

Anti- Corruption Collective Action Working Group

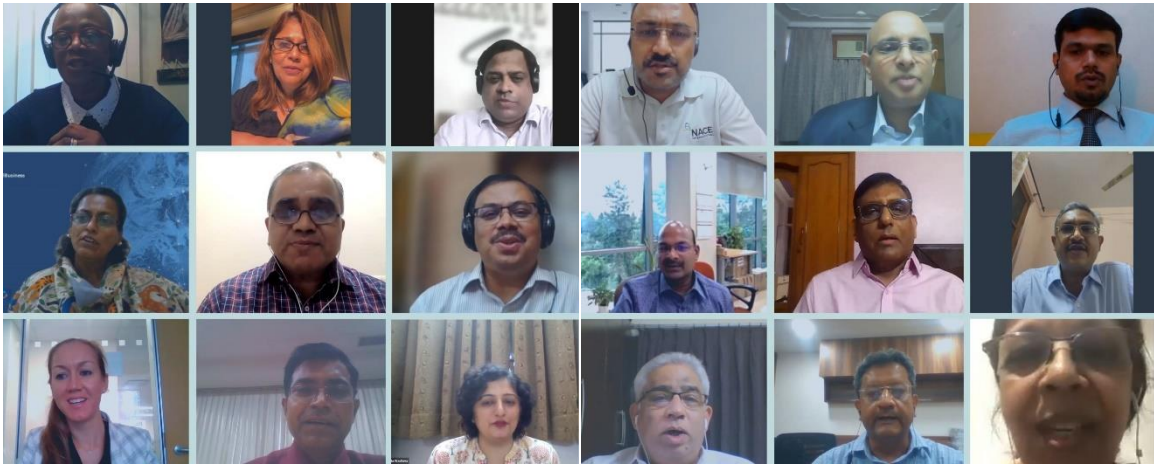
Second Consultation Meeting

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Network India

Event Report



Executive Summary

The UN Global Compact (UNGC) launched a four-year global project “Scaling up Anti-Corruption Collective Action within Global Compact Local Networks” in December 2019 to support collective actions in Global Compact Local Networks (GCLNs) and promote public-private cooperation in fighting corruption. Global Compact Network India (GCNI) is effectively serving as a Project Partner under this Anti-Corruption Collective Action (ACCA) Initiative of UNGC and emphasizing on promoting transparency and accountability in healthcare sector.

Healthcare in India has emerged as one of the largest sectors - both in terms of employment and revenue. India, being one of the most populous countries of the world, needs a very robust infrastructure, universal health coverage and monitored service delivery mechanisms to have access to quality health care services. However, healthcare is the most corrupt service sector in India where almost everybody in the country has been a victim of some form of graft or malpractice.

Introduction

GCNI hosted the second virtual Consultation Meeting with ACCA Working Group on August 31, 2021 wherein 30 nominated officials from diverse relevant sectors participated and shared their knowledge, capacity and insights to support ACCA initiative of UNGC-GCNI. The 1st Consultation Meeting held on 15th July, 2021 had set the context in place and was met with great enthusiasm. For the second Consultation, our peers from the New York head office joined us to orient the participants about their future engagements and commitments to the Working Group. The meeting was moderated by Dr. Somnath Singh, Project Lead, GCNI. Being the first of its kind, it introduced certain key concepts pertaining to the ACCA initiative in India, functions of ACCA Working Group

and fostered discussion on the way forward. Ms. Shabnam Siddiqui, Executive Director, GCNI welcomed all the participants and set the tone of the meeting by sharing diverse ACCA initiatives taken by UNGC and GCNI under Siemens Integrity Initiative.

The ACCA consultation meeting was conducted as part of the 'Scaling Up Anti-Corruption Collective Action within the Local Networks' project with support and guidance from UNGC. The meeting ensued coming together of Healthcare, Businesses, CSOs, Pharmaceuticals, Academia /Research Institutes and other relevant stakeholders to discuss the significance, need and possible initiatives to promote transparency and accountability through Collective Action in Healthcare Sector of India. The ACCA Working Group shares a common goal of an ethical and level playing field in the healthcare sector.

Programme and speakers

The session was conducted virtually on Zoom. It was an interactive session where the participants came forward and shared the ways through which they hope to commit to and support ACCA initiative.

The panelists shared their experiences, success stories, challenges and best practices on anticorruption collective action in healthcare in an organic discussion. The participants provided concrete examples of corruption issues and appreciated the way of collective actions for the amelioration of such menace.

The consultation meeting started with a welcome address to the senior representatives from UNGC, ACCA working group members and GCNI team by Ms. Sunita Sule, Corporate Affairs Director South Asia, BASF and Chair, CEGET/Project Advisory Committee, GCNI.

Ms. Olajobi Makinwa, Chief, Intergovernmental Relations & Africa, UNGC shared an overview of Anti-Corruption Collective Action (Origin and importance) and its history at UNGC. Besides this, she had shared UNGC's ACCA journey during the last ten years.

Ms. Shabnam Siddiqui, Executive Director, GCNI spoke on the Need and Importance of ACCA in India. She had also shared her experience and learnings from various Anti-Corruption Collective Action projects/initiatives of Global Compact Network India.

Ms. Ashley Ann Demming, Manager, Anti-Corruption, UNGC talked about the Current UNGC-ACCA Project (Objectives and Major Deliverables) and Role of ACCA Working Group in the Project. She encouraged the working group members and provided them guidance for the development of the project roadmap.

Ms. Sunanda Wadhwa, Lead, Business Compliance at Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Ltd and nominated ACCA working group member shared the summary of discussion and highlighted the major decisions taken in the meeting. The list of participants for the session is annexed.

The agenda points discussed were:

- Recap and key learnings from 1st ACCA WG Consultation and the recommendations
- Origin and importance of ACCA;
- Need and Importance of ACCA (India context)
- SII Round-3 (Objectives and Major Deliverables); Role of ACCA Working Group in the project; Preparation of Roadmap
- Challenges in Healthcare sector; ACCA WG engagement and Development of Roadmap

Recommendations

- ACCA working group should have vision, mission and an objective which may help them expand its network not only to Corporates but also to custodian Ministry and other stakeholders.
- Develop proper structure of the WG, so that specific responsibilities can be assigned to individual members.
- Division of responsibilities according to domain expertise, form sub-groups for the specific purpose of developing a roadmap for the initiative.
- Frequent meetings of SHs to align the ideas, sharing experience and course correction in healthcare system
- Preparing a baseline report/ pilot studies for the anti-corruption issues on ground in a couple of states/ regions
- Health sector faces major challenges in pricing transparency in supply chain and quality control. The WG should focus on this challenge.
- Collating best practices and case-studies that may guide the initiative in the right direction
- Develop a concrete action plan and execute it with full responsibility and accountability with focus on a thoroughly discussed anti-corruption topics only.
- Encourage and engage Healthcare actors in private and public sector to join forces with

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