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**Invitation for proposals for undertaking Research Studies/ Projects**

The Ministry of Women and Child Development invites research proposals for undertaking research projects focused on action-based research with aim is to translate the research findings into action plans so as to improve the female participation in economic activities in India. The indicative list of thrust areas/themes is given as under:

- i. Female labour force participation: trends, drivers and barriers
  - ii. Economic development vs. economically active women: Determinants of low FLFPR
  - iii. Wage differentials per capita economic productivities/ comparison of males and females in overall economic productivity across different sectors of economies
  - iv. Sector-wise participation of women in economy, provision of social security, leave, wages, working conditions, pensions, health benefits, maternity benefits, housing and child care etc.
  - v. Assessment of Gender sensitivity in labour market: Challenges and ways for building women friendly environment.
  - vi. Rural and Urban differentials in Economically active Female population
  - vii. Women empowerment in agriculture/ role of women in agriculture
  - viii. Mapping and quantifying contribution of unpaid works of women in various fields
  - ix. Barriers of underrepresentation of Women as Senior Officials/Managerial positions
  - x. Migrant women in labour market- opportunities, risks, wages, working conditions, health hazards, insurance, safety, maternity and child care etc.
2. The Grant-in-Aid would be made available under the Research, Publication and Monitoring Scheme of the Ministry to Institutions, Universities and Voluntary Organizations/NGO's registered under NITI Aayog's NGO PS Darpan Portal.
  3. Proposals on the above-mentioned research areas may be submitted through the M/o Women & Child Development Grant-in-Aid Portal as well as through email (rahul.iss@gov.in) to the undersigned as per the Ministry's guidelines on Research, Publication and Monitoring Scheme, which may be accessed through the link given herewith [https://wcd.nic.in/sites/default/files/amendedresearchscheme\\_02082013.pdf](https://wcd.nic.in/sites/default/files/amendedresearchscheme_02082013.pdf)

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

  
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