INITIAL INCEPTION REPORT

A: Organization (PIA) detail: SECTION A: Basic PIA Information

1	Name of PIA	LOKA KALYAN PARISHAD,28/8, Library Road , Kolkata 700026					
2	Legal Status (NGO/Network NGO/CBO/Producer Co./ Section-25 Co./Pvt. Co./Other-Please specify)	NGO					
3	If Network NGO, number of partners being supported?	Not Applicable					
4	Registration No. & Date of Registration	Registration No: S/19888					
		Dated - 10/05/77-78					
5	Name of Donors in the past 3 years, if any (give max	a. DANIDA (Denmark)					
	3)	b. PATC (Denmark)					
		c. DFID					
6	Name with Size (Budget in INR) of relevant projects handled in the past 3 years (give max 3)	a. Food Security for the rural poor. September 2007 – August 2011. INR.48,373,824. (DANIDA Fund)					
		b. Information Education & Communication. May 2007 – April					
		2011. INR. 19,414,560 (PATC Fund)					
		c. West Bengal Civil Society Strengthening Programme (CSSP), DFID Programme.					
		August 2008 – October 2009. INR. 6,086,160					
7	Annual Revenue of PIA for the most recent audited financial year	a. Food Security – 82,76,241 b. IEC – 52,50,351					
	inidicial year	c. WBCSSP – 25,09,913					

8	List ongoing projects (max 3) and their Size (INR)	a. Food Security for the rural poor.					
		September 2007 – August 2011. INR.48,373,824. (DANIDA Fund)					
		B .Information Education & Communication.					
		May 2007 – April 2011. INR. 19,414,560 (PATC Fund)					
		C . West Bengal Civil Society Strengthening Programme(CSSP), DFID Programme					
		August 2008 – October 2009. INR. 6,086,160					
9	Completion of last project (MM/YY)	*Food Security for the rural poor.					
		Phase – II (08 / 2007)					
		*Information Education & Communication.					
		Phase – I (04 / 2007)					
		*West Bengal Civil Society Strengthening Programme (CSSP), DFID					
10	Total value of assets available with the PIA?	INR.14,35,881					
11	Experience of working with	(i) YES					
	(i) Women SHGs/Groups (Y/N)	(ii) YES					
	(ii) Agriculture based livelihoods with						
	existing women groups (Y/N)	(If Yes, Elaborated in Sec.B.1)					
12	In the proposed project, what % of the	Govt. of India – INR. 10.13 crore (75%)					
	implementation will be undertaken by existing capacities and what % will be leveraged from	State Govt. of WB – INR. 3.3184 Crore (23%)					
		LKP – INR. 0.0616 Crore (2%)					

B. Executive summary of the project / Brief description of the project

Executive Summary

1. Objectives

Women agriculturists led Self Help Groups (SHGs) of poor agrarian families will be *empowered and capacitated* to enhance their *recognition and role in* livelihood activities and significantly reduce the period of their food insecurity by Decentralized Natural Resource Management (DNRM) involving rural local self governments (Panchayati Raj Institutions-PRIs). Loka Kalyan Parishad (LKP) – PRI partnership will ensure that *Gram Panchayats* (GPs) and local level CBOs like *Gram Unnayan Samiti* (GUS), *SHG clusters and federation*, CSOs of project blocks have the capacity to form, nurture & empower women agriculturists in SHGs and promote the livelihood activities. They will also be able to spread the activities among the neighbourhood level Self Help Groups.

2. Tasks

- a) 60,000 identified BPL rural agrarian families suffering from food & nutrition deficit & livelihood insecurity for a period from 75 days to 90 days a year as per rural household survey 2005.
- b) 500 Community/village level CBOs like Gram Unnayan Samitis & SHG

cluster, over 48 Gram Panchayats, 5 Panchayat Samitis (block level PRI) and

5 CSO partners, 5 SHG federations are empowered, capacitated to assist the target SHGs in implementation through active participation.

3. Outputs

- 1.1 60,000+ BPL women from landless and agricultural laborer families of SC, ST, Minority & OBC represented by women are mobilized in to approx. 6,000 Groups in phased manner. (Many of these are already members of SHG their capacity to be enhanced along with new Group members. There are about 5375 Women SHGs already in the proposed project area.)
- 1.2 These SHGs are oriented, trained, active and operational and practising agriculture in at least 48 GPs in 5 blocks of 4 districts. SHG clusters would be formed where there is none.
- 1.3 The SHG, their clusters and federations are provided with resources and linkages through appropriate institutional processes of local self governance.
- 1.4 5 CSOs engaged, oriented and sensitized on the need to support processes and institutions of local self governance as a means of improving food, nutrition & livelihood security of the poor and programme sustanability.
- 1.5 5 Block level *Panchayat Samitis* engaged, oriented & sensitized on the need to provide responsive technical & other support to *GPs* to replicate established good practices perticularly access and empowerment of women in agriculture and resource management.
- 1.6 48 GPs oriented, trained and facilitated on how to create linkages with
 - Gram Unnayan samitis and SHG cluster and federation and ensure active participation of women in the agriculture and agri-based plan and activities and finally own the entire process for sustainability.
- 1.7 Women agriculturists of target families and their group cluster / federations are empowered to manage the SHGs more efficiently and take up eco-friendly, sustainable and profitable agri. and agri-based economic
 - activities to augment their family income.
- 1.8 A combination of Private–Private and Private-Public partnerships on land, water, livestock based DNRM initiatives established involving the families through creating enambling environment through advocacy.

C . Activities undertaken so far

1. Approval Date: 12th July, 2012

2. MoU Date : **6th March,2013**

3. Sanction Date: 1st February,2013

D . Activity Schedule (Gantt Chart)

		M1	M2	М3	M4	М5	М6	Estimated expenditure	D1	D2 Expected Time output reasoning	Expected	F Activity- how & by whom	
Sr No	Activity	(March- April'13)	May′ 13	June ⁷	July' 13	Aug′ 13	Sept' 13	(Q1& Q2) INR	Activity Description		output		
1	Deployment of Staff							8,00,000	Recruitment/Assign ment through appropriate system	Short notice, screening, interview & assignment process	In place	Director & Joint Director Appointed Short notice, short listing,interview, assignment by LKP recruitment board . Appointment by Secretary.	
2	Establishment of Field office cum training centre with tools equipments,staffs							1,50,000	Hiring of venue, agreement etc	-	Established in intensive areas	To be finalized by Director, Joint Director & District Managers consultation with Block federation	
3	Orientation & training of staff on MKSP							50,000	Orientation of freshers & existing staffs ,workers at different Tire in MKSP format	Staggard orientation	2-3 sessions	By external m& internal resource persons appointed by Director, MKSP .Both in house & field level training in monthly sessions	
4	Baseline Survey & Identification village cluster etc							1,50,000	Baseline status identification of SHG institutions	Family level ,group level,Cluster & Federation level	Completed	Done by field associates , Para professionals RPs under strict supervision of District Managers	
5	Finalization of clusters / villages							0	Do	Do	Finalized	Done by field associates , Para professionals RPs under strict supervision of District Managers	

6	Identification of SHG members		50,000	Do	Do	Existing Registered , new in progress	Done by field associates , Para professionals RPs under strict supervision of District Managers	
7	Idetification & establishment of Extensive area CSO partnerships		50,000	5 block level CSOs to be identified & Estt. Of agreement	Formation of New GPs through election process due	Identified – strengthening in progress	Director, Joint Director through District / Block functionaries.	
8	Preparation of DPR & submission		50,000	-	After completion of baseline survey need 3 months	Submitted	State Co-ordinator ,Director	
9	C.B – staggard training /orientation for LRPs & PPs		50,000	Engagement through selection process involving SHG,Federation leadership	After identification of MKSHs institutions – LRP,PPs can be trained	Two batches of 20 in progress continuing	Resource persons appointed by Secretary, Director	
10	C.B – Staggard handholding support to SHGs /GUS on NRLM activities		12,00,000	For MKSHs to start SA activities continuous handholding support needed	After identification of MKSHs institutions – LRP,PPs can be engaged after adequate CB	Initiated & in progress	Assignment given Jointly by District Managers & Joint Director in consultation with SHG federations	
11	C.B – Development of Tech. Protocol in print video etc format		1,50,000	For development of training module, tools & kids appropriate	Documentation of NRM status & development opportunities need be produced – a continuous process	A set of materials in place	Joint Director & Technical resource persons	
12	Cost support to MKSHGs for input, tools & implements		10,00,000	For demo. on SA activities – intensive cropping ,drudgery reduction etc	Seasonal activities through preparation of bottom up group plan	Transferred to intended groups –under process	Will be sanctioned through Block Co-ordinator as per approved bottom up group plan	