



Leveraging Agriculture for Nutrition in South Asia
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LANSA India Newsletter

Welcome to LANSAs India e-newsletter for stakeholders!

This newsletter highlights LANSAs recommendations for policy in India, LANSAs-PHFI national consultation and the LANSAs-sponsored session at the Odisha Environment Congress 2016.

OTHER NEWS: LANSAs researchers participate in several national conferences across the country. Also read our open access paper, and blogs on the ongoing research.

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Policy Briefs from LANSA research done in India

LANSA and MSSRF have developed a series of Policy Briefs for policymakers in India based on ongoing research work under the programme. The Briefs are theme-based and include topics:

1. [Women in Agriculture and Nutrition in India](#),
2. [Leveraging Agriculture for Nutrition in India](#),
3. [Leveraging Agriculture for Child and Adolescent Nutrition in India](#),
4. [Importance of WASH and Healthcare for enabling Agriculture-Nutrition linkages in India](#), and
5. Recommendations made to the draft [National Plan of Action for Children \(NPAC\) 2016](#) policy.



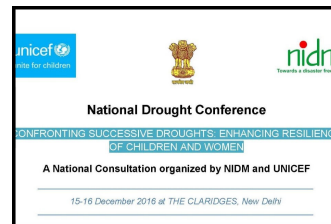
LANSA hosts technical session at OEC 2016

[RV Bhavani](#) from MSSRF set the tone for the Technical Session while presenting [LANSA research on WASH](#) at 7th Odisha Environment Congress on December 21. The session was chaired by Vishal Kumar Dev, Commissioner cum Secretary, WCD Government of Odisha, and followed by a panel discussion. [WASH: Agriculture and Nutrition](#) was the theme.



LANSA work showcased AERA conference

[Priya Rampal](#) presented ongoing LANSA research on '[Situational Analysis of Pulse Production and Consumption in India](#)' on December 16 at the 24th Annual Conference on Agriculture for Nutrition Security organised by Agricultural Economics Research Association (India). Read her [blog](#) on 'Pulse Consumption in India'.



FSN work presented at national conference

[Aliza Pradhan](#) showcased MSSRF [Farming System for Nutrition](#) work under LANSA at 'Confronting Successive Droughts: Enhancing Resilience of Children and Women' consultation organised by National Institute for Disaster Management and UNICEF on December 15 at New Delhi. Find presentation [here](#).



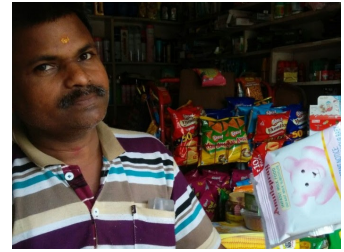
LANSA paper now open access!

The [study](#) examines the feasibility of delivering maternal, infant, and young child nutrition behaviour change communication through an innovative agricultural extension programme serving nutritionally vulnerable groups in rural India.



LANSA at 4th International Agronomy Congress 2016

'[A Farming System approach to address undernutrition](#)' the MSSRF feasibility study under LANSa was presented by Bhavani RV on November 22. There was also a [poster](#), and a [booklet](#) was distributed at the International Conference.



Two blogs on value chain India studies published

Practitioner Hub for Inclusive Business website has published two blogs titled: '[Public and Private alliances working towards reduction of undernutrition](#)' and '[Can business as usual impact nutrition: Need for developing focused business strategies](#)' on ongoing value chain research in India under LANSa



National Consultation for better nutrition in India

LANSA - PHFI [meeting](#) on 'Strengthening Fruit and Vegetable Supply-Chain Policies and Programmes in India: Need for Action' organised by Public Health Foundation of India on November 28 at New Delhi, discussed 'Multi-sectoral Approaches to Supply Chain: A Pathway to Better Nutrition' looking at [scaling-up fruit and vegetable intake](#) among the young populace in India.



LANSA India paper: Agri-food value chain review

The [paper](#) aimed at enhancing consumption of nutritious food by the poor populations in general and specifically to women and children, and the review examined 40 [agri-food value chain](#) interventions under three categories: naturally nutrient-dense food, foods of increased nutritional value and food distribution.

Upcoming events

ICAFNS 2017:
19th International Conference on Agricultural, Food and Nutritional Science, Dubai, UAE. January 30– 31.
<http://bit.ly/2hXVbbX>

ICATPN 2017:
19th International Conference on Agricultural Technology and Plant Nutrition, Mumbai, India. February 7–8.
<http://bit.ly/2hPDhVB>

Call for Papers:
9th International Congress on Nutrition & Health 2017, Berlin, Germany. Feb 20–21.
<http://bit.ly/2c6Kqby>

Call for Papers:
17th International Conference on Food & Nutrition 2017, Las Vegas, USA. May 22–24
<http://bit.ly/2i5dloh>

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Look forward to our next issue!

Updates on LANSAs research work, research uptake activity and stakeholder engagement events in India



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Sustainable Development Conference 2017, Bangkok, Thailand. July 13-15
<http://bit.ly/2hyLuDx>

Call for Papers:
4th International Conference on Agriculture and Forestry, Colombo, Sri Lanka. August 24-25.
<http://bit.ly/2gQJ9Mw>

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