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INDIAN SCHOOLS ALUMNI AND FRIENDS NEWSLETTER

NEPAL SCHOOL RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE

The April 2015 earthquakes in Nepal had killed about 8,700 people, injured 16,800, and destroyed 550,000 homes (AP, May 26, 2015). Over 35 INSAF families and friends have joined to help rebuild the Primary School in the Selang Village in the Sindhupalchowk area of Nepal. The schools in the area were destroyed in the devastating earthquake. The photo along side shows the hilly area where the school will be built in cooperation with Ne:Kalp, an NGO in Nepal. The blue structures seen are temporary shelters



where the school operates currently. Here is a summary on the project status:

- A four-phase plan has been developed under which interim milestones can be tracked with transparency and which allows us to deliver a functioning school after Phase 3 just in case the project costs escalate or enough funds for Phase 4 are not available.
- An oversight committee of the local stake holders has been formed.
- The school administration will join in with some funds to purchase class room furniture. Ne:Kalp will also seek other funding for Phases 3 and 4.
- The local community will contribute 15% of the unskilled labor.
- A written agreement has been reached under which the government will assume responsibility for operating the school after it gets built.
- An installment of US\$ 14,000 has been sent to enable the completion of Phase 1 (Site Clearance, Retaining Wall Construction along the hill, Foundation for 4 classrooms, and Boys/Girls Toilets along with sewage disposal in the form of Septic Tanks).

INSAF Newsletter readers may know about the Madhesi agitation, and the resulting severe shortage of everything in Nepal over the past 3-4 months. [See *HimalayanTimes.com* of Dec 17 and 18, *Kathmandupost.com* of Dec 7, and *Times.com* of Nov 17 for more information]. These shortages have caused building materials to become overly expensive. In view of these difficulties, the realistic view is that actual construction work has to wait until the supply situation is resolved, which let us hope happens in the near future.

THANKS IN APPRECIATION FOR PROJECT CONTRIBUTIONS

Many thanks to the following for their project contributions during 2015 (some are one-time contributions from non-members). Please forgive any spelling errors — however, please do point them out via an e-mail so appropriate corrections can be made for the future.

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- Varas, Neelam
- Vora, Dr. Anop & Ms. Renuka

WARM WELCOME ...

A very warm welcome to **Mr. Darwin and Ms. Wizie Eads** of Wichita, KS who have joined as Life Members, courtesy of former President Dr. Prem Bajaj. [Also see Page 5].

VANKANER KELAVANI HIGH SCHOOL, SURAT ...

Sh. Ramesh and Ms. Jyoti Patel are "giving back" by supporting the Vankaner Kelavani High School in Surat, Gujarat. The school is run by the Vankaner Kelavani Mandal.

A total amount of \$5,752 has been sent during 2015 to support the co-educational school affiliated with the Gujarat State Educational Board. The funds are to be used for a speaker for the audio-visual room, a green board for one of the classrooms, and other purposes which we hope to report in a future Newsletter.

BERCHA VILLAGE ANGANWADI SCHOOL ...

Bercha village is located near the city of Hoshiarpur in Punjab, and happens to be the village of Life Member **Sh. Chani Sra**. Earlier this year, Chani decided to "give back" when he learned that the Anganwadi school in Bercha needed to be rebuilt and the project was badly in need of funds.

Soon after Chani made his decision, his initiative was put into practice with some coordination help from Bhav and INSAF India. A project plan was developed in consultation with Sh. Gurdip Singh, a retired teacher and a good friend of Chani's elder brother Sh. Harjit in Bercha. Interim milestones were defined, and a committee of local stakeholders was formed to oversee the project.

Excellent progress has been made over the past several months with the help of \$10,000 contributed by Chani and good on-the-ground coordination by Gurdip Singh Ji. The funds are being dispensed stage wise in \$2,500 installments during 2015-16 as the construction progresses (Photos below) to provide the children with a good facility.



SHMT. DWARKI DEVI MAHESHWARY LEARNING CENTER, S.D. GIRLS SR SEC SCHOOL, HOSHIARPUR

Previous issues of this Newsletter have reported on the efforts of INSAF Co-Founder Sh. Surinder and Ms. Nirmal Maheshwary to "give back" in various ways to the education of underprivileged children in the Hoshiarpur area of Punjab. This is an update on some of the recent progress during 2015.

The Maheshwary family had earlier registered the Shrimati Dwarki Devi INSAF Vidya Mandir Trust (the Trust) in honor of Surinder's respected mother. This year, the Trust has funded the renovation of a Computer Learning Center at the local S.D. Girls Senior Secondary School. Under this project, 14 computers with all the necessary bells and whistles were installed at the School. The upgraded Computer Lab will help the School provide computer training to over 900 students from Grades 6 to 12. Photo below shows Surinder (wearing a jacket and seated) and others at the opening ceremony earlier this year.



On a related note, the Trust has also been operating the Smt. Dwarki Devi INSAF Vidya Mandir-Shiksha Sansthan at the outskirts of Hoshiarpur. The Vidya Mandir Shiksha Sansthan is an after-school program with a one room, one teacher concept.

In 2015, a second teacher has been added at the Vidya Mandir Shiksha Sansthan as the number of students increased to about 40. The second teacher is dedicated to teaching the students from grades 6 through 8.

The Smt. Dwarki Devi INSAF Vidya Mandir Trust also printed one thousand Exercise Notebooks and other routine stationery materials and distributed them to students at both the Shiksha Sansthan and the S.D. Girls Senior Secondary School facilities.

THE SUCCESS STORY OF MANU

Divya Deepa Trust runs Kaliyuva Mane, a quasi-residential school near Mysore for disadvantaged rural youth. This is the story of how far Manu, one such youth, has been able to come over a period of 8 years, thanks to Kaliyuva Mane.

Manu belongs to a rural, Scheduled Tribe, poor family. His parents are illiterate. In 2007, Manu came to Kaliyuva Mane at the age of 13. Manu knew only how to write his name. However, the nurturing environment at Kaliyuva Mane saw him pass his Class 10th in 2012 with flying colors.



Manu then joined a laboratory technician's course at a hospital. Although he was good at a practical level and his work was appreciated, Manu found it too difficult to clear two exams related to theory. Manu then joined the Central Institute of Plastic Technology and underwent training there. In June this year, Manu was selected in a campus interview by a plastics extruder company. Now Manu earns Rs. 11,000 per month and enjoys free food and accommodations in his new job. What a distance Manu has covered in just 8 years.

Manu is among the youth being supported over the years by Project Leader Harsha & Shaku, along with Soma & Parvathy Murthy, Raj & Padmashri Lad, Bhav & Kaye Sharma, and several friends of Harsha contributing through INSAF as non-members. A total of \$18,300 was sent to Divya Deepa in 2014, followed by \$17,000 in 2015.

ALWAYS A GOOD TIME ..

You might be seeing this at the very end of 2015 or in 2016 — in either case, it is always a good time to make a tax-deductible contribution for a cause of your choice. Your contribution will help with either the 2015 or the 2016 taxes and will help some worthy cause.

Please see the information on Page 7 and take your desired action.

PRATHAM MYSORE ...

Arun and Padma Cariappa have organized substantial support from friends, family, and well-wishers for Pratham Mysore in recent years as INSAF Project Leaders and Pratham Mysore Volunteers. Pratham Mysore has focused on the education of underprivileged youth in the urban and rural areas of Mysuru district. Pratham Mysore efforts have had a positive effect on the lives of over 20,000 youth over the past decade.

Pratham Mysore has a range of programs to promote education among the underprivileged youth:

- **Read India:**
About 329 villages/schools participate in this program, designed to promote literacy and encourage reading. A related program called the Library Program aims to improve the reading habits among the students.
- **Learn India**
Sessions are held at about 50 community centers to sustain the learning concept among students by exploring and sharing knowledge.
- **Pratham Activity and Resource Center**
The Center was inaugurated in June 2015 and about 120 students heard a talk by a representative from the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO).
- **Innovative Series for Upper Primary Children**
This program is aimed at bright students in Class 6th and 7th to foster thinking skills, independent reading, and improved communication and writing skills. Now in its second year, the program reaches 30 schools in 2015-16.
- **Open School**
The program is meant for school dropouts who do nothing or work at very low paying jobs. A 2-3 month long "foundation course" teaches Math, Kannada, English, and Science to enable them to cope with the Class 10th syllabus. Those students who pass an internal exam are then selected for a post-foundation-course with an aim to ensure they can pass the Class 10 Board examination. The program currently serves 20 students.

Pratham Mysore places a strong emphasis on training of its volunteers and teachers to ensure effectiveness. In addition, the organization gets a significant number of visitors and volunteers, from Europe, United States, and of course, India. Padma Cariappa recently wrote about one dedicated volunteer in the Pratham Mysore Newsletter. Mr. Jagadish Vasavadhani, left a 20 year IT career with WIPRO to devote full time to volunteering with Pratham Mysore.

HELPING FIGHT CLUBFOOT — A GENETIC DEFORMITY ...

According to the Polio Foundation in Ahmedabad, about 250 children are born in Gujarat every day with a condition called "Clubfoot", a congenital pediatric limb deformity. The Foundation runs a weekly Clubfoot clinic which sees about 400 patients per year, many of them from rural areas. Treatment costs Rs. 3,000 per patient (US\$ 46).



Pankaj & Rupa Nanavati have been supporting this worthy fight by the Polio Foundation. In 2015, as they have in the past, the Nanavatis have sent a contribution of \$500 to the Foundation which will help about 10 children receive what is undeniably a life-altering treatment at the Polio Foundation.

KANCHAN FOUNDATION, AHMEDABAD

The Kanchan Foundation carries out a wide range of community service projects throughout Gujarat and Mumbai. During the most recent fiscal year (April 2014 to March 2015), the Foundation expended about \$20,500 on the following worthy efforts:

- Medical aid to 38 needy families and a free eye-camp, along with the Lions Club, which provided 23 cataract surgeries and prescription glasses for 535 people
- Scholarships to 130 bright and needy students
- Notebooks to students at 4 different schools
- Tuition and bus fare assistance to 2 disabled students
- Several poverty relief activities such as distribution of chaas (buttermilk), clothes, food supplies and financial aid for needy people and feed for animals

During 2014, **Dr. Anop and Renuka Vora** contributed \$16,600 to support the work by the Kanchan Foundation.

A SPECIAL TREAT FOR SPECIAL NEEDS YOUTH ...

Kumarji and Sudesh Kapur, Debasish and Monisha Mishra, along with Bhav & Kaye Sharma, are initiating a weekly snack service for the 55 residents with special needs at the Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity Home in Ambala Cantt., Haryana.



In a bid to add something special to the routine of the resident youth at the Home, a special snack, the specifics depending on the season of the year, will be provided once a week for about 6 months. To support this effort, a contribution of about \$315 has been provided through INSAF-India.



Former INSAF President Dr. Prem Bajaj (right) receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award in Oct. at the Kansas Authors Club. Also shown is Ms. Diane Wahto, the Awards Chair.

ADIWASI UNNATI MANDAL

The Adiwasi Unnati Mandal is a Mumbai-based trust which provides periodic medical and other services to the nearby Adiwasi communities. In 2015, a contribution of \$600 was sent with the help of INSAF India on behalf of **Dr. Mahendra and Ms. Jyoti Nanavati** to support the work by the Trust.

In 2014, the Nanavati's contribution of \$400 was utilized by the Adiwasi Unnati Mandal towards cataract diagnosis and surgeries in Feb 2015 (photo below).



A LOOK AT SOME UPDATED STATISTICS ON INDIA & THE UNITED STATES ...

Interesting to have a look at some updated statistics. Those below come from the Factbook prepared by the CIA (www.CIA.Gov/library/publications), the World Bank (<http://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SI.POV.GINI>), and the United Nations Development Program (<http://hdr.undp.org/en/countries/profiles/IND>)

Gross Domestic Product: The total GDP of India, estimated at \$7.4 trillion (2014 based on Purchasing Power Parity), now ranks 4th in the world. The GDP per Capita, at \$5800, ranks 160th in the world.

GINI Index: The GINI Coefficient or Index measures the income inequality in a country. The higher the value, greater is the income inequality. The 2012 estimate for India is 33.6. The 2013 estimate for the United States is 41.1, which is worse than India.

INEQUALITY ADJUSTED HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX

(IHDl): The IHDl reflects the life expectancy, income, and education of an "average" person. THE IHDl is 0.435 (world rank 98) for India, and 0.76 (rank 28) for the U.S.

VISHWA GUJARATI SAMAJ — INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S WING

Dr. Mahendra and Ms. Jyoti Nanavati have been funding some of the public service activities of the International Mahila (Women's) Wing of the Vishwa Gujarat Samaj (VGS IWW) in Ahmedabad. In 2015, a contributions of \$1,960 was sent to the VGS IWW with the help of INSAF India.

The VGS IWW carries out a variety of projects in support of women's empowerment through skill development and improvement in their physical and mental health. Some examples are provided below. The first photo below shows Mahendrabhai and Jyotiben at the inauguration ceremony after installation of a water cooler at the Sabarmati Central Jail.



Photo below shows attendees at a workshop at the Sabarmati Central Jail which taught flower arrangement making to the women inmates.



Another activity this year by the VGS IWW was training in mehndi (henna) for women at the Mahipatram Rupram Ashram for orphans.

2015 CONTRIBUTIONS

Here is a menu of project-types for you to consider for your 2015 contribution. Please mark your choice(s) and enter the tax-deductible dollar figure you would like to contribute. 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 2015 Contribution	Type of Project	Example of Current or Recent INSAF Projects
1	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	Community Development Build a school-room or some durable facility	Pondicherry Children's Home Arya Girls School, Bhatinda, Punjab Shri Samarth Society School, Mumbai Saraswathy Vidyalam, Eagandiyur, Kerala Govt High School, Banbhouri, Punjab Dwarka Devi-INSAF School, Hoshiarpur, Punjab Kaliyuva Mane (Divya Deepa), Mysore, KA
2	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	Teacher Staff Support Stipend for volunteer staff at a school for the poor	Ramalingapuram area schools, AP Bhulpur Shiksha Samiti, UP
3	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	Basic Health Services Provide simple medical services for the poor	O.P. Soni Charitable Trust, Jagraon, Punjab Sodhana, Chipurupalli, AP
4	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	Women's Empowerment Fund awareness seminars for rural women	Sodhana, Chipurupalli, AP Vatsal Chhaya
5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	Literacy Improvement Fund efforts to increase literacy	Pratham, Mysore, Karnataka Ekal Vidyalaya
6	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	Hunger Alleviation Fund food services for the poor	Maheshwary Charitable Trust, Akshay Patra
7	A <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ B <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ C <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	Child Sponsorship (School Education) Sponsor a specific child's primary thru 12th grade education (6-10 yr commitment) Child Support for Higher Education Help a student for higher Ed (2-4 yr commitment) Education Support Grant to a school for operations or tuition/books/scholarship for students as an incentive to perform better or to award a teacher	SOS Children's Village Rajpura, Punjab Seva Sadan, Pune, Maharashtra CASP Pune, Maharashtra Balabhavan, Paduapuram, Kerala Balabhavan, Paduapuram, Kerala Divyadeepa, Kenchalagudu (Mysore), Karnataka OAS DAV School, Kaithal, Haryana Shmt. Dwarki Devi INSAF Vidya Mandir, Punjab Daya Ghar, Chennai, Tamil Nadu Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Bhaee Rupa, Punjab
8	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	Animal Welfare 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: sharma7336@gmail.com	

Membership Contribution:

☐ \$150/Couple Life-Membership ☐ \$100/Single Life-Membership ☐ \$15/Couple Annual-Membership ☐ \$10/Single Annual-Membership

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 - **Arya Samaj, Unnao, UP [Community Service]**
Sh. Sikandar Tuli
 - **AWB Food Bank, Albertson, NY [Community Service]**
Sh. Kumar & Ms. Sudesh Kapur
 - **Adivasi Unnati Mandal, Mumbai [Community Service]**
Dr. Mahendra & Ms. Jyoti Nanavati
 - **Balabhavan Nazareth Student Support, Paduapuram, Kerala [College Education of Disadvantaged Youth]:** Sh. Joginder & Ms. Meera Kundra, Dr. Raj & Ms. Padmashri Lad, Sh. Ashok & Ms. Darshan Mehan, Dr. Bhav & Ms. Kaye Sharma
 - **DECC Trust Saraswati Vidyalam, Engandiyur, Kerala [Education]:** Sh. K. Vasudevan, Family & Friends
 - **Divya Deepa Charitable Trust, Mysore, Karnataka [Education]:** Dr. P. Harshavardhana and Friends, Dr. Soma & Padma Murthy, Dr. Raj & Padmashri Lad, Dr. B. & K. Sharma
 - **Ekal Vidyalay [Education]**
Sh. Joginder & Ms. Meera Kundra, Sh. Kumar & Ms. Sudesh Kapur
 - **Friendship Foundation, Ahmedabad [Community Service]**
Dr. Mahendra & Ms. Jyoti Nanavati
 - **Govt. Girls Middle School, Village Alduka (Mewat), Haryana [Upgrade of Educational Institution]**
Dr. Raj & Ms. Padmashri Lad, Dr. Bhav & Ms. Kaye Sharma
 - **Govt. Senior Secondary School, Bhaee Rupa (Bhatinda), Punjab [Motivation of Students]** Dr. Bhav & Ms. Kaye Sharma
 - **Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Katindhi, H.P. [Education]**
Dr. Bhav & Ms. Kaye Sharma
 - **Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Kataula, H.P. [Education]**
Dr. Bhav & Ms. Kaye Sharma
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 - **Jain Swetamber M.V. Mitra Sangh, Ahmedabad, Gujarat [Community Service]** [Dr. Mahendra & Ms. Jyoti Nanavati, Sh. Pankaj & Ms. Rupa Nanavati]
 - **Jeevan Prabhat Children's Home Pondicherry [Education]**
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 - **Jeevanirth, Gandhinagar, Gujarat [Community Service]**
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 - **Manav Kalyan Trust, Navsari, Gujarat [Community Service]**
Dr. Mahendra & Ms. Jyoti, Sh. Pankaj & Ms. Rupa Nanavati,
 - **NIT Hamirpur Literacy Mission, H.P. [College Education of Disadvantaged Youth]**
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 - **Sh. O.P. Soni Charitable Trust, Jagraon, Punjab [Community Service]** Sh. Ashok & Ms. Sanju Soni, Sh. Ashok & Ms. Usha Sachdev
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 - **Polio Foundation, Ahmedabad [Health Services]**
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 - **Punjab University, Chandigarh [Scholarships]**
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 - **Rotary Club, Ahmedabad [Community Service]**
Dr. Mahendra & Ms. Jyoti Nanavati
 - **Sankara Eye Foundation, USA [Health Services]**
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 - **Sri Vankaner Kelavani School, Surat [Education]**
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- OTHER RECENT PROJECTS WITHIN THE LAST 1-2 YEARS
- **Arya Girls High School, Bhatinda, Punjab [School Upgrade]**
Dr. Krishan and Dr. Vimal Goyle
 - **Shmt. Dwarki Devi INSAT Vidya Mandir, Hoshiarpur, Punjab [Education]** Sh. Surinder & Ms. Nirmal Maheshwary & Family
 - **Govt. Schools in the Banbhouri, Dhuri area [Education]**
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 - **Friendicoes of SECA, & Animal India Trust, both in New Delhi [Animal Welfare]** Ms. Aruna Marathé
 - **Arpana Trust Foundation, Karnal, Haryana [Women Empowerment]** Dr. Nirmala Bidani
 - **DISHA, Bareilly, UP [Handicapped Children]**
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