

Cornell-SEWA-WIEGO

Membership Based Organizations of the Poor (MBOP) EDP and Workshop

ARRIVAL

Monday, January 17

- Morning Arrival of participants in Ahmedabad; transfer to hotel.
- 3.00 pm Visit to Gandhi Ashram; Introduction to Gandhian philosophy and its implications for SEWA, by Namrata Bali, General Secretary of SEWA.
- 6.00 pm Welcome and introduction.
 *Welcome by SEWA
 *Self introduction by participants and host ladies
 *Introduction to Exposure methodology
 *Introduction to Workshop structure.

EXPOSURE

Tuesday, January 18

- 8.00 am Preparation for departure. Composition of exposure groups. Information about hosts and exposure sites.
- 9.00am Departure of participants for exposure
 *Sharing life and work of the host, a SEWA leader.
 *Experiencing leadership: how to become a leader.
 *Meeting with Executive Committee members, Trade Committee members, Board members of SEWA Bank, savings group members.
 *Overnight stay in host lady's house.

Wednesday, January 19

- Morning Exposure continued. End of Exposure and departure for Manipur for the workshop

2.00 pm Joint sharing of experiences: Presentation of group reports (max 10 minutes per group)

WORKSHOP

6.00-6.15 Introduction to Workshop
Marty Chen, Renana Jhabvala, Ravi Kanbur and Carol Richards

6.15--7.00 Keynote Address

Ela Bhatt, Founder, SEWA

Chair: L.D. Mishra

7.00--7.30 Discussion

8.00 Dinner

Thursday, January 20

8.30--10.15 Session I Asia (A)
Chair: Ravi Kanbur

8.30-8.50 “Voice lessons: local government organizations, social organizations, and the quality of local governance.”
Presenter: Lant Pritchett, World Bank
lpritchett@worldbank.org

8.50-9.10 “Membership based organizations of the poor: theory, experience and policy-change and the everyday politics of community based organizations.”
Presenter: Joe Devine, University of Bath.
ecsjd@bath.ac.uk

9.10-9.30 “REFLECT and internal control of CFI’s in rural Cambodia.”
Presenter: Brett Matthews, Canadian Cooperative Association.
brett@mathwood.com

9.30-10.15 Discussion

10.15--10.45 Break

10.45--12.30 Session II Multicountry Studies
Chair: Renana Jhabvala

10.45-11.05 “Conditions for success: an institutional review of the experience and good practice of rural member-based organizations of the poor.”
Presenter: Eve Crowley, FAO.
eve.crowley@fao.org

11.05-11.25 “Waste picker cooperatives in Asia and in Latin America.”
Presenter: Martin Medina, El Colegio de la Frontera Norte.
medina2525@aol.com

11.25-11.45 “Slack/Slum dwellers international: one experience of the contribution of membership based organizations to pro-poor urban development.”
Presenter: Celine d’Cruz, SPARC and SDI
celine.d'cruz@iied.org

11.45-12.30 Discussion

12.30--2.00 Lunch

2.00--3.45 Session III India
Chair: Marty Chen

2.00-2.20 “Cooperatives and the emancipation of the marginalized: case studies from two cities of India.”
Presenter: Sharit Bhowmik, University of Mumbai.
sharitb@sociology.mu.ac.in

2.20-2.40 “Can SHG-Based Micro-Credit Programmes can Remove Poverty? A Case Study of SHG-Based Programmes in Patan District of Gujarat.”
Presenter: Anand Mohan Tiwari, Government of Gujarat.

2.40-3.00 “Working class struggles, labor elites and closed shops: the lessons from India’s trade unions and experiences of organization.”
Presenter: Arjan de Hann, DFID.
arjande@yahoo.co.uk

3.00-3.45 Discussion

- 3.45--4.15 Break
- 4.15--6.00 Session IV Asia (B)
Chair: Carol Richards
- 4.15-4.35 “A new practice of labour organizing: community based organizing of migrant women workers in south China.”
Presenter: Pun Ngai, University of Science and Technology Hong Kong.
sonpun@ust.hk
- 4.35-4.55 “Membership based organizations as a reflection of power structures in rural community: experiences and observations from Sindh Province, Pakistan.”
Presenter: Themrise Khan, Social Development Consultant.
tnk@cyber.net.pk
- 4.55-5.15 “The influence of organizational ad membership structure on the survival of poor people’s social movement organizations.”
Presenter: Edward Walker, Pennsylvania State University.
etw11@psu.edu
- 5.15-6.00 Discussion
- 8.00 Dinner

Friday, January 21

- 8.30—9.45 Session V, Africa
Chair:
- 8.30-8.50 “Membership based organizations of the poor: the South African experience.”
Presenter: Jan Theron, University of Cape Town.
theron@law.uct.ac.za
- 8.50-9.10 “Extending insurance? Funeral associations in Ethiopia and Tanzania.”
Presenter: Joachim de Werdt, Economic Development Initiatives.
j.deweerd@edi-africa.com
- 9.10-9.45 Discussion
- 9.45--10.15 Break

10.15--11.30 Session VI, Latin America

Chair:

10.15-10.35 “Informal governance procedures and the exit option among Lima’s street vending organizations.”

Presenter: Sally Roeber, University of California, Berkeley.
sroeber@socrates.berkeley.edu

10.35-10.55 “The experiences with MBOPs in rural Brazil.”

Presenter: Edward Bresnayan, World Bank.
ebresnayan@worldbank.org

10.55-11.30 Discussion

11.30—12.00 Break

12.00—1.00 Closing Session: Overview and the Way Forward

1.00 Lunch and departure of participants