

DRAFT NACP IV WG UPDATE

NACP IV Working Group 2nd Round of meetings has started from 11th July 2011 beginning with Targeted Interventions (TI). In this round, sufficient time for discussions has been provided, as each thematic area is taking place separately. Working Group discussion on Injecting Drug Users (IDU), Migrants and Truckers are over and the recommendations for these groups are being finalised. The discussion in the group on Men having sex with Men (MSM) is under way at the time of this posting (14th July 2011). The groups are well represented by community and Civil Society members as well as donor partners and representatives of SACS and allied ministries. WGs are briefed about the outcomes of the first round of Working Group reports and the main issues are identified, and after discussions, recommendations are finalised by end of the day. There has been very active participation by all members.

It may also be recollected that the Civil Society and Multistakeholder Regional Consultations were held at 5 places during the period 9th June to 16th June 2011. NACO had been instrumental in securing funding for these. The purpose was to get regional perspectives, which were important, seeing the diversity of the country. These were to be inputs into the second round of working groups. Unfortunately, the reports of the Civil Society Regional Consultations have not yet been received. Dr. Sundaraman who appears to be responsible for these has been requested as well.

We have, however, received the reports of the regional multi stakeholder consultations, through the PDs of SACS, which we are fully using during the second round of Working Groups.