South Asia Sub-regional Bipartite Knowledge Sharing Workshop on Domestic Workers and Home-Based Workers

29-30 November 2017, Kathmandu, Nepal

Programme Schedule

Time	DAY ONE – 29 November 2017
8:30 - 9:00	Registration
9:00 - 9:30	Opening & Introduction
	 Master of ceremony (MC): Mr Prakash Sharma, Programme Officer, ILO, Nepal Welcome remark: Mr Richard Howard, Director, ILO Nepal Country Office Opening remarks: Mr Khila Nath Dahal, President, Nepal Trade Union Congress, Nepal Opening remarks: Mr Khondaker Mostan Hossain, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Bangladesh Brief overview: Mr Sher Verick, Deputy Director, ILO Decent Work Team (DWT) for South Asia and Country Office (CO) for India Background & workshop objectives: Ms Aya Matsuura, Gender
	Specialist, ILO DWT for South Asia and CO for India
9:30 - 11:15	 Session 1: Understanding Domestic Work and Home-Based Work Chair: Ms Firoza Mehrotra, HomeNet South Asia 1. International scope, definition and key characteristics Domestic work, Ms Claire Hobden, Technical specialist on vulnerable workers, domestic work, INWORK, ILO Geneva
	 Home-based work, Ms Aya Matsuura, Gender specialist, ILO DWT for South Asia and CO for India
	2. Domestic work and home-based work in South Asia
	 Domestic work, Ms Suneetha Eluri, National Project Coordinator, ILO DWT for South Asia and CO for India
	 Home-based work Ms. Janhavi Dave, International Coordinator, HomeNet South Asia
	3. Defining employment relationships in domestic work and home-based work: an essential step towards formalization
	 Prof. Kamala Shankaran, Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu National Law School, India

	4. Floor discussion and wrap up of Session
11:15 - 11:45	Tea/Coffee & Group Photo
11:45 - 12:45	Session 2: Formalization for Decent Work in domestic work and home work: setting benchmarks
	Chair: Prof Kamala Shankaran, Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu National Law School, India
	 Transition from the Informal to the Formal Economy Recommendation, 2015 (No. 204) and what it means for domestic workers and home workers
	Ms Claire Hobden, Technical specialist on vulnerable workers, domestic work, INWORK, ILO Geneva
	 Ms Aya Matsuura, Gender specialist, ILO DWT for South Asia and CO for India
	Questions and answers
12:45 - 13:45	Lunch
13:45 - 14:45	Session 3: Policy frameworks towards improving working conditions of domestic workers
	Moderator: Ms Amelita King Dejardin, Former ILO official and independent consultant
	Discussant: Ms Claire Hobden, Technical specialist on vulnerable workers, domestic work, INWORK, ILO Geneva
	 Panelists: Mr Khondaker Mostan Hossain, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Bangladesh Ms Ume Laila Azhar, Executive Director, HomeNet Pakistan Mr Lissy Joseph, National Platform for Domestic Workers, India
14:45 - 15:45 (60 minutes)	Session 4: Policy frameworks towards improving working conditions of home-based workers
	Moderator: Ms Firoza Mehrotra, HomeNet South Asia
	Discussant: Ms Aya Matsuura, I Gender specialist, ILO DWT for South Asia and CO for India LO, New Delhi
	Panelists:
	 Ms Ume Laila Azhar, Executive Director, HomeNet Pakistan Ms Janhavi Dave, International Coordinator, HomeNet South Asia (representing India)

	Ms Arifa As Alam, Labour at Informal Economy, Bangladesh
15:45-16:15	Tea/coffee
16:15-17:00	Session 5: Conversation between moderators of two policy sessions (Sessions 3 and 4)
	Chair: Ms. Kiran Moghe, Centre for Indian Trade Unions (CITU)
	Speakers: Ms Amelita King Dejardin and Ms Firoza Mehrotra
Time	DAY TWO - 30 November 2017
9:00 - 10:00	Session 6: Recap of the first day and interaction with government officials followed by open discussion
	Facilitator: Mr Sher Verick, Deputy Director, ILO Decent Work Team (DWT) for South Asia and Country Office (CO) for India
10:00 -11:30	Session 7: Trade union organization and collective actions towards improving working conditions of Home-based workers
	Moderator: Ms Prabha Pokhrel, Home-based Workers 'Concern Society, Nepal
	Panelists:
	 Ms Saira Feroz, Home-based Women Workers' Federation, Pakistan Ms Quazi Baby, Coalition of Urban Poor, Bangladesh
	 Ms Indira Garternberg, LEARN Mahila Kamghar, India Mr Chandra Sagar Lama, President, Home workers Trade Union of Nepal (HUN), Nepal
11:30 - 11:30	Session 8: Trade union organization and collective actions towards improving working conditions of Domestic workers
	Moderator: Ms Sonia George, SEWA India
	 Panelists: Ms Arooma Shahzad, Pakistan Worker's Federation (PWF), Pakistan Ms Vahidha Nizam, All India Trade Union Congress (AITUC), India Ms Hamida Khatun, Bangladesh Jatiyatabadi Sramik Dal (BJSD), Bangladesh Ms Goma Pandey, Center for Labour and Social Studies, Nepal
13:00-14:00	Lunch

14:00-16:00	Session 9: Discussing, reviewing possible areas of action and prioritizing per stakeholder group Facilitator: Ms Aya Matsuura, Gender specialist, ILO DWT for South Asia and CO for India
	 Groups for discussion: Government institutions Employers Trade unions and workers' organizations – Domestic Workers Trade unions and workers' organizations – Home-based Workers Presentation by each group and open discussion
16:00-16:30	Tea/coffee
16:30 - 17:30	Session 10: Closing and vote of thanks