



# **INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT THROUGH INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)**

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# INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT

- ❑ "NO SOCIETY CAN SURELY BE FLOURISHING AND HAPPY OF WHICH BY FAR THE GREATER PART OF THE MEMBERS ARE POOR AND MISERABLE" - **ADAM SMITH, ECONOMIST.**
- ❑ MANY PEOPLE ARE EXCLUDED FROM DEVELOPMENT BECAUSE OF THEIR GENDER, ETHNICITY, POVERTY ETC. EFFECTS OF SUCH EXCLUSION ARE STAGGERING, DEEPENING INEQUALITY AMONG COMMUNITIES.
- ❑ DEVELOPMENT CAN BE INCLUSIVE ONLY IF ALL GROUPS OF PEOPLE ESPECIALLY THE POOR AND THE DOWNTRODDEN AVAIL OPPORTUNITIES, SHARE THE BENEFITS OF DEVELOPMENT AND PARTICIPATE IN DECISION-MAKING.

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**❑ INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT IS NECESSARY FOR MAINSTREAMING THE LARGE SEGMENT OF SOCIETY WHO ARE MARGINALIZED SO THAT REAL AND SUSTAINED SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC PROGRESS OF SOCIETY COULD BE ATTAINED.**

**❑ CHARACTERISTICS OF INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT:**

- SUSTAINABLE AND STABLE ECONOMIC GROWTH**
- REDUCTION OF POVERTY AND INCOME INEQUALITY**
- GROWTH OF EMPLOYMENT**
- IMPROVEMENT IN ACCESS TO EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES**
- SOCIAL RECOGNITION TO ALL**

# ROLE OF COOPERATIVES IN INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT

- 'COOPERATIVES ARE A REMINDER TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO PURSUE BOTH ECONOMIC VIABILITY AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.'

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- **RECENTLY HELD RIO+20 MEETING** STRONGLY AFFIRMED THE ROLE OF COOPERATIVES IN AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT, JOBS CREATION, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY REDUCTION.
- COOPERATIVES ARE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANISATION, ROOTED IN DEMOCRACY AND HAVE PARTICIPATORY INVOLVEMENT, WHICH MAKES THEM WELL SUITED FOR INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT.

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## ☐ COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES HELP TO :-

- CREATE, IMPROVE AND PROTECT THE INCOME AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES OF THEIR MEMBERS
- ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN PRODUCTION, PROFIT-SHARING, COST-SAVING ACTIVITIES.

## **CONTINUED....**

- ❑ COOPERATIVE HELP INTERACTION WITHIN THE COMMUNITY, BUILD SKILLS & EXPERTISE, DEVELOP LOCAL LEADERSHIP, SUPPORT WOMEN AND YOUTH TO INVOLVE THEM INTO ECONOMIC ACTIVITY , THUS LIFTING PEOPLE OUT OF POVERTY.**
  
- ❑ COOPERATIVES ARE BASED ON EQUALITY ON THE PRINCIPLE 'ONE MEMBER ONE VOTE' WHICH ENABLES INDIVIDUAL MEMBER TO GAIN VOICE, MOBILIZE THEIR ECONOMIC INTERESTS AND TO SECURE SOCIAL PROTECTION.**

# **COOPERATIVE ADVANTAGE TO PROMOTE INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT**

- ❑ MEMBER DRIVEN NATURE**
- ❑ REACH TO THE UNDERSERVED MASSES**
- ❑ 'NOT FOR PROFIT' MOTIVE**
- ❑ EMPLOYMENT GENERATION CAPACITY IN ALL SECTORS,  
REGIONS AND FOR ALL SOCIOECONOMIC GROUPS**
- ❑ EQUAL INCOME DISTRIBUTION**
- ❑ DEMOCRATIC DECISION MAKING**
- ❑ VALUE BASED ENTERPRISE**
- ❑ MEDIUM FOR ORGANIZING POOR AND MARGINALIZED  
PEOPLE**

# **CHALLENGES TO COOPERATIVES IN PROMOTING INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT**

- ❑ LIMITED RESOURCES**
- ❑ LACK OF AWARENESS AMONG MEMBERS**
- ❑ LACK OF SUPPORT FROM THE GOVERNMENT**
- ❑ SOCIAL NORMS PREVAILING IN THE SOCIETY**
- ❑ LACK OF PARTICIPATION OF MEMBERS FROM EVERY SECTIONS OF THE SOCIETY (GENDER,CASTE, YOUTH ETC.)**
- ❑ LACK OF INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)**



**THANK YOU !**