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Statement submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council *

The Secretary-General has received the following statements, which are being circulated in accordance with paragraphs 30 and 31 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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15. Association Nationale pour Promouvoir la Société Civile et la Citoyenneté
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111. Managing Committee of Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences

KISS and Corona Governance – a blueprint for SDGs in times of Covid-19

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences is an enabler and accelerator for SDGs. As suggested by the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) on SDGs, KISS emphasizes on approaches and policies at the necessary scale and speed to accelerate progress towards the realization of 2030 Agenda and bring the most transformative changes in development pathways.

KISS is actively involved in realizing the 2030 Agenda during this time of crisis in the following ways :

- Leaving No one Behind–KISS is providing relief material and other necessities to homeless, stranded migrants, slum dwellers, daily wagers, transgenders, beggars, and animals on street, front line workers and other vulnerable people. It is putting forth to the Government needs of the poor and indigenous communities.
- Mobilizing adequate and well-directed financing– Reaching out to Good Samaritans, corporate houses, national and international organizations, KISS has diversified its work and mobilised financial and human resources for relief to the needy, distribution of hygiene products to women and girls, IEC material for wider dissemination (including in local and tribal languages) and setting up quarantine facilities and dedicated COVID-19 hospitals by utilizing the existing infrastructure facilities. In partnership with Government, needs and requirements of people is being identified and feedback loop to government for action has been established.
- Strengthening institutions for integrated solutions and effective implementation - KISS is working with the state Government and local self-government institutions (urban and rural) to find solutions for the present crisis. Apart from enabling the state government to utilize our existing infrastructure, KISS has bolstered local action by utilizing its staff and students as a volunteer force across Odisha. In this process, strong communication packages are being implemented to reach the most vulnerable and marginalized.
- Harnessing science, technology and innovation for achieving sustainable development–The science and technology hub is devising innovative and sustainable solutions and influencing government strategies. Our research partnerships with Universities of Cambridge and East Anglia are now focused on food futures– by using volunteers and IVRS platform for benefit of indigenous communities.

The way forward is to a) deepen and broaden work in all above areas with greater emphasis on public-private-community partnerships; b) collaborate more to raise

resources and awareness, c) adopt new technologies to understand the needs of people and communities and produce solutions to Build Back Better!