

ROLE OF THE NATIONAL RESOURCE GROUP OF MAHILA SAMAKHYA

Unlike the Executive Committees and General Councils, which oversee the running of the MS programme in a given state, the National Resource Group plays an advisory role, to look at larger programme processes, interventions, directions and trends. The term of each NRG is for a period of 2 years. Through the NRG, MS has been able to establish its linkage with academic institutions, universities, women's groups and others working in the area of women's education, empowerment and development.

The role of the NRG is as follows:

1. to advise and guide GOI in policy matters concerning women's education; and the future role of MS strategy in larger educational interventions.
2. to safeguard the non-negotiables of MS and ensure they are treated as such at all levels.
3. to plan the future expansion of the programme and contain it to an optimum size.
4. to discuss and debate issues, concerns and concepts that arise from the field and facilitate development of appropriate strategies.
5. to participate in internal evaluations/reviews in order to be in tune with the emerging needs of the programme.
6. to draw upon the experience and knowledge of similar interventions by different groups/individuals in the field of research and action
7. to devise mechanisms to safeguard the national character of the programme as members of the State ECs.