



## CCMG INVITED LECTURE ON

# The Creative Contribution of NREGA Workers Digging Earth and Shaping Policy

### **Nikhil Dey**

Activist, MKSS (Mazdoor Kisan Shakti Sangathan)

#### **Short bio:**

**Nikhil Dey** is a well-known social activist. He was educated in India and the US. Before the formal completion of his graduate course at the George Mason University, he left to 'follow his bliss' and came back to India. His initial work was with the Kheduth Mazdoor Chetna Sangathan in Madhya Pradesh. He then joined Aruna Roy and Shankar Singh in 1987 to go to a village called Devdungri in Rajsamand district, Rajasthan. Devdungri became the head office of the Mazdoor Kisan Shakti Sangathan (MKSS), a peasants-workers-women organisation founded by the trio in 1990.

Nikhil has also been engaged with other enduring campaigns like those of the Right to Food, Right to Work, Election Watch and a range of human rights issues. He has written extensively on RTI and other related matters along with Aruna Roy and other members of the Sangathan.

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