OVERVIEW

Rise Up, a non-profit dedicated to improving the lives of girls and women around the world, will select a cohort of visionary local leaders from India’s National Capital Region (NCR) and Delhi to participate in our Gender Equity Initiative and strengthen their organizations, lead change in their communities, and advance national and local-level impact through improved laws, programs, and funding for girls and women.

With support from Cummins Inc. and Echidna Giving, Rise Up is partnering with local civil society leaders to advance social justice, education, equity, and opportunity for girls and women in India. Building on the success of this initiative in Maharashtra, Rise Up is launching a new cohort of NCR and Delhi-based leaders in 2020. These leaders will join a global network of Rise Up Gender Equity Initiative leaders across Nigeria, Mexico, the United States, South Africa, and Brazil.

Rise Up advances health, education, and equity by enabling girls, youth, and women to transform their lives, communities, and countries. Rise Up invests in visionary leaders, local organizations, and innovative solutions to achieve large-scale change through leadership development, advocacy capacity building, grantmaking, and storytelling.

Since 2009, Rise Up’s network of over 500 leaders has directly benefited 7 million girls, youth, and women, and advocated for over 100 laws and policies impacting 115 million people in Africa, Latin America, South Asia, and the United States.

Rise Up Launches in Delhi and the National Capital Region of India

STRATEGIES

Rise Up enables leaders to expand their impact by providing the training, funding, and resources they need to achieve large-scale change at local and national levels. Rise Up leaders go on to train other leaders within their communities and countries, and apply their new knowledge to launch their own strategies to advance social justice and improve the lives of girls and women in their communities. This methodology includes the following core strategies:

- **Leadership Accelerator**
  
  Rise Up will select a cohort of leaders from organizations, universities, or groups in Delhi and the National Capital Region (NCR) to participate in a week-long Leadership Accelerator. Throughout this intensive workshop participants will strengthen their leadership, learn new skills, and develop strategies to improve the lives of girls and women in their communities.

- **Social Justice Fund**
  
  Following the Leadership Accelerator, Rise Up leaders have the opportunity to apply for competitive seed funding to launch their strategies to advance education, equity, opportunity, and social justice for women and girls.

- **Girls’ Voices Initiative**
  
  Rise Up empowers girls (ages 12-18) to realize their own potential and speak out as leaders in their communities and countries.

- **Amplify Women’s and Girls’ Voices**
  
  Rise Up also offers leaders opportunities to share their work and their voices on global platforms to help them reach decision makers, influence policy, and ultimately shift norms.