







World Humanitarian Day, 19th August 2023

No Matter What- Together we stand beside affected communities, empower local actors.

Why the world observes World Humanitarian Day?

- Respond to the emergency & disaster.
- Humanitarian aid worker.
- Diverse opinions, political divisions, beliefs.
- Survival, well-being, safety and security of aid workers.

The Plight of Aid Workers in Crisis

- In 2021, 460 aid workers fell victim to major attacks.
- 140 of them lost their lives.
- Tragically, 98% of those who perished were national staff.
- 266 reported attacks resulted in 203 aid workers.
- 117 were kidnapped.



The Importance of Local Organizations and Their Workers

Local organizations and their workers often serve as the first responders.

Effective & Timely response.

Local Aid workers are from the community thereby accountable to the community.

They possess an intimate understanding of the language, culture & local administration.

But their contributions are often neglected or overlooked.



Why it is Significance of Evolving Local Leadership?

For the rapid response underscores the significance of developing local leadership.

Learning from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The cost-effectiveness of operational cost.

Options for supporting more beneficiaries.



Recommendations for World Humanitarian Day

Advocate for the survival, well-being, and dignity of all, regardless of affiliation, and condemn the targeting of aid workers.

Prioritize fair compensation, facilities, life insurance, and support for local staff in partnerships, considering local socio-economic conditions.

Establish a clear roadmap for providing 25% direct funding to local organizations, endorsed by donors.

Ensure the safety and security of all humanitarian aid workers

Promote the development of local organizations and the evolution of local leadership. Strengthen the capacities of local organizations and outline support mechanisms within partnership agreements.

Thank You

