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## DIVERSITY OF PROJECT EFFORTS IMPROVES IN 2010

Our project efforts during the Year 2010 appear to show a significant improvement in their diversity. Although we need to wait until the results of the full year are in, INSAF members are already supporting about twice as many projects in 2010 in comparison with the Year 2009. While some of the financial support has gone to causes within the United States, our projects to-date already cover 11 states/territories in India.

Even in terms of total project effort, we appear to be heading towards a respectable showing. The data available through the end of September show that our project effort had totaled over \$48,000 which compares with \$73,560 for all of Year 2009. Returning to the diversity theme again, no single project dominates the total this year unlike the situation in Yr 2009 when about 54% of the total project effort went to a single project, the Akhand Geetapeeth Shashwat Sevaashram (AGSS), Kurukshetra, Haryana. In Yr 2010, the largest contributions so far have been to **Pratham Mysore** (see Pg 6 of this Newsletter) and the **JRHU** (a university in U.P. for the handicapped; see Pg 3).

A further insight into the diversity of projects this year can be gained by noting that some other projects in addition to Pratham Mysore and JRHU are: **Jeevan Prabhat** (a children's home in Pondicherry, see Pg 5), **AGSS** (see Pg 3), **Govt High Schools in Banbouri, Dhuri, Banbhaura, and Bhaee Rupa** (Punjab, see Pg 2 and Pg 6), **Balabhavan** (in Kerala for support of two poor students in Nursing Diploma School, see Pg 5), **CASP Pune** (for support of a poor student in Engineering School, see Pg 6), **Shrimati Dwarki-Devi-INSAF-Vidya-Mandir** (Hoshiarpur, Punjab, see Pg 4), **Adivasi Unnati Mandal** (for tribal people in Gujarat), **Dirшти Netralaya** (eye hospital in Gujarat, see Pg 5), **Dardinou Rahat** and **Dardi Sahayak** (help for those in distress in Gujarat, see Pg 5), a **Gurukul School in Gujarat** (see Pg 5), several trusts which serve the poor (the **O.P. Soni Trust**, **Nar Seva Narayan Seva**, both in Punjab, see Pg 6 and Pg 5, respectively), **Friendicos** (Animal welfare in New Delhi, see Pg 3), **Ekal Vidyalay** (see Pg 6), **OSDAV School** in Haryana, see Pg 6), **Shiksha Sopan** (for the education of village students, see Pg 6), **IndiaPrep** (to motivate poor students in Tamil Nadu towards college education in Science and Math, see Pg 4). And contributions to support **Haiti disaster relief**.

Many thanks to the Project Sponsors, Project Leaders, and other INSAF volunteers for your efforts to support and monitor the projects. Here is wishing Happy Holidays and much happiness and lots of success throughout the Year 2011 to each and every INSAF member and their families.

## Former Exec Sudershan Bhateja Takes His Efforts Into Higher Gear

For several years, Dr. Sudershan Bhateja has been training Punjab village Banbhouri School students' minds to shoot for "high" marks in all examinations. This year, some Govt High School (GHS), Banbhouri (in Dist. Sangrur, about 10 Km from Dhuri) students responded with a noteworthy accomplishment.

In the fifty-year history of the school, no student has ever achieved 80% marks in the 10<sup>th</sup> Grade (External, Board) Examination. But, during the last 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Examination, four girl students achieved just that (each getting about 80% marks). Sudershan, in consultation, with the Headmaster, immediately announced a thousand rupees prize for each student. While the School and the village are extremely pleased, Sudershan's message to the School/Village is simple, "You ain't seen nothin' yet! Listen, think, learn, work hard and smart, and much bigger and better rewards are yet to follow!"

Some other projects completed recently are worth mentioning as follows:

1. The additional thirty desks required for GHS, Banbhouri, have finally been delivered. Now, only three students will have to share one desk. The fifty desks for the Govt. Primary School (GPS), specially built to suit the youngsters, are currently being delivered to the classrooms. The students will not have to sit on the floor (winters and summers) anymore.
2. Six additional chairs required in the Computer Laboratory have also been acquired. GHS has only seven computers for the 245 students. Each computer class has ~ forty students. With two chairs per computer, only fourteen students could be on the computers; the rest of them observed things from the floor in the middle. With additional chairs, three students will share a computer and twenty one students can be taught at a time.
3. This is an improvement but still not the best situation. After discussions with the Headmaster and the computer teachers, Sudershan has authorized the purchase of three additional computers that will fit in the current Computer Laboratory. The ten computers, with thirty students being taught at a time, will make the computer education much more tolerable.

## Dr. Bhateja now expands his Banbhouri Experience to two neighboring village schools as well:

Having learned so much from years of interaction with the Banbhouri school, Sudershan had been thinking for a while about using that experience to inspire students in neighboring village schools as well. The word about his accomplishments in Banbhouri had already spread to neighboring villages. As luck would have it, during his March 2010 visit, two teachers from the Govt. Girls Senior Secondary School, Dhuri (6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, 750 students), approached him in Banbhouri and requested that he motivate, teach and guide their students as well. In addition, the Principal, Govt. Senior Secondary School, neighboring Banbhaura about 4 Km away (6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, 650 co-ed students) also called Sudershan with an identical request.

It so happens that Sudershan knows one of the teachers (science) in GGSSS, Dhuri and interacted with him for ten years when he was working at GHS, Banbhouri. In addition, Sudershan also knows the Principal, GSSS, neighboring Banbhaura, for the same ten years when she was the Headmistress at GHS, Banbhouri. This has made things a lot simpler. They both know Sudershan's mode of operation and strict requirements about using time, money and energy wisely. Since returning from India in March 2010, Sudershan has been extremely busy on mostly the telephone and some emails (schools are not efficient at emails yet) doing all the groundwork with both the schools. He already knows a lot about the schools and the students and has established an excellent rapport with the Principal and one teacher at both schools.

Sudershan also obtained significant contributions from his brother and long-time INSAF member, **Dr. Chander P. Bhateja**, and a generous friend, **Sh. Roger Bakshi** for the three schools. After careful considerations over the telephone and emails, the projects for all three schools have already been established. So, when Sudershan started his visits to the schools starting November 1, he was able to hit the ground running. Depending upon his health and local circumstances, Sudershan will spend anywhere from six to twelve weeks in the three schools.

## **J. R. University for the Handicapped, Chitrakoot, UP**

In 2001, a scholar named Jagadguru Rambhacharya started a university (JRHU) in Chitrakoot, UP, with the aim of providing higher education and proper skills and capabilities to persons with disabilities. The founder, born in 1950, is himself a visually challenged person, and has Bachelor's, Master's, and Ph.D. degrees in Sanskrit from the Sampurnanand Sanskrit University, Varanasi, UP.

The idea had inspired INSAF Life Members **Kailash and Savitri Sharma** to start their support for JRHU last year with a contribution of \$2,676. This year, Kailash and Savitri Sharma have continued their support of JRHU with another contribution of \$5,850. In addition, **Shivendra and Richa Pandey** have also decided to support JRHU with a contribution of \$3,350, bringing the total support for JRHU to \$9,200 for the year 2010

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## **Akhand Geetapeeth Shashwat Sevashram Trust, Kurukshetra, Haryana**

The Kurukshetra based Trust (loosely translated as the Eternal Service School for the Geeta) operates a free boarding and education center for poor children. About 30 families across the U.S. joined together to send \$39,586 to support the Trust last year.

During 2010, two checks totaling \$3,978 have been sent to support the work of the Sevashram Trust. First a check for \$2,977 was sent on behalf of **Sham & Anita Rawal, Upma Rawal & Daniel Hardy, Darshan & Raj Rawal, Warinder & Kusum Nayyar, and Mike & Rajni Punjabi** (please forgive any omissions). Subsequently, another check for \$1,001 has been sent on behalf of **Utpal Joshi**.

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## **UPDATE: Animal Welfare Project**

INSAF colleague, **Aruna Marathé** has been a long-time supporter of the "4-legged people". This year, Aruna has continued her support for two organizations in India.

First, a check for \$400 has been sent to support the work of "Friendicoes SECA" (where SECA stands for Society for the Eradication of Cruelty to Animals), which has operated animal sanctuaries in the New Delhi area for about 29 years.

In addition, a check for \$300 is being sent to support the work of Animal India Trust, a New Delhi organization run by a young, Manipur State born Veterinarian, Dr. Yaiphabi Devi. Animal India Trust performs sterilization operations on stray animals (mostly dogs) in the New Delhi area.

## **WARM WELCOME:**

A very warm welcome to the new INSAF Life Members below who have joined this year.

**Dr. Suresh Keshavanaryana**, Wichita, KS

**Sh. Gyan Chand & Ms. Manorama Khicha**, Wichita, KS

**Dr. Krishna K. Krishnan**, Wichita, KS

**Dr. Arun Kumar**, Wichita, KS

**Dr. Mahendra & Ms. Jyoti Nanavati**, Rochester, NY

**Sh. Shivendra and Ms. Richa Pandey**, Colts Neck, NJ

**Dr. Ravi and Ms. Vandana Pendse**, Wichita, KS

**Dr. Parkas & Dr. Paula Raghavan**, Wichita, KS

**Dr. Prakash Ramanan**, Wichita, KS

Many thanks and a warm welcome also to the following for their annual memberships for the Year 2010:

**Sh. Dushyant & Mrs. Arab**, Wichita, KS

**Dr. Francis & Ms. Pearl D'Souza**, Wichita, KS

**Dr. Pradeep Khowash**, AT&T, NJ

**Ms. Lakshmi Kambampati**, Wichita, KS

**Dr. Vinod Namboodiri**, Wichita, KS

All those from the Wichita, KS became aware of INSAF thanks to the efforts of INSAF President Prem N. Bajaj; Dr. Khowash — thanks to Ramesh & Pratibha Paliwal; the Pandeys — thanks to Kailash & Savitiri Sharma; and the Nanavatis — thanks to Drs. Tarun & Kamal Kothari.

We are delighted to have each of the new members as part of INSAF and will look forward to their participation in the projects of their choice. Each member is encouraged to share their ideas and comments anytime via an e-mail to the Newsletter Editor.

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## **Calling Volunteers for the 2011-2013 Exec?**

The next term for the INSAF Exec is from Feb 1, 2011 to Jan 31, 2013. Would you like to serve on the next Exec ? It requires only a few hours per week to do so given that so many INSAF members and former Execs are self-motivated people. Please send an e-mail to the Newsletter Editor at [Sharma@interspex.com](mailto:Sharma@interspex.com) by December 5.

Please also send us an e-mail to let us know if you can volunteer some time to help upgrade the INSAF website.

## **UPDATE: India Prep Project, Chidambaram, Tamil Nadu**

As reported in the April 2009 Newsletter, the India Prep project was initiated by "next-gen" **Mr. Prashant Samant**. In June this year, the IndiaPrep project was continued for the 2nd year. The goal of the project has been to provide a college experience to middle or high school students from disadvantaged backgrounds and to motivate them towards higher education in science and math.

The project has been supported by **Shankar & Asavari Khadye, Sham & Sadhana Samant, Raj & Padmashri Lad, Ash & Darshan Mehan, Sant Chokhani, Nandan Gad, Alpna Samant, and Bhav & Kaye Sharma**. A first installment check of \$1,350 was sent in June with the understanding that a balance of a similar amount will be sent after INSAF receives the due diligence documentation for this year's implementation. Last year, a total of 67 students benefited from the program.

### **McGraw Hill Joins Corporate Matching Fund Grantors for INSAF**

Thanks to the efforts of **Aneesh Prabhu**, McGraw Hill has become the latest large business to match contributions made to INSAF. The other such matching Fund Grantors are AT&T (**Ramesh Paliwal**, and perhaps **Pradeep Khowash** going forward), Tyco (**Ash Mehan**), and ExxonMobile (**Joginder Kundra**).

### **New Project: Divyadeepa, Kenchalagudu (Mysore)**

Former INSAF President **Soma Murthy** is initiating a very worthy new project. The Divyadeepa Trust is operated by Soma's totally dedicated cousin, Ananth and his wife Shyamala. They operate a school called Kaliyuva Mane (the House where you learn) on the outskirts of Mysore for extremely poor children. Ananth & Shyamala have devoted their last ~20 years full time to the cause. The school currently 26 resident students and 26 day students of various ages whose parents could not afford to send them to school or who were orphans or were learning disabled. The kids are taught at their own pace and eventually take the SSLC exam privately. There is no fee whatsoever. The school has attracted volunteers from outside India as well. More details are available at <http://divyadeepatrust.org>.

Please let Soma or Bhav know if you would like to join a new project to support a few students through their post-Secondary education or if you need more info.

## **Dwarki Devi—INSAF Vidya Mandir, Hoshiarpur, Punjab**

Long-time members **Surinder & Nirmal Maheshwary** have been working hard to start a school for poor children in Hoshiarpur, Punjab, in the memory of Surinder's mother, Shmt Dwarki Davi, who was a very kind and humane lady. The Maheshwaris plan to name the School the Dwarkidevi-INSAF Vidya Mandir (DIVM).

A major challenge has been to find a location for the proposed school. Despite repeated efforts by the Maheshwary Charitable Trust (MCT) members over the last six months, the family which owns all the land adjoining the temporary school room did not agree to give up/donate the land for MCT to build a permanent structure for the DIVM.

Thanks to a lot of hard work by members of the Maheshwari Charitable Trust (MCT), the DIVM has found a new home as of Nov.1 — even better than the one before as it is strategically better located for the ultra poor children. Two rooms at the new location (the Baradari Shiv Mandir in Hoshiarpur) have been renovated and dedicated to DIVM. All the school related equipment was shifted to the new site recently. A college graduate teacher (wife of one the trustees of this temple) has been engaged to teach for half-time to 8 students, of age between 5-10 years, are in attendance. Presently, the students are given fresh fruits as a snack, but discussions are underway to provide a hot lunch.

Because there are a lot of poor laborer families working in the factories nearby (the Maheshwary family's paint manufacturing business is also within a mile), the number of students was likely to increase to 20 after Diwali. MCT has set a budget of \$250 per student per year and has set aside \$5,000 (Rs. 2.2 lakh) for 2010-11.

Surinder & Nirmal are planning to organize a bhandara (free community lunch) on Dec. 11 to build awareness amongst the migrant labor families working on the roads or factories and encourage them to send their children to DIVM. Surinder's mantra is Sehyog....Seva....and Sanskriti (Cooperation, Service, and Culture). Surinder has also been in touch with the Board of Sanatan Dharam Sabha as well as both principals of S.D. H.S. School (where Dwarki Devi memorial merit scholarships are set up for 3 boy and 3 girl students) who have been very supportive.

Incidentally, Surinder recalls enjoying a natural spring at the Shiv Mandir complex as a child. The spring has dried out now. Apparently, there were dozens of such springs on the outskirts of Hoshiarpur, nicknamed the City of Saints, The city is close to Himachal Pradesh, and apparently at one time there were thousands of sadhus in Hoshiarpur.

## UPDATE: Jeevan Prabhat Children's Home, Pondicherry

Back in 2006, **Joginder and Meera Kundra** made a major commitment to help build a children's home in Pondicherry through the Arya Pritinidhi Sabha (named Jeevan Prabhat or the Dawn of Life). During 2010, the Kundras have sent \$4,000 for the project, bringing the overall total raised by them to over \$74,000 since they started their support.



Sadgurunathan



Monisha



Balamurgan

Shown above are 3 of the 29 children at the home in Pondicherry. The full group is shown in the picture to the right. More details are available at

[www.JeevanPrabhat.org](http://www.JeevanPrabhat.org).



## TWO YOUNG WOMEN IN KERALA GO FOR A DIPLOMA IN NURSING WITH INSAF MEMBER SUPPORT

Amalapushpam, a young resident at an orphanage in Paduapuram, Kerala, had been supported in her education for the last several years under the INSAF's child support project. Last year, Amala and her sister Venila, obtained admission to a 2½ year diploma course in Nursing and Midwifery.

In August 2010, a check for \$2,500 to support the sisters for their 2nd year was sent on behalf of **Ashok & Darshan Mehan, Santosh Chokhani, Raj & Padmashri Lad, and Bhav & Kaye Sharma**. During the year, we also received separate letters from the sisters letting us know that they are learning a lot in their respective programs.

## New Project: Nar Seva Narayan Seva, Abohar, Punjab

Former INSAF President PK Malhotra is initiating support for another worthy project, Nar Seva Narayan Seva (To serve humanity is to serve God). PK personally observed their work in Abohar, Punjab, where the organization provides financial assistance to poor school children, arranges for the last rites of the destitute poor, and also works for animal welfare.

In June 2010, a contribution of \$356 (supported by \$251 from **PK and Suresh Malhotra** and \$105 matching funds from INSAF) has been sent to support the work of Nar Seva Naryan Seva.

## LIFE MEMBERS MAHENDRA & JYOTI NANAVATI INITIATE SUPPORT OF 5 WORTHY PROJECTS

Recently, **Dr. Mahendra and Ms. Jyoti Nanavati** selected the following 5 noteworthy projects for their support with their contributions this year .

### Drashti Netralaya, Dahod, Gujarat

Drashti Netralaya (loosely translated as the Home of Eyesight), located about half-way between Indore, MP and Ahmedabad, GUJ) is operated by its founders Drs. Mehul and Neha Shah. Drs. Shah have dedicated themselves to provide free or minimal cost eye care to the poor since 1992 (full time starting in Yr 2001). Surgeries are performed at the Drishti Netralaya in Dahod and free food, medicines, and glasses are provided to the poor — thanks to contributors like the Nanavatis.

### Adivasi Unnati Mandal

The Adivasi Unnati Mandal (loosely translated as Organization for the Progress of the Aboriginal People) provides primary health care to the rural adivasi population in a part of Maharashtra.

### Dardionu Rahat Fund, Ahmedabad, Gujarat

Dardionu Rahat Fund (loosely translated as Relief for those in Distress) is run by a very small group of volunteers who provide financial help for treatment and medicines to the poor at the municipal hospitals in Ahmedabad. An article in Rediff.com from March 2000 reports that the team has been led for over 40 years by a selfless Nagindas Shah, who was in his late 60's at that time.

### Dardi Sahayak Trust, Ahmedabad, Gujarat

Dardi Sahayak (loosely translated as Help for those in Distress) Trust is led by Shmt. Ushaben, and also provides financial help to the poor for medical treatment. The Dardi Sahayak Trust received the tax-exempt status from the Gov. of India in 2009.

### Shrimad Rajchandra Adhyatmik Sadhana Kendra, Dharampur, Valsad, Gujarat

The Nanavati's contribution is to support a school (Gurukul) at the Ashram and its service of providing free buttermilk to villagers in the summer.

We'll look forward to further reports on these projects with the help of the Nanavati's.

#### **UPDATE: Pratham Mysore**

Pratham Mysore is an NGO which promotes the cause of educating underprivileged children from the slums and narrow lanes of Mysore. During 2009, Pratham Mysore also expanded into villages of the Mysore district in partnership with five other NGOs.

Several INSAF colleagues appreciate the work being done by Pratham Mysore. This year, contributions of \$6,500 by **Arundhati Malladi**, and \$1,500 by **Aneesh Prabhu/McGraw-Hill** combined, have been sent to support the work of Pratham Mysore.

#### **New Project: Ekal Vidyalaya**

The Ekal Vidyalaya model is focused on primary education programs for tribals and other underprivileged communities in rural India (managed through the Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation which serves as an umbrella organization). The Ekal Vidyalaya model is a one-teacher, non-formal, school which aims to provide enough literacy skills to the underprivileged children over 3 years to enable them to either continue their education in formal government or private schools or to take a weekly refresher class through Ekal Vidyalaya.

The Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation currently supports over 34,000 schools with over a million students. It has had a major impact on literacy in the Jharkhand state. **Kumarji and Sudesh Kapur** have decided to support this worthy cause in 2010 by sending a \$100 contribution to Ekal Vidyalaya.

#### **Om Parkash Soni Charitable Trust, Jagraon, Punjab**

Shri Om Parkash Soni Charitable Hospital in Jagraon Punjab provides free medicines and other medical services to poor patients irrespective of caste or religion. This year, a contribution of \$971 (supported by \$810 from **Ashok & Usha Sachdev** and \$161 matching funds from INSAF) has been sent to support the services provided by the Trust.

#### **O.S.D.A.V. School, Kaithal, Haryana**

Long-time INSAF member **Manju Chexal and her late husband and former INSAF Exec Bindi** have supported the education of poor children at the OSDAV School in Kaithal for many years.

This year, a contribution of \$300 has been sent by Manju to support the deserving disadvantaged students at the school.

#### **Another Sponsored Child Goes to College:**

Shailesh, 19, lives in Pune and has been supported over the last 5 years through the INSAF Child Support Project. Last year, Shailesh obtained 76% marks in his 10th grade S.S.C. Board exam. Now, Shailesh has secured admission into a local engineering college and a group of INSAF families have agreed to support his engineering education. For this purpose, a check for \$1,350 has been sent on behalf of **Shankar & Asavari Khadye, Sham & Sadhana Samant, Ashok & Darshan Mehan, Raj & Padmashri Lad and Bhav & Kaye Sharma**.

#### **Project Update: Shiksha Sopan, IIT Kanpur, U.P.**

Shiksha Sopan is a social service initiative at the IIT Kanpur under which children of nearby rural communities are taught by IIT students and faculty. In 2008, Prof. Ram Chaudhari had provided support for the Shiksha Sopan work.

In February 2010, another contribution of \$500 has been sent on behalf of Prof. Ram Chaudhari to Shiksha Sopan.

#### **Principal Raminder K. Sharma Awards, Bhaee Rupa (Bhatinda), Punjab**

In January 2010, the Government Higher Secondary School for Boys in the small town of Bhaee Rupa (near Rampura Phool) instituted merit awards to motivate the 6th-11th grade students to strive for excellence. This was a first-time move by a school which has been beset by low grades and a high drop-out rate. The awards are in the memory of the late Principal at the school, Raminder K. Sharma, your Newsletter editor Bhav's brother and 11th grade teacher.

It is too early to say if the awards had anything to do with it but this year's results were significantly better than those in recent years. An award ceremony was held in October, during which students finishing 1st, 2nd or 3rd were given merit awards and certificates supported by a \$560 contribution sent on behalf of Bhav & Kaye Sharma.

#### **EDITOR'S CORNER**

The United Nations Development Program just issued its 2010 Human Development Index placing India at No. 119 out of 169 countries (<http://hdr.undp.org/en/statistics/>), underscoring that organizations like INSAF have a lot to do yet. Since INSAF is run entirely by volunteers, it has no overhead beyond minimal necessary expenses. One or more members have a direct personal connection with every project which eliminates the possibility of waste or corruption. Best wishes to all who are supporting one or more projects and those who are thinking about doing so.

### 2010 CONTRIBUTIONS

As the Yr 2010 approaches its end, one of the "to do" items to consider is your 2010 contribution for some project of your interest. Here is a menu of choices for you to consider. October-November are proposed as the months of giving something back. Please mark your choice (s) and enter the tax-deductible dollar figure you would like to contribute. Please make checks payable to "INSAF" and mail to: Sh. K. Kumar Kapur, INSAF Financial Secretary, 33 Waddington Avenue, West Orange, NJ 07052. Don't see a cause you would rather support? Feel free to start something new for your idea with a contribution, and one of your fellow INSAF colleagues will be in touch with you to help.

Your Choice	Your 2010 Contribution	Type of Project	Example of Current or Recent INSAF Projects
1 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<b>Community Development</b> Build a School-Room or some durable facility	Pondicherry Children's Home (Jeevan Prabhat) School Room at Rishikesh School, Uttaranchal School Room at Ramalingapuram, AP Shri Samarth Society School, Mumbai Saraswathy Vidyalam, Eagandiyur, Kerala Govt High School, Banbhouri, Punjab Dwarki Devi-INSAF Vidya Mandir, Hoshiarpur, Pb
2 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<b>Teacher Staff Support</b> Pay for volunteer staff at a school for the poor	Ramalingapuram area schools, AP Bhulpur Shiksha Samiti, UP
3 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<b>Basic Health Services</b> Provide simple medical services for the poor	O.P. Soni Charitable Trust, Jagraon, Punjab Sodhana, Chipuripalli, AP
4 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<b>Women's Empowerment</b> Fund awareness seminars for rural women	Sodhana, Chipuripalli, AP
5 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<b>Literacy Improvement</b> Fund efforts to increase literacy	Pratham, Mysore, Karnataka
6 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<b>Hunger Alleviation</b> Fund food services for the poor	Maheshwary Charitable Trust, Kothari Charitable Trust
7 A <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<b>Child Sponsorship</b> Sponsor a specific child Primary thru 12th grade education (6-10 yr commitment)	SOS Children's Village Rajpura, Punjab Bal Niketan, Panchkula, Haryana CASP Pune, Maharashtra Balabhavan, Paduapuram, Kerala
B <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<b>Child Support for Higher Education</b> Help a student for higher Ed (2-4 yr commitment)	Bal Niketan, Panchkula, Haryana Balabhavan, Paduapuram, Kerala
C <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<b>Non-specific Education Support</b> Grant funds to a school for tuition/books for students on a merit-cum-means basis or to award a teacher for excellence	OAS DAV School, Kaithal, Haryana P.U. Chem. Eng Dept, Chandigarh India Prep Project, Annamalai, Tamil Nadu
8 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<b>Animal Welfare</b> Grant funds for care of stray animals in major urban centers	Animal Trust, New Delhi Friendicoes, New Delhi
9 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____		Start a new project based on your idea. Please describe your idea in an e-mail to sharma@interspex.com

**Membership Contribution:**  \$150/couple Life-Membership  \$15/couple Annual-Membership or \$10/Single Annual-Membership.

The above list of projects is not comprehensive; readers are encouraged to report errors and omissions as well as additional ideas so we can continue to improve this in the future.

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## INSAF PROJECTS

The following is a partial snapshot of INSAF current activities over the past 3 years. One time projects are not listed. Kindly do let the Editor know of any errors and omissions including any corrections to the names listed under Project Leaders.

Project Leader (s)	Project
<b>Brij &amp; Shail Agarwal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>D. N. Inter College, Gulaothi, UP (Scholarship)</li> </ul>
<b>Sudershan Bhateja</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Govt. High Schools, Banbhouri, Banbaura, and Dhuri, Punjab ( 3 schools)</li> </ul>
<b>Ram Chaudhari</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bhulpur Shiksha Samiti, Bhulpur, U.P</li> </ul>
<b>Arunadhafi Malladi, Chaya Rao, Aneesh Prabhu Arun &amp; Padma Cariappa, Shreedhar &amp; Padma Murthy (&amp; Friends)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pratham Mysore, Karnataka</li> </ul>
<b>Manju Chexal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OSDAV Public School, Kaithal, Haryana</li> </ul>
<b>Santosh Chokhani (w Lads, Mehans, Sharma)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Balabhavan Child Support for Higher Education</li> </ul>
<b>Santosh Chokhani, Gopal &amp; Shibani Chotani, Joginder &amp; Meera Kundra, Raj &amp; Padmashri Lad, Ashok &amp; Darshan Mehan, Ramesh &amp; Pratibha Paliwal, AJ &amp; Thankamma Poulouse, Manoj &amp; Maneesha Shrivastav,</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stipends for volunteer social workers (through SODHANA), Chipurupalli, AP</li> <li>Emergency medical aid for the poor (through Sodhana)</li> <li>Ramalingapuram Village Adoption Project, AP (through Sodhana)</li> </ul>
<b>Om and Veena Garg</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A.S.D. High School, Narnaul, Haryana</li> </ul>
<b>Shakunthala &amp; P. Harshavardhana</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Government Model Primary School, Saneguruvanahalli, Karnataka</li> </ul>
<b>Keshyap &amp; Abhilasha Joshi</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blood Donor Council, Nawanshahar, Punjab</li> </ul>
<b>Kumar &amp; Sudesh Kapur</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SOS Children's Village Child Sponsorship, Rajpura, Punjab (w Sharmas)</li> </ul>
<b>Joginder and Meera Kundra</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adivasi Child Education, Lathakhaman, Jharkhand</li> <li>Disadvantaged Children's Home, Pondicherry (Jeevan Prabhat)</li> </ul>
<b>Tarun &amp; Kamal Kothari</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kothari Charitable Trust, Raipur, Chhatisgarh</li> </ul>
<b>Raj &amp; Padmashri Lad</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shree Samarth Education Society School, Mumbai (w Mehans, Sharmas)</li> <li>Child Sponsorships, CASP, Pune, Maharashtra (w Aruna Marathé, Sharmas)</li> </ul>
<b>P.K. and Suresh Malhotra</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nar Seva Narayan Seva, Abohar, Punjab</li> </ul>
<b>Aruna Marathé</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Animal India Trust, Friendicos (both based in New Delhi area)</li> </ul>
<b>Ashok and Darshan Mehan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integral Education Mission, Dehradun, Uttaranchal (w Kundras)</li> <li>Child Sponsorship, SOS Village Rajpura, Punjab (w Kapurs, Kundras, Sharmas)</li> </ul>
<b>Surinder &amp; Nirmal Maheshwary Suneer &amp; Laura Maheshwary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maheshwary Charitable Trust, Hoshiarpur, Punjab</li> <li>Shrimati Dwarki Devi INSAF Vidya Mandir (DIVM)</li> </ul>
<b>Soma &amp; Parvathi Murthy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gov. Pre-Univ. College, Batlahally, Karnataka</li> <li>Govt. School, Munganhalli, Karnataka</li> </ul>
<b>Mahendra &amp; Jyoti Nanavati</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adivasi Unnati Mandal, Drishti Netralaya, Dardionu Rahat, Dardi Sahayak Trust, Adhyatmik Sadhana Kendra, Gujarat.</li> </ul>
<b>Ashok &amp; Usha Sachdev</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bal Niketan, Panchkula, Haryana (w Kundras, Sharmas)</li> </ul>
<b>Bhav &amp; Kaye Sharma</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trees for Life, Wichita, Kansas</li> <li>Balabhavan Orphanage, Paduapuram, Kerala (w Lads, Mehans, Chokhani)</li> <li>Bhaee Rupa Govt. Higher Secondary School, Bhaee Rupa, Punjab</li> <li>Chem Eng. Dept Panjab Univ. Chandigarh (w 17 others from the Class of '69)</li> </ul>
<b>Kailash &amp; Savitri Sharma, Shivendra &amp; Richa Pandey</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>University for the Handicapped, Chitrakoot, UP</li> </ul>
<b>Ashok &amp; Sanjeevan Soni, Ashok &amp; Usha Sachdev</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>O.P. Soni Charitable Hospital, Midtown Jagraon and Raikot, Punjab</li> </ul>
<b>Vijay &amp; Laxmi Varma</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sri Satya Sai Seva Samiti Public School, Alwar, Rajasthan</li> </ul>
<b>Vasu &amp; Lalitha Vasudevan (and Friends)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Saraswathy Vidyalayam, Eagandiyur, Kerala</li> </ul>