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2022 Catalytic Fund Projects

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Indian State Government Evidence Unit: $250,000

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• IDinsight is developing and implementing the Indian State Government Evidence Unit (ISGEU), a cross-cutting work stream within the Department of Health, Family Welfare & Child Development. ISGEU is an innovative, evidence-informed strategy to improve health outcomes in India. Catalytic Fund support enabled ISGEU to launch in 2022 and expand its work in 2023.

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