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| FOREWORD |

One Step Forward, Two Backward?

Dr. Rajesh Tandon, Chairperson

In the history of relationships between NGOs and the government of India, year 2007 has been a remarkable one. For the first time in the history of independent India, a National Policy for Voluntary Sector was announced by the Government of India in Delhi. Prepared in active consultations with the voluntary sector, the Policy is a futuristic document, and has been applauded internationally.

Many office-bearers of VANI substantially contributed to the drafting of this Policy. VANI, its members and state-level networks have since been popularizing this Policy, and building a climate in different states for its operationalisation. This Policy is a part of the Eleventh Five Year Plan of the government now.

In parallel, the Ministry of Home Affairs has been working to further tighten the implementation of Foreign Contribution Regulation Act; a bill was introduced in the Rajya Sabha during December 2006, and then debated in the Select Committee of the Parliament. VANI and its members made several representations to this Committee, including public appearances and dialogues with the members of the Committee. Simultaneously, it informed its members and other stakeholders about the far-reaching adverse implications of this bill, if enacted. Under the guise of fighting international terrorism, this proposed bill is going to severely restrict the freedom of expression and association in the Indian democracy.

Finally, the Finance Minister has amended the crucial provisions of the income Tax Act which had enabled voluntary sector to be able to function as non-profit organizations, and be able to raise some resources for their programmes. This amendment, which is shrouded in ambiguity and gives enormous discretionary powers of interpretation to the Income Tax officers, is now going to make all kinds of user charges, fees, sale of products by the beneficiaries, etc etc liable for tax. It will simply imply that the voluntary sector in India will not be able to become self reliant by raising its own revenues. Its dependence on charity and 'doles' from the government will be further increased. The political space for independent voice of citizens is getting muted, when in fact it is needed the most. Campaigns by VANI and many others seem to have had no impact on the government so far.

I am reminded of the discussion on NGO-GO relations which PRIA had convened in 1986. Twenty-two years ago, NGO leaders from 20 countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America had gathered in Delhi to deliberate the trends towards these relations. The booklet summarizing those deliberations is entitled "NGO-GO Relations: A Source of Life or Kiss of Death?" Much has changed in the world since then. Private capitalism and economic growth are in full bloom in India, as elsewhere. As conflicts, disparities and inequalities increase, the role of civil society becomes crucial in deepening and nurturing an accountable and participatory democracy.

It is precisely at this historical juncture that the struggles to protect and advance the political space for freedoms of association and speech require greater momentum, assertion and visibility.

It is precisely this mandate that VANI has been trying to fulfill during this eventful 2007.

I salute you---you the members and supporters of VANI-to believe in these struggles!

31st July 2008



Preface

Mr. Paresh Tewary, Chief Executive Officer

The period under review has been important from various perspectives ranging from policy dialogues to networking, capacity building of our members, improvement of information dissemination channels, and servicing our members and other stakeholders not only well but also in a time bound manner. This has led to better action undertaken by our members at grassroots level.

VANI strengthened its networking initiatives at state, national and international levels. In addition, keeping in mind the demands of changing political environment, multiple strategies were adopted to address some critical issues such as State consultations on National Policy on Voluntary Sector; enactment of similar policies in each state, advocacy campaign against FCR Bill 2006, and promotion of good governance practices among Voluntary Organisations.

The project 'Building Networks of Voluntary Organisations for Promotion of Civil Society Actions in Selective States of India under Poorest Area Civil Society (PACS) Programme that was initiated by VANI in April 2005 with the support of Development Alternatives & PriceWaterhouseCoopers in six states - Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Maharashtra and Utter Pradesh, was successfully completed by December-end 2007. An important learning of the PACS project is that the scope to strengthen already established state networks is still very large.

The process of bringing about fundamental transformations in the relationship between Government and Voluntary Organisations was further strengthened. A national consultation in association with Commonwealth Foundation on GO-NGO Collaboration and invitation from Planning Commission to become an Expert Group Member on feasibility of a new Central Law to serve as an alternative all-India statute for registering VOs need special mention in this regard.

I joined in as new Chief Executive Officer of VANI with effect from July 23rd, 2007. In effect, this is not even one year since I have assumed my responsibilities. Yet, during this short span of eight (8) months, I have made every effort to revitalize VANI to remain relevant to the new responsibilities and challenges. As a result, VANI managed to achieve tangible results which are all set to give a more meaningful focus to the voluntary sector in India and will subsequently lead to improve its image.

VANI's role is evolving and will get centrality in coming months. This will be possible by serious involvement of its members and their support. I have always believed that in network organizations with sound membership base, what finally matters is the overall ownership of its members and their support in making it as a co-hesive force in the available space.

I take this opportunity to thank VANI members, VANI Working Committee members, donors and other stakeholders & well-wishers for extending their whole-hearted support to the Secretariat despite their busy schedule.

31st July 2008

INTRODUCTION

2007-08 has been special for the voluntary sector for many reasons. The year marks the beginning of the 11th Five Year Plan (2007-2012), which promises to encourage partnerships between Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and government, particularly between CSOs and PRIs which also extend to joint implementation. However, the great achievement for VANI, and indeed the entire voluntary sector in the country, was the enactment of National Policy on Voluntary Sector in May 2007. The Policy sets an interesting framework for the identity and contributions of the voluntary sector.

A resurgent VANI, largely based on the support received from its members, was able to continue to deepen and broaden its work on creating a conducive environment for the voluntary sector through information dissemination, policy advocacy, capacity building at the state level, and public education. Its reach included not only registered and organized NGOs but also grassroots level associations and community based organizations that play a key role in promoting development, community building, and social justice.

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The core activities of VANI during the reporting period could broadly be described under four major sub-heads, namely, advocacy; networking, governance, and membership management & organizational matters.

ADVOCACY: CREATION OF CONDUCTIVE POLICY & LEGAL ENVIRONMENT FOR VOs

The struggle and search for legal clarity and simplification of laws and rules for VOs continued throughout the reporting period.

Advocacy Campaign on FCR Bill 2006

As part of the campaign against certain provisions in the proposed FCR Bill 2006, VANI continued to organize group and individual meetings with various stakeholders and represented the same through the media.

Oral Submission before the Standing Committee, October 3, 2007

A group of VANI representatives, which included Mr. Paresh Tewary, CEO, VANI; Mr. Sharad Joshi, CEOEDECON; Mr. Jagadananda, CYSD; and Mr. Rama Reddy, Cooperative Development

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Foundation, gave oral submission to the Parliamentary Standing Committee, Ministry of Home Affairs, GOI on FCR Bill 2006 on October 3, 2007 and reiterated opposition to the provisions of the proposed Bill.

Consultation on FCR Bill 2006

Sensing that FCR Bill 2006 could be placed before the 2008 Budget Session of the Parliament, a consultation on "FCR Bill 2006 - The Way Forward" was held on 30th January 2008 at India



International Centre (IIC) in association with FMSF. Attended by about 30

30th January 2008: Consultation on "FCR Bill 2006, India International Centre, New Delhi

representatives from over 25 organizations, it was a last minute effort to share concerns with the Government and concerned authorities. As an outcome, a one page memorandum was submitted to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on FCR Bill 2006 and the ministers concerned.

Oral Submission before the Standing Committee, January 9, 2008

As head of one of the working groups involved in the formulation of national policy on the voluntary sector, VANI along with Member Secretary, Planning Commission, principal author of the "National Policy on the Voluntary Sector" and heads of other working groups orally submitted before DRSC on January 9, 2008 and clarified issues concerning FCR Bill 2006 vis-à-vis national policy on the voluntary sector.

National Policy Advocacy: State Consultations

The great achievement for VANI, and indeed the entire voluntary sector in the country, during

VANI is alive to the FCRA issue and has been working hard to safeguard the interests of the sector. The highlight of advocacy efforts towards better FCRA regime included two (2) oral submissions on FCR Bill, 2006 before the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs headed by Ms. Sushma Swaraj, M.P. VANI has continuously been maintaining that provisions of the proposed Bill are detrimental to the interests of the voluntary sector and it is due to relentless efforts and the sustained pressure that VANI and associated VOs exerted on the government that FCR Bill, 2006 was not placed before the Parliament, despite rumors doing the round .

the year was the enactment of National Policy on Voluntary Sector in May 2007. The Policy sets an interesting framework for the identity and contributions of the voluntary sector. VANI has been closely associated with the framing of the policy and feels proud of this accomplishment.

As a follow up to the National Policy on Voluntary Sector and formulate similar policies at state levels, VANI catalysed some important processes and organized a series of state consultations on the voluntary sector policy, a brief description of which is given as under:

The objectives of these consultations were basically to build up an understanding on the national policy among the VOs; formulate strategies for addressing challenges; and

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organize interfaces with state governments to formulate similar policies at the state level.

State Consultations on National Policy on the Voluntary Sector		
State	Date	Partner Organisation
Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	August 17, 2007	UPVAN
Raipur, Chhattisgarh	October 31, 2007	--
Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	November 5-6, 2007	Madhyavan
Nagpur, Maharashtra	November 29, 2007	--
Patna, Bihar	December 1, 2007	--
Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	December 27, 2007	UPVAN
Bhubaneswar, Orissa	January 19, 2008	CYSD
Chennai, Tamil Nadu	January 25, 2008	SIPA
Trivandrum, Kerala	February 14, 2008	KAVAL & SAHAYI
Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh	February 20, 2008	CEC & AP State Govt.

GO-NGO Collaboration Initiatives

National Consultation on GO-NGO Collaboration

In association with Commonwealth Foundation, a national consultation on GO-NGO Collaboration was organized on 13th August 2007 in Delhi. The consultation was chaired by Dr. Syeda Hameed, Member, Planning Commission, GOI. Mr. Ajaneesh Kumar, Deputy Secretary (UN-Political Division), MEA, GOI participated and contributed to the discussions.

Planning Commission invite to be Expert Group Member

With effect from March 27, 2008, Planning Commission has set up an Expert Group on feasibility of a new Central Law to serve as an alternative all-India statute for registering VOs. VANI, as the largest national platform of VOs was also invited as a member of this important body.

Support to National Technical Advisory Group to JNNURM

During the reporting period, VANI continued to provide Secretariat support to National Technical Advisory Group (TAG) for Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), the largest national urban initiative with Rs.50,000 crores of Central Government support for 63 identified cities. The support was mainly



JNNURM in terms of logistics, communications, documentation, etc. around its activities so that TAG could fulfill its mandate with greater ease

At the state/regional level, it was important to convene meetings where policy was shared and debated by voluntary sector and interfaces were organized with state governments to ask them what they would do in response to the policy. Taking this process forward, ten (10) state consultations on voluntary sector policy were organized across nine states of India. VANI has also asked the government to set up task forces to operationalise different sections of the policy and include members of the voluntary sector in the same.

Other Important Advocacy Efforts

Consultation on pre-budget memorandum

To continue with the agenda to provide relief to voluntary organization, VANI organized a consultation on Friday, the January 4, 2008, in association with Account Aid India at India International Centre, New Delhi. Incorporating suggestions and recommendations of the participants, a pre-budget memorandum was submitted to Hon'ble Finance Minister for his consideration.

PROMOTING, FACILITATING & STRENGTHENING OF NETWORKS

Efforts were made to further strengthen and consolidate the networking processes and continuation of dialogues that had been initiated during the initial phase.

Strengthening of State-level Networks

National Consultations on State Specific Issues:

In association with network partners in PACS states (Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Chattisgarh and Maharashtra) national consultations were organized on state specific issues. Details are given as under:

The objective of these consultations was to revisit the concerned issues, analyse present sta-

National Consultations on State Specific Issues		
State	Date	Issue
Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	October 7, 2007	Right to Information Act
Patna, Bihar	October 22, 2007	Right to Information Act
Ranchi, Jharkhand	November 22, 2007	NGO Registration Policy
Raipur, Chhattisgarh	November 15-16, 2007	NREGA
Pune, Maharashtra	December 11, 2007	NGO Accreditation

tus of implementation of the policies, and ensure effective implementation at ground level (Panchayat, ULBs, Block and District).

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The constitution of the Expert Group is in accordance with para 4.3 of the National Policy on the Voluntary Sector (available at http://www.vaniindia.org/Download/National_Policy-May2007_EN.pdf) which says that "The Government will also examine the feasibility of enacting a simple and liberal central law that will serve as an alternative all-India statute for registering VOs, particularly those that wish to operate in different parts of the country and even abroad". Apart from VANI, there are eighteen (18) other members of this Expert Group.

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Working/ Steering Committee/General Body Meetings of State Networks

The details of the organization/management level meetings of state networks during the reporting period are given below:

State network/Nature of meeting	Date/Place	Main Agenda
ABHA, Bihar (Working Committee Meeting)	Q1 (April-June 2007), Patna, CENCORED Office	Finalization of work plan of ABHA/VANI for the next six months
Madhyavan, Madhya Pradesh (Working Committee Meeting)	12th July 2007, Bhopal Madhyavan Office	Strengthening Madhyavan & future plan for sustaining activities
Chhattisgarh VANI (Steering Committee Meeting)	18th July 2007 State Secretariat, Raipur	Registration of Chhattisgarh VANI as a formal network and to finalize the related by-laws.
ABHA, Bihar (Working Committee Meeting)	September 10, 2007	Action plans as per the PACS PIP till December 2007
Madhyavan (Madhya Pradesh)	11th October 2007 Bhopal, Madhyavan Office	Strengthening Madhyavan & future plan for sustaining activities
Chhattisgarh VANI (General Body Meeting)	31st October, 2007, Hotel Aditya, Raipur	Registration of "Chhattisgarh VANI" under Society Registration Act and preparation of by-laws within the next six months

International Networking Efforts

VANI continued to initiate partnerships with international networks of NGOs and government agencies to have more impact in its advocacy and governance programmes.

Asian Regional Meeting of National NGO Platforms, New Delhi

The meeting (6th December 2007) was part of VANI's project with Coordination Sud (France) on "Strengthening Civil Society National Platforms" in association with ABONG (Brazil), ACCION (Chile) and CONGAD (Senegal). It focused on the development of an Asian Regional Platform for CSOs for effective exchange of ideas and developing an understanding of the work and issues that are relevant to the region.

Meeting on Innovative Mechanisms for Global Financing for Development, New Delhi

VANI, in association with WEED, Germany hosted a meeting on innovative mechanisms for global financing for development on 7th & 8th December 2007 at NIPFP,

VANI is putting together efforts to bring international voluntary organizations on a single platform through various means such as regular interface, meetings, and consultations and cross exposure visits. It is towards this goal that VANI is engaged in important liaisons with various networks internationally such as INTRAC, CIVICUS, Commonwealth Foundation, Coordination SUD, ABONG and CONGAD. Our initiative stems from the prevalent global opinion that advocacy actions aimed at public opinion as well as lobby actions aimed at negotiations will be influential in generating a favourable environment towards creating a more sustainable and fair world.

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7th-8th December 2007: Asian Regional Meeting on “Non-Governmental Diplomacy & Cross Exposure Vists”

New Delhi. It brought together 30 select participants to discuss issues on financing for development (especially for the MDGS by 2015) and reflect upon proposals being discussed for the forthcoming Doha Meeting on Financing for Development (2008).

Programme on Non-Governmental Diplomacy & Cross Exposure Visits

Based on discussions since last year that took place in three (3) Asian regional meetings (in association with Coordination Sud, France), VANI coordinated visits/workshops in Vietnam, Maldives, Thailand and Sri Lanka and also provided resource persons for the same. The details are as under:

Visit to Sri Lanka (6 to 8 February 2008)

In association with: Sri Lanka United Friendship Organisation (SUNFO), Raajje Foundation (working on capacity building of Sri Lankan and Maldivian CSOs) and National Peace Council Sri Lanka (NPC).

Activity: The delegation helped CSOs to develop capacity to negotiate on Human Rights and advocacy.

Visit to Maldives (9 to 11 February 2008)

In association with: NOOR and Raajje Foundation

Activity: The delegation helped CSOs to develop capacity to negotiate on Human Rights and advocacy.

Visit to Thailand (4th Asian Regional Meeting, 25 to 26 February 2008)

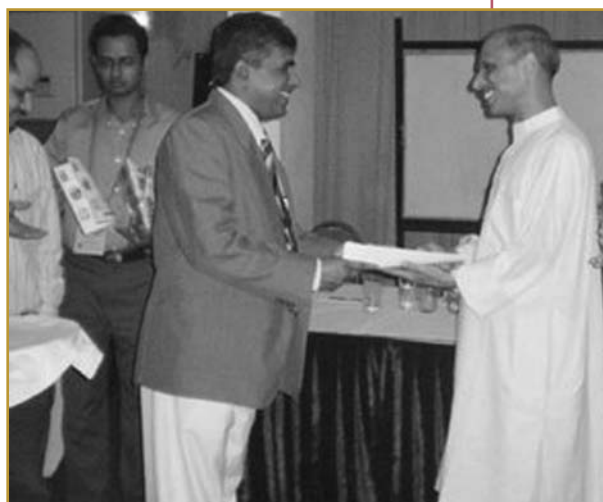
Participating countries: Nepal, Japan, Philippines, Cambodia, India, Laos, Thailand, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Vietnam, Maldives, Sri Lanka, Pakistan and France

Activity: To carry forward dialogue with Asian partners and formation of Asian regional platform

Visit to Vietnam (Workshop on capacity building of CSOs in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia)

In association with: VUSTA (NGO Network) and VNAH

Activity: Expose CSOs from Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia to the potential of civil societies, including a session on capacity building)



6-8 February 2008: Hon. Wijedasa Rajapaksha presenting appreciation certificate to Mr. Paresh Tewary

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Internship to French Students

As part of VANI's exchange programme with its counterpart in France, Coordination Sud, VANI offered internship to two students from France in July 2007 to study Indian NGOs working with Tsunami affected people. The interns studied functioning of VANI and its members working in Tamil Nadu. The findings of the study were submitted to their respective Universities.



July 2007, Internship to French Students.

Visits of International Delegates/ dignitaries to VANI Secretariat

August 10, 2007: Ms Marlou Pijnappel, Programme Officer, Democratic and Peace Building Department, ICCO

August 17, 2007: Mr. Masaaki Ohashi, Chairperson, JANIC (Japan NGO Centre for International Cooperation), an NGO umbrella organisation in Japan and Dr. Nabin Aryal from NIWANO Peace Foundation, Japan

August 22, 2007: Ms. Gail Cockburn, the newly appointed Counsellor and Head of CIDA & Dr. Sampat Kumar, Development Cooperation Section, Canadian High Commission

October 12, 2007: A 12-membered delegation from Pakistan (facilitated by CASA, New Delhi)

Participation in International Events

As part of VANI's initiatives to play effective role at international level and explore possibility of working with other stakeholders, VANI participated in various international events which translated in better networking with government officials, CSOs and other stakeholders and also strengthened the image building process at the international level.

Technical Training for Civil Society Platforms in Paris, France

As part of the project on non-governmental diplomacy, VANI (represented by Ms Swapna Maini) attended a training organized by Coordination Sud for the technical assistants of the entire five partner National Platforms of NGOs from 9 to 13 July 2007.



9-13 July 2007: Technical Training for Civil Platforms organized by Coordination Sud in Paris

CIVICUS World Assembly - Glasgow, 21-25 June 2007

Representing VANI, Mr. K.S. Gopal, Member, Working Committee, attended the CIVICUS 7th World Assembly on 21-25 June 2007 in Glasgow. It gave VANI an excellent opportunity to exchange information on VANI and its activities with

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participants and explore opportunities for collaboration between VANI and other credible agencies.

Meeting on Innovative Development Financing, Seoul, South Korea

The 3rd plenary of the leading group on solidarity levies was organized by the Ministry of



September 3, 2007: The 3rd Plenary Meeting on Innovative Development Financing, Seoul, South Korea

Foreign Affairs and Trade, Republic of Korea on September 3, 2007. VANI contributed to the meeting as a representative of Indian civil society and delivered the opening comments on behalf of the voluntary sector.

PROMOTING PRACTICES OF GOOD GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

VANI continued to be vigilant in making good governance a prime agenda among development NGOs in a variety of ways including the following during the reporting period:

Srinagar Workshop on Good Governance

In association with member organizations in J&K, a two-day workshop on Good Governance in NGOs was organized in Srinagar on September 10-11, 2007. It was attended by over 50 participants from all over Kashmir and the adjoining areas.



September. 10-11, 2007: Workshop on Good Governance in NGOs, Srinagar

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Regional Workshop on Good Governance, Pune

A two-day Regional Workshop on Good Governance in CSOs was organized at Khandala, Pune (Maharashtra) on September 24-25, 2007. It was well attended by over 40 participants from six states/UTs (Daman & Diu, Goa, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Rajasthan of the Western Zone). The main objective was to promote good governance practices within organizations for greater participation and representation of their constitutions.

VANI has also been promoting good governance among CSOs through its quarterly news magazine Civil Society Voices which has a readership base of approximately 10000 people.



24-25 September 2007: Regional Workshop on Good Governance in CSOs was organized at Khandala, Pune (Maharashtra) .

Internal Governance

Throughout the reporting period, VANI endeavoured to revitalize itself to remain relevant to the new responsibilities and challenges. Mr. Paresh Tewary joined in as new Chief Executive Officer of VANI with effect from July 23rd, 2007. He replaced Mr. Pooran Pandey who incidentally had completed his tenure during the year. With this, in line with the strategic plan, recruitment of a professional team, including those of programme managers, programme officers, etc. was almost complete. Some of the special efforts to keep intact the internal governance system comprised the following:

Annual National Convention: To facilitate sharing of issues and concerns among civil society organizations in India, VANI organized its Annual National Convention 2007 on 17th and 18th December 2007 at Cancer Centre Research Welfare Home and Research Institute Auditorium, Kolkata. Over 350 participants, ranging from civil society organisations to media, donors, etc. took part in the deliberations.

Annual General Body Meeting: The 18th Annual General Body Meeting took place on December 18, 2007 in Kolkata.



17-18 December 2007: Annual National Conventions, Kolkata

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Working Committee & Sub-Committees: The working committee met at regular intervals to guide the secretariat on various issues. The identification of working Committee members was done through a Nomination Committee by taking into consideration: questions of requisite regional representation; gender balance; and capabilities to ensure quality leadership. In order to facilitate speedy disbursement of various issues, the meeting held on March 20, 2008, resolved to have two Sub-Committees from now on -

Nomination Committee and Membership Committee.

Gender Diversity

The following tables reflect gender diversity in staff members and Working Committee during the reporting period:

Gender Diversity in Staff Composition				
	2006-2007		2007-2008	
Staff Members	Nos.	Percentage	Nos.	Percentage
Male	12	63	12	63
Female	7	37	7	37
Total	19	100	19	100
Gender Diversity in Working Committee				
	2006-2007		2007-2008	
WC Members	Nos.	Percentage	Nos.	Percentage
Male	14	67	17	81
Female	7	33	4	19
Total	21	100	21	100

MEMBERSHIP MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION

Focus on increased participation of members through timely and relevant information and capacity building continued. The database was updated with recent information about programmes, activities and organizational capacities of the members. With a view to improve membership services, the following activities of VANI were braced up during the year:

Website updation: Apart from publishing various news and events which affect voluntary organizations, the website continued to provide details of VANI member as well.

Digital library: The capacity of the digital library got increased in terms of digitized and catalogued publications such as books, reports, magazines and annual reports.

Database: Databases for information such as funding agencies, media contacts were continuously strengthened and updated throughout the year.

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Civil Society Voices: The quarterly newsmagazine carries besides news, events, articles and write-ups, a host of useful information such as government circulars, advisories and information that voluntary sector can use to their advantage.

Membership Status

The membership status over the years is illustrated below in the table:

Membership Status				
Years	Total No. of Members	Organisations	Networks/ Federations	Individuals
1995	152	103	12	37
1996	207	145	13	49
1997	224	155	19	50
1998	233	164	20	49
1999	240	171	22	47
2000	236	172	20	44
2001	248	186	20	42
2002	253	187	21	45
2003	280	218	21	41
2004	286	223	21	42
2005	287	224	21	42
2006*	295	230	21	44
2007*	292	233	18	41
2008*	303	243	19	41

Between 2007 and 2008 (March-end), the total no. of VANI members increased from 292 to 304, registering a 4 percent growth in absolute terms.

Auditor's Report

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Chartered Accountants

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The Members
Voluntary Action Network India (VANI)
New Delhi

We have examined the attached Balance Sheet of **Voluntary Action Network India (VANI), New Delhi** as on **31st March 2008** & the related, Income & Expenditure Account on the said date.

These financial statements are the responsibility of the **Voluntary Action Network India (VANI)** management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in India. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with an indentified financial reporting framework and are free of material misstatements. An audit includes, examining on test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

On the basis of the information and explanation given to us, we are of the opinion that:

- (a) The Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of **Voluntary Action Network India (VANI), as on 31st March 2008**; and
- (b) The Income & Expenditure Account gives a true and fair view of the results of operation of Voluntary Action Network India (VANI) for the year ended on the date stated above.

The prescribed particulars are annexed hereto.

For CHARNALIA BHATIA AND GANDHI
Chartered Accountants
Sd/-
(Arun Bhatia) Partner
Dated: 30th June 2008

BALANCE SHEET

AS ON MARCH 31, 2008

		2007-08	Amount in Rs. 2006-2007
SOURCES OF FUNDS			
	SCH		
Capital Fund and Reserves	1	6,731,143	5,056,969
Restricted Funds	2	9,537,813	6,343,591
	Total	16,268,956	11,400,560
APPLICATIONS OF FUNDS			
Fixed Assets	3	2,289,039	2,243,545
Current Assets, Loans and Advances	4	14,507,139	9,490,619
Less: Current Liabilities	5	527,222	333,604
		13,979,917	9,157,105
	Total	16,268,956	11,400,560
Fund Based Receipt and Payment Accounts	8		
Notes on Accounts	9		
As per our Report of even date For Charnalia Bhatia & Gandhi Chartered Accounts			

| AGBM VENUES |

List of VANI Annual General Body Meetings Held

Year of AGBM	Host Organisation	Place	State
1988 Founding Meeting	CINI	Calcutta	West Bengal
1989 First	VANI Secretariat	New Delhi	Delhi
1990 Second	CINI	Calcutta	West Bengal
1991 Third	Gram Vikas	Berhampur	Orissa
1992 Fourth	TDFP	Trivandrum	Kerala
1993 Fifth	GNK	Gaziabad	Uttar Pradesh
1994 Sixth	SEARCH	Bangalore	Karnataka
1995 Seventh	VAN-Bihar	Patna	Bihar
1996 Eighth	DCNC-Trust	Jaipur	Rajasthan
1997 Ninth	UPVAN	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
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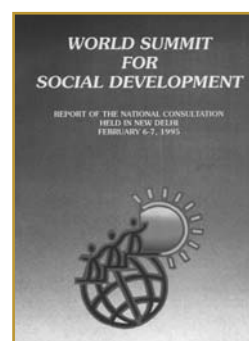
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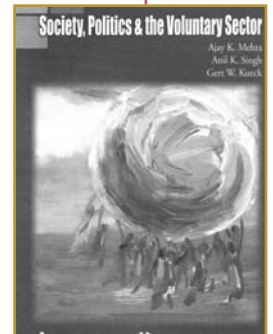
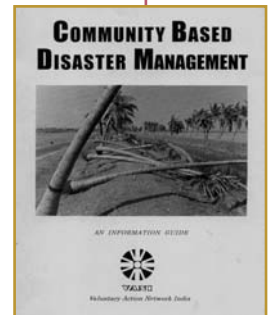
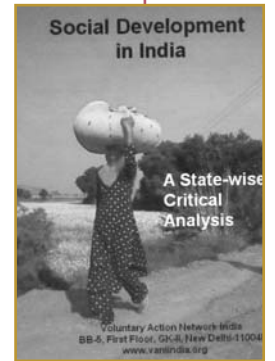
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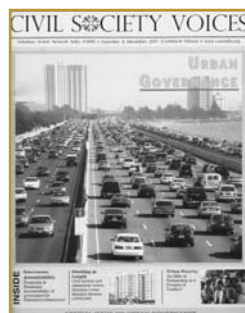
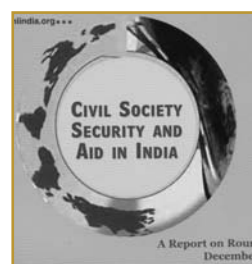
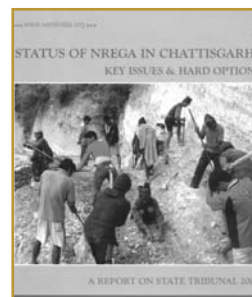
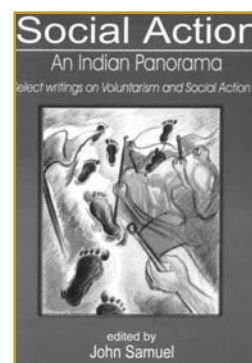
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गैर-सरकारी संगठनों व भारत सरकार के संबंधों के इतिहास में 2007 का वर्ष उल्लेखनीय है। स्वतंत्र भारत के इतिहास में पहली बार भारत सरकार द्वारा दिल्ली में स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर एक राष्ट्रीय नीति की घोषणा की गई। स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र के साथ सक्रिय विचार-विमर्श में बनाई गई यह नीति एक भविष्यवादी दस्तावेज है और इसे अंतर्राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर सराहा गया है।

वाणी के कई पदाधिकारियों ने इस नीति का प्रारूप तैयार करने में ठोस योगदान दिया है। घोषणा के बाद से वाणी, उसके सदस्य और राज्य स्तरीय नेटवर्क इस नीति को लोगों तक ले जाने और विभिन्न राज्यों में इसके कार्यान्वयन के लिए वातावरण निर्मित करने में संलग्न हैं। यह नीति अब सरकार की ग्यारहवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना का एक अंग है।

इसके समानांतर, गृह मंत्रालय विदेश अवदान नियंत्रण अधिनियम के कार्यान्वयन को अधिक सख्त बनाने की दिशा में काम कर रहा है। यह एक ऐसा विधेयक है जिसे दिसंबर 2006 के दौरान राज्य सभा में पेश किया गया था और उसके बाद संसद की एक प्रवर समिति में इस पर बहस हुई थी। वाणी और इसके सदस्यों ने समिति के सदस्यों के साथ सार्वजनिक रूप से मिलने व संवाद करने सहित उसे कई ज्ञापन दिए थे। साथ-साथ वाणी ने अपने सदस्यों व अन्य हितधारकों को इस विधेयक के कानून बनने की स्थिति में निकलने वाले दूरगामी प्रतिकूल निहितार्थों के बारे में भी सूचित किया था। अंतर्राष्ट्रीय आतंकवाद से लड़ने की आड़ में प्रस्तावित विधेयक भारतीय लोकतंत्र में अभिव्यक्ति व संघ बनाने की स्वतंत्रता को गंभीर रूप से नियंत्रित करेगा।

अंततः वित्त मंत्री ने आयकर अधिनियम के कुछ महत्वपूर्ण प्रावधानों को संशोधित किया है और इसके कारण स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र गैर-लाभार्थी संगठनों के रूप में काम करने और अपने कार्यक्रमों के लिए कुछ संसाधन जुटा पा सकने में समर्थ हुआ है। अस्पष्टता में लिपटा यह संशोधन आयकर अधिकारियों को व्याख्या करने की बहुत अधिक स्व-विवेकाधीन शक्तियां प्रदान करता है और इसके तहत सभी किस्म के उपयोगता शुल्कों, फीस, लाभार्थियों द्वारा उत्पादों की बिक्री आदि पर कर देना पड़ेगा। इसका सीधा सा अर्थ यह है कि भारत में स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र अपना राजस्व जुटा स्वनिर्भर बनने में समर्थ नहीं हो सकेगा। खैरात और सरकारी 'भीख' पर इसकी निर्भरता और बढ़ जाएगी। नागरिकों की स्वतंत्र आवाज का राजनीतिक स्पेस मूक होता जा रहा है जबकि इसीकी सबसे ज्यादा जरूरत है। जान पड़ता है कि वाणी तथा बहुत से अन्यों द्वारा चलाए गए अभियानों का अभी तक सरकार पर कोई असर नहीं पड़ा है।

मुझे प्रिया द्वारा 1986 में आयोजित सरकारी व गैर-सरकारी संगठनों के संबंधों पर हुई चर्चा याद आ रही है। एशिया, अफ्रीका व लातीन अमेरिका के 20 देशों के गैर-सरकारी संगठनों के नेता इन संबंधों के रुझानों पर विचार करने के लिए दिल्ली में एकत्रित हुए थे। इन चर्चाओं का सार-संक्षेप प्रस्तुत करने वाली पुस्तिका का शीर्षक है "एनजीओ-जीओ रिलेशंस: अ सोर्स ऑफ लाइफ और किस ऑफ डेथ?" उसके बाद से दुनिया में बहुत कुछ बदल चुका है। भारत और अन्यत्र निजी पूंजीवाद तथा आर्थिक वृद्धि का बोलबाला है। जैसे-जैसे द्वंद्व, असमानताएं व खाइयां बढ़ती जाती हैं, एक जवाबदेह व सहभागी लोकतंत्र को गहरा बनाने व पोषित करने में नागरिक समाज की भूमिका और निर्णायक होती जाती है।

ठीक इस एतिहासिक मोड़ पर संघ बनाने व अभिव्यक्ति की स्वतंत्रता के राजनीतिक स्पेस की रक्षा करने और उसे बढ़ाने के लिए संघर्षों को और ज्यादा गति और शक्ति देने तथा उन्हें अधिक दृश्यमान बनाने की जरूरत है।

वाणी 2007 के घटनापूर्ण वर्ष में इसी कार्यादेश को पूरा करने का प्रयास करता रहा है। सदस्यों और वाणी के समर्थकों, इन संघर्षों में विश्वास करने के लिए मैं आपको सलाम करता हूँ!

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समीक्षाधीन वर्ष नीतिगत संवादों से लेकर नेटवर्किंग, अपने सदस्यों के क्षमता निर्माण से लेकर सूचना प्रसारण के चैनलों में सुधार और अपने सदस्यों तथा अन्य हितधारकों को न केवल अच्छी, बल्कि समयबद्ध सेवाएं प्रदान करने तक के विभिन्न परिप्रेक्ष्यों से महत्वपूर्ण रहा है। इसके कारण हमारे सदस्य ग्रासरूट्स स्तर पर बेहतर कार्यवाई कर पाए हैं।

वाणी ने राज्य, राष्ट्रीय और अंतर्राष्ट्रीय स्तरों पर अपनी नेटवर्किंग पहलों को मजबूत बनाया है। इसके अलावा, बदलते हुए राजनीतिक परिदृश्य को दिमाग में रखते हुए स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर राष्ट्रीय नीति पर राज्य स्तरीय विचार-विमर्शों, हर राज्य में इसी तरह की नीतियां बनवाने, एफसीआर विधेयक 2006 के विरुद्ध पैरवी अभियान और स्वैच्छिक संगठनों में सुशासन के तौर-तरीकों को बढ़ावा देने जैसे कुछ महत्वपूर्ण मुद्दों को संबोधित करने के लिए बहुल रणनीतियां अपनाई गईं।

वाणी द्वारा डेवलपमेंट आल्टरनेटिव्स व प्राईसवाटरकूपर्स के सहयोग से अप्रैल 2005 में पुउरेस्ट एरिया सिविल सोसाइटी (पैक्स) के तहत भारत के छह राज्यों – बिहार, छत्तीसगढ़, म. प्र., झारखंड, महाराष्ट्र और उत्तर प्रदेश – में नागरिक समाज की कार्यवाहियों को बढ़ावा देने के लिए शुरु की गई स्वैच्छिक संगठनों के नेटवर्क निर्माण की परियोजना को 2007 के दिसंबर-अंत तक सफलता के साथ पूरा किया गया।

सरकार व स्वैच्छिक संगठनों के संबंधों के बीच बुनियादी बदलाव लाने की प्रक्रिया को और मजबूत बनाया गया। कॉमनवेलथ फाउंडेशन के साथ मिल कर सरकारी व गैर-सरकारी संगठनों के बीच सहभागिता पर एक राष्ट्रीय विचार-विमर्श तथा स्वैच्छिक संगठनों के पंजीकरण के लिए अखिल भारतीय कानून के विकल्प का काम करने के लिए एक नए केन्द्रीय कानून की संभावना पर विशेषज्ञ समूह का सदस्य बनने हेतु योजना आयोग का निमंत्रण विशेष उल्लेख के काबिल हैं।

मैंने 23 जुलाई 2007 से वाणी के नए मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी का पदभार संभाला। मुझे अभी अपने दायित्वों को वहन करते हुए वस्तुतः एक साल भी नहीं हुआ है। लेकिन, 8 महीनों की इस छोटी सी अवधि में मैंने वाणी को नए दायित्वों व चुनौतियों के लिए प्रासंगिक बनाए रखने हेतु नई ऊर्जा का संचार करने के लिए हर संभव प्रयास किया है। परिणामस्वरूप, वाणी ठोस नतीजे हासिल कर पाया है और ये नतीजे भारत में स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर फोकस को और सार्थक बनाएंगे और इस तरह उसकी छवि को सुधारेंगे।

वाणी की भूमिका विकासमान है और आने वाले महीनों में इसे एक निश्चितता मिल जाएगी। यह वाणी के सदस्यों की गंभीर संलग्नता और समर्थन से ही संभव होगा। मेरी हमेशा मान्यता रही है कि मजबूत सदस्यता आधार वाले नेटवर्क संगठनों में अंततः महत्व इसके सदस्यों द्वारा सकल दायित्व लेने और उपलब्ध स्पेस में इसे एक एकजुट शक्ति बनाने में समर्थन प्रदान करने का है।

मैं इस अवसर पर वाणी के सदस्यों, वाणी की कार्य समिति, दानदाताओं तथा अन्य हितधारकों व शुभचिंतकों का आभारी हूँ कि उन्होंने अपने व्यस्त कार्यक्रम के बावजूद वाणी सचिवालय को पूरे हृदय से समर्थन दिया।

जुलाई 31, 2008

भूमिका

वर्ष 2007-08 कई कारणों से स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र के लिए विशेष महत्व रखता है। इस वर्ष 11वीं पंचवर्षीय योजना (2007-2012) की शुरुआत हुई। इसमें नागरिक समाज संगठनों और सरकार, विशेषकर नागरिक समाज संगठनों व पंचायती राज संस्थाओं के बीच भागीदारी को प्रोत्साहित करने का वायदा किया। इस भागीदारी के दायरे में संयुक्त कार्यान्वयन भी आता है। लेकिन वाणी और वास्तव में देश के समूचे स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र के लिए सबसे बड़ी उपलब्धि थी मई 2007 में स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर राष्ट्रीय नीति को कानूनी रूप दिए जाना। यह नीति स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र की पहचान तथा योगदानों के लिए एक दिलचस्प ढांचा स्थापित करती है।

नई ऊर्जा से वाणी मुख्यतः अपने सदस्यों से प्राप्त समर्थन के आधार पर सूचनाओं के प्रसारण, नीतिगत पैरवी, राज्य स्तर पर क्षमता निर्माण व जन शिक्षा के जरिए स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र के लिए एक अनुकूल व प्रोत्साहक वातावरण के निर्माण के अपने कार्य को जारी करने में समर्थ रहा। इसकी पहुंच का दायरे में केवल पंजीकृत व संगठित गैर-सरकारी संगठन ही नहीं, बल्कि ग्रासरूट्स स्तर की एसोसिएशनें तथा समुदाय आधारित संगठन भी शामिल थे जो विकास, समुदाय निर्माण व सामाजिक न्याय को बढ़ावा देने में केन्द्रीय भूमिका अदा करते हैं।

वाणी ने राज्य, राष्ट्रीय व अंतर्राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर नेटवर्किंग की अपनी पहलों को मजबूत किया है। इसके अलावा, बदलते हुए राजनीतिक वातावरण की जरूरतों को ध्यान में रखते हुए स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर राष्ट्रीय नीति पर राज्य स्तरीय परामर्शों; हर राज्य में इसी तरह की नीतियां बनाने, एफसीआर विधेयक 2006 के विरुद्ध पैरवी अभियान चलाने तथा स्वैच्छिक संगठनों में सुशासन के अच्छे तौर-तरीकों को बढ़ावा देने जैसे कुछ महत्वपूर्ण मुद्दों को संबोधित करने के लिए बहुल रणनीतियां अपनाई गईं।

सरकार तथा स्वैच्छिक संगठनों के बीच के संबंध में बुनियादी बदलाव लाने की प्रक्रिया को और मजबूत बनाया गया। वाणी ठोस नतीजे हासिल करने में सफल रहा जो भारत में स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर सार्थक फोकस को बढ़ाएंगे और परिणामस्वरूप इसकी छवि में सुधार करेंगे।

रपटाधीन अवधि के दौरान वाणी की केन्द्रीय गतिविधियों को कुछ मुख्य उप-शीर्षकों के अंतर्गत वर्णित किया जा सकते हैं। वे हैं: पैरवी; नेटवर्किंग; सदस्य प्रबंधन व सांगठनिक मामले।

पैरवी: स्वैच्छिक संगठनों के लिए प्रोत्साहक नीति व कानूनी वातावरण का निर्माण

कानूनी स्पष्टता के लिए संघर्ष व शोध तथा स्वैच्छिक संगठनों के लिए कानूनों व नियमों को सरल बनाने के लिए प्रयास पूरी रपटाधीन अवधि में जारी रहे।

एफसीआर विधेयक 2006 पर पैरवी अभियान

प्रस्तावित एफसीआर विधेयक 2006 के कुछ प्रावधानों के विरुद्ध अभियान के एक अंग के रूप में वाणी ने विभिन्न हितधारकों के साथ सामूहिक व नीतिगत बैठकें आयोजित करना जारी रखा और मीडिया के जरिए उनका प्रतिनिधित्व किया।

3 अक्टूबर, 2007 को स्थायी समिति के सम्मुख मौखिक निवेदन

वाणी के प्रतिनिधियों के एक समूह ने भारत सरकार के गृह मंत्रालय की स्थायी संसदीय समिति को 3 अक्टूबर, 2006 को एफसीआर विधेयक 2006 पर एक मौखिक निवेदन दिया तथा प्रस्तावित विधेयक के प्रावधानों के विरुद्ध अपने विरोध को दोहराया। इस प्रतिनिधि मंडल में श्री परेश तिवारी, मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी, वाणी; श्री शरद

जोशी, सिकोईडिकोन; श्री जगदानंद, सीवाईएसडी; और श्री राम रेड्डी, कॉओपरेटिव डेवलपमेंट फाउंडेशन शामिल थे।

एफसीआर विधेयक, 2006 पर विचार-विमर्श

इस बात का अहसास करते हुए कि एफसीआर विधेयक 2006 को 2008 के संसदीय बजट सत्र में संसद के सामने रखा जा सकता है, 30 जनवरी, 2008 को दिल्ली में इंडिया इंटरनेशनल सेंटर में एफएमएसएफ के साथ मिल कर "एफसीआर बिल 2006- द वे फॉरवर्ड" विषय पर एक विचार-विमर्श का आयोजन किया गया। इसमें 25 संगठनों के लगभग 30 प्रतिनिधियों ने भाग लिया। यह सरकार तथा संबंधित अधिकारियों के साथ अपने सरोकारों का साझा करने का



अंतिम क्षण में किया गया प्रयास था। इसके परिणामस्वरूप एफसीआर विधेयक 2006 पर संसदीय स्थायी समिति तथा संबंधित मंत्रियों को एक पृष्ठ का एक ज्ञापन सौंपा गया।

9 जनवरी, 2008 को स्थायी समिति के सम्मुख मौखिक निवेदन

स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर राष्ट्रीय नीति की रूपरेखा तैयार करने में संलग्न कार्य समूहों में से एक के मुखिया के रूप में वाणी ने "स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर राष्ट्रीय नीति" के मुख्य लेखक, सदस्य सचिव, योजना आयोग तथा अन्य कार्य समूहों के साथ 9 जनवरी, 2008 को डीआरएससी के सम्मुख मौखिक रूप से अपना निवेदन प्रस्तुत किया और स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर राष्ट्रीय नीति के संदर्भ में एफसीआर विधेयक से संबंधित मुद्दों को स्पष्ट किया।

राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर नीतिगत पैरवी: राज्य स्तरीय विचार-विमर्श

रपटाधीन वर्ष के अनुसार वाणी और वास्तव में देश के समूचे स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र की सबसे बड़ी उपलब्धि थी मई 2007

में स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर राष्ट्रीय नीति को कानूनी रूप दिया जाना। यह नीति स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र की पहचान तथा उसके योगदानों के लिए एक दिलचस्प ढांचा स्थापित करती है। वाणी इस नीति को बनाने की प्रक्रिया से निकटता के साथ जुड़ा रहा है और उसे अपनी इस उपलब्धि पर गर्व है।

स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर राष्ट्रीय नीति तथा राज्य स्तरों पर ऐसी ही नीतियां बनाने के फॉलोअप के रूप में वाणी ने कुछ महत्वपूर्ण प्रक्रियाओं को शुरू करने में उत्तरेक का काम किया और स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र पर नीति पर राज्य स्तरीय विचार-विमर्शों की एक श्रृंखला आयोजित की। इनका संक्षिप्त विवरण इस प्रकार है:

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भोपाल, मध्य प्रदेश	5-6 नवम्बर, 2007	मध्यवन
नागपुर, महाराष्ट्र	20 नवम्बर, 2007
पटना, बिहार	1 दिसम्बर, 2007
लखनऊ, उत्तर प्रदेश	27 दिसम्बर, 2007	उपवन
भुवनेश्वर, उड़ीसा	19 जनवरी, 2008	सीवाईएसडी
चेन्नई, तामिलनाडु	25 जनवरी, 2008	सिपा
त्रिवेन्द्रम, केरल	14 फरवरी, 2008	कवल व सहायी
हैदराबाद, आंध्र प्रदेश	20 फरवरी, 2008	सीईसी व आंध्र प्रदेश राज्य

इन विचार-विमर्शों का उद्देश्य मूलतः स्वैच्छिक संगठनों के बीच में राष्ट्रीय नीति पर एक समझ निर्मित करना; चुनौतियों को संबोधित करने के लिए रणनीतियां तैयार करना; तथा राज्य स्तर पर ऐसी ही नीति बनाने के लिए राज्य सरकारों के साथ संवाद आयोजित करना था।

सरकार-गैर-सरकारी संगठनों के बीच सहभागिता संबंधी पहलें

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कॉमनवेल्थ फाउंडेशन के साथ मिल कर दिल्ली में 13 अगस्त, 2007 को सरकार-गैर-सरकारी संगठनों के बीच सहभागिता पर एक राष्ट्रीय विचार-विमर्श आयोजित किया गया। इस विचार-विमर्श की अध्यक्षता भारत सरकार के योजना आयोग की सदस्य डॉ. सैयदा हमीद ने की। श्री अजनीश कुमार, उच्च सचिव (संयुक्त राष्ट्र-राजनीतिक डिवीजन), एमईए, भारत सरकार ने इन चर्चाओं में भाग लिया और अपना योगदान दिया।

योजना आयोग द्वारा वाणी को विशेषज्ञ समूह के सदस्य के रूप आमंत्रित किए जाना

27 मार्च, 2008 से योजना आयोग ने स्वैच्छिक संगठनों को पंजीकृत करने से संबंधित अखिल भारतीय कानून के विकल्प के रूप में एक नए केन्द्रीय कानून की संभावना पर विचार करने के लिए एक विशेषज्ञ समूह की स्थापना की। स्वैच्छिक संगठनों के सबसे बड़े राष्ट्रीय मंच के रूप में वाणी को भी इस महत्वपूर्ण संस्था के एक सदस्य के रूप में आमंत्रित किया गया।

जेएनएनयूआरएम के राष्ट्रीय तकनीकी परामर्शदाता समूह को समर्थन

रपटाधीन अवधि के दौरान वाणी ने जवाहरलाल नेहरू राष्ट्रीय शहरी नवीनीकरण मिशन (जेएनएनयूआरएम) के राष्ट्रीय तकनीकी परामर्शदाता समूह (टैग) को सचिवालय स्तरीय समर्थन देना जारी रखा। यह मिशन केन्द्र सरकार द्वारा 63 चिन्हित शहरों को 50,000 करोड़ का समर्थन देने वाली सबसे बड़ी राष्ट्रीय पहल है। समर्थन मुख्यतः टैग की गतिविधियों के संदर्भ में संभार तंत्र, संप्रेषण, दस्तावेजीकरण आदि के रूप में दिया गया ताकि वह अधिक आसानी के साथ अपने आधिकारिक कार्यादेश को पूरा कर सके।

jkT; @ {ks=h; Lrj ij , d h cBda vk; kftr djuk t#jh Fkk tgka LoSPNd {ks= }kjk uhfr ea l k>k fd; k x; k vkj ml ij cgl dh xBA jkT; l jdkjka l s; g iNus ds fy, fd os uhfr ds l nHkZ ea D; k djxh muds l kFk l okn vk; kftr fd, x, A bl ifdz k dks vkxs c<krs gq Hkkjr ds uks jkT; ka ea LoSPNd {ks= ij uhfr ij nl jkT; Lrjh; fopkj&foe'kz vk; kftr fd, x, A ok.kh us l jdkj l s uhfr dh /kkjvkka dks dk; #i nus ds fy, dk; zy LFkkfir djus vkj muea LoSPNd {ks= ds l nL; ka dks 'kkfey djus ds fy, Hkh dgkA

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बजट-पूर्व ज्ञापन पर विचार-विमर्श

स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र को राहत प्रदान करने के अपने एजेंडा को जारी रखने के लिए वाणी ने शुक्रवार, 4 जनवरी, 2008 को एकाउंट एड इंडिया के साथ मिल कर इंडिया इंटरनेशनल सेंटर, नई दिल्ली में एक विचार-विमर्श आयोजित किया। संभागियों की सिफारिशों तथा सुझावों को शामिल करते हुए माननीय वित्त मंत्री को उनके विचारार्थ एक बजट-पूर्व ज्ञापन सौंपा गया।

नेटवर्कों को आगे बढ़ाना, उनका सहजीकरण करना और उन्हें मजबूत बनाना

नेटवर्किंग की प्रक्रियाओं को और मजबूत बनाने व उनका समेकन करने तथा प्राथमिक दौर के दौरान शुरु किए गए संवादों को जारी रखने के लिए प्रयास किए गए।

राज्य स्तरीय नेटवर्कों को मजबूत बनाना

राज्य संबंधी विशिष्ट मुद्दों पर राष्ट्रीय विचार-विमर्श:

पैक्स राज्यों (उत्तर प्रदेश, बिहार, झारखंड, छत्तीसगढ़ व महाराष्ट्र) के नेटवर्क भागीदारों के साथ मिल कर अलग-अलग राज्यों के विशिष्ट मुद्दों पर राष्ट्रीय विचार-विमर्श आयोजित किए गए। विवरण इस प्रकार हैं:

जकट;	l ɔʔkh fof'k"V epnka ij jk"Vh; fopkj&foe'kz	epnka
लखनऊ, उत्तर प्रदेश	7 अक्टूबर, 2007	सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम
पटना, बिहार	22 अक्टूबर, 2007	सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम
रांची, झारखंड	22 नवम्बर, 2007	एनजीओ पंजीकरण नीति
रायपुर, छत्तीसगढ़	15-16 नवम्बर, 2007	एनआरईजीए
पुणे, महाराष्ट्र	11 दिसम्बर, 2007	एनजीओ प्रत्यायन (एक्रिडिटेशन)

इन विचार-विमर्शों का उद्देश्य संबंधित मुद्दों पर फिर से विचार करना, नीतियों के कार्यान्वयन की वर्तमान स्थिति का विश्लेषण करना तथा जमीनी स्तर पर (पंचायत, यूएलबीज, ब्लॉक व जिला) प्रभावी कार्यान्वयन सुनिश्चित करना था।

ijj1V , fj; k fl foy l kd kbMh ½ dI ½ dk; bE ds rgr Hkkjr ds pfunk jkT; ka ea **uxfjd l ekt dh dkjbbk; ka dks c<kok nus ds fy, LoSPNd l xBuka ds uVodkã dk fuekZk" ij; kstuk fnl ɔj 2005 ds vr rd l Qyrkiwb l ãllu gpa iDI dh 'kq#vkr ok.kh }kjk Moyieã/ vkYVjusVoi o ikbã okVjdii l Z ds l eFku l s vi fy 2005 ea Ng jkT; ka & fcgkj] NRrhl x< } e/; ins'k] >kj [kã] egkj"V" o mRrj ins'k & ea dh xbz FkhA iDI ij; kstuk dh , d egRoimkZ l h[k ; g gS fd igys l s LFkkfir jkT; uVodkã dks etar djus dh vHkh Hkh dkQh l Hkkouk gA iDI ds l eki u ds ckn jkT; ds uVodkã dks cuk, j [kuk l cl s cMh pũkS'h gA vf/kdkã k uVodZ vHkh vi uh 'kq#vkrh voLFkk ea gã vkj bl flFkr ea ugha gã fd vkxs enn vkj ekxh'ku ds fcuk vi us vfLrRo dks cuk, j [kã ok.kh eq]; ky; dks mlga vi us iSka ij [kMk djus ea l eFkZ cukus ds fy, dñ vkj o"z mlga vkã'kd #i l s l eFku nus dh t#jr iMxhA

fo'kSkK l ewg dk xBu LoSPNd {ks= ij jk"Vh; ulfr (http://www.vaniindia.org/Download/National Policy-May2007_EN.pdf ij miyC/k½ dh l xfr ea gSftl ea dgk x; k gSfd **l jdkj , d , d s l jy vkj mnkj dñh; dkuu ds cuk, tkus dh l Hkkouk dh Hkh iM+rky djsxh tks LoSPNd l xBuka dks iathdr djuj [kkl dj mlga tks tks ns'k ds fofHkuu Hkkxkj cfYd fons'kka ea Hkh dke djuk pkgrs gA l s l ɔf/kr vf[ky Hkkjr; dkuu ds fodYi dk dke djsxkA" ok.kh ds vykok] 18 vU; l nL; bl fo'kSkK l ewg ds l nL; gA

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राज्य नेटवर्कों की कार्य/ संचालन/ समितियों/ सामान्य सभा की बैठकें

रपटाधीन अवधि के दौरान राज्य नेटवर्कों की संगठन/ प्रबंधन स्तरीय बैठकों के विवरण इस प्रकार हैं:

jkT; ušVodl@cBd dh idfr	frfFk @ LFkku	e[; dk; l ph
vkHkk] fcgkj %dk; l I fefr dh cBd½	D; w 1] %višy&tw] 2007½ i Vuk] l udksMZ dk; kŷ;	vxys Ng ekg ds fy, vkHkk@ok.kh dh dk; l ; kstuk dks vfire #i nsuk
e/; ou] e/; i ns'k %dk; l I fefr dh cBd½	12 tŷykb] 2007] Hkksi ky] e/; ou dk; kŷ;	e/; ou dks etcir cukuk vkŷ xfrfof/k; ka dks tkjh j [kus ds fy, Hkkoh ; kstuk
NÜkhl x<+ok.kh %l pkyu l fefr dh cBd½	18 tŷykb] 2007] jkT; l fpoky;] jk; i j	, d vkŷ pkfjd ušVodl dk #i nsus ds fy, NÜkhl x<+ok.kh dk i athdj.k vkŷ l cf/kr fu; eka dks vfire #i nsuk
vkHkk] fcgkj %dk; l I fefr dh cBd½	10 fl ræj] 2007	i D l hvkb] h ds vuq kj fnl æj 2007 rd dk; l ; kstuk, a
e/; ou] %e/; i ns'k½	11 vDVvcj] 2007 Hkksi ky] e/; ou dk; kŷ;	e/; ou dks etcir cukuk vkŷ xfrfof/k; ka dks tkjh j [kus ds fy, Hkkoh ; kstuk
NÜkhl x<+ok.kh %l kekU; l Hkk dh cBd½	31 vDVvcj] 2007 gkš/y vkfnR;] jk; i j	l kd kbVh i athdj.k vf/kfu; e ds rgr bNÜkhl x<+ok.kh dk i athdj.k rFkk vxys Ng ekg ds Hkhrj fu; e rŷ kj djuk

नेटवर्किंग के अंतर्राष्ट्रीय प्रयास

वाणी ने अपने पैरवी तथा शासन कार्यकर्मों को अधिक प्रभावी बनाने के लिए गैर-सरकारी संगठनों के अंतर्राष्ट्रीय नेटवर्कों तथा सरकारी एजेंसियों के साथ भागीदारियां शुरू करने के अपने प्रयास रखे।

नई दिल्ली में एशियाई क्षेत्र के गैर-सरकारी संगठनों के राष्ट्रीय मंचों की बैठक

यह बैठक (6 दिसंबर, 2007) कॉर्डिनेशन सूद (फ्रांस) के साथ वाणी की "नागरिक समाज के राष्ट्रीय मंचों को मजबूत बनाना" पर केन्द्रित परियोजना का एक अंग थी। इस परियोजना में अबॉनग (ब्राजील), एसीसीआईओएन (चिली) तथा कॉन्गड (सेनेगल) भी शामिल थे। यह बैठक नागरिक समाज संगठनों के बीच विचारों के प्रभावी आदान-प्रदान तथा क्षेत्र के लिए प्रा. सगिक कार्य व मुद्दों पर एक समझ विकसित करने के लिए

ok.kh fu; fer l ækn] cBdkŷ fopkj&foe'kkā o vki l h , Dl i kstj ; k=kvka tŷ s fofHkUu rjhdkā ds tfj, vŷjkZVh; LošPNd l æBuka dks , d ep ij ykus ds fy, iz; kl jr gŷ bl mnns; l s ok.kh vŷjkZVh; Lrj ij bUVæd] fl fodl] dkkšuošFk OkmāMs ku] dkkšMZs ku l in] vckŷx tŷ s fofHkUu ušVodkā ds l kFk egRoiwKZ l ækn&l ā dkā ea l ayXu gŷ gekjh igy dk l kr ; g ipfyr HkwešMyh; /kkj.kk gš fd tuer dks y{; cukus okyh išoh dkjokb; ka vkŷ l kFk gh l e>kŷrk orkšVka ds fy, dh tkus okyh ykŷcax dh dkjokb; ka , d vf/kd fVdkÅ vkŷ U; k; i wKZ l ā kj dh jpuk ds fy, , d l eFkZudkjH okroj.k fufeŷ djus dh fn'kk ea i Hkkoh gkæhA

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एशियाई क्षेत्र में इन संगठनों का एक क्षेत्रीय मंच विकसित करने पर केन्द्रित थी।

नई दिल्ली में विकास के लिए भूमंडलीय वित्तपोषण की खातिर नवाचारी तंत्रों पर बैठक

वाणी ने 'वीड', जर्मनी के साथ मिल कर 7-8 दिसंबर, 2007 को एनआईपीएफपी, नई दिल्ली में "विकास के लिए भूमंडलीय वित्तपोषण की खातिर नवाचारी तंत्रों" पर एक बैठक आयोजित की। इसमें 30 चुनिंदा संभागी शामिल हुए और उन्होंने विकास के लिए वित्तपोषण (खासकर 2015 तक सहस्राब्दि विकास लक्ष्यों को हासिल करने) के मुद्दों पर चर्चा की और विकास के लिए

वित्तपोषण पर दोहा में 2008 में होने वाली आगामी बैठक में चर्चा में आए प्रस्तावों पर विचार किया।

गैर-सरकारी कूटनीति पर कार्यक्रम व आपसी एक्सपोजर यात्राएं

कॉर्डिनेशन सूद, फ्रांस के साथ मिल कर पिछले वर्ष की गई एशियाई क्षेत्र की तीन बैठकों में हुई चर्चाओं के आधार पर वाणी ने वियतनाम, थाईलैंड व श्री लंका में यात्राओं/ कार्यशालाओं का समन्वयन किया और साथ ही इनके लिए स्रोत व्यक्ति भी उपलब्ध कराए। विवरण इस प्रकार हैं:

श्री लंका की यात्रा (6 से 8 फरवरी, 2008)

अन्य सहभागी: श्री लंकन यूनाईटेड फ्रेंडशिप ऑर्गेनाइजेशन (सुनफा), राज्जी फाउंडेशन (जो श्री लंका व मालदीव के नागरिक समाज संगठनों के क्षमता निर्माण पर कार्य कर रहा है) तथा नेशनल पीस काउंसिल (एनपीसी), श्री लंका।

गतिविधि: प्रतिनिधि मंडल ने नागरिक समाज संगठनों को मानवाधिकारों पर चर्चाओं तथा पैरवी की क्षमता विकसित करने में मदद दी।

मालदीव की यात्रा (9 से 11 फरवरी, 2008)

अन्य सहभागी: नूर व राज्जी फाउंडेशन

गतिविधि: प्रतिनिधि मंडल ने नागरिक समाज संगठनों को मानवाधिकारों पर चर्चाओं तथा पैरवी की क्षमता विकसित करने में मदद दी।

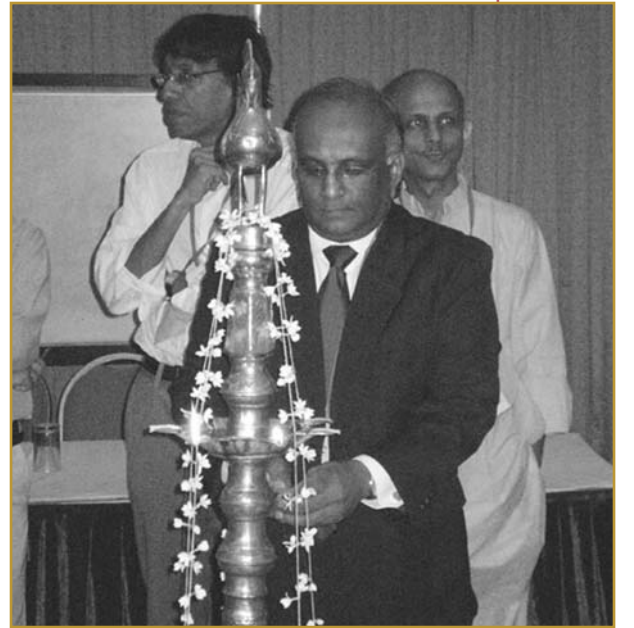
थाईलैंड की यात्रा (एशियाई क्षेत्र की चौथी बैठक, 25-26 फरवरी, 2008)

सहभागी देश: नेपाल, जापान, फिलीपींस, कम्बोडिया, भारत, लाओस, थाईलैंड, बांग्लादेश, इंडोनेशिया, वियतनाम, मालदीव, श्री लंका, पाकिस्तान व फ्रांस।

गतिविधि: एशियाई भागीदारी के साथ संवाद को आगे बढ़ाना तथा एशियाई क्षेत्र में मंच का निर्माण।

वियतनाम की यात्रा: (वियतनाम, लाओस और कम्बोडिया में नागरिक समाज संगठनों के क्षमता निर्माण पर कार्यशाला)

भागीदार: वीयूएसटीए (एनजीओ नेटवर्क) तथा वीएनएएच



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गतिविधि: वियतनाम, लाओस व कम्बोडिया के नागरिक समाज संगठनों को नागरिक समाजों की क्षमता से परिचित कराना तथा क्षमता निर्माण पर एक सत्र

फ्रेंच विद्यार्थियों को इन्टर्नशिप

फ्रांस, कॉर्डिनेशन सूद के अपने सहभागी के साथ वाणी के आदान-प्रदान कार्यक्रम के एक अंग के रूप में वाणी ने जुलाई में फ्रांस के दो विद्यार्थियों को सुनामी प्रभावित लोगों के साथ काम कर रहे गैर-सरकारी संगठनों का अध्ययन करने के लिए जुलाई 2007 में इन्टर्नशिप प्रदान की। इन विद्यार्थियों ने तमिल नाडु में काम कर रहे वाणी और इसके सदस्यों की कार्यपद्धति का अध्ययन किया। अध्ययन के निष्कर्ष उनके संबंधित विश्व विद्यालयों को सौंप दिए गए।

अंतर्राष्ट्रीय प्रतिनिधि मंडलों/ गण्यमान्य व्यक्तियों द्वारा वाणी सचिवालय का दौरा

10 अगस्त, 2007: सुश्री मारलू पिनापेल, कार्यक्रम अधिकारी, डेमोक्रेटिक एंड पीस बिल्डिंग विभाग, आईसीसीओ

17 अगस्त, 2007: श्री मसाकी ओहाशी, अध्यक्ष, जानिक (जापान एनजीओ सेंटर फॉर इंटरनेशनल कॉपरेशन, जापान के गैर-सरकारी संगठनों का एक अम्ब्रेला मंच) और डॉ. नबीन अर्याल, निवानो पीस फाउंडेशन, जापान

22 अगस्त, 2007: सुश्री गेल कॉकबम, सीआईडीए के मुखिया व नवनियुक्त काउंसलर व डॉ. संपत कुमार, विकास सहयोग सेक्शन, कैनेडियन हाई कमीशन

12 अक्टूबर, 2007- पाकिस्तान का एक 12 सदस्यीय प्रतिनिधि मंडल (कासा, नई दिल्ली द्वारा सहजीकृत)



अंतर्राष्ट्रीय कार्यक्रमों में भागीदारी

अंतर्राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर एक प्रभावी भूमिका अदा करने और अन्य हितधारकों के साथ काम करने की संभावना को जानने के वाणी के प्रयासों के एक अंग के रूप में वाणी ने विभिन्न अंतर्राष्ट्रीय कार्यक्रमों में भाग लिया। इन के परिणामस्वरूप सरकारी अधिकारियों, नागरिक समाज संगठनों तथा अन्य हितधारकों के साथ नेटवर्किंग बेहतर हुई और साथ ही अंतर्राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर छवि निर्माण की प्रक्रिया भी मजबूत हुई।

पेरिस, फ्रांस में नागरिक समाज के मंचों के लिए तकनीकी प्रशिक्षण

गैर-सरकारी कूटनीति परियोजना के एक अंग के रूप में वाणी ने 9 से 13 जुलाई, 2007 तक गैर-सरकारी संगठनों के सभी पांच भागीदार राष्ट्रीय मंचों के तकनीकी सहायकों के लिए कॉर्डिनेशन सूद द्वारा आयोजित प्रशिक्षण में हिस्सा लिया। इसमें उसका प्रतिनिधित्व सुश्री स्वप्ना मैनी ने किया।

सिविकस विश्व असेम्बली- ग्लासगो, 21-25 जून, 2007

वाणी का प्रतिनिधित्व करते हुए कार्य समिति सदस्य श्री के. एस. गोपाल ने 21 से 25 जून, 2007 तक ग्लासगो में हुई सिविकस की सातवीं विश्व असेम्बली में भाग लिया। इससे वाणी को अन्य भागीदारों के साथ वाणी तथा इसकी गतिविधियों के बारे में सूचनाओं का आदान-प्रदान करने तथा वाणी व अन्य विश्वसनीय एजेंसियों के बीच सहभागिता के अवसरों की तलाश करने का एक बेहतरीन अवसर मिला।

नवाचारी विकास वित्तपोषण पर बैठक, सिओल, दक्षिण कोरिया

3 सितंबर, 2007 को कोरिया गणतंत्र के विदेशी मामलों व व्यापार मंत्रालय ने एकजुटता लेवियों के प्रमुख समूह की तीसरी संपूर्ण सभा का आयोजन किया। भारतीय नागरिक समाज के एक प्रतिनिधि के रूप में वाणी ने इस बैठक में अपना योगदान दिया तथा स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र की ओर से उद्घाटन टिप्पणी की।

सुशासन व प्रबंधन के तौर-तरीकों को बढ़ावा देना

सुशासन को विकास कार्य करते गैर-सरकारी संगठनों के बीच विभिन्न तरीकों से एक प्रमुख कार्य सूची बनाने के मुद्दे पर वाणी ने अपनी सक्रियता व सतर्कता जारी रखी। रपटाधीन अवधि के दौरान इसके लिए निम्न तरीके अपनाए गए:

सुशासन पर श्री नगर में कार्यशाला

जम्मू-कश्मीर के सदस्य संगठनों के साथ मिल कर "गैर-सरकारी संगठनों में सुशासन" पर 10-11 सितंबर, 2007 को श्री नगर में एक दो दिवसीय कार्यशाला आयोजित की गई। इसमें कश्मीर के सभी हिस्सों तथा आसपास के क्षेत्रों के 50 संभागियों ने हिस्सा लिया।

सुशासन पर पुणे में क्षेत्रीय कार्यशाला

नागरिक समाज संगठनों में सुशासन पर 24-25 सितंबर, 2007 को खंडाला, पुणे (महाराष्ट्र) में एक दो दिवसीय क्षेत्रीय कार्यशाला आयोजित की गई। इसमें छह राज्यों/ केन्द्र प्रशासित क्षेत्रों (दमन व दिऊ, गोवा, प. जोन के गुजरात, म. प्र. व राजस्थान) से 40 संभागियों ने हिस्सा लिया। कार्यशाला का मुख्य उद्देश्य अपने घटकों की अधिक भागीदारी व प्रतिनिधित्व के लिए संगठनों में सुशासन के तौर-तरीकों को बढ़ावा देना था।

वाणी अपनी त्रैमासिक समाचार पत्रिका सिविल सोसाइटी वॉयसिस के माध्यम से भी नागरिक समाज संगठनों के बीच सुशासन को बढ़ावा देती रही है। इसके पाठकों की संख्या लगभग 10000 है।

आंतरिक शासन

समूची रपटाधीन अवधि के दौरान वाणी अपने नए दायित्वों व चुनौतियों के प्रति प्रासंगिक बने रहने के लिए स्वयं को अधिक ऊर्जावान बनाने का प्रयत्न करता रहा है। श्री परेश तिवारी ने 23 जुलाई, 2007 से वाणी के मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी का पदभार संभाला। उन्होंने श्री पूरण पांडे का स्थान लिया जो इस वर्ष अपना कार्यकाल पूरा कर चुके थे। इसी के साथ, रणनीतिक योजना के अनुसार कार्यक्रम प्रबंधकों, कार्यक्रम अधिकारियों सहित एक पेशेवर टीम भर्ती करने का काम भी लगभग पूरा हो गया था। आंतरिक शासन व्यवस्था को अखण्ड रखने के लिए जो विशेष प्रयास किए गए, उनमें से कुछ निम्न हैं:

वार्षिक राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन: भारत में नागरिक समाज संगठनों के बीच मुद्दों व सरोकारों में साझा करने की प्रक्रिया को सहज बनाने के लिए वाणी ने 17-18 दिसंबर, 2007 को केंसर सेंटर रिसर्च वेल्फेयर होम एंड रिसर्च इंस्टीट्यूट, कोल.



| वार्षिक रिपोर्ट |

काता के सभागार में वर्ष 2007 का अपना वार्षिक सम्मेलन किया। नागरिक समाज संगठनों से लेकर मीडिया व दानदाताओं आदि के करीब 350 प्रतिनिधियों ने इस सम्मेलन की कारवाइयों में भाग लिया।

सामान्य सभा की वार्षिक बैठक: सामान्य सभा की 18वीं वार्षिक बैठक 18 दिसंबर, 2007 को कोलकाता में हुई।

कार्य समिति व उप-समितियां: विभिन्न मुद्दों पर सचिवालय का मार्गदर्शन करने के लिए कार्य समिति की नियमित बैठकें हुईं। कार्य समिति के सदस्यों का चयन एक नामांकन समिति के द्वारा निम्न बातों को ध्यान में रखते हुए किया गया: उपयुक्त क्षेत्रीय प्रतिनिधित्व; लिंग संतुलन तथा गुणवत्ता संपन्न नेतृत्व की क्षमताएं। विभिन्न मुद्दों का शीघ्र निपटारा करने के लिए 20 मार्च, 2008 को हुई बैठक में अब के बाद से दो उप-समितियां – नामांकन समिति व सदस्यता समिति – गठित करने का निर्णय लिया गया।

लिंग विविधता

निम्न तालिकाएं रपटाधीन अवधि के दौरान स्टाफ व कार्य समिति के सदस्यों में लिंग विविधता को प्रतिबिंबित करती हैं।

स्टाफ की संरचना में लिंग विविधता				
स्टाफ के सदस्य	2006-2007		2007-2008	
	संख्या	प्रतिशत	संख्या	प्रतिशत
पुरुष	11	58	15	65
महिलाएं	8	42	8	35
कुल	19	100	23	100
कार्यकारिणी समिति में लिंग की विविधता				
कार्य समिति के सदस्य	2006-2007		2007-2008	
	संख्या	प्रतिशत	संख्या	प्रतिशत
पुरुष	14	67	17	80
महिलाएं	7	33	4	20
कुल	21	100	21	100

सदस्यता प्रबंधन व संप्रेषण

सामयिक व प्रासंगिक सूचनाओं तथा क्षमता निर्माण के जरिए सदस्यों की भागीदारी को बढ़ाने की प्रक्रिया जारी रही। डाटाबेस को कार्यक्रमों, गतिविधियों तथा सदस्यों की सांगठनिक क्षमताओं के बारे में ताजा सूचनाओं के जरिए अपडेट किया गया। सदस्यता सेवा में सुधार करने के लिए वाणी की निम्न गतिविधियों को मजबूत बनाया गया:

वेबसाइट को अपडेट करना: स्वैच्छिक संगठनों को प्रभावित करने वाले विभिन्न समाचारों व घटनाओं को प्रकाशित करने के अलावा वेबसाइट पर वाणी के सदस्यों के विवरण उपलब्ध कराना भी जारी रखा गया।

डिजिटल पुस्तकालय: पुस्तकों, रपटों, पत्रिकाओं व वार्षिक रपटों जैसे डिजीटाइज्ड व सूचीबद्ध प्रकाशनों के स्तर पर डिजिटल पुस्तकालय की क्षमता में वृद्धि हुई।

| वार्षिक रिपोर्ट |

डाटाबेस: वित्तपोषण एजेंसियों, मीडिया संपर्कों जैसी सूचनाओं के डाटाबेस को समूचे वर्ष निरंतर सुदृढ़ बनाया व अपडेट किया जाता रहा।

सिविल सोसाइटी वॉयसिस: त्रैमासिक पत्रिका में समाचारों, घटनाओं, लेखों और टिप्पणियों के अतिरिक्त सरकारी सर्कुलरों, समाचार बुलेटिन व सूचनाओं जैसी अनेक प्रकार की उपयोगी सामग्री होती है जिसका स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र अपने लाभ के लिए इस्तेमाल कर सकता है।

सदस्यता की स्थिति

निम्न तालिका में वर्षों के अनुसार सदस्यता की स्थिति दी गई है:

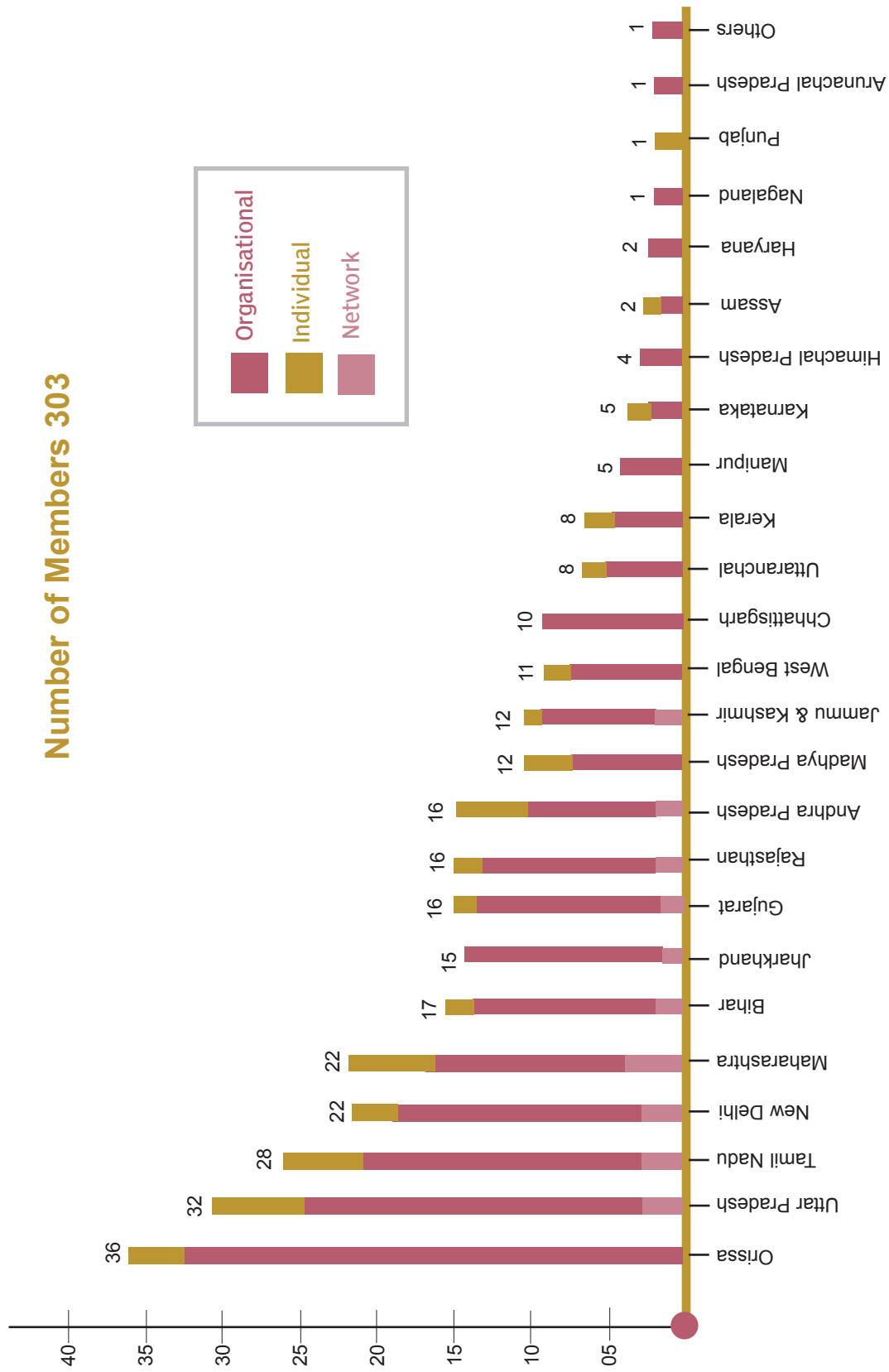
सदस्यता की स्थिति				
वर्ष	सदस्यों की कुल संख्या	संगठन	नेटवर्क/फेडरेशन	व्यक्तिगत
1995	152	103	12	37
1996	207	145	13	49
1997	224	155	19	50
1998	233	164	20	49
1999	240	171	22	47
2000	236	172	20	44
2001	248	186	20	42
2002	253	187	21	45
2003	280	218	21	41
2004	286	223	21	42
2005	287	224	21	42
2006*	295	230	21	44
2007*	292	233	18	41
2008*	303	243	19	41

* मार्च अंत के आंकड़े

2007 और 2008 के बीच (मार्च के अंत में) वाणी के कुल सदस्यों की संख्या 292 से बढ़ कर 303 हो गई यानी उसमें कुल मिला कर 4 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई।

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