



CENTRE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY

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Centre for Social Justice and Equity – Research Unit

CSJE - Research Projects - 2025

As part of its research activity, the Centre for Social Justice and Equity (funded by the Department of Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare, Government of Tamil Nadu) invited research proposals for the year 2025, funding a research grant of Rs. 1,00,000/- to Researchers, Academicians, and Organizations addressing the challenges faced by marginalized communities, particularly Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, in December 2024.

A total of 36 research proposals were received from across the state on various themes, particularly from Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, sexual minorities, and others. Based on the themes, the proposals were categorized, and the first level of scrutiny was conducted by the Research Unit of the Centre. Out of the 36 proposals, fourteen were selected at first level.

The second level of scrutiny was carried out by a three-member committee consisting of Dr. S. Lalitha, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Sriperumbudur, Kancheepuram; Dr. P. Mahendra Varman, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Madras, Chennai; and Dr. V. Gajendran, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai. The committee convened on 28 January 2025 at the Centre for Social Justice and Equity to review the research proposals. Fourteen proposals were submitted to the committee for scrutiny and six were selected for the funding. The list of selected proposals are mentioned below.

CSJE - Selected Research Proposals - 2025

S.No	Name of the Researcher	Title of the Research
1.	Dr.Jerome Samraj, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Pondicherry University, Puducherry.	Caste, Market and the Scheduled Caste's Dispossession of Panchama Lands: A Proposal to Revisit Karanai Village
2.	Dr. Chandramohan Karuppiah Former ICSSR – Post Doctoral Fellow, Madurai.	Geospatial Mapping of Social Exclusion and Discrimination among Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes in Tamil Nadu
3.	L. T. Stegana Jency, Director, Centre For Child Rights and Development, Chennai.	The Tripple Burden: Understanding the Intersections of Caste, Gender and Sexuality in Dalit and Tribal Girl's Lives
4.	Dr. J. Balasubramaniam, Assistant Professor, Journalism and Science Communication, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai.	A Study on the Status of Government Aided Schools Established by Scheduled Castes in Tirunelveli District
5.	Dr. T.R.Kanmani, Additional Professor, Psychiatric Social Work National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences, Bengaluru, Karnataka.	A Study on the Accessibility of Social Entitlements for Transgender Persons in Tamil Nadu
6.	Dr.Suriya S, Assistant Professor, Department of Development Studies, Madras School of Social Work, Chennai. Dr. Gnana Sanga Mithra, Associate Professor, Vinayaka Mission's Law School, Chennai.	Navigating The Intersection of Traditional Health Practices and Government Schemes: Pregnancy to Childbirth Among The Malayali Tribes of The Jawadhu Hills

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