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The National Commission for Women has finalised the draft of the National Policy for Women recommended by the Commission for the agricultural sector with the objectives of ensuring women's access to and control over resources, namely land including land rights, water, pasture /forest/biodiversity resources including seed, fodder, fuel and raw materials for artisan products, to address their labour and livelihood issues. It aims to secure recognition and evaluation of the role of women as workers in the agricultural sector. Speaking on the occasion of meeting of Expert Committee mentioned for finalization of draft, Dr. Girija Vyas, Chairperson, NCW emphasized the role need for higher investment in agricultural sector. She said that the role and contribution of women in agricultural sector should be recognized and benefits must be given to women. The draft policy has been prepared after a series of consultations held by an expert committee constituted for the purpose by NCW.

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