

Project Grants at a Glance
(November 2021)

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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	10/20-12/21
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.	GBP511,204	01/20-05/22

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3.	Unlocking Trade Potential of Women in the Trans-boundary Landscapes of the Himalayas: Building resilience to shocks and vulnerabilities (We Trade- Phase II) https://cuts-citee.org/role-of-women-in-the-transboundary-landscapes-of-the-hindu-kush-himalayan-region/	International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development	Link women traders in the Hindu Kush Himalaya region through a regional network; enhance capacities and investment opportunities for women traders in select landscapes; and foster border markets in select landscapes	Increased incomes through enhanced financial management; women capitalise on cross-border trade opportunities; and increased networking among women traders in HKH	INR1,335,600	09/21-12/21
4.	Study on Assessment of Export Potential of Indian Food Products in the European Union	Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India	Assess the potential of processed Indian food exports to EU; and make a comprehensive assessment of such potential of Indian processed food exports into the EU as detailed in the scope of work.	Identify specific processed food products with specific ITC-HS code (both at the 6-digit and 8-digit levels) with export potential to EU; give specific suggestions for tariff elimination/tariff reduction/tariff rate quotas for gaining market access for potential exportable items and for products currently exported; and identify the range of non-tariff measures hindering potential exports to EU in the food processing sector.	INR800,000	07/21-10/21
REGULATION						
5.	Highlighting the Economic impact of Judicial Decisions - III	Jindal Global University	Discuss and inform the interface between law and economics in judicial cases and propose approaches to court decision-making to ensure a balance between equity, environment and economy in orders and judgements.	Greater awareness of select judgements of the SC that have adversely impacted the economy, especially when better alternatives in decision making were possible.	INR1,250,000	05/20-10/21
6.	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	09/19-12/21

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7.	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
8.	Rajasthan Electricity Scenario Project https://cuts-ccier.org/res/	Stichting SED Fund	Develop medium- and long-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.	Increased awareness 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.	US\$150,000	11/20-10/21
9.	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	INR860,000	02/21-10/21

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				transition's potential and provide them with a roadmap to achieve that.		
10.	Reducing Regulatory Compliances in Rajasthan https://cuts-ccier.org/doing-business/	Chief Minister's Rajasthan Economic Transformation Advisory Council, Government of Rajasthan	Identify and analyse the rationale and relevance of compliances using the regulatory guillotine framework and recommend amending or abolishing sub-optimal clearances to replace them with alternatives like self and/or third-party certifications under the Rajasthan state laws to reduce the compliance burden on stakeholders and foster ease of doing business within the State.	Improved understanding of clearances that are required to be retained, amended, or abolished, along with their rationale, for reducing compliance burden within State laws and including potential benefits of such reduction and role of government departments and agencies in reducing the compliance burden in the State.	INR627,000	07/21-11/21
11.	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 checking if misuse of social media platforms for problematic content may cause various levels and kinds of harm to users, which will help to devise targeted factor-specific intervention plan to help users avoid problematic experiences.	The study will help in understanding the rationale behind different kinds of inadvertent user's contributions (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 of problematic content on social media platforms in India, Kenya and Ghana.	US\$40,000	09/20-02/22
12.	Highlighting Inclusive and Practical Mechanisms to Protect Children Data https://cuts-ccier.org/highlighting-inclusive-and-practical-mechanisms-to-protect-childrens-data/	Consumer Unity Advisory LLP	Examine the need for having different age thresholds for the use of data-driven services; assess if there is a need for a blanket requirement of guardians or parents' consent for children's	Help in conducting evidence-based advocacy, i.e., building a narrative for an informed, inclusive, and participative approach towards children's data protection, while also aiding policymakers in	INR2,000,000	08/21-11/21

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			usage to digital services; evaluate emerging global technologies for enabling least intrusive means of age verification; and gauge the adverse impact of blanket restrictions on tracking and behaviour monitoring of children.	making informed decisions on the subject.		
13.	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.	INR680,000	09/20-08/22
14.	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 for Bangladesh's economy.	Detailed and holistic understanding of the economic implications of proposed data localisation barriers on Bangladesh's digital exports. Help policy makers in Bangladesh and around the world take an informed decision regarding the adoption of data localisation measures. Inform trade-offs of data localisation as a policy and help build alternatives towards any negative effect.	US\$65,000	03/21-08/21
15.	Accelerating Electric Vehicle Adoption in Rajasthan https://cuts-ccier.org/ev-raj/	Anonymous	Identify current supply and demand side gaps as well as various policy practices (policy interventions,	Inform and facilitate the rollout of an EV policy at the state level.	US\$112,680	02/21-02/22

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			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.			
16.	Tariff Rationalisation in Rajasthan https://cuts-ccier.org/tariff-rationalisation-in-rajasthan	Anonymous	Simplify, structure and rationalise power tariffs for delivering an efficient and inclusive electricity supply in Rajasthan.	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.	US\$100,000	02/21-02/22
17.	Ease of Doing Digital Business in India https://cuts-ccier.org/eoddbj/	Anonymous	Examine the factors that facilitate the ease or unease of doing digital business in India in existing and proposed laws on digital companies and their impact on them, including the indicators of economic growth.	A better understanding of the state of Doing Digital Businesses in India and its interplay with EoDB and EoL initiatives of the GoI; improved understanding of the coherent approach towards regulation of digital businesses; and informed narrative for an empirical, inclusive and participative approach towards EoDDB in India.	INR3,000,000	09/21-12/21
18.	Highlighting Inclusive and Practical Mechanisms to Protect Children Data https://cuts-ccier.org/highlighting-	Anonymous	Examine the need for having different age thresholds for the use of data-driven services; assess if there is a	Help in conducting evidence-based advocacy, i.e., building a narrative for an informed, inclusive, and participative	INR15,00,000	08/21-11/21

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	inclusive-and-practical-mechanisms-to-protect-childrens-data/		need for a blanket requirement of guardians or parents' consent for children's usage to digital services; evaluate emerging global technologies for enabling least intrusive means of age verification; and gauge the adverse impact of blanket restrictions on tracking and behaviour monitoring of children.	approach towards children's data protection, while also aiding policy makers in making informed decisions on the subject.		
19.	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						
20.	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, establish organic consumption patterns and a reduced supply-demand gap in organic productivity.	INR7,104,862	04/21-12/21
21.	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, reduced motor vehicle accidents, injuries, and deaths.	CHF80,000	03/20-12/21
22.	Green Action Week Fund-India Campaign 2021	Swedish Society for Nature	Strengthen consumers with an active role of CSOs for raising	Campaign at various states will increase the awareness	INR1,846,248	06/21-12/21

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	https://cuts-cart.org/green-action-week-fund-india-2/	Conservation	awareness on environmental and other impacts of consumption and promote sharing community and sustainable patterns of consumption amongst consumers, policymakers and other key stakeholders.	about sharing community and sustainable consumption patterns among common consumers of targeted places.		
23.	Mayors Conference under Rajasthan City Mayors Learning Platform https://cuts-cart.org/rajasthan-city-mayors-learning-platform-rcmlp/	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	03/21-12/21
24.	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.	INR500,000	02/21-11/21
25.	Awareness Campaign for Inculcating Hygiene and Safe Food Practices https://cuts-cart.org/safe-food-practices-in-rajasthan/	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	04/21-09/21
26.	Online Training and Capacity Building Programme (OTCB) on 'Management Development Programme 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	05/21-01/22
27.	Advocacy for Scientific and Consumer Friendly FoPL for HFSS in All Foods in India https://cuts-cart.org/contributing-towards-scientific-and-consumer-friendly-front-of-pack-labels-fopl-	Global Health Advocacy Incubator/ Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids	Advocating for scientific and consumer friendly FoPLs in all packaged foods. Advocating with Food manufacturers/ industry associations for soliciting support for the best	Sensitise government officials on the seriousness of the FoPLs from consumers' perspective.	US\$29,998	06/21-05/22

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	for-hfss-in-all-foods-in-india/		practices for FoPL publicly.			
28.	State Level Consultations on SCP	Swedish Society for Nature Conservation	Frame the understanding of concept of SCP beyond the SDG 12 and expand it beyond its current environment dimension through conducting a study and advocacy from a consumer perspective.	The initiative will provide a platform for SDG 12, a due attention and importance amongst other SDGs through continuous advocacy efforts, especially after the national & state consultations.	INR 1,777,967	04/21-12/21
29.	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, Mumbai (nodal Agency)	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 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.	INR4,308,000	08/18-03/22
30.	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)	04/18-03/22
31.	Farmer Producer Organisations in Rajasthan (Bharatpur, Chittorgarh,	Small Farmers Agri-Business	Facilitate the development of sustainable income-oriented	Strengthened farmer capacity through agricultural best	INR50,000,000 (CHD and CRC	02/21-01/26

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	Banswara) and West Bengal (Alipur and Cooch Behar) https://cuts-chd.org/farmersproducers-organisation/	Consortium, National Bank for Agricultural and Rural Development, National Cooperative Development Corporation	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.	practices for enhanced productivity; access to and usage of quality inputs, services and outputs for intensive agriculture and access to fair and remunerative markets.	are primary partners)	
32.	Support for women journalists in countering mis/disinformation in the Indo-Pacific region	US Consulate, Kolkata (Partners: East-West Centre, Washington DC, & South Asian Women in Media)	CUTS will engage 50-60 prominent women journalists from India, the US and South Asia to counter mis and disinformation for a stable Indo-Pacific.	A group of 50-60 women journalists from India, its immediate neighbours and few South Asian countries will share best practices and discuss countering disinformation strategies.	US\$118,694.28	09/20-02/22