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Sub: - Issues / Topics / Priority Areas for organising Seminars and undertaking special Studies / Research in 2018-19.

The National Commission for Women has identified the topics listed below for 2018-19.

Topics for Research / Special Studies

- 1. Issues NRI Marriages concerning particularly harmonizing domestic laws with International private laws including how pre-nuptial agreements could help address issues in such marriages.
- 2. Effectiveness of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 and Rules thereunder.
- 3. Work-place Gender Discrimination- measures to arrest it.
- 4. Women's access to higher education barriers and strategies to remove them.
- 5. Educational disparity among Indian Women: Reasons for disparity and strategies for improvement.
- 6. Economic empowerment of women/ increasing participation of women in economic activities.
- 7. Urban transportation and women's safety.
- 8. Women Entrepreneurs: Problems and Prospects or Skill development and entrepreneurship amongst women.
- 9. Assessment of specific schemes of the Government of India concerning Women with a view to suggesting policy changes.
- 10. Sex selective abortion and female Infanticide: Policy changes.
- 11. Women Unorganised Sectors of Self in role Help Groups and Status of Implementation of Policy Support Measures.
- 12. Cyber Crime against women measures for their prevention.

- 13. Working of Shelter Homes / Swadhar Greh an evaluation and measures for better management and reduction of vulnerability of inmates.
- 14. Handloom and Handicraft as a tool for empowering women in North Eastern Region.

Topics for Seminars

- 1. Trafficking of women- Effective enforcement of Laws.
- 2. Strategies for addressing crimes against women in shelter homes/ Swadhar Greh, etc.
- 3. Problems relating to care of elderly with possible pragmatic solutions to deal with them.
- 4. Role of women in addressing issues related to water, sanitation and hygiene with special reference to existing government schemes.
- 5. Protection of the rights of migrant women workers.
- 6. Empowering widows and women in custody with information and employment skills for livelihood opportunities.
- 7. Increasing participation of women in science and technology.
- 8. Women and the environment/ women's role in environmental sustainability (women as stakeholders in agriculture, forestry, fisheries, animal husbandry, water bodies, etc.)
- 9. Gender stereotyping in Occupational Choices and its adverse impact on women.
- 10. Cyber crimes and women precautions and strategies.
- 11. Increasing women participation in economic activities.
- 3. State Women Commissions, Universities / Research Bodies / institutions, reputed NGOs and academic institutions / bodies may upload their proposals for conducting Research Studies and Seminars / Workshops on the above topics / issues through online mode at NCW website www.ncw.nic.in between 15.09.2018 to 14.11.2018.
- 4. Incomplete proposals or proposals received after the last date will not be entertained. The Commission reserves the right to select the organisation based on their eligibility, capability, area of work, expertise, etc. No correspondence on

reasons for non selection of the proposal will be entertained by the Commission. No proposal received by e-mail / hard copy or by any other mode will be entertained.

5. Organisations / Institutions / Researchers are advised to go through the guidelines relating to Research / Special Studies and Seminars available on the website of the Commission.

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