

PRADAN (<u>www.pradan.net</u>) is an NGO that works with poor and marginalized communities across central/eastern India. We are presently working with over 200,000 families to reduce poverty through enhancing assets / capabilities and facilitating access to sustainable income earning opportunities.

To achieve this vision, we have placed over 300 highly motivated and skilled professionals in villages who work directly with communities to:

- Promote / nurture women's groups to build capabilities and leverage institutional finances for members' livelihoods
- Develop and introduce locally suitable economic activities to increase incomes
- Mobilise finances for livelihood assets and infrastructure
- Set up mechanisms to sustain the livelihood gains made by the communities

What is the opportunity?

PRADAN is planning to develop a comprehensive monitoring and evaluation (M&E) system that can be used to better understand our impact and ensure continuous improvement. Over summer 2011, we will launch a two year organization-wide process to design, pilot and roll out this system. To support this process, we seek a qualified M&E consultant who will:

- Provide overall project management and integration support for the M&E initiative
- Scope and help conduct an exploratory study that will map the diverse range of outcomes / impacts of PRADAN triggered interventions and processes in different geographies and communities, as viewed from the communities' lens and from PRADAN's own perspective
- Support the internal process to analyse study findings and identify

the key parameters / dimension around which change is manifested

- Provide research and input into the process to design a system that can measure these impact parameters and the underlying inputs provided and processes triggered by PRADAN on an on-going manner
- Support the piloting of this system in multiple PRADAN locations
- Refine the system and successfully roll out across PRADAN

Who are we looking for?

The consultant will report to the Programme Director of Operations based in New Delhi, India. Travel to PRADAN's field offices will also be required. We expect the total M&E project to take 24 months and would like a consultant who can commit at least one year to complete the exploratory study and M&E system design. If mutually agreeable, the contract could be extended for a second year to complete the piloting and roll out of the system. Suitable candidates should:

- Have a demonstrated interest in rural development and some previous experience or knowledge or exposure of both behavioural psychology and M&E system design / implementation
- Be able to work independently to structure the M&E design phase, identify the resources required and engage people across the organization and externally to come up with a robust solution
- Be comfortable working and travelling in rural / remote locations
- Either already able to speak Hindi or willing to learn the language to be effective.

Salary will be negotiable commensurate with the consultants qualifications and previous experience.

How can you apply?

Interested candidates with the relevant background should submit their CV along with an email expression of interest to Gretchen Phillips (gretchenphillips@pradan.net) and Anirban Ghose (anirbanghose@pradan.net).