Report on the Communication for Social and Behaviour Change

Organized by the School of Social Work, MLCU in collaboration with the NE SBC Alliance, Assam Don Bosco University

March 27-28, 2024

1. Title of the Programme:	Workshop on Communication for Social and Behaviour Change					
2. Objectives:	1. To infer on the concept of Communication for Social					
	and Behaviour change					
	2. To adopt the CSBC as a	tool to utilise	in the different			
	interventions					
	3. To complement and enha	ance the comm	nunity			
	engagement initiatives					
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5. Names of Resource persons/Speakers/Presenters/any other:		1. Ms Georgina Lamare				
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		3. Dr Marbabiang				
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6. Total number of participan	ts:	Students	92			
		Faculty	1			
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The School of Social Work of Martin Luther Christian University (MLCU) organised a workshop on Communication for Social and Behaviour Change for the BSW and MSW Final year.

As Social Workers, community engagement is the crux of the profession and thus organizing this workshop will enhance their skills and competencies. Therefore, the workshop was held at MLCU Hall on March 27-28, 2024 where the facilitators are the two faculty of MLCU who have attended training on CSBC- Dr. Ibasaralyne Thabah Synthiang, Dr. Marbabiang Syiemlieh and Ms. Georgina Lamare, Social behavior change consultant, UNICEF.

On the first day, the session started with the introduction of the workshop and the expectations of the students on the workshop. The first session was on the concept and importance of communication and Social behaviour change whereby the facilitator stressed on the importance of CSBC for social work professionals and its relevance. Further, it was also discussed on how one can use CSBC as a tool for Social and behaviour change in addressing any issues or when involved in any project. In addition, the steps for developing a communication plan were also facilitated and the indicators that need to be considered when using CSBC strategy.

The second session is on Media and Communication for Development where the different forms of media was discussed along with the elements of Development communication. In this session, a group discussion was facilitated whereby participants were divided into 15 groups, each with 15 different issues; they need to discuss on how will they address the issue with the objective of behaviour change, who will be the main stakeholders and the different form of media that they can adopt.

The afternoon session started with the theories relating to Social and Behavioural Sciences in Communication for development which covered the Health Belief model, diffusion for innovation, the stages of change theory, and theory of reasoned action. Social learning theory was also covered, systems theory and the behavioral approach. This was followed by group activity on identifying the theory relating to the media intervention, a justification and reflection of the relevance of the theory for the media intervention and creation of nudges for particular issues, such as, immunization, substance abuse, corruption, school dropout to mention a few. The following activity was followed by presentations by the 15 groups. The next session was on understanding Social Change through the lens of the Social Ecological Model (SEM), the concept of SEM was highlighted and its significance as an analytical tool. Participatory communication, collective efficacy, social norm theory and social capital were also briefed. This was followed by a group activity on SEM and identifying what level will the media intervention be, followed by identifying risks or obstacles and the expected change in behaviour.

The second day Session was taken by Miss Georgina Lamare, a Social behaviour Change consultant, UNICEF whereby she covered the topics on C4D (communication for development) under which the Planning models, Basic Components of strategies, Research monitoring and evaluation plan, Strategy plan, and Implementation Plan were included. The

levels of interventions highlighted are: The role of social norms and the application of the socio-ecological model, establishing objectives at multiple levels and Key steps leading to change. The various communication approaches which include Advocacy, Social marketing, Media campaigns, Entertainment education, Peer education, Capacity and capability strengthening, social mobilization, Dialogue-based approaches, and the communication action plan. Message design: message design framework, Message appeals, Message treatments and formats, Message (and relative media) development, Message testing, Material production. Dialogue-based methods and materials: Identify themes for dialogue/IPC (interpersonal communication) and Develop IPC and other dialogue-based methods. Based on the above-mentioned topics the students were divided into 7 groups and were assigned activities that they had to present at the end of the session.

The pedagogy adopted for the workshop was interactive with group discussions, case study analysis using PPT as a tool. The overall feedback was good whereby the majority of the students felt that the content of the workshop was relevant to their profession, and gathered new knowledge and ideas. Few of the students' feedback are as follows:

This workshop has improved my knowledge of social behaviour change and through this, I would be able to apply it into practice.

It was a great opportunity to learn and get some knowledge about the modules and it will contribute to my field work. Thank you for this great opportunity.

The overall program was very informative and felt very relevant to me as a student of social work as it can benefit me in my future career greatly.

It was a good opportunity to be able to learn and to be a part of the workshop which is an important topic for every individual to apply in their day-to-day life. (CSBC)

I have been able to understand more about how to think of a behaviour change with not only about the system approach but we can think of an innovative way to bring change and understand from the people's viewpoint

This workshop has really helped me on to improve myself on how to apply such important things when going for my internship and about the Communication for Social and Behaviour Change.

It helps me to understand how to interact with the people of the community before doing any activity that can help them understand and be aware. It also gives message to the people with the deeper word to make people take which deduction for a better future

Grateful for the opportunity as the CSBC workshop is brought up for the first time in the university and from the course. I have adopted many valuable information and strategies that can be applied practically in the field.

The workshop exceeded my expectations. I particularly enjoyed the group activities, which encouraged collaboration and helped reinforce key concepts

I appreciate the practical tips and strategies shared during the workshop. I feel more confident in my ability to implement changes. Thank you to the actionable takeaways provided.

It was such an amazing experience. The presenters did a fantastic job explaining the topic, and I loved how interactive and engaging the sessions were. I feel like I learned so much and gained valuable skills.

From the workshop that I attended in both the two days, I have learned and grab new knowledge about the topic of communication for social and behavior change especially from the resource persons whom I have learned so much from and it can be helpful for my future.

The workshop was concluded with students sharing their experiences and feedback was taken from them.

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Name & Signature of faculty In-charge

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Annexure I

Workshop on Communication for Social and Behaviour Change
Organized by the School of Social Work, Martin Luther Christian University in
collaboration with the North East SBC Alliance, Assam Don Bosco University
March 27-28, 2024

Venue: MLCU Hall

Day 1

9:15 am: Registration

9:30 am: Introduction to the workshop

9:45 am: Objectives and expectations of the workshop

10:00-11:00 am: What is Communication for Social and Behaviour Change?

11:00-12 Noon: Media and Communication for Development, audio-visual, community and

digital media

Lunch Break

12:45 pm-1:45 pm: Understanding Social and Behavioural Sciences and its relevance to Social Workers

1:45 pm-3:30 pm: Understanding Social Change through the lens of the Social Ecological Model

Day 2

9:30 am: Reflection

10:00 am-12 Noon: Strategy design-planning, interventions and communications approaches

Lunch Break

12:45 pm-3:00 pm: Themes and methods for message design and dialogue-based materials

3:00 pm-3:30 pm: Feedback, Closing and Distribution of Certificates

Annexure II: Pictures





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2	TA for Resource person	500	1	500					
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3	days x twice a day	60	220	13200					
4	Lunch for Resource person and Faculty	250	12	3000					
5	Miscellaneous			5000					
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