

# EXCERPT FROM MNLA DIALOGUE FORUMS SUMMARY REPORT (APRIL, 2019)

#### WHAT WE HEARD FROM THE DELEGATES - COMMON THEMES

## 1. Constitutional Reform Dialogue Session

# Q: Do you think that the MN-S Constitution has clearly outlined the MN-S and Métis citizens' mutual responsibilities, accountabilities and rights? Why and how?

- · There are gaps that do exist between MN-S and citizens regarding responsibility, accountability and rights
- · Need to have dispute resolution mechanisms
- Update the constitution
- · Constitution training and communication is needed for communities and citizens
- Elders should be the resource, they should be the board who settles the disputes

## Q: What changes would you like to see in the MN-S Constitution?

- · Transparency and clearly define processes, roles, duties, and responsibilities in the constitution
- · Establish Métis Judicial Body
- · Training and communication
- · Community and citizen engagement in constitutional reform
- · Clear government and governance structures

### Q: What concrete actions do you believe would be key to reform the Constitution?

- Clear roles and responsibilities of elected officials in the constitution
- Consensus-building through democratic process
- · Improve self-governance capacity at local level
- · Training, communication and engagement

### Q: How do you prefer to be engaged and consulted in a Constitutional reform process?

- · Grassroots-level engagement and face to face meetings
- · Surveys and questionnaires
- · Better communication with citizens
- Training
- · Official meetings

