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The Bankers Institute of Rural Development (BIRD), Lucknow, a training establishment promoted by NABARD, is organising the '4th National Seminar on Microfinance: Issues and Challenges' in July 2015. Papers are invited from researchers/practitioners/ economists/ policy makers/other stakeholders in the field of microfinance on the following four broad themes:

- (a) Microfinance in periods of disasters and areas of ecological distress**
- (b) Issues and dimensions of Transaction Costs to MFIs/ SHG Federations/ SHGs / SHG members/ other borrowers and lending institutions**
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Interested persons may submit their papers on any of the above themes **by 31 May 2015 to the** Managing Editor, The microFINANCE Review at the address given below. The paper should not be more than 6000 words (20 double space typed pages of size 8½ by 11 inches), including tables, diagrams and appendices (with margins on all sides of at least 1½ inches). Abstracts not exceeding 200 words should be submitted along with the papers. Papers submitted should be exclusively written for the seminar and should not have been published or sent for publication elsewhere. The authors are required to submit a declaration in this regard.

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