

## **BUILDING COMMUNICATION OPPORTUNITIES**

**Bi-Annual Meeting**  
**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>, Friday 27<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 28 January 2006**  
**Hotel Himalaya**  
**Kathmandu, Nepal**

### ***Document 9*** ***Agenda of BCO Meeting, Kathmandu***

Purpose of the BCO Alliance is to investigate, mobilise and support key ICT4D opportunities that impact on poverty.

#### **Objectives**

#### **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January: BCO Business Day**

1. BCO partners to report and share progress on key activities undertaken within the BCO programme, based on the agreed template
2. Pinpoint activities and mechanisms to deepen learning and strengthen collaboration between the partners
3. Discuss and agree next steps in taking forward the BCO programme

#### **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January: Impact Assessment Day**

4. BCO partners to agree on the broad outlines of the impact study (purpose and audience, research question, methodology and timeframe, partner contributions and responsibilities)
5. Consolidate the process and plan for the BCO Impact Study

#### **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January: Learning Day on MDG and ICT/Media in Nepal**

6. How ICTs/Media has been mainstreamed in MDGs in Nepal from various multi-stakeholder sectors.
7. Facilitate networking and information exchange with government and regional partners on programmes and initiatives related to the learning issue
8. Map existing and potential **MDG and ICT/Media** relevant interventions of BCO partners including identifying needs and opportunities for advocacy and support

**BCO ALLIANCE BI-ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAMME, Kathmandu, Nepal**

<b>Thurs 26 January</b>		<b>Fri 27 January</b>		<b>Sat 28 January</b>	
<b>BCO reporting and business</b> Venue: Hotel Himalaya		<b>BCO Impact Assessment</b> Venue: Panos Media Centre		<b>Learning Day: MDG and ICT/Media in Nepal</b> Venue: Hotel Himalaya	
07h30	Breakfast and coffee				
09h00	<b>Welcome</b>				
09h05	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Introductions&amp;welcome - PPP exercise</li> <li>▪ Expectations</li> <li>▪ Programme overview</li> <li>▪ Apologies</li> </ul>	09h05	<b>Report on work and progress</b> of the Impact Study Group since the July 2005 <i>(Chat)</i>	09h05	Welcome/Introduction by participants
09h30	<b>Partner reporting</b> Identify issues arising from reports for further discussion  <i>(Chat and Shikha)</i>	09h30	Present the <b>BCO theory of change and concept</b> of the Impact Study Questions and discussion <i>(Shaddy)</i>	09h30	<b>UNDP's MDGs and ICT Activities (Presentation/Sharing)</b>  Sangita Khadka - <i>Development Communications Officer, UNDP</i>  Lisa Hiller - <i>Communications Manager, UNDP, Nepal</i>
	<b>Partner reporting</b> cont.... Identify issues arising from reports for further discussion	10h00	Present and explain the proposed <b>Impact Study "research question" and its rationale.</b> Questions and discussion Reach agreement if possible, or devise a process for doing so. <i>(Kitty)</i>	10h30	Discussion
10h30 - 11h00 Coffee					
11h00	Discussion of issues arising from reports BCO in the context of ICD post WSIS	11h00	The <b>Project Map</b> for the Impact Study: Review BCO partner projects whose evaluation could contribute to answering the Question. Add relevant projects not yet included in the chart <i>(Kitty)</i>	11h00	<b>MDGs and Media in Nepal (Presentation/Sharing)</b>  Kunda Dixit - <i>Editor, Nepali Times Weekly</i>  Discussion

	<b>Thurs 26 July</b>		<b>Fri 27 July</b>		
	<b>BCO reporting and business</b>		<b>BCO Impact assessment</b>		<b>MDG</b>
	12h30-14h00 Lunch				
14h00	<b>BCO Coordination Plans 2006</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ IICD report and reflections</li> <li>▪ Donor reflections</li> <li>▪ Report &amp; reflections on WSIS</li> <li>▪ <b>Coordination 2006 plan</b></li> </ul> <i>Loe Schout</i>	14h00	<b>Implementation 1:</b> Methodology, Indicators Role of external consultant(s) What is required of each partner Timeframe Agree next steps <i>(Shaddy)</i>	13h30	<b>NPC's MDG</b> <b>Presentation</b> Teertha Dhal <i>Planning Cor</i> Discussion
	<b>Partner planning and mapping for 2006-2007</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Partner calendar</li> <li>▪ Partner activities</li> <li>▪ ICT calendar</li> </ul> <i>(Shikha)</i>	14h30	<b>The Project Map, part 2:</b> Which projects have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ already been evaluated</li> <li>▪ being planned</li> <li>▪ design from scratch as part of this study?</li> </ul> Review the chart: What does this map suggest for the implementation of the study: country focus? Selection of projects? Gaps? Prioritisation? other relevant research and evaluation studies?  Review: realistic assessment of how much we can achieve, with existing time, finance and human resources If necessary, selection criteria for narrowing down the number of projects? <i>(Neeltje)</i>	14h30	<b>ActionAid's</b> <b>Presentation</b> Shibesh Cha <i>Actionaid Ne</i> Discussion
	15h30-16h00 Tea				
16h00	<b>BCO meetings 2006-2007</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Review meetings months</li> <li>▪ Date</li> <li>▪ venue,</li> <li>▪ learning day topic</li> <li>▪ lead partner</li> </ul> <i>(Kishor)</i>	16h00	<b>Implementation 2:</b> Outline the proposed process Clarification of resource issues and decisions that have to be made Devise a decision-making process for partners' contributions <i>Presentation and discussion</i> <i>(Chat)</i>	16h00	<b>Wrap-up</b> <b>Interaction</b>
17h00	Review of the day and action steps <i>(Kishor/Lauren)</i>		Review what has been achieved over the day Review and finalised agreed next steps, partner actions needed, etc <i>(Chat)</i>	17h30	<b>Farewells</b>
18h30	Dinner New Orleans, Thamel	18h30	<b>Reception WITH LOCAL PARTNERS AND DONORS</b> <b>Wunjala Maskva, Naxal</b>		Dinner Thakali Kitch