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## EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

Nandini Chami is Senior Research Associate at IT for Change. Her work largely focuses on research and policy advocacy in the domains of digital rights and development, and women's rights in the information society context. She has been part of the organisation's advocacy efforts around the 2030 development agenda on issues of 'data for development' and digital technologies and gender justice. She also provides strategic support to IT for Change's field centre [Prakriye](#) in its training programmes for women's rights groups on adopting digital tools in their field practice, and critical 'education for empowerment' for [rural adolescent girls](#). She has a Masters in Urban and Rural Community Development from the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai.

## PAST & CURRENT PROJECTS

- Collaborative research study with the [Women's Rights Online network](#), on forging effective institutional and policy response mechanisms to technology-mediated gender based violence in India and Bangladesh (ongoing)
- Development of training modules for policymakers in the Asia-Pacific on [e-government and gender equality](#), with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ongoing)
- A multi-country action research project [Women-gov](#), funded by IDRC, in India, Brazil and South Africa that interrogated the possibilities of the network society, for bringing marginalised women to the centrestage of local governance processes (2012-2014)
- A UN Women Fund for Gender Equality project – [Making Women's Voices and Votes Count](#), to network elected women leaders in local government, across 3 sites in India and involving 3 NGO partners (2012-2015)

## PUBLICATIONS

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