

DAY- NULM

“Shehri Sahbhagita Manch”

As per Letter No. N-11025/03/2019-LSG Dated: 09/01/2019 the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihood Mission (DAY-NULM) SHGs primarily comprise of women are formed. SHGs are further organized into Area Level Federations (ALFs) and City Level Federations (CLFs). This architecture of community based organizations provides a strong platform for Social Empowerment and facilitates dissemination of government welfare programs.

A need has been felt to create a systematic process for participation of these collectives of the urban poor in resolution of gaps in the implementation of the mission and local urban issues concerning them. At the same time Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) need a mechanism to identify gaps in provision of basic urban services in urban poor settlement and coverage of government entitlements.

With this dual objective, the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs had proposed to establish a platform named “Shehri Sahbhagita Manch” in all cities where DAY-NULM is being implemented. This Platform would leverage the community based organizations formed under DAY-NULM, to create a mechanism for participatory urban governance.

With a view to facilitate the establishment and functioning of “Shehri Sahbhagita Manch” it is suggested to follow the process as indicated below. :

- i. Shehri Sahbhagita Manch to be constituted at the city level comprising of the following members,
 - Mayor/ Chairperson
 - Municipal Commissioner
 - Executive committee members of City Level Federations or representatives of ALFs.
 - Lead Bank Manager
 - Officer Incharge of DAY-NULM
 - Head of Municipal Wings – Engineering, Sanitation, Solid Waste Management
 - Head of the Departments – Women & child Welfare, Primary Education, Health
- ii. The meeting of the Shehri Sahbhagita Manch should be convened at least twice a year.
- iii. This platform is intended for raising issues that affect the community at large.
- iv. Larger cities may also consider organizing additional meetings at the Zone/ Circle/ Ward level to aggregate and prioritize the issues for discussion at the Shehri Sahbhagita Manch.
- v. CLF/ALF representatives may also share their success stories of issues that have been successfully resolved at the Shehri Sahbhagita Manch.

For record keeping & accountability in the Manch the following are suggested.

- The minutes of all shehri sahbhagita manch meetings should be maintained and circulated to all concerned for follow up action.
- In every meeting an action taken report on issues raised in the previous meeting should be presented for discussion.

It would be appreciated that Shehri Sahbhagita Manch which is intended to give a voice to CLFs & ALFs formed under DAY-NULM to contribute to local decision making process, will go a long way to further the spirit of the constitution (74th Amendment) Act, 1992.