

Title: To Identify the Ways of Improving the Education among Girls in UP, MP and Rajasthan with Special Reference to Problem of Smaller Habitations.

Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh (JSK) is an autonomous body in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India. It undertakes innovative activities, promotes programmes and supports ideas aimed at population stabilisation. It works in close collaboration with government, civil society and the private sector.

Study:

JSK is interested to study for identifying the ways of improving the education among girls of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan with special reference to problem of smaller Habitations. There is substantial evidence that the socio cultural and economic factors affect fertility among them Female literacy is an important determinant. NFHS-3 data has clearly established that in India women with high school qualification have already reached replacement level fertility. There is a need to understand why girl's school enrolment is low and dropouts are high particularly in high fertility states and identify the ways to improve the education among girls. To explore the possible ways to improve the girl's education would accelerate the ongoing population stabilisation efforts in the states where the female literacy is low. The specific objectives of the study are:

1. to study the drop out rate at different level of schooling and identify factors which lead to high drop out rate among girls particularly beyond middle level;
2. to study the relationship between size of habitation and connectivity with school enrolment at the post-primary/middle level;
3. to explore alternative forms of providing complete school education to girls and acceptability of them; and
4. to make realistic suggestions/recommendations of improving girls education in those regions where size of habitation is small.

Requirements:

Research Institute/agency with sound knowledge of social research and experience in field based studies with substantial years of experience may please express their interest which includes:

1. Significance of the study
2. Sampling methodology
3. Study tools
4. Study parameters
5. Procedure
6. Expected outcomes
7. Time frame
8. Budget
9. Institute/Agency profile

Submission:

Proposals are screened by group of experts and final selection would be done by JSK and JSK may refuse any proposal without assigning any reason. Selected Institute/Agency shall be responsible for conducting the complete study.

Interested Institute/Agency send proposal to Executive Director, Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh, Room No.: 285, August Kranti Bhawan 1st Floor, Annie Besant Gate, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi – 110066. Or Email: jsk.npsf@nic.in latest by 27th January 2010.