



2020-2021

INDIA POLICY LEADERSHIP LAB

Cultivating Collaboration Between
Social Investment and Policy in India

OVERVIEW

The **India Policy Leadership Lab** (“India Lab”) is a country-specific subset of the regional Policy Lab with a focus to strengthen the capacity of Indian policymakers to achieve convergence and deeper engagements with the social investment landscape. In particular, the multi-disciplinary and action-oriented programme will build policymakers’ capacity to tap into an array of human, intellectual, and financial capital, and actively connect them to a diverse group of stakeholders. By emphasising the importance of action over theory and partnership building through local networks, this platform paves the way for non-traditional allies to find innovative ways to work together.

The core mission is to **empower public sector agents of change** and to **increase the states’ capacity in executing and achieving impact goals** – and the India Lab creates a viable ecosystem for the policymaker do to so successfully.

18

Regional Policy Lab Fellows since 2018

12

Markets reached to enhance capacity building among policymakers

61%

Women leaders

Through a series of capacity building activities, advisory sessions and engagement opportunities, the programme aims to



Improve Fellows’ capacity in accessing social investment for current and future initiatives



Build meaningful connections with key stakeholders from the social investment community for mentorship, networking, and financial and non-financial support



BRIDGING THE HUMAN CAPITAL AND RESOURCE GAP THROUGH POLICY

CHALLENGES

faced by Indian policymakers in achieving cross-sector convergence for impact

- Limited availability of budget, appropriate allocation of time, and interaction with social investors
- Limited knowledge of the social investment landscape and lack of access to cross-sector or cross-border sources
- Absence of partnerships and resources to translate policy action at a national level to effective implementation at state, municipal and district levels

Developing Capacity Through The India Lab



Provide policymakers with well-designed opportunities to interact with social investors, management support, and resources to bring partnerships to fruition



Build policymakers' understanding of the social investment landscape and effective deployment of innovations and entities to achieve impact



Help policymakers navigate rigid engagement parameters and bridge gaps for effective partnerships that enable policy implementation at all levels

The AVPN India Policy Leadership Lab is designed to help policymakers overcome these barriers to develop the right connections for lasting partnerships for impact.

PROGRAMME EXPERIENCE

Diverging from traditional fellowship models, the 12-month India Lab programme takes on a practice-based and adaptive approach that is able to efficiently navigate policymakers' existing and often rigorous agendas and schedules. Through various forms of resources and tailored opportunities, the India Lab ably fosters credible partnerships and enable policymakers to access the right capital for their initiatives.



01.

Induction and Consultation — *July – December 2020*

1-2 brief consultations with AVPN to understand the context in which the policy initiative operates in, define the gap that the initiative is hoping to address and provide an in-depth analysis on the type and scale of resources needed.

Induction Ceremony at the AVPN India Summit and Policy Forum to formally introduce Fellows to the programme and connect them and their policy initiatives to Selection Committee members and Knowledge Partners.



02.

Resources and Member Mapping — *Ongoing*

Active ongoing support from AVPN to identify who and what from AVPN's network and knowledge assets can offer mentorship, sector expertise, or technical and financial support for the advancing of the policy initiative.



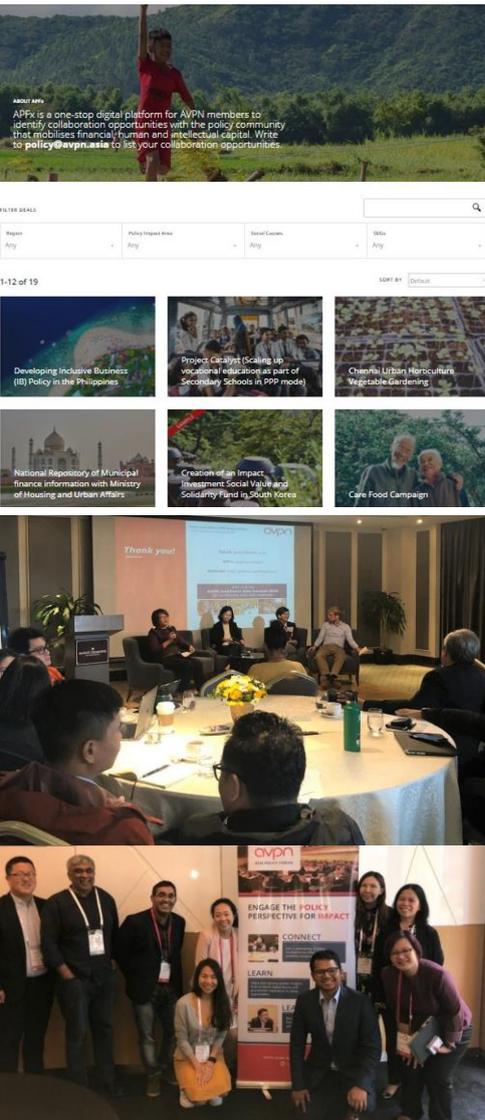
03.

Lab Sessions — *January – June 2021*

1-2 two-hour sessions to enable Fellows and select AVPN members to learn about the policy initiative and engage their knowledge and expertise to address the challenges for its advancement.



PROGRAMME EXPERIENCE



04.

Full Engagement of AVPN Ecosystem — *Ongoing*

Over the 12 months, Fellows may choose to participate in specific AVPN capacity building events and resources, be invited to attend Member-exclusive local activities, and be supported by AVPN's digital and physical outreach and communications. This includes the **APFx: Policy Exchange for Impact and AVPN Signature Events** as platforms to showcase their policy initiatives and engage members.

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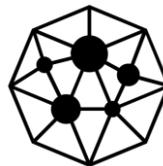
Graduation Forum — *June 2021*

An exclusive one-day convening of Fellows, select AVPN Members, and Lab mentors that will mark the conclusion and takeaways from the Lab experience and solidify partnerships and milestones achieved during the programme.

KEY TAKEAWAYS



Advance social investment partnership potential along identified milestones



Surfaced best practices and partnerships for capacity building and ecosystem support for the policymaking community

Read more about the India Lab: <https://avpn.asia/avpn-india-leadership-lab/>

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