

NATIONAL CONSULTATION ON THE RIGHT TO FOOD ACT

at

GANDHI PEACE FOUNDATION
DEEN DAYAL UPADHYAYA MARG
NEW DELHI
11th JULY 2009
10 a.m. TO 5 p.m.

Dear Friends,

The Secretariat of the Right to Food Campaign is glad to announce the launch of this new Googlegroup on the right to food. It will be used to send occasional updates on campaign activities and other issues related to the right to food. As a starter, we are attaching a draft note on the proposed Right to Food Act, based on a recent meeting (18 June 2009) convened by the Secretariat in Delhi. The meeting arrived at the following conclusions:-

- A broad agreement was reached at the meeting on demands that must essentially be a part of any Right to Food Act which is passed.
- A committee consisting of Jean Dreze, Harsh Mander and Anuradha Talwar were given the responsibility of drafting the essential, non negotiable demands of the Campaign.
- It was decided that a broader national consultation should be organised on 11th July 2009 in Delhi to finalise the draft note on essential demands. The consultation would also help us to decide on a campaign for the passage of a Right to Food Act .
- It was also suggested that as part of this campaign , a large public demonstration could be organised in Delhi on 1st August 2009, once agreement was reached with all participants in the campaign for the Right to Food Act.

Any comments or suggestions on the attached note, or on the Right to Food Act, are welcome – please send them to righttofood@gmail.com

We look forward to your presence at the **National Consultation on the Right to Food Act at the Gandhi Peace Foundation in New Delhi on 11th July 2009 from 10 am to 5 pm**. You are requested to send an email to righttofood@gmail.com to confirm your participation and for arranging accommodation if required.

In solidarity,
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