

Letter of Invitation

Nutrition Vulnerability and Nutrition in Emergencies Workshop Jharkhand
Date: 10th July, 2013, 11:00 – 14:00 hours
Venue: Hotel Surendra Vilas, 240, Maharana Pratap Nagar Zone-I, Bhopal.

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings from Sphere India and IAG Madhya Pradesh,

Under nutrition is a major public health concern worldwide. One third of the children under 5 years old worldwide are moderately or severely undernourished. There is high prevalence of nutritional vulnerability pan India both in urban and rural contexts. There have been efforts made by the Government and other civil society stakeholders in the recent past to address this concern in a more holistic manner.

Considering the multi-hazard profile of Madhya Pradesh, addressing the aspects of nutrition especially during emergencies or disasters therefore poses a multidimensional challenge in our context. A State Consultation on “Malnutrition and hunger challenges: **Multi-stakeholder Action for addressing Nutrition in Emergencies in India**” jointly organized by **Sphere India and IAG MP** is scheduled on **10th July 2013 from 11.00 am to 2:00 pm** at Hotel Surendra Vilas, 240, Maharana Pratap Nagar Zone-I, Bhopal.

The consultation aims to develop consensus among stakeholders on the status of food and nutritional security in India and create mechanisms for better interagency coordination and collaboration to address this concern. The outcome of the consultation will feed into the National Workshop on the same subject being planned in New Delhi later this month in collaboration with NDMA (National Disaster Management Authority), Govt. of India.

We take this opportunity to invite you to participate at this state consultation and guide the proceedings for strengthening efforts to address **nutrition in emergencies** and further strengthening Inter Agency Group in MP.

You are requested to confirm your participation to Birjesh (birjesh@sphereindia.org.in, +91 9818975916)

With Regards

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