



**Action research agenda for examining the relevance of appropriate collective spaces to empower women by Gayatri Seva Sansthan and Institute of Ecology and Livelihood Action**

**Goal :** To understand the relationship of women's empowerment to the process of facilitation of collective spaces in the new context of rural life where traditional collective meeting points for women have been dismantled.

**Overall Objective:** To create spaces for women that are at the core of their realisation of their true potential as human beings and as nurturers of nature

**Objective 1:** Provision of basic economic and cultural security through collective action emerging from internal discussion of options available as a precondition for self assertion.

**Objective 2:** To use this enhanced vision of self and society as a means to engage meaningfully in larger community activity at the gram sabha and federation level so as to be better able to find expression for their potential.

**Objective 3:** To develop association with like minded organisations at District, State, National and International level so as to exchange experiences and widen horizons for self actualisation and basic economic and socio-cultural security.

**Objective 4:** To engage with implementation and policy at Panchayat, Block, District, State, National and International level.