

SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Programme Overview

Social Impact Assessment (SIA) includes the processes of analyzing, monitoring and managing the intended and unintended social consequences, both positive and negative, of planned interventions (policies, programmes, plans, projects) and any social change processes invoked by those interventions (International Association for Impact Assessment, 2003). SIA alerts the planners and programme executors of the likely benefits and costs of a proposed project and the data thus generated is used in designing appropriate mitigation measures. SIA is also an entry point for initiating consultation with the affected communities and other stakeholders. This consultation process gives early warning signals about the negative impacts of the project and helps address genuine issues and grievances faced by the local communities. The consultation process also reduces the risks associated with the project by minimizing conflicts and disputes over impacts and mitigation.

SIA has now become an integral part of the project preparation process. The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (RFCTLARR) Act, 2013 that replaced the colonial Land Acquisition Act (LAA), 1894 requires the conduct of a mandatory Social Impact Assessment (SIA) Study prior to initiation of land acquisition. The legislation also specifies an elaborate process for the conduct of the SIA study and its subsequent evaluation through Expert Group.

Objective of the Study

- ◆ Develop an understanding of the types of social impacts and methods to be used for predicting social impacts of development projects.
- ◆ Provide a comprehensive understanding of theoretical and practical aspects of conducting a SIA study.
- ◆ Provide an in-depth understanding of conducting, monitoring and evaluating an SIA study as envisaged under the new legislation on land acquisition, (The RFCTLARR Act, 2013), preparation of a Social Impact Mitigation Plan (SIMP) and a Resettlement Action Plan (RAP).

Participant Profile

Executives working in power, mining, industrial plants, roads and linear projects etc. Besides, the programmes would also significantly benefit officers in land acquisition, environment, CSR and R & R departments in public and private sector organisations.

Programme Director

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