

Personal Account:

"It was fascinating to participate in IBP meeting at Agra. It provided an excellent opportunity to interact with IBP partners and participants during the workshop. Presentations and sessions during mini universities were very useful. These sessions facilitated experience sharing and deeper insight into Best Practices evolved under different RCH interventions. Such learning from IBP workshop facilitates us to work effectively at community and service provider level and contributes to our emergence as a professionally managed institution. Exposure to Best Practices is greatly influencing our work strategies, communication systems at community and project team levels, monitoring and performance review systems.

We have integrated experience sharing on IBP Initiatives with some of our ongoing activities such as convergence workshops, Nutrition Health Day at community level, meetings of women, self help groups and their cluster associations, training of community resource persons. We are planning to integrate RCH counseling sessions with six hundred Women Self Help Groups promoted by us in Sitapur and Barabanki districts of Uttar Pradesh.

Educational material received from IBP partners is proving a great help while implementing our activities at grassroots' level. It has enabled us to establish a mini library in our head quarters. Our partner institutions have also appreciated the quality of literature. We have also initiated the process of establishing village level library to facilitate access of women and adolescent girls to relevant information and health practices. These libraries will be managed by women self help groups. It will contribute to development of a network and communication system for sharing and implementation of Best Practices at grassroots' level."

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