

Workshop on Addressing Social Determinants of Rural Health in the LSDG Era Centre for PG Studies and Distance Education in Collaboration with Centre for Innovations and Technologies, NIRDPR, Hyderabad Venue: NIRDPR, Hyderabad

Dates: 4th and 5th September 2024

Background

Social determinants of health refer to the non-medical factors that influence health outcomes, including conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work, and age. These determinants encompass a range of socio-economic factors such as poverty, education, housing, employment, and access to resources like clean water, green energy, fresh air, and nutritious food. Addressing these elements is critical when discussing health and development in rural India, particularly of marginalized communities, who often experience higher rates of poverty, lower levels of education, and limited access to clean water, nutritious food, and secure housing.

The COVID-19 pandemic has further highlighted the importance of these determinants, as rural communities face unique challenges in healthcare access, economic stability, and social support, exacerbating existing vulnerabilities.

The upcoming two-day workshop on "Addressing Social Determinants of Health in Rural India: Localizing Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)" aims to bring together policymakers, healthcare professionals, non-governmental organizations, community leaders and PRI functionaries to discuss and strategize the integration of social determinants of health from a stakeholder's perspective. With rural India facing multifaceted challenges influenced by socio-economic factors, this workshop will provide a platform to understand the critical linkages between these determinants and broader rural development outcomes. By aligning efforts with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 3 (Good Health and _Well-being), SDG 1 (No Poverty), SDG 6 (Clean Water _and Sanitation), and SDG 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy) the workshop will take a comprehensive approach to improving health in rural communities.

Objectives

The primary objective of the workshop is to facilitate an exchange of diverse perspectives from academia, practice, and policy and identify actionable strategies to mitigate the impact of social determinants such as poverty, education, gender inequality, access to clean water, housing and sanitation on health, and the role of local governance in addressing these determinants.

Expected Outcomes

The collaborative discussions are expected to result in a set of localized, actionable recommendations which will be documented as policy inputs and ultimately compiled into a policy brief.

Who can apply?

- Officials from Health and Family Welfare Department, Planning, Woman and Child Development, Panchayati Raj & Rural Development, Department of Drinking Water & sanitation, and Education & Officials from other line departments responsible for implementation of programs in the field.
- Aspirational Block Fellows
- Scholars/Researchers
- Policy Makers
- Health Experts & NGO Representatives

Nomination letters for participating in the workshop must reach the undersigned through email <u>sucharitapujari.nird@gov.in</u> by 23rd August 2024. As the seats are limited only selected participants will be informed by 24th August 2024.

Registration Link - Click Here

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