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Imp-Act (Improving Impact of Microfinance on Poverty: an Action-Research Programme) is a three year action-research programme designed to improve the quality of microfinance services and their impact on poverty through strengthening the development of impact assessment systems. Website also includes a useful events and programme newsletter.

Extensive website containing information on microfinance industry services (resource centres, jobs and conferences), as well as search engines and discussion groups.

MYRADA is a NGO assisting with micro-credit initiatives in southern India. Site provides details of projects and many links to other resources associated with sustainable development.

National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development [NABARD] in India is an apex level bank with development as well supervisory functions in rural credit and development. This website provides valuable information about the various roles of the bank as well as its microfinance activities in detail.

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