



Talk: Innovations in Primary Health Care: Community Planning and Monitoring

Speaker:

H. Sudarshan, Social Worker and Tribal Rights Activist

Date / Time:

August 10, 2012 - 2:15pm - 4:00pm

Venue:

Room 205, Pixel 'B', APU

A Note on the Speaker:

Dr. Sudarshan is a social worker and tribal rights activist. He is well known for his contributions to the upliftment of the forest dwelling tribes (mainly Soligas) in the Chamarajanagar district of Karnataka. He is also a recipient of the Right Livelihood Award and the Padma Shri. He is the founder of the Karuna Trust which partners with several state governments in the delivery of primary health care through a Public Private Partnership. Dr. Sudarshan has held many positions in his career, prominent among which are the chairmanship of the Task Force on Health and Family Welfare organised by Government of Karnataka, the Task Force on Public Private Partnership organised by National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) of Government of India and Institute of Health management & Research (IHMR), Bangalore. He was also associated as a member of Working Group 6 on Macro-economics and Health organised by the World Health Organization and was also a Steering Group member of the Planning Commission on the Empowerment of Scheduled Tribes in India's 11th Five Year Plan. He has also been the Vigilance Director for the Karnataka Lokayukta, an ombudsman organization. During his tenure, he adopted a method of regular visits and raids to several Government departments and earned critical acclaim for this.