**Title**

Consultant – Health Policy & Systems Research

**Scope of Work**

One of the strategic areas of work for HSTP & its partners is enhancing capacities of Indian researchers on health policy and systems research (HPSR). India Health Policy Systems & Research (HPSR) Fellowships program was launched in January 2021 & aims to build capacity of mid-career public health professionals for strengthening health systems through evidence-based policymaking. Anchored by the Health Systems Transformation Platform (HSTP), the fellowship is organized in collaboration with WHO Alliance for Health Systems and Policy Research, Institute of Public Health Bengaluru, Achutha Menon Centre for Health Systems Studies, The George Institute of Global Health - India, Nossal Institute of Global Health, Institute of Tropical Medicine Antwerp, & India Health Systems Collaborative.

Twenty (20) fellows every year receive this training in HPSR methods. At present, there are two cohorts (34 Fellows) at various stages of the fellowship, with a third cohort (20 Fellows) scheduled to begin the program in May 2023.

Working closely with the Course Director and Secretariat, India HSPR fellowship program and the program partners, Dr Sudha Ramani will serve as an expert consultant to ensure smooth planning and further steps for Cohort 2023 and bolstering the fellowship program. Her technical support will be provided for the following activities:

* Participate as faculty in training of Cohort 2023 and assist core faculty in assessments
* Participate as resource person in Online and Contact Sessions of the fellowship program
* Support in curriculum revision and academic content overview
* Support in drafting relevant topics, potential speakers, and sessions for HPSR Webinars
* Anchor a basic course on qualitative methods and support in skill building sessions focusing on specific HPSR tools such as network analysis, feedback loops etc. and sessions focusing on research methodology, case studies, in depth interviews, structure analysis
* Support in translating HPSR studies to evidence-based outputs (dissemination workshops, policy briefs, publication of articles)

**Compensation**

A fee of INR 20,000 per working day inclusive of taxes amounting to a maximum of INR 80,000 for 4 working days per month will be paid to the consultant. Consultant will generate monthly invoices during the contract period.

**Term**

This engagement shall commence upon execution of this Agreement. The Agreement shall continue in full force and is effect from **May 01, 2023** to **March 31, 2024** and is extendable based on the review of Consultant’s performance and mutual concurrence on revised terms of engagement.