

# UNDERSTANDING BUDGET RIGHTS, POLICY AND ADVOCACY: SPECIAL COMPONENT PLAN FOR SC/ST & GENDER BUDGETS

1-4, May 2020, New Delhi

## **Call for Applications**

The NCDHR invites applications for its Training Program for 2020. The online application for the training is open on the NCDHR website until 10<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

#### Overview

National Campaign on Dalit Human Rights is a forum committed to the elimination of discrimination based on caste. A democratic secular platform led by Dalit women and men activists, with support and solidarity from movements and organizations, academics, individuals, people's organizations and institutions throughout the country who are committed to work to protect and promote human rights of Dalits focusing on women and children. NCDHR works with an aims to enhance the visibility of Dalit issues, and hold the government responsible for implementing the laws of the land in order to ensure that the Dalit community enjoys its rights fully. It works towards holding government official accountable for "gross and willful negligence." The NCDHR is a nonpartisan, secular platform that is spread across 14 states of India with a national secretariat in New Delhi.

Caste based discrimination entails social and economic exclusion and discrimination particularly in their access to land, water, entrepreneurship, markets, education, health services, and employment. This exclusion and discrimination faced by the Dalit ad Adivasi community often leads to high incidence of poverty among them and precludes them from meaningful participation in public life. Looking at the discrimination and exclusion faced by the Dalits and Adivasis, government across the years has made certain provisions for their development. Several policies and programmes have also been initiated by the government for their development. Realising the backwardness among the SCs and STs on historical accounts of caste discrimination, Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan and the Tribal Sub-Plan was launched around 40 years ago, for the exclusive purpose of welfare and development SCs and STs. These allocations are meant for umbrella programmes under which various schemes implemented by the government need to be dovetailed for the diverse needs of Dalits and Adivasis.

The funds earmarked for SCSP/TSP is placed under separate budget heads/sub-heads by each ministry/department. Several government orders and guidelines has been issued by the Central and State governments with regards to the implementation of Scheduled Caste Sub Plan and Tribal Sub Plan.

## About the Workshop

NCDHR is organizing four-day training on "Understanding Budget Rights, Policy and Advocacy: Special Component Plan for SC/ST & Gender Budgets" from May 1<sup>st</sup> to May 4<sup>th</sup> in New Delhi (venue details will be communicated soon). The four-day training is to train human rights defenders on budgets and advocacy to enable them to interact with the budget and policy drafting mechanisms within the country with particular focus on Gender Budgets. It will enable the participants to effectively analyse the government budgets and policies particularly from the viewpoint of Dalits and Adivasis, and can be used as an advocacy tool. The training will broadly cover the following modules-

- Basics of Budget
- Budget Analysis and Codification
- Equity Budgeting
- Gender Budgeting
- Targeted Budgeting
- ❖ Advocacy and Lobby (Media and Parliamentary)

Group Work, Interactive sessions, role play, Presentations will be used to develop an understanding of the various dimensions of the budgets both the union and state level.

### Workshop facilitators and participants

The training is open to Social activists working on several thematic issues. It has been developed for the civil society organisations, NGOs, Ingo's, development practitioners, students and academicians. Budget experts, sectoral experts and Dalit Human Rights Activists will conduct the training.

### Language

The workshop will be conducted bilingually (Hindi/English)

## **Application Procedure**

Applications for the training are available at the website www.ncdhr.org.in. Complete application forms must be sent to juno@ncdhr.org.in & sindhuk@ncdhr.org.in by 10<sup>th</sup> April 2020. The registration fee for Budget training is Rs. 20,000 per person which will include accommodation and food and Rs. 15,000 for non-resident participants. There will be discounts depending on the number of participants from an organisation. All participants are expected to cover their travel related expenses. Shortlisted participants will be notified by 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020. Please share the information about the training with your colleagues, network partners and collaborators.

### Contact

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