



CERTIFICATE COURSE ON LABOUR MIGRATION- PERSPECTIVES FOR PRACTICE

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The Center for Migration and Labour Solutions (Aajeevika Bureau) and the Centre for Community Organization and Development Practice (School of Social Work, Tata Institute of Social Sciences) are proud to announce the third round of the Certificate Course on Labour Migration—*Perspectives for Practice*.

The course is meant to build a conceptual lens to labour migration and impart skills of action research as well as reflexivity among practitioners/students working on or interested in issues of unorganized labour and migrant communities.

What does the course offer this year?

An opportunity to cultivate:

- A deep understanding of labour migration: its key drivers; relationship with economic growth and poverty; its developmental outcomes; as well as the pressing policy challenges in the area
- An appreciation of action research for making systematic enquiries for better practice
- An enhanced understanding of labour administration, labour regulations (including their implementation) as well as labour reforms in India



“Migration is one of the most complex realities of the contemporary times. The dynamics related to migration is multi-layered but there are few interventions that engage with the context and concerns in a holistic manner. This course is an outcome of a partnership between TISS and Aajeevika Bureau. It aims to offer a comprehensive understanding of migration, weaving in both theory and practice. It is one of the most well-designed and customized programme offers by Centre for Community Organization and Development Practice, TISS with Aajeevika.”

-Professor Manish Jha, Dean, School of Social Work, TISS, Mumbai

“The certificate course offers a unique opportunity for labour activists, practitioners, and researchers to gain new knowledge in the area of labour migration and informality. The course also provides tools for grasping globalization and its impact on a vast, mobile, and vulnerable workforce of the country. We’ve tried to simplify without losing rigour and bring the best people in the field and academia together to create a powerful classroom and field work experience.”

- Rajiv Khandelwal, Executive Director, Aajeevika Bureau

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Eligibility and Selection

A total of 25 seats are available under the programme. Participants from field based development organizations, trade unions actively engaged in labour advocacy, and students of labour and migration are encouraged to apply. Participants will be shortlisted based on their written applications in a prescribed format (downloadable at www.aajeevika.org) and final selection will be based on a telephonic interview and organizational references. Applicants must possess a graduate degree and should have at least 3 years of work experience. Fresh post graduates and students pursuing post graduation in relevant discipline are encouraged to apply. They must also possess a working knowledge of English. The last date for submission of completed applications is July 20, 2016. All applications will be reviewed by a selection committee and shortlisted candidates will be informed by July 31, 2016. This will be followed by telephonic interviews. The final list of selected candidates will be announced before August 10, 2016.

"The course has been very useful for my colleague, Swapna. She was able to develop a theoretical framework to substantiate her practice in the field."

- Prerit Rana, CEO, Agrasar, Gurgaon



Design, Tools and Faculty

The course combines classroom teaching with simulation exercises, action-research, and group assignments under the guidance of distinguished faculty members. Participants should expect a rigorous nine-day programme with heavy demands in terms of participation, self-learning and evaluation.



Course Fee

This programme is covered principally by a grant from IKEA Foundation. It provides boarding, lodging, teaching and research expenses of the participants. Selected participants are expected to cover their travel to and from Mumbai and contribute a fee of Rs 1500.

Center for Migration and Labour Solutions (CMLS)

Center for Migration and Labor Solutions (CMLS) is a research and knowledge institution, focused on building field capacities, undertaking research and bringing policy attention to the issue of seasonal and circular labour migration in India. It is housed within Aajeevika and was co-promoted by the Sir Dorabji Tata Trust to spearhead expansion of migration services across high migration geographies in India. CMLS combines practice and knowledge and seeks to build a strong cadre of migration practitioners to address this development issue effectively.

Community Organisation and Development Practice (CODP), School of Social Work, Tata Institute of Social Sciences

The Centre for Community Organisation and Development Practice (CODP) prepares a cadre of development practitioners and activists who could effectively respond to the contemporary concerns of marginalised communities. The centre engages with students and scholars in the process of integration of critical thinking and practical field experience so as to contribute to the process of social transformation. It functions under the School of Social Work of Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai.