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State Rural Livelihoods Mission (SRLM), Bihar
A Government of Bihar Initiative for Poverty Alleviation

Government of the State of Bihar

Scheme for Internship of International and National Graduate Students-2016

India and Bihar

India is world's largest democracy with more than 1.2 billion people. It is a federal constitutional republic governed under parliamentary system. It is today one of the fastest growing countries of the world, an emerging power. India is an ancient civilization, comprising of physical and spatial diversity and striking levels of social, cultural, religious, and linguistics diversity.

Bihar is one of the 29 states of India, occupying an area of 94 thousand sq. km with Indo Gangatic plains of fertile agricultural land and perennial rivers. It has highest population density among Indian states (1106 person per sq. km). It is the third most populous state in India being home to 104 million people. Bihar is one of the poorest and least developed states of India in terms of most of the development indicators -per capita income, various health and educational indicators, industrial and agricultural activities etc. However, for past 6 years, Bihar has been growing at a rapid

achieving per annum growth rate of above 15%, making it the fastest growing state in India. Further, Bihar has a very rich cultural and historical heritage, spanning more than 3000 years, being the birth place of Lord Buddha and King Ashoka and home to arguably the first republic in the world.



About JEEViKA

Bihar Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society (BRLPS) popularly known as JEEViKA was established in 2005 by Government of Bihar, GoB with the assistance of World Bank for Poverty Alleviation in the state. The World Bank assisted Bihar Rural Livelihoods Project was launched in 2006.

After a successful pilot in 22 villages across 5 blocks in 2006, the project expanded to 18 blocks in 6 Districts in 2007. In 2009, 24 more blocks were added. JEEViKA commenced operations in 11 more blocks of 3 districts in Kosi area under Bihar Kosi Flood Recovery Project in December, 2010. In April 2011, JEEViKA was designated by Government of Bihar as State Rural Livelihoods Mission to roll out National Rural Livelihoods Mission in entire state. JEEViKA has up scaled its interventions in 534 blocks across 38 districts in February, 2014.

JEEViKA promotes rural livelihoods and enhances social and economic empowerment of the poor, particularly women. The project has been making significant strides in supporting and nurturing institutions of the poor, its federations and their livelihoods.

Objective

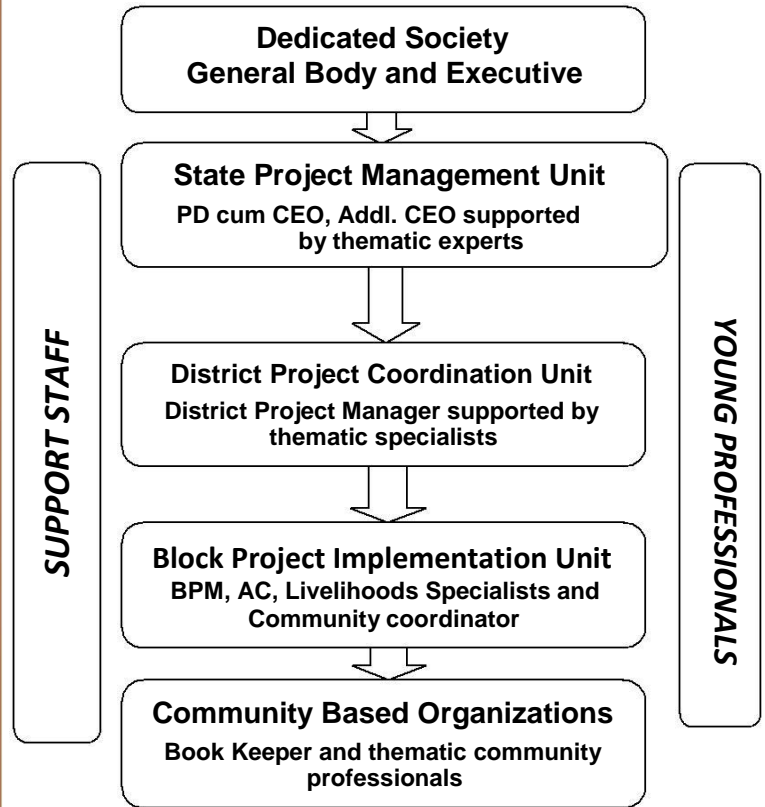
Social and Economic Empowerment of the Rural Poor through:

- Creating self-managed community institutions of poorest of the poor and poor households.
- Enhancing income through sustainable livelihoods.
- Increasing access to social protection including food security through greater voice.

Mandate

To mobilize 1.5 crore Rural poor HHs into 11 lakh SHGs, 65000 Village organizations (VOs) and 1600 Cluster Level Federations (CLFs)

JEEViKA – Implementation Arrangements



COMMUNITY INSTITUTION PRESENCE

TARGET

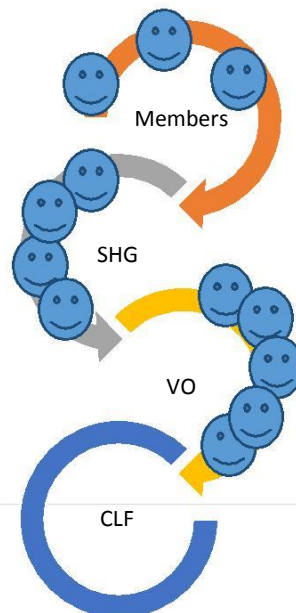
CLF: (1600)

VO: (65000)

SHG: (1100000)

MOBILIZATION: 1.5 Crore HHs

TOTAL VILLAGES: 44874



PRESENT STATUS

310 Cluster Level Federations

24,682 Village Organizations

4,63,000 SHGs

Mobilization 56,03,599 HHs

Presence: 27147 villages

National Rural Livelihoods Mission

The Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) Government of India (GoI) launched on 3rd June 2011 National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) to provide greater focus and momentum for poverty reduction and to achieve the Millennium Development Goals (MDG) by 2015. The mission adopts a 'livelihoods approach' to poverty.

The broad objectives of the NRLM programme are:

- To mobilize all the poor households into functionally effective SHGs and their federations;
- To enhance their access to bank credit and other financial, technical and marketing services;
- To build their capacities and skills for gainful and sustainable livelihoods development; and
- To coverage various schemes for efficient delivery of social and economic support services to poor with optimal result.

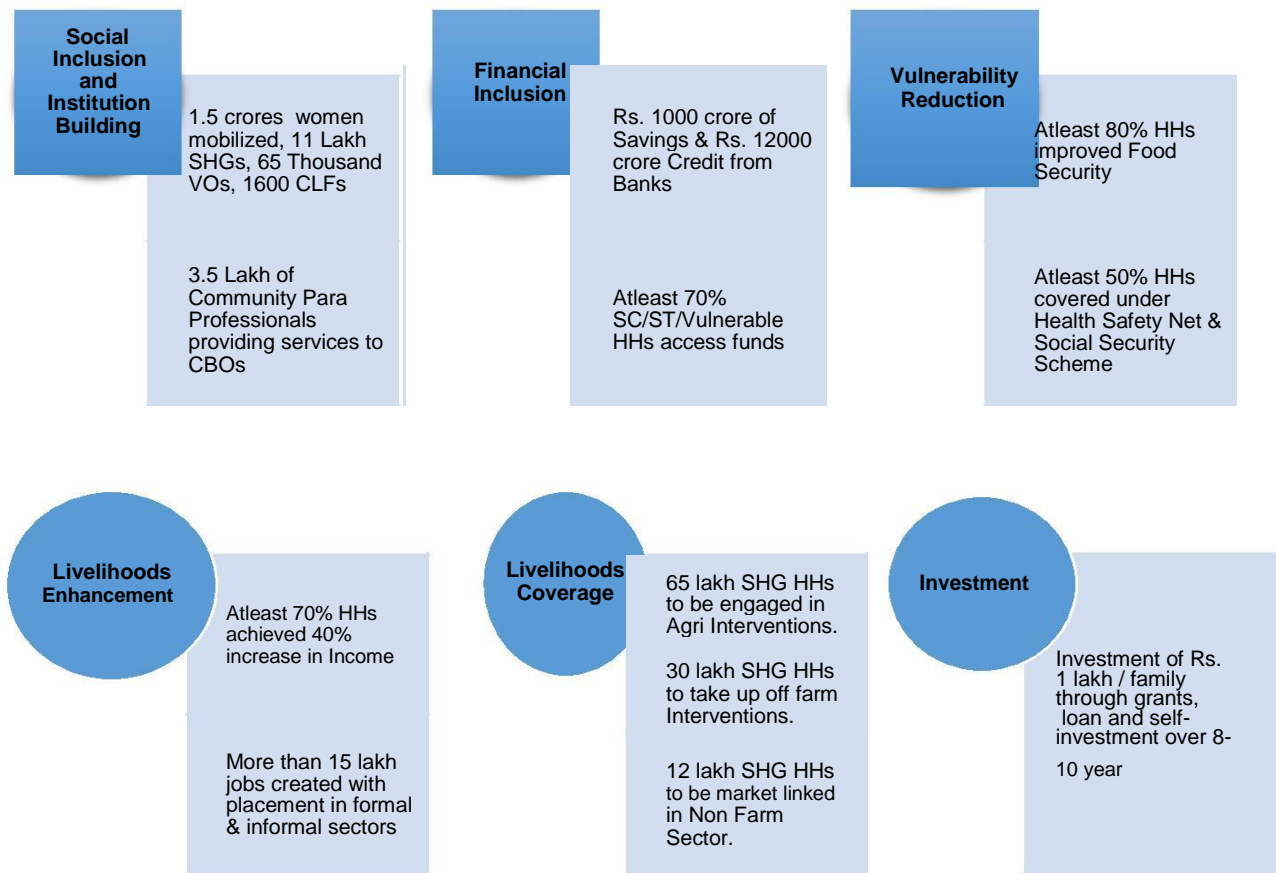
NRLM Guiding Principles

- Poor have a strong desire to come out of poverty, and they have innate capabilities.
- Social mobilization and building strong institutions of the poor is critical for unleashing the innate capabilities of the poor.
- An external dedicated and sensitive support structure is required to induce the social mobilization, institution building and empowerment process.
- Facilitating knowledge dissemination, skill building, access to credit, access to marketing, and access to other livelihoods services underpins this upward mobility.

NRLM Values

- Inclusion of the poorest and meaningful role to the poorest in all the processes.
- Transparency and accountability of all processes and institutions.
- Ownership and key role of the poor and their institutions in all stages – planning, implementation, and monitoring.
- Community self-reliance and self-dependence.

Key Results by 2021-22



The Internship Scheme

In order to know better, generate ideas for research; find new innovative solution; and also to overcome many of the challenges being faced by Rural Livelihood Promotion Programme program in general and its implementation in Bihar in particular, BRLPS have launched an internship scheme for young graduate (masters/doctoral degree) students. Interns would be attached to SPMU and various DPCU offices across the states of Bihar under the overall guidance of the CEO, JEEViKA during the period of internship. Through this scheme, JEEViKA expects to benefit from the fresh insights and assistance of the young students, whereas the selected interns would gain valuable, real world experience of working on some of the most challenging developmental issues faced by the World today which would substantially compliment their academic learning and provide them an edge to enter the productive workforce after the completion of their respective academic programme.

Eligibility and Target Group

The international component of the internship seeks students of different graduate program from leading universities of the world. Students who are pursuing their masters/doctoral degrees in the following area of specialization like International Development, Economics, Development, Public Policy, Public Administration, Business Administration, Sociology, Social Work, Rural Development, Public Health, Nutrition, Statistics etc. would be better equipped for the internship. Foreign nationals would need to have the necessary visa clearances from the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.

Internship Report and Certificate

At the end of the internship programme, the interns will submit a report (not more than 25 A4 size pages) outlining their experiences, learning and suggestions for BRLPS delivery or management mechanism. The report must be written in either English or Hindi. On successful completion, interns would be given a certificate to this effect by the CEO.

Duration of the Internship Programme

The internship programme will be for duration anywhere between 4 to 10 weeks. During summer from April to July 2016, and during winter from November to January 2017 and it could coincide with summer/winter holidays of the student of the respective universities.

Structure of Internship

The selected candidates will report to the State Project Management Unit, JEEViKA at the start of the internship and then would proceed to the concerned offices/places where the internship has been offered to them. Travelling allowance will not be paid by JEEViKA for joining of the place of internship allotted to the candidates after the completion of internship. The selected candidates have to make their own arrangement of lodging, boarding and transportation.

The intern would be attached with State Project Manager at State Project Management Unit and /or District Project Manager, District Project Coordination Unit in any of the districts of Bihar. It is also expected that interns would make various field visits in villages, rural areas and interiors of the state in the course of their internship to gather data, information, to have interaction with frontline workers as well as beneficiaries, to have a firsthand experience of working of Village level institutions Self Help Group/Village Organization / Cluster Level Federation /Producer Group/ Producer Company, to observe and understand various structure, processes and procedure related to Mission activities and service deliveries through Cluster Level Federation .

The selected interns would also be expected to interact with respective Community Resource Persons/ Community Coordinators/ Area Coordinators/ Livelihood Specialists/ Thematic Managers / Block Project Manager / District Project Manager in their day today functions contribute to and suggest ways / means to increase efficiency in respective offices with respect to the area of study or support. To facilitate the intern in the pursuit of his/her assignment, intern would be provided with logistics support like working space etc. in the concerned state / district offices. However, the selected interns are expected to bring / use their own personal laptops / computers for use during the period of the internship.

Indicative Areas of Research/Internship

The areas of research and topics for the internship programme will be closely related to the intervention and programmatic areas within JEEViKA. Some tentative areas of research are:

- Skill gap analysis within state and outside state.
- Factors affecting retention of human resources particularly in private sector.
- Aspiration of rural youth in private sector.
- Impact study of Migration Resource centre
- Market Linkages for Madhubani Painting/ Sikki /Sujani/CFC.
- Improvisation in designs in weaving sector
- Value chain analysis of Jute related product making
- Survey and analysis of business for different products by individual entrepreneurs
- Revival of DCS as Dairy PG
- Impact study of Animal Health Camp
- Impact study of Backyard poultry at house hold level
- Case study of Backyard poultry
- Market Linkages of poultry meat and egg
- Local myths and practices related to health, nutrition and sanitation
- Festivals related to nutrition (Chath, Satuai etc.)
- Local folk art forms of Bihar- Region and language wise
- Livelihood framework for differently able groups (DPGs)
- Repayment Status of members in VO and CLFs
- Impact of Smokeless chullah
- Few interns attached to the SPMU can study the various departments e.g HRD, Training, Finance & Budget, MIS, and Monitoring etc. Analyze flow of data and information study the business process from CLF upwards; suggest ways to utilize data at each level etc.

In case of procurement and logistical processes analyze procedure, find out lacunae and gaps, and study centralized vs. Decentralized procedures and suggests ways to improve outputs.

The above list is only indicative and does not limit the possibilities and areas which interns could work and explore research and gain exposure and experience into. In fact, new ideas and innovation would be welcome.

Financial Assistance

The financial assistance offered to the interns is meant to provide a modest incentive for participating in the internship programme and to meet some of their daily costs. It would not be covering all the expenses to be incurred during the course of internship, and therefore, selected interns are encouraged to search for external assistance/scholarships from different agencies/universities.

All selected foreign Interns from foreign institutes would be paid a consolidated sum of Rs. 25,000 (Indian Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) per month as an honorarium. Foreign Interns will be offered assistance, if required, in finding reasonable accommodation at the place of their internship.

However, the cost of renting a house/guest house room/ hotel room/paying guest accommodation/fooding/travel would need

to be borne by the concerned intern. No to and fro travel charges from institute to BRLPS will be paid.

Interns from national institutes will be paid consolidated Stipend Rs.12000 (Indian Rupees Twelve Thousand only) per month which will include their accommodation, fooding, travel allowances for field visits etc during internship period. Travel cost from respective institute to BRLPS office (to and from) will be paid by BRLPS as (maximum range of AC Three tier) on provision of original tickets and vouchers on actual basis

Requirement of Interns

1. Summer Internship- International Interns -5 nos.
National Interns - 20 nos.
2. Winter Internship- International interns -5 nos.
National Interns - 20 nos.

Procedure for Application and Selection

1. Interested students are required to send their detailed bio-data by email to Mahua@brlp.in and Pratyush_yp@brlp.in latest by 15th March 2016 for summer internship and 15th October 2016 for winter internship.
2. The following information should be included while applying through email
 - a) A photograph
 - b) Nationality
 - c) A letter/email from the Head/Registrar of the Program/Department/ Institution/ University declaring that the applicant is a bonafide student of the concerned institution
 - d) Details of any previous visit to India
 - e) Preferable period of internship in summer between April to July 2016 and in winter from November 2016 to January 2017.
3. All the selected interns would be intimated of their selection latest by 1st week of April 2016, for summer internship and last week of October 2016 for winter internship through email.





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