

Block Convergence Planning Committee (BCPC) Structure and Function

GOAL: To facilitate convergent solutions to address issues and problems faced by girls and women in accessing health and education services and economic opportunities, as well as guaranteeing their safety.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Create a block level platform to facilitate regular discussion/dialogue among different stakeholders to identify issues and problems faced girls and women and support solutions and materialize the recommendations by VCPC to address them
2. Facilitate decentralized planning by serving as a bridge between the Village Convergence Planning Committee (VCPC) and decisions of the District Convergence Planning Committee (DCPC)

STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP:

Rationale:

The membership for the BCPC represents different stakeholders from government departments, local bodies, issue-based organizations and institutions. These representatives are in a position to influence the planning and execution of support for solutions and recommendations from the VCPC and the DCPC.

Role and Functions:

1. Link the VCPC to the DCPC and convey the recommendations from the VCPC and BCPC to the DCPC to inform the discussions, planning and fund allocation.
2. Discuss issue-based recommendations with the concerned block level officials and engage them in convergent action to address the issue.
3. Convey the decisions from the DCPC to the VCPC and support the VCPC in monitoring the implementation of the decision by the responsible authority.
4. Support to the Village Convergence Committees.

The committee will consist of the following members:

Membership:

1. Chair: Block Revenue Officer/Tehsildar
2. Convener: Block Development Officer
3. Head of the Panchayat Samiti (Sabhapati, Panchayat Samiti)
4. Zilla Parishad Member (Active woman member)

5. Deputy Superintendent of Police
6. Deputy Education Officer, Secondary Education Department, Zilla Parishad
7. Block Education Officer
8. Vocational training/ Industrial Training Institutes
9. Extension Officer DRDA
10. Taluka Health/Medical Officer
11. Child Development Protection Officer, WCD Extension Officer
12. State Agriculture Officer
13. Taluka Agriculture Officer
14. Block Depot Manager, State Transportation
15. Two representatives from Village Convergence Committee
16. Youth representatives from town colleges
17. Civil society representatives
18. Social Activists
19. Corporate representative

Challenges

- *First meeting will be enthusiastic, we have to ensure subsequent meetings happen based on demand. (Need to talk to BDO)*

Add Risks and Mitigation Strategies (like VCPC)?