and UPI. NPCI will be working with commercial banks and will be supported by *MicroSave*. Click [here](#) for details.

MicroSave Work On PMJDY Featured In Business Standard

2 April 2016

Community News

From Our Partners:

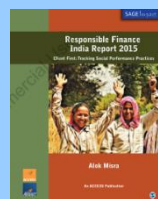
Publications, Papers and Reports:

From [Anshu Singh](#)



Release of the Inclusive Finance India Report 2015

The report is currently [available for purchase](#).



Release of the Responsible Finance India Report 2015: Client First - Tracking Social Performance Practices)

The report is currently [available for purchase](#).

From [Manushi Deepak](#), MicroSave, Lucknow



Fair Price Shop Ownership: How Viable Is It?

Endline Assessment of DBT Pilots in TPDS: Some Success and Few Issues
<http://bit.ly/1SBWzrm>

Andhra Pradesh's Public Distribution System: A Trailblazer

Interventions to Strengthen PMJDY Scheme

From [Sowmya Ramesh](#), UNDP, New Delhi

A Change in Behavior: Innovations in Financial Capability

Payment Aspects of Financial Inclusion



The April 2, 2016 edition of [Business Standard](#) featured a detailed article on *MicroSave's* study on Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY). The study was conducted for the Ministry of Finance and included three rounds of surveys on PMJDY - in December 2014, July 2015, and December 2015 - giving a glimpse into the changing picture of the scheme's implementation. Click [here](#) to read more.

Regulatory Framework Promotion of Pro-poor Insurance Markets in Asia (RFPI) expands knowledge sharing on inclusive insurance globally

The RFPI Asia programme seeks to improve access to insurance in Asia through capacity building for insurance regulation and supervision. In addition, they also promote the development of innovative insurance solutions for the low-income sector.

As part of their efforts to promote financial protection of low-income people, in March and April 2016 they facilitated knowledge sharing and capacity building at three global events. Click [here](#) to read more.

Upcoming:

From [Manushi Deepak](#), *MicroSave, Lucknow*

The 22nd Annual Boulder Microfinance Training (MFT) Program

18 July to 5 August 2016, Turin, Italy

The training will be held at the International Training Centre of the ILO. In the 2016 training programme, participants will be able to choose one of three

The Status of Financial Inclusion, Regulation, and Education in India.



Microfinance in Post-disaster, Post-conflict Areas & Fragile States: Resilience and Responsibility

Jobs/ opportunities:

From [Manushi Deepak](#), *MicroSave, Lucknow*



Careers at MicroSave:

<http://www.microsave.net/career>

Location: Multiple

From [Sowmya Ramesh](#), *UNDP, New Delhi*

Financial Analyst

Organization: The World Bank

Location: Chennai, India

Closing date: 19 May 2016

Senior Financial Assistant

Organization: The World Bank

Location: Chennai, India

Closing date: 15 May 2016

Lead Financial Sector Specialist

Organization: The World Bank

Location: Chennai, India

Closing date: 24 May 2016

concentration certificates, depending on their professional profile: **Management, Policy, or Development**. The programme is tailored to a wide range of professionals from microfinance and financial inclusion institutions. It has elective courses and a daily 'Master Class', all carefully designed to meet the professional needs and challenges that the industry faces today. Click [here](#) for more details.

From [Arshad Ajmal](#), Sahulat Microfinance Society, India

Participation for Harmonious Development (PHD): 1st Annual International Microfinance Research Workshop 2016

15th - 16th July, 2016, New Delhi

This annual workshop called the **Participation for Harmonious Development (PHD)** intends to bring together microfinance and every possible initiative being implemented anywhere in the world that would result in the creation of harmony among the participants. The theme for this year mainly focuses on two diverse areas, namely, Crowdfunding and Cooperatives. Click [here](#) for more details.

From [Ayush Sachdeva](#), Eletonline
3 June 2016, Vivanta by Taj in Mumbai, Maharashtra.

After the grand success of BFSI Leadership Summit 2015 (<http://bfsileaders.eletsonline.com/2015/>), Elets Technomedia is organizing **Elets BFSI Leadership Summit 2016** on June 3rd 2016. (<http://bfsileaders.eletsonline.com/>)

Elets BFSI Leadership Summit resonates with the thought of felicitating banks for upgrading according to technology as well as corporates for providing such technologies and bringing the four pillars of Indian Banking vis-à-vis Government, Regulators, Bankers & Industries on one platform for deliberations on growth of banking industry in India.

Click [here](#) to view the event Brochure. Click [here](#) to view the Agenda.

Previous Updates

For PDF Version of last update no. 86 (**November-December 2015 issue**), please visit: http://solutionexchange-un.net.in/ftp/mf/comm_update/mf-update-86-2112201501.pdf (Pdf; 345 KB)

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Many thanks to all who contributed to this issue!

If you have items to feature in this News Update, please send it to Solution Exchange for the Microfinance Community in India at se-mf@solutionexchange-un.net.in.

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