



Sphere India

National Coalition of Humanitarian Agencies in India

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Building Resilient India

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SPHERE INDIA

Sphere India is a National Coalition of Humanitarian Agencies in India. Initiated in 2003, as a country pilot of The Sphere Project in India, Sphere India gradually evolved through a process of consultations to provide institutional space and processes of collaboration to promote Quality and Accountability in Humanitarian Action in India.

VISION

To build a safer and disaster resilient India by promoting quality and accountability in humanitarian action through a principle based inclusive process of collaboration of all humanitarian actors including Government Agencies, UN Agencies, Red Cross, International, National and Local NGOs, CBOs and Communities.

MISSION

To enhance the Quality and Accountability of Humanitarian Action in India and protecting the rights and dignity of the people affected by natural calamities or conflict situations in India.

CORE COMMITMENTS

Sphere India is an expression of our collective commitment towards Quality and Accountability to those we seek to assist. We expect to be held accountable to this commitment and undertake to:

- Develop platforms for Inter Agency Collaboration based on agreed principles at all levels (National, States, Districts and Communities) in India.
- Take all possible steps (Preparedness, Response and Advocacy) to prevent Human suffering arising out of natural calamity or conflict situations in India.
- Assess overall humanitarian need emerging due to natural calamity or conflict situation in India and meet the needs through Unified Response and Collaborative efforts of all stakeholders (Government and Non-Government).
- Develop systems, processes and institutionalization programs to enhance Quality and Accountability of Humanitarian Actions in India.

SPHERE INDIA PROGRAMME VERTICALS

	Inter Agency Coordination	Training and Capacity Building	Knowledge Management	Collaborative Advocacy
PLATFORM	Inter Agency Coordination for Emergency Preparedness and Response.	Strategic Collaboration and Coordination of Humanitarian training and capacity building efforts in India	To collate, process, research, analyze develop and disseminate Humanitarian information, knowledge and learning resources.	Inter Agency collaboration for Humanitarian Advocacy.
INSPIRATION	Indian innovation inspired from local initiatives & global humanitarian reforms.	Global inter Agency ECB (Emergency Capacity Building) Program	Global Inter Agency ALNAP initiative	Indian innovation
STEERING COMMITTEE	Chair: CARE india Co-Chair: ADRA Member: Christian Aid, CASA, TDH Foundation, Caritas India, SEEDS, ACF, UNDP, UNICEF, I World Vision India	Chair: CFI Co-Chair: EFFICOR Member: CARE India, Cordaid, WHH, EHA, ACF, UNDP, HI, World Vision India	Chair: Cordaid Co-Chair: Save the Children Member: CARE India, Christian Aid, UNDP, EFFICOR, HI, CRS, CASA Tear Fund, World Vision India	Chair: Actian Aid Co-Chair: NCDHR Member: CARE India, Christian Aid, CASA, EHA, SEEDS, EFFICOR, ACF, HI, WHH, DCA, SC, World Vision India
KAY ACTIVITIES	IAGs at all levels, GO-NGO interface, SITREPS, Map resources, Common Processes for EW, Activation, Assessments, Joint Strategies, Joint Response, Common Monitoring Common Learning	Training Needs Analysis, Trainers Inventory, Curriculum Development, Training Manuals & Modules, Training of Trainers, Trainings as required, Networking of training institutions.	Research, Documentation, Good Practice Review, Website, Publications, information Library, Developing Standards Knowledge Products and Guidelines, Collation of IKLM Resources, Networking of institutions	Protection and Rights Based Advocacy, Policy Research and Analysis, Policy Development & Advocacy, Media Advocacy, People Centered Campaigns, Networking with Advocacy Agencies
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ADVISORY SECTOR SUB-COMMITTEE				
WASH Chair: Oxfam Co-Chair : ADRA Member : CARE India, Christian Aid, WHH < CARITAS India, EHA, TDH Foundations, SEEDS, HI, World Vision India. Focal Person : Shivani	FOOD AND NUTRITION Chair: ACF Co-Chair : WHH Member : CA, EHA, TDH Foundation, EFFICOR, ACF, IGSSS, CRS, World Vision India, UNICEF, DCA, SC, Nutrition Coalition, CDDMASS, GAIN Focal Person : Shivani	SHELTER Chair: SEEDS India Co-Chair : CARE India Member : Christian Aid, CASA, Habitat For Humanity, IGSSS, TDH Foundation, HI CRS, World Vision India Focal Person : Kennedy		
HEALTH Chair: WHO Co-Chair : EHA Member : CARE India, Christian Aid, Caritas India, Handicap, International, Plan India, PHFI, Doctors for You, Oxfam India, Save the Children World Vision India Focal Person : Henna	EDUCATION Chair: CFI Co-Chair : Plan India Member : CARE India, SEEDS, World Vision India Focal Person : Pooja	PROTECTION Chair: SC Co-Chair : Handicap International Member : CARE India, Christian Aid, TDH Foundation, CRS, NCDHR, OXFAM, IFRC, CFI, World Vision India, UNFPA, ICRC Focal Person : Heena		

SPHERE INDIA MEMBERS



ASSOCIATES NETWORKS



INTER AGENCY GROUP



Mr. Nirmal Singh, Chairperson



We are glad to announce that Sphere India has completed its 10 years of memorable journey of collaborative process in India on 21st of February, 2013. Many helping hands joined us during this journey to support the initiative and made it a multi-stakeholder and inter-agency process to promote Quality and Accountability in humanitarian sector in India.

This year has seen major disasters including the Assam floods. Building inter-agency coordination and fostering partnership with varied stakeholders continued to be a major challenge during the year. Inter-agency sectoral preparedness was initiated for URS during the monsoon season which received appreciation from a wide range of agencies. The lesson learned exercise in Uttarakhand cloud burst response coordination was one of the key achievements. The key observations and recommendations will be able to create a blueprint for the future response strategies.

As we move forward, we wish to thank everyone who has supported the DRR initiatives in the country.



Mr. Vikrant Mahajan, CEO

We welcome our members to the first Sphere India Annual Report 2012-13. This is with sentiments of joy and gratitude that we thank your valuable contributions, inputs, suggestions, comments which have helped us achieve this essential milestone. The overall objective of Sphere India is to enhance the Quality and Accountability of Humanitarian Action in India and protecting the rights and dignity of the people affected by natural calamities or conflict situations in India. With this objective in the year 2012-13 Sphere India pursued its overarching goals by promoting effective co-ordination, advocacy to promote disaster preparedness and response. Taking lessons from the Uttarakhand cloud burst, response coordination efforts were made to develop enriched tools in consultation with member agencies. Sphere India was primarily engaged in building the capacities of relevant stakeholders in different thematic areas throughout the year.

Sphere training of trainers was conducted in Delhi which was attended by EFICOR, CASA, Plan India, WSPA, Compassion, NCDHR, MSF, PCI Bangladesh and other state inter-agency groups. This ToT was the first one conducted using the latest version of Sphere Handbook 2011. The new training materials were used by the facilitator team as an inspiration for member agencies to incorporate in their field interventions. EMMA was organized by Practical Action Consulting Asia, Christian Aid and Sphere India. This training on EMMA toolkit will equip participants to understand, analyze and make better use of market systems in emergency situations.

Building Capacities and identifying the role of stakeholders in Animal Disaster Management, was a new thematic area where Sphere India provided support to WAP in the form of two abstract paper presentations. Drought consultations in Maharashtra & Jharkhand were organized with support from WHH to assess the status of malnutrition and the need for conducting the Joint need assessment.

Inter-Agency Co-ordination (IAC)

Inter-Agency Coordination program is continuity of Sphere India Unified Response Strategy initiated in last phase. The program coordinates collective efforts for preparedness, response and recovery.

Objectives

1. Develop/strengthen State level capacities for coordination (IAGs)
2. Facilitate a common process for coordination of members, partners and other stakeholders for preparedness, response and recovery.

Key Highlights of 2012-13

1. Sphere India Annual Learning Event
2. Inter-Agency Sectoral Preparedness for URS in approaching monsoon season in India
3. Lessons learnt in Uttarakhand Cloud Burst Response Coordination
4. Regional Consultation on Joint Standards Initiative
5. URS - 25 SITREPs, 01 IAC teleconference, 03 major disasters URS activated.
6. Supported Assam, Uttarakhand, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra for strengthening coordination.

Learning

1. Strengthening Unified Response process during emergencies
2. Building consensus and agreements on systems, protocols and tools to improve quality of services, accountability and coordination among humanitarian agencies.
3. Reflect on what went well, challenges during emergencies.



COLLABORATIVE ADVOCACY

Collaborative Advocacy program initiated in 2010 to bring focus on collaborative humanitarian advocacy

Objectives

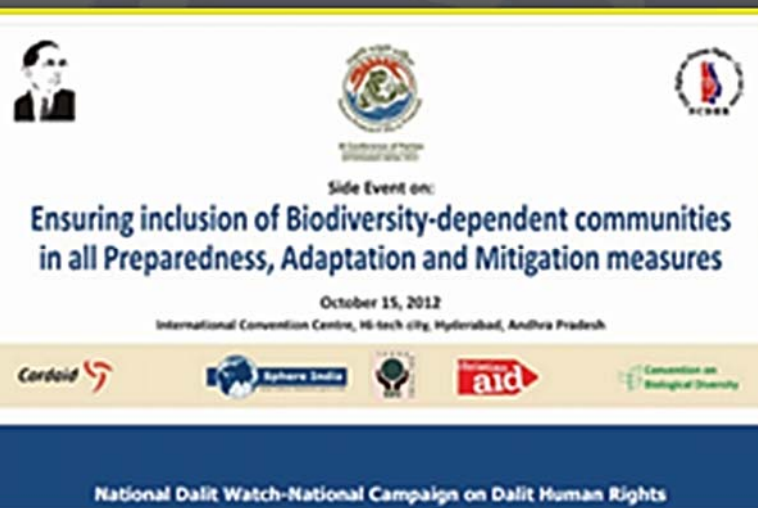
1. Mobilize and sensitize different stakeholders on humanitarian principles and standards
2. Humanitarian advocacy during disasters for rights and entitlements of affected people focusing on excluded /marginalized and most vulnerable groups.
3. Policy advocacy for development of inclusive and appropriate policy.
4. Advocacy on silent humanitarian situations and disasters like drought, malnutrition and other extreme development situations in which people are living below minimum standards of dignity.

Key Highlights of 2012-13

1. Roundtable Consultation on Hunger and Malnutrition in India organized at national level to bring different stakeholders together on one platform and develop collaborative strategies for dealing with Hunger and Malnutrition in India in collaboration with National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and National Human Rights Commission.
2. 03 State level Consultation on Food & Nutrition Security were organized at Madhya Pradesh by Sphere India and Welthungerhilfe (WHH), along with local implementing partner Jan Sahas, West Bengal with implementing partner DRCSC and Jharkhand with local implementing partner PRAVAH
3. Conference on Ensuring inclusion of Biodiversity-dependent communities in all Preparedness, Adaptation and Mitigation measures was facilitated in collaboration with National Dalit Watch of NCDHR

Learning

- WHH efforts to bring different stakeholders together on one platform and develop collaborative strategies for dealing with Hunger and Malnutrition in India in collaboration with National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and National Human Rights Commission.
- Inclusion of Biodiversity-dependent communities in all Preparedness, Adaptation and Mitigation measures.



The banner features a portrait of a man on the left, the logo of the Ministry of Home Affairs, India, in the center, and the logo of the National Human Rights Commission on the right. Below these is the text: 'Side Event on: Ensuring inclusion of Biodiversity-dependent communities in all Preparedness, Adaptation and Mitigation measures'. The date 'October 15, 2012' and location 'International Convention Centre, Hi-tech city, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh' are listed. At the bottom, logos for Cordaid, Sphere India, Welthungerhilfe, and the Convention on Biological Diversity are displayed. A blue footer contains the text 'National Dalit Watch-National Campaign on Dalit Human Rights'.



TRAINING & CAPACITY BUILDING

Program initiated in 2008 to coordinate and facilitate training and capacity building interventions of member organizations primarily focusing in the gap areas.

Objectives

1. Periodically analyze training and capacity needs through Inter agency process.
2. Collate and standardize training modules.
3. Coordinate/ Facilitate TOTs and build a pool of master trainers.
4. Coordinate need based trainings to build capacities of stakeholders at varied levels.

Key Highlights of 2012-13

1. 23 individuals (from PCI-Bangladesh, CHA-Sri Lanka, EFICOR, CASA, Plan India, WSPA, Compassion India, NCDHR, IDF, MSF and 06 State Inter-Agency Groups like Rajasthan, Uttarakhand, Orissa, Tamil Nadu, Bihar) were trained/sensitized in TOT using the latest edition of Sphere handbook (2011) in India. The training was jointly facilitated by Administrative Training Institute of State Govt. of Rajasthan, National Institute of Disaster Management, Govt. of India and Sphere India.
2. 05 Days Training on Emergency Market Mapping and Analysis (EMMA) being organized at New Delhi, India. This important training is being jointly organized by Practical Action Consulting Asia, Christian Aid and Sphere India.
3. Two Abstract paper presentations were given at the WSPA Event at FICCI on Role of Capacity Building and Role of Stakeholders Animal Disaster Management. The aim was to build sufficient capacities within the community and other stakeholders, to be able to better perform the roles and responsibilities for disaster risk reduction and emergency response, pre and post disaster

Learning and way forward

- A roadmap was proposed for preparing a technical team including the veterinary personnel, paravets etc. to build specific capacities for actions related to livestock in different contingency situations like for Earthquake, Flood, Fire, Storm, Road Accident and CBRN disasters.
- Uses of new training materials for Sphere introduction, Protection and humanitarian charter in humanitarian response.



Trainers

Lindsay Barnford is a professional trainer and facilitator specializing in the design and delivery of executive and participatory training programmes, including entrepreneurship and project market development. She has delivered training in Nepal, India, Bangladesh, Nigeria, Kenya, North and South Sudan.

Deepak D. Khedka is a market development practitioner with 10+ years of experience in profit-oriented and fragile markets in Nepal. He has worked with various international agencies and helped design and implement projects focused on agriculture, livestock, employment and alternate livelihoods.

Registration and Enquiries

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Training Fees

Full price	US\$ 1200
Early bird (10% discount)	US\$ 1080
US\$ January 16, 2013	
Multiple participation package (more than 5 participants, 10% discount)	US\$ 1080
US\$ January 31, 2013	

* Training fee includes lunch and water (not hotel stay).
* Excludes airfare to Nepal.

Requirements on Training on EMMA Toolkit, Nepal, 2013

Very important! Organizational & Personalized approach with the participants. Use and training for a national response strategy with strong links of Practical Action in Nepal.

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Training on
EMMA Toolkit

11-15 March 2013
New Delhi, India

Emergency Market Mapping and Analysis Toolkit

Mike Albu

Organized by

SPHERE INDIA TEAM



Mr. Vikrant Mahajan

Chief Executive Officer



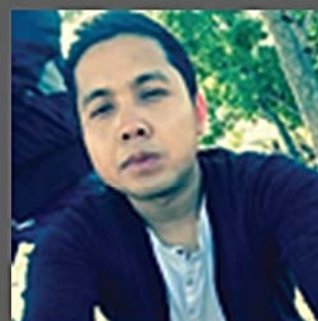
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Administrative Officer

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

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Building No. 3, Flat No. 401/3, Sona Apartments Kaushilya Park, Hauz Khas, New Delhi - 110 016		
Income & Expenditure Account for the period ended 31.03.2013		
INCOME	Amount (Rs.)	Amount (Rs.)
	For the period ended 31.03.13	For the period ended 31.03.13
Membership Fees	60,000.00	
Donation received	100,000.00	
Training Fee	51,960.00	
Interest	569.00	212,529.00
Total		212,529.00
EXPENDITURE	Amount (Rs.)	Amount (Rs.)
Membership Fee	351,060.44	351,060.44
Audit Fee		8,000.00
Total		359,060.44
Excess of Expenditure over Income		(146,531.44)
Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts form an integral part of this report		
As per our report on even date attached		
For L.B. Jha & Co. Chartered Accountants		
		For & on Behalf
		SPHERE INDIA
Bhaskar Auddy Partner Membership No. 53770	Treasurer For Sphere India	Secretary For SPHERE INDIA
Date: 18/06/2013 Place: New Delhi	Authorised Signatory	Secretary

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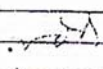

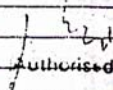
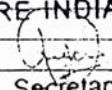
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For Sphere India

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Balance Sheet as on 31.03.2013		
Sources of Funds	Amount (Rs.) As on 31.03.13	Amount (Rs.) As on 31.03.13
Corpus Fund		
General Fund		
Opening balance		
Excess of Expenditure over Income	(146,531.44)	(146,531.44)
Loan Fund		
Unsecured Loan (Effier)		50,000.00
Current Liabilities & Provision		
Audit Fee payable	8,000.00	8,000.00
Total		211,468.56
Application of Funds	Amount (Rs.) As on 31.03.13	Amount (Rs.) As on 31.03.13
Current Assets, Loans and Advance		
Cash in hand	23,000.00	
ICICI Bank	188,468.56	211,468.56
Total		211,468.56
Significant Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts form an integral part of this report		
As per our report on even date attached		
For L.B. Jha & Co.		
Chartered Accountants		
		For & on Behalf SPHERE INDIA
Bhaskar Auddy Partner Membership No. 53770	Treasurer For Sphere India	Secretary For SPHERE INDIA
Date: 18/06/2013 Place: New Delhi	 Authorised Signatory	 Secretary

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I am extremely pleased with the deep involvement and cooperation of Sphere India governing body, the members of the executive team, our Inter-agency groups at state level and all the government agencies who have been supporting us to achieve the desired outcomes.

I would also like to place on record my gratitude and appreciation to Sphere India chairperson and member organizations to continuously providing their inputs, comments, suggestions and feedbacks. This journey would not have been possible without your ideas and knowledge & experience sharing.

A special vote of thanks to Sphere India team for continuing to work with the same zeal and enthusiasm.

We pledge to continue to come up to the expectations of our friends and well-wishers and will continue to work in the same spirit.



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