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Canada announces $7.9 M investment for health innovations in India

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Grand Challenges Canada has announced an investment of up to $7.9 million in 40 health innovations in India, supported by the Government of Canada through Global Affairs Canada and complemented by contributions of dozens of partners, creating a total investment of up to $12.3 million.

Three of the projects will empower vulnerable, low-income women and girls in rural villages in India, and protect and preserve their human dignity, through innovative approaches to improving menstrual health.

The project aims to distribute 1 million biodegradable pads to rural Indian women and girls by partnering with one of India's largest education non-profit organizations- Saathi Eco Innovations - Gujarat, India.

Other projects will provide support to women entrepreneurs, promote better nutrition for young women and mothers, and improve the sexual and reproductive health of women and girls in India.

Grand Challenges Canada and the Government of India's Department of Biotechnology are partners in the global family of Grand Challenges initiatives, fostering innovation to solve key health and development problems.