### India's Human Development Challenge

Developing a Comprehensive Agenda for Macro Intervention

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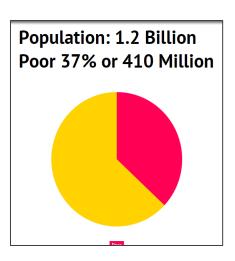


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### India's Human Development Challenge

"According to the newly revised official poverty line, 37% of India's population (about 410 million people) falls below the poverty, making the country home to one-third of the world's poor.

--World Bank





## Human Development Rank, UNDP, 2013

Country	HDI
USA	8
Russia	57
Brazil	79
China	91
South Africa	118
India	135
Pakistan	142
Bangladesh	146

### The Muslim Challenge: It Is Too Big to Ignore!

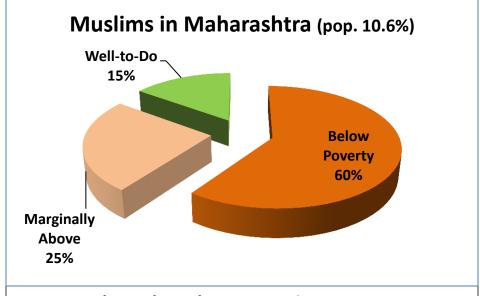
Muslims fall below National Average. Lowest growth in the Past Decade.

Rural Muslims are 10% points below the rural average, slightly better off than SC/ST's. Muslims in Urban Areas fall at the bottom of the heap.

Muslim improvement was the lowest in the past decade for Urban Muslims.

Kundu committee says, they face exclusion in Urban housing and labor markets.

Source: Kundu Committee Report 2014



Source: Mahmoodur Rahman Committee Report, 2013

### It's too big to ignore!

### According to NSSO 66th round, 2010 data

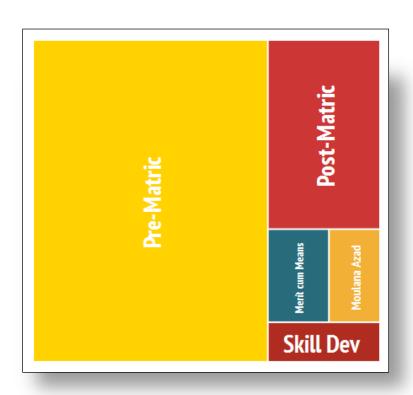
- Muslim households have the lowest incomes
- Only 30% Muslims have salaried jobs; the rest are self-employed or casual labor
- Average Muslim lives on Rs.32 a day (50 cents) indicating deep poverty

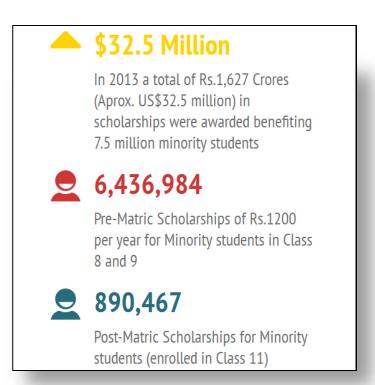
- Govt. programs helping millions, but not enough!
- Government is allocating millions of dollars for minorities: Post-Sachar & PM's 15 point program
- Muslim attitude is changing, but they are least connected community (Ex: GDP contribution)
- Need to improve access to funds at the grassroots
- Without Intervention, Muslims could become neo-Dalits in the next decades

### Intervention by India's Government

Some Government Programs Focused On Minorities Are Effective

Actionable Research Helps In Setting Policy Priorities



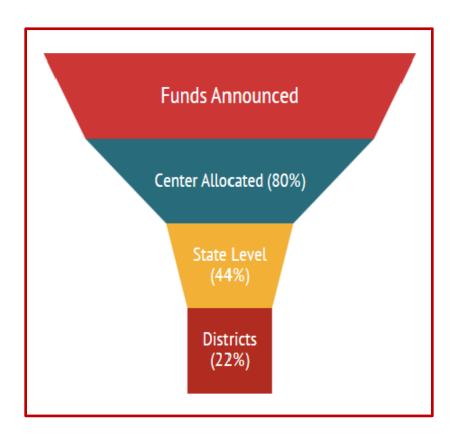


Allocation for Minority Affairs Nationally (2013) = Rs.3135 Crores -> US \$ 522 Million Additional States Budgets, Ex. Andhra Pradesh in 2011 = Rs.1027 Cr -> US \$ 170 Million (Per Capita Rs.313) In all Ministries, 15 per cent funds are set aside for minorities!

### Intervention by India's Government

### **Not All Programs Reach Their Intended Beneficiaries**

The Question To Ask: Who Is Monitoring These Programs?



Multi-Sectoral Development Program (MSDP)

Rs. 3,780 Crores Announced in 2011

\$750 Million



USIPI found only Rs.856 Cr was spent **\$170 Million** 

Source: USIPI Research, Six Years after Sachar, published 2013

### Intervention By The Community Is Too Small

Efforts are focused mostly at individual level, not at the macro level

In today's economy, Muslims and the poor need more than just a charitable handout!



Micro or Macro?

### They need:

## **Enabling Policies and an Environment of Opportunities**

FACT: India is the 9<sup>th</sup> largest economy and is growing fast to overtake other stable economies.

Opportunities to acquire education and skills to compete in India's marketplace. Access to finance for small business, healthcare for family and physical security. In short, a chance to develop the full potential!

Without an enabling environment, millions of poor, uneducated or unskilled Indians including Muslims will be left behind!

### Macro Intervention Is Needed!

### **Muslim Community Must Focus on:**

Policy Research

**Actionable Recommendations** 

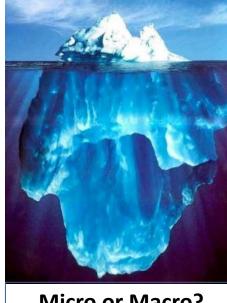
**Engaging Policy Makers** 

Network and Train NGO's

**Build Local Self-help Groups** 

**Develop Models for Replication** 

Work at District, State and National Level



Micro or Macro?

Need A Comprehensive Human Development Agenda!



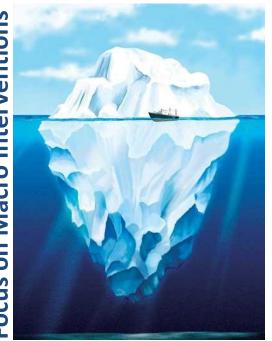
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110 Maryland Avenue, NE, Suite 508 Washington, DC 20002 The only community supported non-profit policy think tank focused on the Development of poor and vulnerable communities, including Muslims in India.

USIPI evidence based development research, produces policy options, engages policy makers, builds network of NGO's at the district level and creates development models that are easy to replicate.

## What Do We Do?

### **Objectives:**

- Research
- Education & Awareness
- Policy Outreach
- Community Mobilization
- Development Models

Provide macro interventions though policy research in human development. Engage policy makers to influence public policies that benefit millions of poor. Mobilize the community and train Civil Society NGO's at the grassroots level. Create POSITIVE MODELS of Sustainable Development that transform lives.

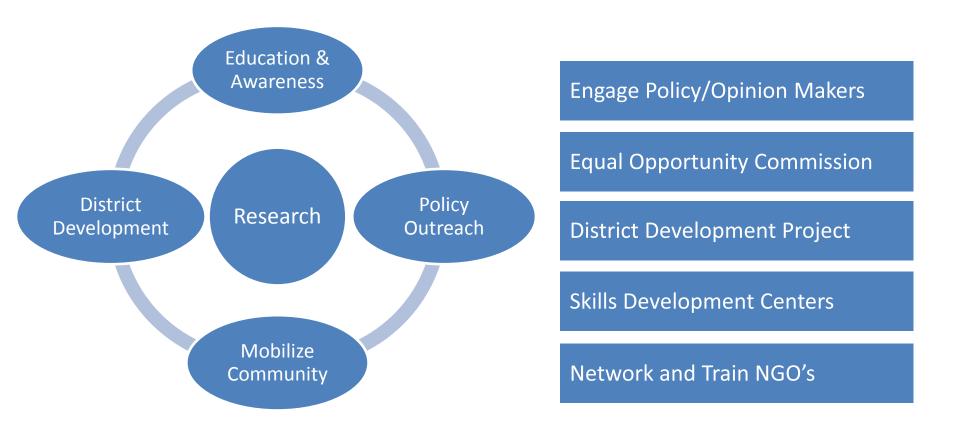
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## USIPI and CRDDP Priorities, Outcomes & Achievements

As a policy think tank, we let the research guide our core priorities.

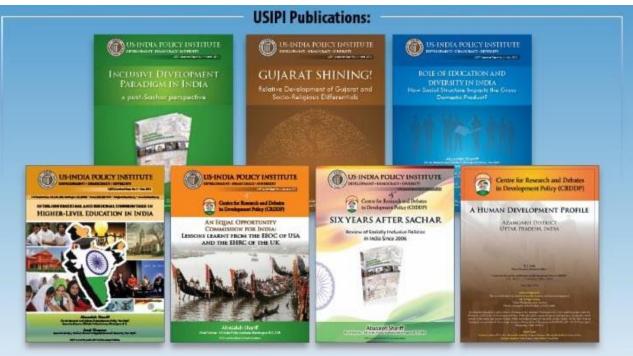
A sharp focus on these priorities is crucial to achieve long-term success.







## Research & Publications



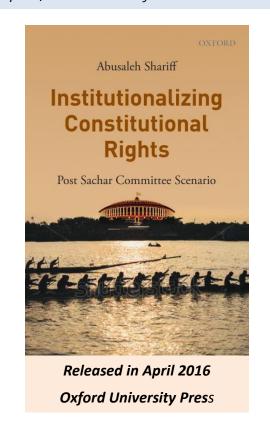
- USIPI Published Eight Research Papers
- Great Media Coverage
- Large Network of Scholars and Advisers
- Leverage through Collaborations and Partnerships

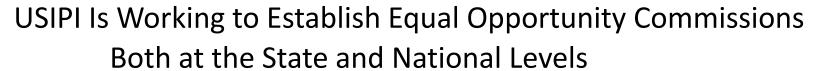
#### Focus is on Macro Interventions through Human Development Research

- Our Research Guides the Agenda for our Projects and Programs
- Our Projects are Designed to Provide Data that Feeds into our Research
- Our Action Research Create Models for NGO's and Government to Replicate

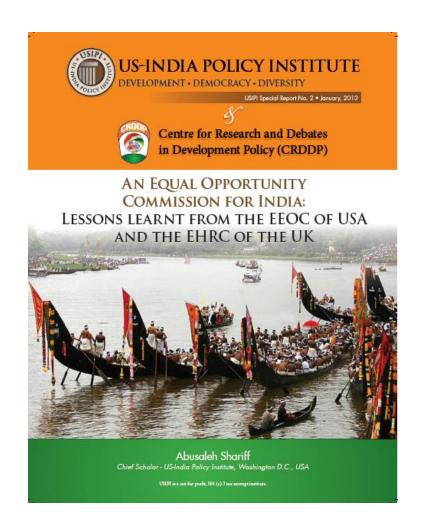
#### **Publication Titles:**

An Equal Opportunity Commission for India
Six Years After Sachar
Differentials in Higher-Level Education
Relative Development of Gujarat
Inclusive Development Paradigm in India
Role of Education and Diversity in India
District Development and Diversity Index
Report for India and Major States









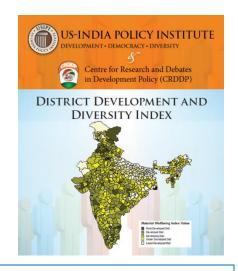
- Currently Working
  - Karnataka
  - Telangana
- In the Pipeline:
  - Andhra Pradesh
  - Bihar
  - Uttar Pradesh
  - Chhattisgarh
  - West Bengal
  - Other states

## DDDIX District Development Program

USIPI believes a massive effort is needed for **Capacity Development** both for citizens and community groups.

Such an effort results in **Empowered Citizenship**, which is a pre-requisite for **Participation** in Local Governance leading up to **Accountability** and **Inclusive Decision Making** at all levels (district, state and nation).





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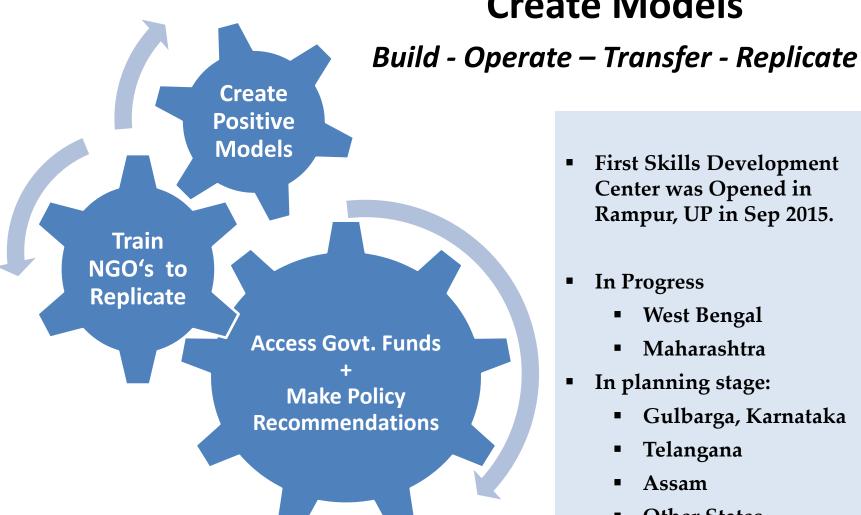
- Build and Nurture Civil Society NGO's
- Negotiating/Influencing
- Budget Monitoring
- Increase Access to Govt. Schemes
- Improve Local Capacity
- Create Positive Models
- Replicated in other states
- Identified 10 Clusters (30 Districts)
  - Appoint Development Fellow
  - Work with NGO Coordinators
  - Utilize District Administration/Funds
  - Measurable Improvement in:

    Education, Health, Sanitation,
    Economic Growth and Citizenship
- Leverage The Multiplier Effect



## **Skills Development Centers**

**Create Models** 



First Skills Development Center was Opened in Rampur, UP in Sep 2015.

- **In Progress** 
  - West Bengal
  - Maharashtra
- In planning stage:
  - Gulbarga, Karnataka
  - Telangana
  - Assam
  - **Other States**



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