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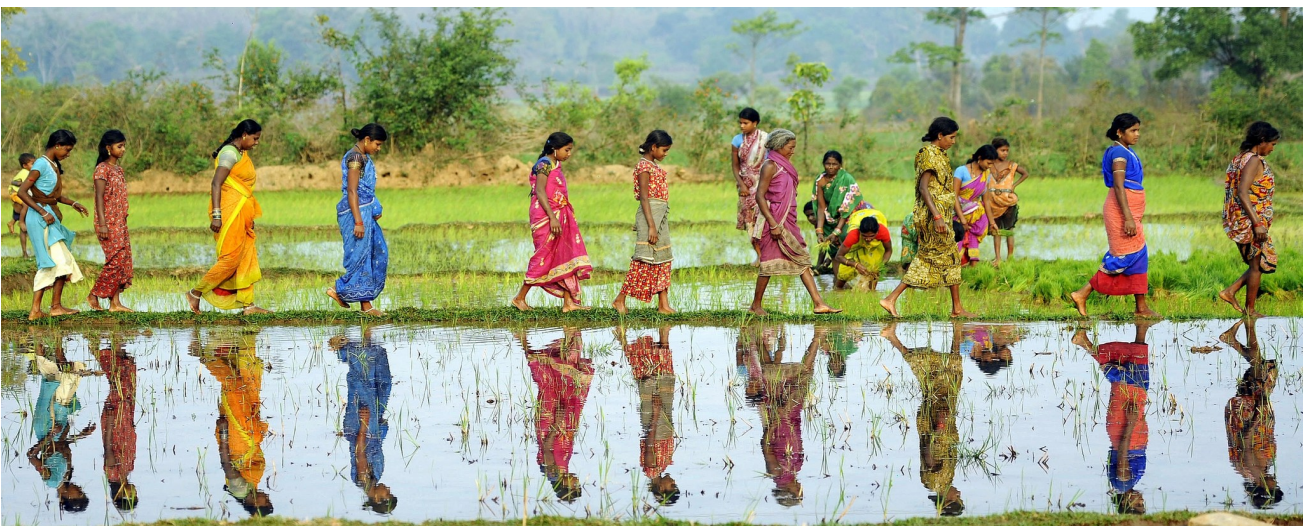
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A BRIEF REFLECTION ON THE UNION BUDGET 2017-18, MCH SERVICE STRENGTHENING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ON WOMEN'S DAY



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NOTE FROM BENGALURU

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#I WILL GO OUT' – WOMEN'S MARCH, BENGALURU EDITION

As part of the #IWillGoOut movement in Bengaluru, I experienced a striking solidarity among individuals from all sections of society - women, men and transgendered, old and young, all of whom marched peacefully from the KSR Railway Station to Freedom Park, with a single goal in mind – to ensure women have the rights to be heard, seen and be in public spaces at any time without fear. | [Read More](#)

A Note on Maternal Health Rights Violations in Madhya Pradesh

The role of non-governmental agencies is important in implementation, but most organisations are interested in awareness, training and promotion, while people need support within the system. Under NHM, many voluntary sector organization members are in committees, but they maintain silence even though they know the condition at grass-root level. In the absence of a specific law related to the right to health, unfair health care practices, delayed response of the grievance redressal mechanisms within the system, and other complexities weaken the mission. But some committed individuals and organizations are creating space for people with limited available resources, which encourage people to achieve "Health for All" within the constitutional framework | [Read More](#)





Use of Information and Communication Technology for Social Accountability in Health Capacity building exercise by COPASAH South Asia (India)



To facilitate strengthening of the processes of social accountability practices in citizen engagement/ participation for monitoring, evidence gathering, gap analysis and advocacy in health care service delivery, demanding quality health care and rights | [Read More](#)

- ★ Use of accessible, low cost (affordable) technology that is familiar to community leaders was useful in overcoming their fear of technology and for facilitating its optimal employment in generating evidence.
- ★ Digital evidence was successful in eliciting emotional response and comparatively quick action on community issues such as timely emergency care from the authorities concerned.
- ★ As a move from theory to practice in sharing and learning about the use of technology to document evidence regarding gaps, for accountability and social mobilization is a value addition to the process.
- ★ The use of digital evidence was effective in drawing attention of authorities, people and service providers, prompting them to quick problem solving action.



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*Hollowed by thy shadow
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(IFCT) was published last month in the book "[Nutritive Value of Indian Foods](#)" published by the National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad. The tables are comprehensive and authoritative, and are reproduced in other books, including the standard textbook of Preventive and Social Medicine by Park.

A documentary film in Tamil Titled "[KAKKOOS](#)" (Toilet) was released and this is one of the important movies talked about issues of sanitary workers from multiple angle including caste, unemployment, exploitation etc.,

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