

'Social entrepreneurs fit to join govt to bring in changes'



among civil society and NGOs that it is impossible for them to work with the government, he said it has been projected like that in media. He, however, said NGOs should understand the root cause of the problem that they have chosen and must have a definite approach towards finding a solution to the same, before presenting it before the government.

Infosys founder N R Narayana Murthy said the reason for the prevalence of such a myth was because some influential people with hidden agenda approach the government with ideas. So, he finds no fault in the government putting a lot of regulations on NGOs while working on any project. As public money is involved, the decision making at the

government level takes more time, he added.

Top bureaucrat of Karnataka T M Vijaya Bhaskar said the state government is already partnered with several NGOs and there have been amazing results. Partnering with Akshaya Patra Foundation to implement the midday meal programme is the best example. Similarly, several other foundations have made wonders in primary education sector in the state.

He, however, said NGOs, especially those with foreign origin, should think carefully before selecting an area. They should maintain restraint while involving in matters like religion, caste, democracy, judiciary and government as their action can be misunderstood.

Byre Gowda said social entrepreneurs are perfectly fit to join the government to bring in changes as the latter alone cannot deliver.



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RURAL Development and Panchayat Raj Minister Krishna Byre Gowda said the government may not be on top of the chart as far as innovation is concerned, but its capacity to scale up any idea that comes from an outsider will really have a wider impact.

At a discussion on 'Reimagining partnership' organised as part of a Development Dialogue by Deshpande Foundation here on Saturday, he said the civil society and NGOs are welcome to have partnership with the government if their ideas and innovations are in the larger interest of public.

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