# STRENGTHENING FEMINIST MOVEMENTS GRANTMAKING PROGRAMME

## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2021-22

### PROPOSAL FORM

***Submission Deadline: 2 April 2021 (12 midnight Sri Lanka time/GMT+5:30)***

**IMPORTANT:** The Strengthening Feminist Movements (SFM) Programme supports women, girls[[1]](#footnote-1), trans[[2]](#footnote-2), and intersex rights activists, groups, and networks working at the local, subnational, and national levels. Regional and global organisations and networks, as well as women’s funds, are ineligible to apply for this grantmaking programme.

Please only apply for this grantmaking programme if you pass the following eligibility criteria:

* Individual activists

1. Must identify as a woman, girl (ages 18-24), trans, or intersex person.
2. Must be a national of and must be based in one of these 17 countries: Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Vietnam.
3. Must work on women, girls, trans, and intersex human rights issues with direct links to women’s, trans, intersex, and other rights-based movements subnationally or nationally.
4. Civil servants, and/or those affiliated with and holding office in political parties, are not eligible to apply for this call.

* Organisations

1. Must be based in one of these 17 countries: Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Vietnam.
2. Must have advancement of women, girls, trans, and/or intersex rights as a focus of their vision, mission, and programme.
3. Must be committed to feminist principles and rights-based approaches.
4. Must have an annual budget of USD 50,000 or less.
5. Must be led by women, girls (ages 18-24), trans, and/or intersex people. This means:
6. Both the board and staff should be led by a woman, girl (ages 18-24), trans, and/or intersex person.
7. Both the board and staff should be composed of at least 60% women, girls (ages 18-24), trans, and/or intersex people.
8. Must NOT fall into any of these categories:
9. Groups using strategies such as raid and rescue, anti-sex work, anti-abortion, and anti-LGBTIQ among others;
10. Groups whose primary purpose is service delivery, humanitarian assistance, charity, poverty alleviation programmes, such as micro finance, income generation, education, scholarships, literacy, and skills development programmes;
11. Groups directly/indirectly related or connected with elections and election campaigning;
12. Groups directly affiliated with political parties and government institutions; note that the applicant’s board and staff leadership should also not be affiliated with political parties and/or hold government positions, even if in their individual capacity;
13. Groups directly affiliated with religious institutions or faith-based groups;
14. Businesses/for-profit groups;
15. Educational/academic institutions, or groups affiliated with them;
16. A branch, chapter, country office of a multilateral organisation (such as ASEAN, SAARC, or one of the United Nations agencies) or of an international organisation based in the Global North;
17. A regional or global organisation or network; and
18. Women’s funds or any other funding organisation.

Additionally, please note that SFM grants do NOT support applications for any of the following:

1. Microcredit, microfinance, and other income generation activities;
2. Sponsorships and scholarships;
3. Service provision activities such as running of health camps;
4. Direct or indirect interventions in electoral or party-based political activities, such as election campaigns, election processes, supporting or opposing a political candidate during elections, and contributions to political parties or individual candidate’s fund (even if independent);
5. Buying land or any construction activity;
6. Emergency or relief funds;
7. Academic research; and
8. Work at the regional or global level.

*Before completing this application, please read the* [***SFM Guidelines***](http://www.womensfundasia.org/SFMCall/downloads/SFM_Guidelines.docx)*and* [***Frequently Asked Questions***](http://www.womensfundasia.org/SFMCall/downloads/FAQ.docx)*.*

*Women’s Fund Asia accepts SFM proposals in any of these regional/national languages: Bahasa Indonesia, Bahasa Melayu, Bangla, Burmese, Dzongkha, Filipino, Hindi, Khmer, Lao, Mongolian, Nepali, Sinhalese, Tamil, Thai, Tetum, Urdu, and Vietnamese. Please check the* [*SFM Call page*](http://www.womensfundasia.org/SFMCall) *for call packages in these languages.*

*Please do not leave any questions blank. Please put N/A if not applicable. An incomplete application form will not be processed. Individuals and organisations can only submit ONE application. If more than one application is submitted, only the first submission will be considered. Additional applications from an organisation will be considered IF they are made on behalf of/with a partner or collaborating organisation.*

**I/We confirm that I/we have fully read and understood the eligibility criteria, and that I/we meet the criteria.**

#### Section I. APPLICANT DETAILS

***All questions marked with an asterisk (***\****) are mandatory.***

1. Application Category (select one). \*

Individual Proposal

Organisational Proposal

1. Name of the Applicant: \*

*Please provide the legal/registered name including acronym, if any, followed by the preferred or widely used name and acronym, if any.*

*Example: An organisation registered as Sabke Haq ki Ladai (SHL) but popularly known as Fight for Rights of All (FRA) would list it as: Sabke Haq ki Ladai (SHL) / Fight for Rights of All (FRA).*

1. Applicant Details:

Primary Contact First Name:\*

Primary Contact Last Name:\*

Preferred Name:

Designation:

Address Information:\*

Street:

City:

State/Province:

Zip/Postal Code:

Country:

Email:

Office Phone:\*

*Format: [Country Code] [Number] (Example: +91 9678567823, +855 125552957)*

Mobile Phone:

Other Phone:

Preferred Means of Communication (Email/Signal/Telegram/Phone Call/Other):

1. Are you a (select one):\*

New Applicant

Renewal *(This means the purpose and intervention under this proposal is a continuation of an existing grant supported by WFA.)*

Current grantee *(This means you hold an existing grant with WFA, and this proposal is NOT a continuation of the existing grant supported by WFA.)*

Past grantee (*This means you have held a grant supported by WFA, and this grant has ended.)*

1. Please provide two referees who can endorse your application. Referees can be current/past donors, networks, and other women, girls, trans, and intersex rights organisations. Please note that referees cannot be from your organisation.
2. Referee First Name:\*

Referee Last Name:\*

Designation:

Organisation:

Email:\*

Telephone No.:

Relationship to Applicant:\*

1. Referee First Name:\*

Referee Last Name:\*

Designation:

Organisation:

Email:\*

Telephone No.:

Relationship to Applicant:\*

1. Anonymity: Would you/your organisation wish to remain anonymous in WFA’s external communications?\*

Yes

No

If you selected “Yes,” please explain:

#### Section II. PROFILE

***Individual Applicant: Please fill Section A***

***Organisational Applicant: Please fill Section B***

##### A. Individual Profile (for Individual Proposals Only)

* + - 1. Gender of the Applicant:\*
      2. Nationality of the Applicant (select one):\*

Bangladesh

Bhutan

Burma/Myanmar

Cambodia

India

Indonesia

Laos

Malaysia

Maldives

Mongolia

Nepal

Pakistan

Philippines

Sri Lanka

Thailand

Timor-Leste

Vietnam

* + - 1. Country the Applicant is Based in (select one):\*

Bangladesh

Bhutan

Burma/Myanmar

Cambodia

India

Indonesia

Laos

Malaysia

Maldives

Mongolia

Nepal

Pakistan

Philippines

Sri Lanka

Thailand

Timor-Leste

Vietnam

* + - 1. Website (if any):
      2. Please share how you are connected to the women, girls, trans, intersex, and/or other rights-based movements *(max 200 words)*.\*
      3. Do you identify as feminist? How do you apply feminist and rights-based approaches to your work? Please explain briefly *(max 200 words)*.\*

* + - 1. Share two successes of your work in the last three years *(max 200 words)*.\*

##### B. Organisational Profile (For Organisational Proposals Only)

* + - 1. Date of Establishment:\*
      2. Date of Registration:
      3. Annual Budget in USD:
  1. Annual Expenditure Budget (past year - 2020):\*
  2. Annual Expenditure Budget (current year 2021):\* 
     + 1. Donors:

1. Please list all your current donors:
2. Please list all your donors in the past two years:
3. In case you do not have external donors, please explain: 
   * + 1. Website (if any):
       2. Social Media Account(s) (if any):

Facebook Account (if any):

Twitter Account (if any):

Instagram Account (if any):

* + - 1. Organisational Overview:
      2. Vision (max 200 words): \*
      3. Mission (max 200 words): \*
      4. Programme Focus Areas (max 200 words):\*
      5. List the networks or partnerships you are part of and/or regularly work with at various levels *(max 100 words for each category)*:\*

1. Local/State:
2. National:
3. Regional:
4. Global: 
   * + 1. Share two successes of your work in the last three years (*max 200 words*).\*
       2. Describe how you apply feminist, rights-based principles and approaches in your interventions. Please provide examples. *(max 300 words)* \*
       3. Are you a self-led group?\*

*By self-led, we mean that the leadership of the organisation or group applying*—*the highest decision-making body such as the board as well as staff membership—is representative of the constituency with whom they are working. For example, an organisation working on trans rights is led by a trans person, or an organisation working on disability rights is led by a woman, trans, or intersex person with disability.*

Yes

No

Please explain *(max 300 words)*:\*

#### Section III. PROPOSAL DETAILS

* + 1. Summary of the Proposal (*max* 50 words):\*
    2. Total Amount requested from WFA: \*

*Please state the amount in USD. This needs to match the annexed Budget Form.*

*Organisational grants will range from USD 5,000 – 10,000 for a maximum period of one year. For new applicants, the maximum amount for an organisational grant is USD 7,000.*

*Individual grants will range from USD 1,000 – 5,000 for a period of a maximum of a year.*

* + 1. Grant Duration *(select one)*:\*

6 months

12 months

* + 1. Constituencies: Who are the key groups of people who will be directly impacted by the proposed actions? \*
    2. Scope of the Proposed Intervention:

1. Where will the proposed work take place? Please state specific names of places. (max 200 words) \*
2. Please select your primary level of engagement for this intervention. \*

Local (Community/District/Village/Province)

Subnational

National

1. Please identify the type of location. Select as many as applicable*:* \*

Capital of the country

Urban (Outside of capital)

Peri-urban

Rural

Online

* + 1. Issue: Describe the issue you are seeking to address through this proposal. Please also state if there is a reason why this work is particularly relevant to do now. *(max 600 words)*.\*

* + 1. Strategy: Describe how you expect to address the problem/issue, by describing the strategies to attain the results proposed. *(max 500 words)* \*

* + 1. Activities/Actions Proposed: What are your planned primary activities/interventions under the proposed work? *(max 800 words)*.\*

* + 1. For WFA current/past grantees only: How is this proposed grant linked to your current or past grant, if at all (*max 200 words)*?
    2. Expected Change(s): What are the changes you want to see through the proposed work? *(max 500 words)*? \*
    3. Risk and Risk Mitigation Strategies: What are the risks (internal/organisational/within the collaboration/network, environmental, socio-political, and legal/fiscal) that you foresee in implementing the activities or achieving the expected changes? What is your risk mitigation plan to address these risks *(max 400 words)*? \*

* + 1. Capacity: Why are you best placed to implement this grant? Please describe your or your organisation’s capacity to implement the grant, including relationship with the community you will be working with, technical knowledge of issues, and financial capacity to manage the grant, amongst others *(max 250 words)*. \*

* + 1. Sustainability: How will you take forward the changes achieved after the end of the grant period *(max 200 words)?* \*
    2. COVID-19 Impact:

1. How has COVID-19 impacted your organisation and the constituencies you work with? How have you been able to respond? *(max 500 words)*
2. In the aftermath of COVID-19, did you lose any funding? (Y/N)
3. Are there any key areas that you have found particularly challenging to raise funding for as a result of COVID-19? *(max 100 words)*
4. How has the impact of COVID-19 been accounted for in the design/planning of your interventions for this grant? *(max 500 words)* \* 
   * 1. For collaborating/partnership proposals only: Who are your partners in this work and why? What roles will each party play in this collaboration/partnership? Please share the following details for each partner.

Name of Organisation:\*

First Name:\*

Last Name:\*

Designation:\*

Address Information:\*

Street:

City:

State/Province:

Zip/Postal Code:

Country:

Email:\*

Website:

Social Media Account(s) if Any (Organisational):

Facebook account (if any):

Twitter account (if any):

Instagram account (if any):

Office Phone:\*

*Format: [Country Code] [Number] (Example: +91 9678567823, +855 125552957)*

Mobile Phone:

Other Phone:

Rationale for Inclusion in the Partnership:

Role in the Collaboration/Partnership:

In case of organisational partnership, please also share the following details of the collaborating partner:

Board Leadership (select one):[[3]](#footnote-3) \*

Cis men-led

Cis women-led

Girl-led (age 18-24)

Intersex-led

Trans-led

Staff Leadership (select one):\*

Cis men-led

Cis women-led

Girl-led (age 18-24)

Intersex-led

Trans-led

* + 1. Board Details of Applicant (For Organisational proposals only): \*

*The information in this section is necessary for WFA to assess the applicant’s eligibility on board leadership and composition. We understand that there might be concerns related to declaring gender identity. This information will be kept confidential.*

1. Board Leadership:

Cis men-led

Cis women-led

Girl-led (age 18-24)

Intersex-led

Trans-led

1. Total Board Members:
2. Number of Cis-women in Board:
3. Number of Girls (ages 18-24) in Board:
4. Number of Intersex persons in Board:
5. Number of Trans persons in Board:
6. Breakdown (add rows as needed):

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| **Name** | **Board Position** | **Gender** | **Location** | **Affiliated organisation and designation within the organisation** | **Number of years on the Board** | **Age** |
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* + 1. Staff Details of Applicant(For Organisational proposals only): \*

*The information in this section is necessary for WFA to assess the applicant’s eligibility on the staff leadership and composition. We understand that there might be concerns related to declaring gender identity. This information will be kept confidential*.

1. Staff Leadership:

Cis men-led

Cis women-led

Girl-led (age 18-24)

Intersex-led

Trans-led

1. Total Staff Members:
2. Number of Cis-women in Staff:
3. Number of Girls (ages 18-24) in Staff:
4. Number of Intersex persons in Staff:
5. Number of Trans persons in Staff:

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| **Name** | **Gender** | **Designation** | **Full-time/ Part-time** | **Age** |
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* + 1. Checklist of Required Documents: Please check if you have submitted the following together with this proposal form and if not, please make sure that you provide an explanation or your application will be deemed incomplete:

**Individuals:**

1. Budget Form (Please use the SFM budget template)
2. CV (Please attach a CV, max two pages)
3. Do you have an active bank account that can receive foreign funds? [Please note that you will be asked to submit a bank confirmation letter should your application move forward in the process.]

Yes

No. If not, please explain why:

**Organisations:**

1. Budget Form (Please use the SFM budget template provided)

*Please ensure that you have budgeted as needed for expenses that will enable you to continue your work and remain accessible during the pandemic, such as high-speed internet connection, Zoom account, and purchase of laptop.*

1. Registration document (most recent)

Yes

No. If not, please explain why:

1. Approval document to receive foreign funds.

Yes

No. If not, please explain why:

1. Do you have an active bank account that can receive foreign funds? [Please note that you will be asked to submit a letter from your bank to confirm that your account is permitted to receive foreign funds, should your application move forward in the process.]

Yes

No. If not, please explain why:

1. Audited statement of accounts of the last three years (please ensure you include the audit opinion page signed by the auditor)

Yes

No. If not, please explain why you are not in a position to give this or if you have only given for one or two years:

1. Tax Exemption Certificate/Document

Yes

No. If not, please explain why:

1. Latest Annual/Programme Report

Yes

No. If not, please explain why:

1. Institutional Policies (e.g., anti-sexual harassment policy, data protection policy, grievance policy, diversity policy, safeguarding policy, etc.)

Optional. Please send/attach those you have.

Yes

No. If not, please explain why:

*IMPORTANT:* All the required documentation must be submitted in English.

1. If any of the required documentation are in a language other than English, you will need to:
   1. Provide a translated and attested copy of the same document in English.
   2. Have the document attested by an authorized officer certifying the authenticity of the document. (The certifying statement should be made in English). This means that if your certificate of registration is in another language, the same should be stamped by an authorized officer stating, ‘I hereby certify this document is the registration of .... Organisation’.
2. If the audited report is in language other than English, at the minimum, the following pages should be translated into English: Auditors’ Opinion, Balance Sheet, and Income Statement.

If your organisation is unregistered or does not have the required documentation, please email us at least two weeks before the deadline at [applications@wf-asia.org](mailto:applications@wf-asia.org) to explore your options.

**Please submit completed application forms together with the budget and required documents by 12 midnight on 2 April 2021 (Sri Lanka Time/GMT+5:30) to** [**applications@wf-asia.org**](mailto:applications@wf-asia.org?subject=SFM%20Grant%20Application%202021-22) **with the subject line: “SFM Grant Application 2021-22”. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.**

1. WFA acknowledges that there is no consistent and agreed upon definition of “girls.” WFA supports girls at two levels: through directly funding girl-led groups between the ages of 18 to 24 and through supporting work on rights of young women and girls aged 13 and above. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. “Trans” is used by WFA as a placeholder to cover a diversity of gender identities and forms of gender expressions claimed by people across the region and the world. WFA supports trans rights, including that of transfeminine, transmasculine, non-binary, and gender non-conforming people, amongst other identities. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Definitions:

   **Girls:** WFA acknowledges that there is no consistent and agreed upon definition of “girls.” WFA supports girls at two levels: through direct funding of girl-led groups in the age group of 18-24 years, as well as through funding rights-based work with girls and young women from the age of 13 and above.

   **Trans**: “Trans” as a term “define(s) people whose gender identity or expression differs from their gender assigned at birth. Some of these people identify and present themselves as male or female; others identify with a non-binary gender category.” [International Trans Fund. “FAQ.” <https://www.transfund.org/about-us/faq/>]

   “Trans” is used by WFA as a placeholder to cover a diversity of gender identities and forms of gender expressions, including that of transfeminine, transmasculine, genderqueer, gender non-binary, and gender non-conforming people, amongst other identities.

   **Intersex:** “Intersex people are born with sex characteristics (including genitals, gonads and chromosome patterns) that do not fit typical binary notions of male or female bodies. Intersex is an umbrella term used to describe a wide range of natural bodily variations. In some cases, intersex traits are visible at birth while in others, they are not apparent until puberty. Some chromosomal intersex variations may not be physically apparent at all. [Astraea Foundation, “Frequently Asked Questions About Intersex Issues.” [[https://www.astraeafoundation.org/frequently-asked-questions intersex-issues/](https://www.astraeafoundation.org/frequently-asked-questions%20intersex-issues/). Citing Free and Equal—United Nations for LGBT Equality, Intersex Factsheet. [https://www.unfe.org/wp content/uploads/2017/05/UNFE-Intersex.pdf](https://www.unfe.org/wp%20content/uploads/2017/05/UNFE-Intersex.pdf)]

   **Cis-men/women:** Cisgender/Cis-men/Cis-womendescribes people whose gender identity matches their assigned sex at birth. It is the opposite term, or antonym to transgender. [Asia Pacific Trans Network, “Legal Gender Recognition : A Multi-Country Legal and Policy Review in Asia”.] [<https://weareaptn.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/UPDATED-ACKNOWLEDGMENTS-2019_rbap-hhd-2017-legal-gender-recognition-1.pdf>] [↑](#footnote-ref-3)