

Project Grants at a Glance

(July 2021)

No	Name	Funding Agency	Objective	Expected Outcome	Budget	Duration
TRADE						
1.	Trans-boundary Rivers of South Asia (Year 4) https://cuts-citee.org/promoting-inclusive-value-governance-in-brahmaputra-and-meghna-basins-through-multi-stakeholders-engagement-year-4	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) through Oxfam Novib	Improved policies and practices of governments that protect the rights of river basin communities to water resources; improved policies and practices of the private sector and other actors that respect the rights of river basin communities to water resources; and river basin communities' increasingly influence in transboundary water governance policies and processes.	Government policies and practices in water resources management are more inclusive of community concerns and meet national and international; practices of the private sector respect community access to water resources actively contributing to reduce conflict; and local communities have more secure access and control over their water resources.	€98,755	10/20-09/21
2.	Enabling a Political Economy Discourse for Multi-modal Connectivity in the BBIN Sub-region https://cuts-citee.org/enabling-a-political-economy-discourse-for-multi-modal-connectivity-in-the-bbin-bangladesh-bhutan-india-nepal-sub-region/	Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, UK	Create an enabling environment for a political economy discourse on multi-modal connectivity in the BBIN sub-region.	Comprehensive understanding of political economy challenges of initiating multi-modal connectivity initiatives in the BBIN sub-region; better understanding of stakeholder concerns and costs from multi-modal connectivity initiatives, with particular reference to local economic development parameters; and identifying critical and prioritised infrastructure needs to enable multi-modal connectivity in the BBIN sub-region.	GBP560,510	01/20-05/22

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3.	Strengthening the Role of Women in the Transboundary Landscapes of the Hindu Kush Himalayan Region: <i>Building resilience to shocks and vulnerabilities</i> https://cuts-citee.org/role-of-women-in-the-transboundary-landscapes-of-the-hindu-kush-himalayan-region/	International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development	Strengthen women's roles in trade – both in terms of access and benefits – within ICIMOD's transboundary landscapes (TLBs), emphasising building their resilience to shocks and vulnerabilities.	Understanding the formal and informal trade happening in the TBLs with a particular focus on women's engagement; identifying shocks and vulnerabilities, including the impact of COVID-19; and proposing policy recommendations to enhance their resilience to shocks and vulnerabilities.	INR1,500,000	07/20-12/20
4.	Promoting Intra-SAARC Trade in Livestock and Livestock Products	United Nations Food & Agriculture Organisation	Harmonise policies among South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) member states to enhance intra-regional trade in livestock and livestock products.	Strengthen livestock producers' in particular marginal producers and medium-size producer' participation in trade by promoting intra-SAARC trade. It further aims to strengthen and harmonise trade policy	INR1,377,790	04/21-06/21
6.	Border Haats between India and Bangladesh as a tool to reduce informal cross-border trade of agricultural commodities https://cuts-crc.org/border-haats-between-india-and-bangladesh-as-a-tool-to-reduce-informal-cross-border-trade-between-the-two-countries/	Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, UK	Improve livelihood prospects of people, particularly women, living near the border areas of India and Bangladesh through the establishment of border haats as tools to reduce informal cross-border trade of agricultural commodities.	Provide country-specific and gender-inclusive evidence on the prospects of establishing border haats as a tool to reduce informal cross-border trade of agricultural commodities to support the work of BBIN governments to contribute to the TFA; and create a capacitated group of stakeholders who will be aware of the prospects of establishing border haats as a tool to reduce informal cross-border trade of agricultural commodities among BBIN among a diverse set of stakeholders including women traders.	GBP328,639	10/18-03/21

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REGULATION						
7.	Highlighting the Economic Impact of Judicial Decisions – II https://cuts-ccier.org/highlighting-the-economic-impact-of-judicial-decisions/	NITI Aayog	<i>Undertaking an objective assessment of unintended economic impact of relevant judicial decisions through rigorous evidence-based analysis, and stakeholder consultations.</i>	<i>Enhanced understanding of the approach to identify and objectively assess the economic impact of judicial decisions; improved recognition of the unintended economic impact of select SC and NGT decisions; evidence based understanding supporting better sensitivity of economic impacts of judgments by relevant stakeholders including the judiciary.</i>	INR2,480,000	02/20-07/21
8.	Highlighting the Economic impact of Judicial Decisions - III	Jindal Global University	<i>Discuss and inform the interface between law and economics in judicial cases and propose approaches to court's decision making to ensure a balance between equity, environment and economy in orders and judgements.</i>	<i>Greater awareness of select judgements of the SC that have adversely impacted the economy, especially when better alternatives in decision making were possible.</i>	INR1,250,000	05/20-06/21
9.	Cyber Safe East https://cuts-crc.org/cyber-safe-east-india-workshops-on-cyber-security-for-msmes/	United States Consulate, Kolkata	Conduct two-day workshops on cybersecurity awareness in Guwahati, Patna and Ranchi.	Increased cybersecurity risk awareness among Small and Medium Enterprises.	US\$44,990	09/19-07/21
10.	Strengthening the discourse on economic policy to generate good and better jobs in India www.cuts-ccier.org/growjobs/index.htm	Ford Foundation	<i>Strengthen the discourse on economic policy that generates good and better jobs in India and make her growth job-intensive.</i>	<i>Knowledge generation through the formulation of alternative, non-budgetary and non-legislative economic strategies based on evidence from the field that would facilitate the growth of good and better jobs; better understanding for policy decisions amongst influencers on non-legislative and non-budgetary policy decisions</i>	US\$350,000	10/18-09/21

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				<i>leading to the rapid and sustainable growth of good and better jobs; and strengthening communication strategies by enabling wider acceptance through a shared approach of communicating the need for and feasibility of strategies that facilitate job growth that can lead to good and better jobs.</i>		
11.	Enabling Just Transition in India's Power Generation Sector https://cuts-ccier.org/enabling-just-transition-in-indias-power-generation-sector/	Stichting SED Fund	Map and institutionalise the approach of 'just Transition' in clean energy transformation of the power generation sector in India to ensure social, economic and environmental dividends for relevant stakeholders.	Enhanced awareness amongst the State Government and in particular, the energy sector officials, with respect to various aspects of just transition associated with a state-level clean energy transition; and increased societal readiness of adapting to clean energy transition by being active shareholders and not mere stakeholders of the process.	US\$60,000	12/20-11/21
12.	Developing White Paper on Regional Parliamentary Forum on Energy Cooperation and Energy Trade in South Asia https://cuts-ccier.org/developing-white-paper-on-rpf/	Integrated Research and Action for Development and US Agency for International Development	Create a political economy discourse to build a positive narrative around CBET by identifying champions for the cause and bottom-up assimilation of concerns of stakeholders. The establishment of Parliamentary forums can be an effective instrument in addressing the bottlenecks related to greater energy cooperation in the region.	A feasible roadmap for developing a platform where policymakers can meet and interact with their counterparts from other South Asian countries on the issues of energy cooperation and trade.	INR1,495,000	11/20-05/21
13.	Rajasthan Electricity Scenario	Stichting SED Fund	Develop medium- and long-	Increased awareness	US\$150,000	11/20-10/21

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	Project https://cuts-ccier.org/res/		term electricity demand for Rajasthan based on various scenarios for integrating renewable energy, energy efficiency and other low carbon technologies, while also accounting for economic and social development policies to enable better planning for grid integration of low carbon technologies and reduction in carbon emissions.	amongst key power sector governing institutions and officials regarding the importance of medium- and long-term electricity demand forecasting; and improved understanding of challenges and importance of prudent planning to achieve clean energy transition.		
14.	Exploring the potential of E-mobility as a booster for local economy and livelihoods in India (GreenJobs - II) https://cuts-ccier.org/exploring-the-potential-of-e-mobility-as-a-booster-for-local-economy-and-livelihoods-in-india/	Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung India	Explore the qualitative attributes and employment potential of the localised jobs, which will be created due to the indigenisation of the EV manufacturing ecosystem.	Embracing the decarbonisation process of the transport sector in India and leveraging it to create relevant and inclusive livelihood opportunities will be the key to a socioeconomically just transition. This research and its outputs will inform policymakers and other key stakeholders about this transition's potential and provide them with a roadmap to achieve that.	INR860,000	02/21-07/21
15.	Do Users in India, Kenya and Ghana React Differently to Problematic Content? https://cuts-ccier.org/do-users-in-india-kenya-and-ghana-react-differently-to-problematic-content/	CUTS Accra, Ghana	Understanding diverse perspectives of different users on problematic content; and check if misuse of social media platforms with respect to problematic content may cause different levels and kinds of harm to users, which will help to devise targeted factor-specific intervention plan to help users avoid	The study will help in understanding the rationale behind different kinds of inadvertent user's contribution (reposting, forwarding, believing, reacting) to the spread of problematic content, which will help in recommending practices for users on how to consciously avoid the spread	US\$100,000	09/20-02/22

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			problematic experiences.	of problematic content on social media platforms in India, Kenya and Ghana.		
16.	Examining the Rationale, Assumptions and Approaches to Non-personal Data Sharing (ERAA-NDP) https://cuts-ccier.org/npd/	Consumer Unity Advisory LLP	Examine the scope of data sharing by taking a comparative and multi-stakeholder perspective to review the rationale, premise, assumptions and targeted market, regulatory and government failures that the Report aims to address; and assess the approach and recommendations on NPD sharing as indicated in the Report.	The study will add value to the discourse on the need and scope of data sharing and governance by providing evidence-based inputs. Furthermore, the study will inform policymakers and other stakeholders on best practices and approaches on data sharing through objectively examining the developments in the Indian digital economy.	INR3,000,000	10/20-05/21
17.	Status of E-consumers in India (SECI) https://cuts-ccier.org/seci/	Consumer Unity Advisory LLP	Undertake an evidence-based study to analyse the impact of e-commerce (confined to multi-brand retail trade) on consumers in India.	Enable better informed and capacitated consumers and enhance the use of digital platforms and marketplaces. Further, the discourse on designing an optimal framework for regulating ecommerce, by informing a multi-stakeholder perspective on best practices and principles on the subject.	INR6,500,000	09/20-08/22
18.	Does Data Localisation furthers Digital Bangladesh Vision or not?	Consumer Unity Advisory LLP	Understand and analyse the impact of data localisation barriers on Bangladesh's digital exports and the importance of digital exports for Bangladesh's economy.	Detailed and holistic understanding of the economic implications of proposed data localisation barriers on Bangladesh's digital exports. Inform trade-offs of data localisation as a policy and help build alternatives towards any negative effect. Help policy makers in Bangladesh and around the world take an	US\$65,000	03/21-08/21

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				informed decision regarding the adoption of data localisation measures.		
19.	Manthan Series to Foster Digital Economy in India https://cuts-ccier.org/manthan-series-to-foster-digital-economy-in-india/	Consumer Unity Advisory LLP	Seeks to host four quarterly webinars to dispassionately consider different stakeholder perspectives on issues surrounding the digital economy, which will help in sensitising policymakers and influencers on regulatory reforms needed for fostering India's digital economy.	The discussion emanating from each of the webinars will lead to informed policymakers and influencers on regulatory challenges faced by stakeholders of India's digital economy and corresponding recommendations to overcome the same.	INR4,000,000	01/21-12/21
20.	Accelerating Electric Vehicle Adoption in Rajasthan https://cuts-ccier.org/ev-raj/	Anonymous	<i>Identify current supply and demand side gaps as well as various policy practices (policy interventions, regulations, non-legislative steps, innovative regulatory mechanisms, collaborative efforts from corporates) that could be undertaken by the state-level authorities to ease the transition to electric vehicles in the state of Rajasthan.</i>	<i>Inform and facilitate the rollout of an EV policy at the state level.</i>	US\$112,680	02/21-02/22
21.	Tariff Rationalisation in Rajasthan https://cuts-ccier.org/tariff-rationalisation-in-rajasthan	Anonymous	<i>Simplify, structure and rationalise power tariffs for delivering an efficient and inclusive electricity supply in Rajasthan.</i>	<i>Lessen cash flow uncertainties for distribution utilities, reduce transmission & distribution losses, improve willingness to pay amongst low-income categories, optimise capacity expansion, improve the sustainability of distribution utilities and enable low carbon markets category-wise through tariff tweaks and incentives.</i>	US\$100,000	02/21-02/22
22.	Understanding Consumer Perspectives on Encryption	Anonymous	Bring forth a consumer perspective on secured	Better understanding among relevant stakeholders	INR3,000,000	08/20-05/21

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	https://cuts-ccier.org/understanding-consumers-perspective-on-encryption/		communication services and encryption.	(industry, policy influencers, etc.) on consumers' perspectives on secured communication services and encryption.		
23.	India Competition and Regulation Report (ICRR), 2021	Self-funded	This is a flagship biennial publication of CUTS and CIRC. The ICRR 2021, 8 th in the series, will focus on the challenges on the digital economy posed by the COVID-19 pandemic and the subsequent solutions.	The insights from the report can be helpful to propose the structural and evolving solutions to such challenges.	–	09/20-11/21
GOVERNANCE						
24.	Promote Organic Consumption in the State of Rajasthan (Bridge Year 2021) www.cuts-international.org/cart/ProOrganic/index.html	Swedish Society for Nature Conservation	Develop a culture of sustainable consumption and lifestyle through organic production and consumption in the state of Rajasthan.	Create an enabling environment for sustainable consumption, established organic consumption patterns, and a reduced supply-demand gap in organic productivity.	SEK890,000	04/21-12/21
25.	Campaign for enhanced Road Safety in India through advocacy for the speedy rulemaking and effective implementation of Road Safety Law in India -III www.cuts-international.org/cart/RoSA/	Global Road Safety Partnership	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India, state governments and other concerned agencies for effective rule making to ensure the smooth implementation of the Motor Vehicles Amendment Act, 2019.	Effective implementation of MVA, 2019, enforcement of laws and reduced motor vehicle accidents, injuries and deaths.	CHF80,000	03/20-12/21
26.	Green Action Week Fund-India Campaign 2021 https://cuts-cart.org/green-action-week-fund-india-2/	Swedish Society for Nature Conservation	Strengthen consumers with an active role of CSOs for raising awareness on environmental and other impacts of consumption and promote sharing community and sustainable patterns of consumption amongst consumers, policymakers and	Campaign at various states will increase the awareness about sharing community and sustainable consumption patterns among common consumers of targeted places.	INR 1,608,000	06/21-02/22

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			other key stakeholders.			
27.	Mayors Conference under Rajasthan City Mayors Learning Platform	The Asia Foundation	Create a platform on sharing and learning-based approaches to enhance the knowledge of Mayors of various cities of Rajasthan.	Enhanced coordination between urban bodies, better policies and practices and improved quality of urban services.	INR588,500	03/21-08/21
28.	Road Safety Campaign	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India	Administering road safety advocacy programmes in Rajasthan.	Increase awareness on Good Samaritan among stakeholders of road safety.	INR490,000	02/21-07/21
29.	Rajasthan Public Procurement Assessment	Finance Department and Strengthening Public Financial Management Project, Government of Rajasthan	Seeking perception of stakeholders about changes in the RTPP Act and Rules brought in to improve the level of transparency, fairness and efficiency in public procurement and improving the perception about public procurement in Rajasthan.	Improvement in the overall perception of stakeholders about public procurement in Rajasthan; and strengthening of the Rajasthan State Public Procurement Portal Act and Rules.	INR5,985,000	03/21-09/21
30.	Hygiene and Safe Food Practices	Hindustan Liver Limited	Awareness campaign for inculcating hygiene and safe food practices.	Increase awareness on hygiene and safe food practices among stakeholders and target audience.	INR510,000	04/21-06/21
31.	Online Training on E-Procurement	India PPP Capacity Building Trust and Infrastructure Development Corporation (Karnataka) Limited	Online training and capacity building programmes on selected topics related to infrastructure development and develop Management Development Programme on E-Procurement.	Enhance the capacity of government officers and mid-career professionals on innovative methods to deliver relevant projects of infrastructure development within the given timelines and costs.	INR200,000	05/21-05/22
32.	ChildLine Helpline 1098, Bhilwara www.cuts-international.org/chd/Child_Line_1098.htm	Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India and Child India Foundation,	Reach out to every child in need of care and protection by responding to emergencies in 1098 and advocate service for inaccessible children.	Enhanced understanding, improved capacity and support duty bearers on issues on rights of children; strong local/district structures and mechanism	INR4,308,000	08/18-07/21

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		Mumbai (nodal Agency)		established for the protection of rights of children; and an improved interface between children's forums/children and adults with the community/duty bearers leading to a better understanding of issues of rights of children and addressing/advocating for the same.		
33.	Nayi Roshni, Chittorgarh www.cuts-international.org/chd/Nai%20Roshni-Leadership Development of Minority Women Project.htm	Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India	Empower and instill confidence among minority women by providing knowledge, tools, and techniques for interacting with government systems, banks, and other institutions at all levels; and encourage them to assume leadership roles and assert their rights in accessing services, facilities, skills, and opportunities.	Women's participation, at both home and community level, in the decision making will increase.	INR1,258,200 (IV Phase)	04/18-06/21
34.	Farmer Producer Organisations in Rajasthan (Bharatpur, Chittorgarh, Banswara) and West Bengal (Alipur and Cooch Behar) https://cuts-chd.org/farmersproducers-organisation/	Small Farmers Agri-Business Consortium, National Bank for Agricultural and Rural Development, National Cooperative Development Corporation	Facilitate the development of sustainable income-oriented farming and overall socio-economic development and wellbeing of agrarian communities; enhance productivity, realise a higher return, market linkage, effective capacity building to develop agriculture-entrepreneurship skills and self-sustaining.	Strengthened farmer capacity through agricultural best practices for enhanced productivity; access to and usage of quality inputs, services and outputs for intensive agriculture and access to fair and remunerative markets.	INR50,000,000 (CHD and CRC are primary partners)	02/21-01/26
35.	Support for women journalists in countering mis/disinformation in the Indo-Pacific region	US Consulate, Kolkata (Partners: East-West Centre,	CUTS will engage 50-60 prominent women journalists from India, the US and South	A group of 50-60 women journalists from India, its immediate neighbours and	US\$118,694.28	09/20-02/22

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		Washington DC, & South Asian Women in Media)	Asia to counter mis and disinformation for a stable Indo-Pacific.	few South Asian countries will share best practices and discuss countering disinformation strategies.		