Project Inception & Partners Training Event

Border Haats between India and Bangladesh as a tool to reduce informal cross-border trade between the two countries
12 – 13 January 2019, Agartala, Tripura, India

Agenda

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<td>09:30 – 10:00</td>
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<td>10:00 – 10:30</td>
<td>Welcome Address and Introduction to the Project&lt;br&gt;By Bipul Chatterjee, Executive Director, CUTS International&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;Keynote Address:&lt;br&gt;• H E Kiriti Chakma, Assistant High Commissioner, Bangladesh Assistant High Commission at Agartala&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;Special Address (s):&lt;br&gt;• Mohit Sippy, Senior Programme and Policy Manager, Asia Regional at Department for International Development (DFID)&lt;br&gt;• Swapna Debnath, Additional Director, Department of Industries and Commerce, Govt of Tripura&lt;br&gt;• Monoj Kumar Roy, Former additional Secretary, Ministry of Commerce, Government of Bangladesh</td>
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<td>Technical Session - I&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;• Introducing of Project Advisory Committee (PAC) &amp; State Level Mentors (SLM)&lt;br&gt;• Project Activities and Expected Outcome, By Bratindra Bhattacharya, Director, CUTS&lt;br&gt;• Remarks by: PAC &amp; SLM &amp; Discussion on View Point Papers&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;Moderator: Uday S Mehta, Deputy Executive Director, CUTS</td>
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| 14:00 – 17:00 | Technical Session – II  
Partner’s view and implementation strategy of the project  
By Representative of Unnayan Shamannay  
Introduction of CUTS research team for the project By Bratindra Bhattacharya, Director, CUTS  
Interactive Session  
• Experience sharing  
• Finalisation of scoping visit  
• Literature review  
• Methodology  
• Monitoring & evaluation  
• Dissemination.  
Chair: Bipul Chatterjee, Executive Director, Cuts International  
Panelists:  
• Representative, Cuts  
• Representative, Unnayan Shamannay  
• PAC Members  
• SLM Members  
Open floor discussion and conclusion |
| 17:00 – 17:30 | Concluding Session  
Concluding Remarks:  
• Bipul Chatterjee, Executive Director, Cuts International  
• Mohit Sippy, Senior Programme and Policy Manager, Asia Regional at Department for International Development (DFID)  
• Nazneen Ahmed, PhD, Senior Research Fellow, Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies (BIDS)  
17:30 – 17:45 | Vote of Thanks and Tea  
Day – 2 (13/01/2019) |
| 09:00 – 12:00 | Initial round of exposure visits to Kamalasagar – Kasba Border Haat, Sepahijala District Bishramganj, Tripura  
(Introduction with Border Haat)  
13:00 | Lunch and Departure |