

CUTS CRC Activity Report

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ONGOING PROJECTS



Border Haats

New Dimensions in Cross-border Trade

CUTS International with the support of Department for International Development (DFID), UK is implementing a project entitled 'Border Haats between India and Bangladesh as a tool to reduce informal cross-border trade'. The project aims at understanding the prospects of establishing border haats as a tool to reduce informal cross-border trade between India and Bangladesh; and analysing its impact on gender and livelihood.

The Inception meeting for the project was organised in Agartala, Tripura on January 12, 2019; and an exposure visit was made to the Kamalasangar-Tarapur border haat on January 13, 2019. The purpose of the inception meeting was to introduce the project to key stakeholders, and members of the Project Advisory Committee (PAC) and State Level Mentors (SLM). The meeting included the discussion on the roles and responsibilities of the PAC and State Level Monitoring Committee Members (SLMC) and also to receive the feedback from participants on the overall project implementation plan. Along with PAC and SLMC members, the meeting also registered participation from diverse stakeholder groups, including policymakers, government officials, researchers, chambers and media, etc.



The Inception and Project Advisory Committee in Agartala, Tripura

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BBIN Motor Vehicles Agreement Regains Momentum

The project is a comprehensive study to understand various macro and granular level challenges for implementation of the BBIN Motor Vehicles Agreement (MVA). CUTS International has undertaken an extensive field study across eight corridors among these countries to understand the infrastructural and political economy challenges that can adversely affect effective implementation of the MVA and identify probable policy interventions to overcome these challenges.

CUTS is also preparing a video documentary entitled '1000 Kilometers of a Truck Driver'.



*Interviewing a Truck Driver at Dhaka, Bangladesh
for the video documentary*



*Interviewing a Support Service Staff at Panitanki, India
for the video documentary*

- Arnab Ganguly and Bijaya Roy attended of the Bengal Global Business Summit 2019, on February 08, 2019.

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REPRESENTATION

