LOGIN Asia

Local Governance Initiative and Network
Knowledge Network on Decentralisation and Local Governance
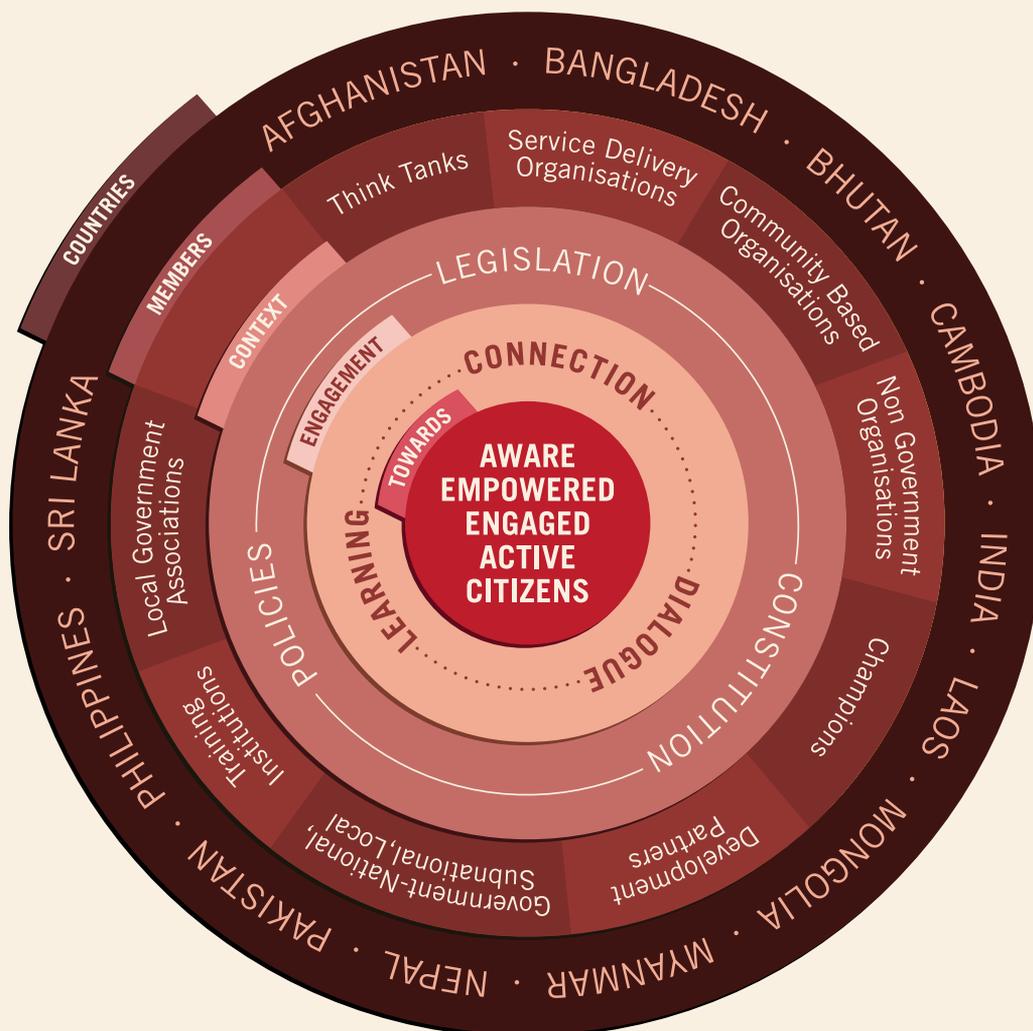
Local Governance Initiative and Network

Many committed governments, organisations, groups and communities in Asia work together through Local Governance Initiative and Network (LOGIN) to improve people's participation in effective governance in local areas so that services reach those who need them, in time, and as promised.

Members include elected representatives, training institutions, think tanks, government departments, civil society organisations and academics from 12 countries in South and East Asia.

Value Proposition

MEMBERS

Non-hierarchical space for state and non-state actors to connect, ideate, and collaborate

Access to regional and global expertise, technical resources, and wide range of tools to match different institutional needs

Opportunity to gain from multiple perspectives of peers working in diverse contexts with complementary interests

Exposure to innovative learning methodologies which are founded on principle of 'expert – learner' duality and emphasise linking of theory and practice

Scope to revisit and align respective institutional strategies and actions informed by peer advice and experiential learning

REGION

Tap into South-South learning and exchange anchored in the Asian context, culture and ethos

Opportunity to gain from analysis of contextual factors influencing local governance reforms as impetus for effective action by member institutions

Scope for national and transnational coalition-building to strategise and implement reform actions

Neutral space for policy dialogue aided by apolitical professional facilitators

Access to democratised knowledge which is simplified and translated for differently mandated Asian change agents

SPONSORS

Scope for leveraging partnerships incubated within the Network to improve scale and sustainability of investments in effective local governance

Opportunity to inform and be informed beyond the immediate ecosystem of respective grantees and partners

Potential to assess relevance of strategies and actions from contextual and practitioner viewpoint

Access to good practices and innovations in the field

Change Pathways

LOGIN connects state and non-state actors within and across national borders, to promote a culture of learning and exchange on the state of governance in a local context. The resultant assessment of potentials for change contributes to issue-specific intervention strategies, enhanced institutional capacities and strengthened coalitions for effective action.

Ultimately, LOGIN aims for capacitated local institutions that enable participatory, accountable, inclusive and citizen-responsive governance.

Capacitated local institutions enabling participatory, accountable, inclusive and citizen-responsive governance

Strengthened capacities of member institutions to deliver on mandates for improving local governance

Enhanced coherence in strategy and actions among stakeholders at the country level for citizen-focused local governance

Comprehensive analysis of local governance issues and contextual factors as foundation for effective action

Strengthened effectiveness of change agents with better knowledge and skills for their work on governance

Increased access to plurality and diversity of perspectives on decentralisation and local governance for nuanced articulation of issues

Greater connectedness across peers, with potential for collaboration and coalition-building in the region

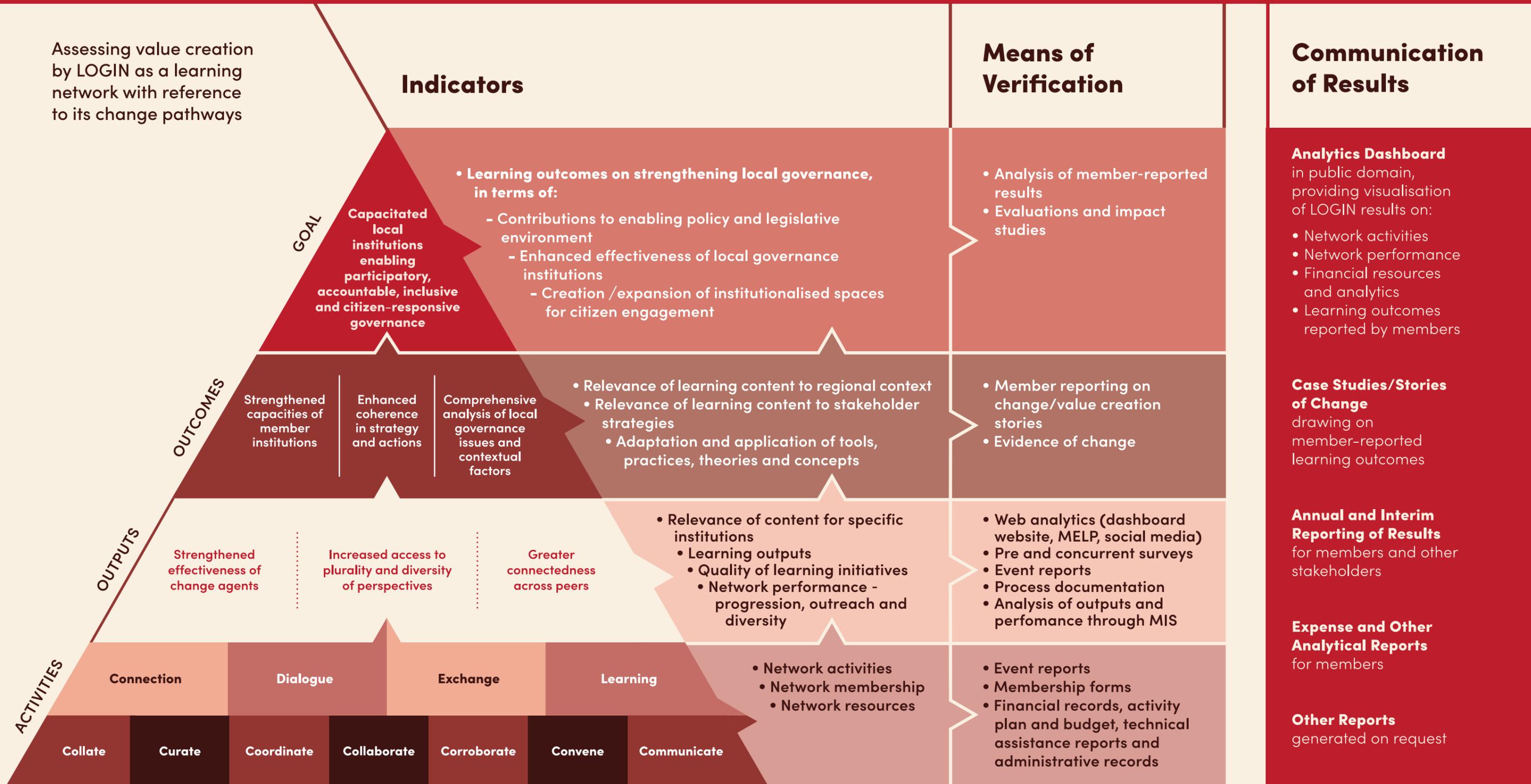| Connection		Dialogue		Exchange		Learning	
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LOGIN Change Assessment Framework

Assessing value creation by LOGIN as a learning network with reference to its change pathways

Indicators

Means of Verification

Communication of Results

GOAL

Capacitated local institutions enabling participatory, accountable, inclusive and citizen-responsive governance

- Learning outcomes on strengthening local governance, in terms of:
  - Contributions to enabling policy and legislative environment
  - Enhanced effectiveness of local governance institutions
  - Creation /expansion of institutionalised spaces for citizen engagement

- Analysis of member-reported results
- Evaluations and impact studies

Analytics Dashboard in public domain, providing visualisation of LOGIN results on:

- Network activities
- Network performance
- Financial resources and analytics
- Learning outcomes reported by members

OUTCOMES

Strengthened capacities of member institutions

Enhanced coherence in strategy and actions

Comprehensive analysis of local governance issues and contextual factors

- Relevance of learning content to regional context
- Relevance of learning content to stakeholder strategies
- Adaptation and application of tools, practices, theories and concepts

- Member reporting on change/value creation stories
- Evidence of change

Case Studies/Stories of Change drawing on member-reported learning outcomes

OUTPUTS

Strengthened effectiveness of change agents

Increased access to plurality and diversity of perspectives

Greater connectedness across peers

- Relevance of content for specific institutions
- Learning outputs
- Quality of learning initiatives
- Network performance - progression, outreach and diversity

- Web analytics (dashboard website, MELP, social media)
- Pre and concurrent surveys
- Event reports
- Process documentation
- Analysis of outputs and perfomance through MIS

Annual and Interim Reporting of Results for members and other stakeholders

ACTIVITIES

Connection · **Dialogue** · **Exchange** · **Learning**

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- Network activities
- Network membership
- Network resources

- Event reports
- Membership forms
- Financial records, activity plan and budget, technical assistance reports and administrative records

Expense and Other Analytical Reports for members

Other Reports generated on request

Learning Initiatives

PUBLIC SERVICE DELIVERY

Four Annual Editions of E-Course on Functional Assignment (2015-2018)

Workshop on Functional Assignment (2015)

Literature Collation on One-Stop Shops (2016)

Study Visit on Functional Assignment in Indonesia (2017)

FISCAL DECENTRALISATION

Five Annual Editions of E-Course on Fiscal Decentralisation (2014-2018)

Workshop on Local Development Funds (2015)

Workshop on Fiscal Transparency (2016)

Peer Partnership between India and Nepal on Role and Functioning of Fiscal Commissions (2016)

GENDER AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

Peer Partnership: Interactive Capacity Building Programme for Elected Women Representatives (Bangladesh-India) (2015)

Peer Learning on Political Empowerment of Elected Women Representatives at the Local Level (Bhutan-India) (2015-ongoing)

Workshop on Women's Political Empowerment (2016)

Peer Partnership: Disability Inclusion in Local Governance through Horizontal Learning (Bangladesh-Cambodia) (2017)

Thematic Learning Community on Women's Political Empowerment (2017-2018)

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Workshop on Civic Engagement (2014)

Study Pack on Civic Engagement (2014)

Workshop on Social Accountability (2016)

International Conference on Social Accountability in South and East Asia (2017)

Thematic Learning Community on Social Accountability and Transparency (2017)

Study Visit and Experience Consolidation Workshop on Mainstreaming Social Accountability (2018)

CAPACITY BUILDING OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Study Visit on Horizontal Learning (2013)

Workshop on Structured Learning Visits (2013)

Study Visit and Travel Workshop on Federating Elected Representatives (2014)

Peer Partnership: Implementing the Horizontal Learning Programme (Bangladesh-Nepal) (2014-2015)

Workshop on Horizontal Learning (2015)

Workshop on Local Government Training Institutions (2015)

Literature Collation on Sustainable Development Goals (2016)

International Training Programme on Democratic Decentralisation: Learning from Experiences of Kerala, India (2017)

Peer Partnership: Horizontal Learning Programme (Bangladesh-India) (2018)

Peer Partnership: Capacity Building Approaches for Local Governments (India-Mongolia) (2018)

Learning Enablers

CAPITALISATION WORKSHOPS
Facilitated analysis of implementation know-how to critically review and jointly identify areas for improvement and continued exchange

ORIENTATION TRAININGS
Introduction to basic concepts, contextual factors, experiences and innovations

EXPERIENCE SHARING SEMINARS
Exchange amongst experience holders on activities, institutional architecture, strengths and challenges

STUDY VISITS
Immersive learning via exposure to practices and innovations by peer-institutions hosting the visit

TRAVEL WORKSHOPS
Exposure to alternate approaches and institutional processes through field interactions with wide range of actors interspersed with multi-stakeholder workshops

E-COURSES
Introduction to basic concepts, frameworks and case studies to demystify topics and processes through self-study and expert advice

EXPERIENCE COLLATIONS
Compilation and analysis of global experiences and good practices from available literature

KNOWLEDGE CURATION
Collation and transmission of resources from journals and publications with a global, regional and local focus

PEER PARTNERSHIPS
Facilitated, long term partnerships across similarly mandated peer-institutions with specialist accompaniment

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
Matching experience and expertise of technical experts with clarified needs of member institutions

ORGANISATIONAL LEARNING PATHWAYS
Guided self-assessment towards evaluating institutional health, learning environment, desired transformation and change pathways to invest in

SELF-STUDY LEARNING PACKS
Flexible and self-paced study approach with access to key learning resources and exercises for self-assessment

Know LOGIN Better

DIVERSITY

127 member institutions

12 South and East Asian Countries

Afghanistan – 9
Bangladesh – 17
Bhutan – 7
Cambodia – 11

India – 11
Laos – 4
Mongolia – 13
Myanmar – 13

Nepal – 8
Pakistan – 26
Philippines – 1
Sri Lanka – 7

Stakeholders

• NGO/INGO – 75
• Government department/ ministry – 12
• Training institution – 6
• Think tank – 10

• Elected representative/ Federation/ Association of Local Government – 10
• Development partner – 5
• Private sector and others – 9

(as of December 2017)

REACH

1900+ changemakers enabled

Including participants* from

Albania, Bolivia, Burkina Faso, Canada, Denmark, Gambia, Germany, Indonesia, Kenya, Madagascar, Maldives, Netherlands, Serbia, Somalia, Thailand, and Vietnam

(*Participants in e-learning events)

(2013–2018)

LEARNING ENABLED

450+ knowledge resources shared

30 customised learning initiatives

10 peer partnerships

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