

Exploring Opportunities for Forming a Roadmap

o mark the end of the first phase of the 'Entrepreneurship for Empowerment' programme by Development Alternatives in association with The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC), a 'Reflection and Learning Workshop' was organised at Development Alternatives (DA), New Delhi. The objective was to take account of the work status, analyse achievements, understand barriers and shifts, discuss future opportunities and derive a way forward for the next phase of the project. Along with the team from DA, the participants included implementing partners of the project from all the three geographies – Village Development Society, Uttarakhand; INNERM, NCR; and the Bundelkhand implementation team.

The workshop comprised of presentations from the implementing partners on their work status, opportunities that they have identified along with the shifts they have encountered and the various challenges faced by them. The discussions were followed by group activities where they developed a roadmap for project closure and the next phase. Through the group activities and presentations, the participants were able to understand the work status, examine achievements and barriers, and study future opportunities. It also enabled the team to learn more and gain clarity about the work done in different geographies. Thus, the workshop captured the essence of the first phase and the discussions and activities helped to strategise and formulate a roadmap for the next phase.

