

## **Curriculum Vitae of C. Upendranadh**

Development professional with domain experience in - Governance, Decentralisation, PRA, Social Policy and Social Protection, Labour and employment, Gender, Conflict, Peace and social cohesion, value chains, livelihoods and education.

Over 30 years of experience in development and humanitarian sector with INGOs (ActionAid, CARE, Plan, Aide et Action, VSO, IDS-IHD research consortium) in the areas of program management, policy research, advocacy and campaign, and capacity building.

Management role: Senior management (Head of Programs), Mid-management: Project manager, Asia level Advocacy and research manager, Global program coordinator (Governance), Global technical specialist (social accountability-Evaluation and learning) and program officer, Policy Analyst.

### **Education**

- 1989-1991 M.Phil in Applied Economics – Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala (**Jawaharlal Nehru University**) INDIA

### **EXPERIENCE DETAILS**

**Nov-2020 – present** Evaluation and Learning Specialist (**Social Accountability and Participation**), **VSO International (Global)**

#### **Past Employment (International Experience)**

**Apr 2017 – Oct 2020** - Independent Consultant in Myanmar

**Dec 2014 - Apr 2017** - Project Manager – Governance, Promoting Just and Democratic Governance, ActionAid Myanmar; budget US\$5million 3 years

**2010- 2014** Program Development Coordinator, Improving Public Services, Democratic Governance, ActionAid International Secretariat, from 2010 – Dec2014 (**Global**)

**2007-2010** Program Manager (Senior Fellow) Social Protection in Asia Research and Advocacy Program at IDS Sussex and Institute for Human Development, New Delhi

#### **Between 1993 – 2007 – National Experience (in India)**

- Senior Head, Education Resource Centre, Aide et Action South Asia
- Research and Innovations Manager, CARE India
- Program Officer (Education - Learning) Plan International India
- Project Manager Microcredit programme – CARE India  
(Credit and Savings for Household Enterprise – DFID funded project)
- Policy Analyst / Program Officer (ActionAid India) 1993-2000)

#### **Engagements in Myanmar**

- Consultant for K4D program of IDRC Canada, supporting Myanmar Think tanks (CESD, CDES and ALARM) on strategy, program development, profile building and advocacy Nov 2019 – on going
- Consultancy assignments undertaken for UN bodies (IOM, ILO), INGOS (Action Aid, VSO, PIN, FCA, Christian Aid, CWS), local CSOs on various issues related to governance, program, GRPS, social policy, migration, gender, conflict and peace
- Member of Peace Advisors and Facilitators Group – informal expert group representing various stakeholders in Myanmar peace process (NCA signatories)
- Regular columnist in Mizzima; program advisor Mizzima Foundation; Program Advisor – Bayda Institute

### **Recent Research work**

Political Economy Analysis of Myanmar 2018;

Country Context Analysis of Myanmar 2019

Disability Analysis of Myanmar 2018

Social Exclusion and Gender Analysis – SEGA in Myanmar - Report and Strategy 2019

Migration Data for Policy Development, ILO Liaison Office, Myanmar 2018

[https://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---asia/---ro-bangkok/---ilo-yangon/documents/publication/wcms\\_672535.pdf](https://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---asia/---ro-bangkok/---ilo-yangon/documents/publication/wcms_672535.pdf)

Power of Data – An Assessment of Data Eco-System in Myanmar, HIVOS (2018)

National Framework for Localisation of Humanitarian Leadership (2019)

Local Development Planning models in Myanmar, Cardno Myanmar 2018

Gender Strategy and Program development for Urban Project in Myanmar - 2020

ActionAid International (2014): Public Services Accountability Position Paper

ActionAid International (2014): Social Protection Position Paper

ActionAid Myanmar (2015): Accountability during Emergencies – Resource Manual

Gender Responsive Public Services: Where is the Answer for Viet Nam, Policy brief for ActionAid Viet Nam (co-edited), Hanoi, Dec 2015 (Study based on community score cards in Viet Nam on public services)

[http://www.actionaid.org/sites/files/actionaid/ruot\\_bao\\_cao\\_grps\\_-\\_ta\\_0.pdf](http://www.actionaid.org/sites/files/actionaid/ruot_bao_cao_grps_-_ta_0.pdf)

### **GPN/GVC - Value Chain Research (coffee, Cotton & Apparels)**

Studies on Sustainable Coffee Production by small growers in Kodagu District – under National Research Program on Plantation Development (NRPPD), CDS Thiruvananthapuram (4 papers between 2012-14)

<http://cds.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/NRPPD30.pdf>

<http://www.cds.edu/wp-content/uploads/2012/11/NRPPD15.pdf>

<http://www.cds.edu/wp-content/uploads/2012/11/NRPPD3.pdf>

[Child labour in global production networks: Poverty, vulnerability and 'Adverse Incorporation' in the Delhi garments sector](#), CPRC Working Paper **177**. Nicola Phillips, Resmi Bhaskaran, Dev Nathan, C Upendranadh. 2011

[http://www.chronicpoverty.org/uploads/publication\\_files/WP177%20Phillips%20et%20al.pdf](http://www.chronicpoverty.org/uploads/publication_files/WP177%20Phillips%20et%20al.pdf)

Vulnerable workers and labour standards (non-)compliance in global production networks: home-based child labour in Delhi's garment sector (Coauthored) Capturing the Gains, Working paper 2013 <http://www.capturingthegains.org/pdf/ctg-wp-2013-16.pdf>

The Social Foundations of Global Production Networks ; Towards a Global political Economy of Child Labour, (Co-authored). Third World Quarterly, 2014

[https://www.researchgate.net/publication/262583161\\_The\\_social\\_foundations\\_of\\_global\\_production\\_networks\\_Towards\\_a\\_global\\_political\\_economy\\_of\\_child\\_labour](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/262583161_The_social_foundations_of_global_production_networks_Towards_a_global_political_economy_of_child_labour)

Weekly Columnist on Myanmar Economy - Mizzima Media, Yangon since 2015

<http://www.mizzima.com/business-opinion/myanmar-investment-law-%E2%80%93-tilt-attract-foreign-investment>

<https://www.mizzima.com/development-opinion/myanmar-needs-invest-more-human-development>

<https://www.mizzima.com/development-opinion/taking-stock-development-assistance>

<http://www.mizzima.com/business-opinion/%E2%80%98paradigm-trap%E2%80%99>

<https://www.mizzima.com/development-opinion/policies-are-needed-regional-growth-convergence-and-inclusive-development-wb>

<http://www.mizzima.com/business-opinion/deciphering-economic-policy-statement-myanmar-government-some-random-reflections>

<https://www.mizzima.com/features/sustainable-development-yangon-city-requires-holistic-vision>

<http://www.mizzima.com/development-opinion/%E2%80%98investing-social-policy-would-lead-sustainable-economic-growth-myanmar%E2%80%99>

<https://www.mizzima.com/development-policy-dialogue/fostering-growth-fourth-estate-anagenda-media-development-myanmar>

<https://www.mizzima.com/development-news/fair-encourages-myanmar-youth-study-india>

<http://www.mizzima.com/news-domestic/addressing-earthquake-preparedness-and-response-%E2%80%93-multi-stakeholder-approach-needed>

<http://www.mizzima.com/news-domestic/flexibility-indian-constitution-helped-preserving-unity-and-democracy-country-%E2%80%93>

<http://www.mizzima.com/news-domestic/mahatma-gandhi-taught-us-diversity-and-tolerance-critical-aspects-nation-building>