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CINI Australia
NON-DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES
POLICY

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1. Introduction

CINI Australia is a not-for-profit organisation registered as a charity in Australia. The objective of CINI Australia is to relieve suffering and poverty and to advance the health, nutrition, education and protection of women, adolescents and children in need in India. CINI Australia enables Australians to contribute to sustainable development programs in India that increase individual and community capacity, skills, and dignity.

CINI Australia has no political or religious affiliations.

2. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to guide CINI Australia and its partners to make a clear separation between aid and development and non-aid and non-development objectives and activities. This policy addresses ACFID compliance obligations when communicating with or soliciting donations from private donors and the public, including fundraising for restricted and unrestricted purposes from aid agencies, sponsors and supporters, and fundraising from the general public.

3. Scope

This policy applies to all CINI Australia staff, contractors, board members, volunteers, partners and funders, and to all CINI Australia activities, including fundraising activities

4. Definitions

Aid and Development: Activities undertaken in order to reduce poverty and its causes and address global justice issues via direct engagement through community projects, emergency management, community education, advocacy, volunteer sending, provision of technical and professional services and resources.

Non-development: Activities undertaken to promote a particular religious adherence or to support a particular party, candidate or organisation affiliated to a political party.

Welfare: Welfare activities often have a narrow focus on the provision of services to individuals, families and communities on a long-term basis with no clear strategy to build local capacity and reduce dependence on external support.

5. Principles and policy

4.1 Guiding Principles

- 1 CINI Australia is a not-for-profit organisation. It has no political or religious affiliations.
- 2 CINI Australia development initiatives include

- Strengths based approaches which encourage people and communities to create solutions for themselves
- Processes that seek to address the causes of poverty
- Processes that seek to empower rights holders to claim their rights and ensure that duty bearers exercise their duties
- Supporting systems and structures which enable people to move out of poverty
- Humanitarian response and emergency relief, disaster recovery and meeting the immediate needs of refugees and internally displaced people

4.2 Policy Commitments

- CINI Australia will not engage in non-development activities, or any activity whose objectives include the promotion of religious adherence, or partisan activities that are associated with facilitating or supporting specific political individual or parties to gain power.
- CINI Australia will not enter into project partnerships which are intended to influence the political or religious affiliations of the vulnerable communities with which it works.
- CINI Australia does not fund any non-development activities that are undertaken by ~~CINI India~~ or any other parties

4.3 Application

Communication with Child in Need Institute, India such as that in its Memoranda of Understanding, includes CINI Australia's status as a non-religious and non-political organisation that engages in sustainable development programs.

The separation of development activities from non-development activities will apply to CINI Australia's communications with donors and general public, fundraising activities, advocacy campaigns, choice for donors, expenditure reporting, program initiatives and partners

4.4 Welfare

Given its development purpose, CINI Australia does not generally engage in welfare activities. However, it is recognised that there may be specific humanitarian emergencies that may arise for which support is requested from CINI Australia. CINI Australia will assess these requests on a case-by-case basis with a view to providing support if there are no adequate alternative sources available.]

6. Reviewing

A review shall be conducted to assess this policy at least once every three (3) years.

7. Supporting and related documents

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following documents which provide further supportive information:

1. MoU 2017 CINI – CINI Australia
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