

Press Release

Webinar on “Inclusive Development – Leaving No One Behind (LNOB)”

The State Development Policy Council (SDPC) (erstwhile State Planning Commission) conducted a Webinar on **Inclusive Development – Leaving No One Behind (LNOB)** under the Chairmanship of Thiru. C. Ponnaiyan, Hon’ble Vice-Chairman, SDPC on 28.10.2020 with stakeholder departments viz. Adi-Draavidar welfare, Tribal Welfare, Social Welfare, Welfare of Differently Abled, Rehabilitation and welfare of Non-Resident Tamils, Social Security Schemes, Agriculture, Health, Labour welfare, Employment and Training, Foundation for Agrarian Studies, HelpAge India, etc. and domain experts.

The key objective of the workshop is to discuss the issues and challenges in ensuring inclusive development and leaving no one behind in the development process.

Thiru C. Ponnaiyan, Hon’ble Vice Chairman, State Development Policy Council in his Presidential address remarked that Government has had the foresight in seeing the needs of the marginalized groups and has made valuable progress to end discrimination and exclusion, reduce the inequalities and vulnerabilities that leave people behind. He stated that unequivocal commitment of the Government is the need of an hour in providing opportunities for gainful and productive employment, social security and protection for the disadvantaged, vulnerable and the destitutes in the State.

He opined that interventions that address root causes of groups being left behind, such as law reform for anti-discrimination protection for certain groups or expansion of social protection and social security systems and floors, are likely to have multiplying impacts not only for that group but for broader society. He stated that the unanimous key recommendation of the webinar that, to build a productive capacity through integrated policies of multiple sectors and the development of human assets in support of inclusive development which would facilitate the holistic development of the marginalized groups would be taken forward to Government for their betterment.

Dr. Atul Anand, IAS, Member Secretary (FAC), State Development Policy Council remarked that there is a need to create a robust data management system for the marginalized groups and to improve the quality, coverage and coordination of governments' administrative data systems for these groups so as to build a strong service delivery system .

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