

Greetings

Subject: Greetings

Date: Wed, 03 Jan 2001 14:24:32 +0530

From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>

Organization: Community Health Cell

To: aid@vsnl.com

Dear Aravinda & Ravi,

Greetings from CHC. The postal address address is enclosed. Also a New Year letter from CHC. We are glad to be known in NBA/AID circles as Lalit's parents. He was quite thrilled to know that Medhahehn recognised us in this capacity. The millenium camp at Domkhedi has been a life-time stimulus for him as he moves towards a vocation in Biology / Ecology direction.

The November issue of Health Action magazine was a collation of the key events, declarations and initiatives in Community Health in India which we edited. It may be a good background for all of you who wish to have orientation / training in Community Health. You can get copies from them in Secunderabad. Write to Dr. Mani Kalliath (email : kalliatm@chequemail.com) of CHAI. Glad to know that you are in touch with CEHAT. Abhay, Anant and others are doing excellent work. All the best in your work.

Best wishes,

Ravi.

PS: A CHC team member Mr. Nagarajan who left us for a job in Papua New Guinea is returning after many years to Bangalore end of next year. We have asked him to get in touch with you all as a returning NRI since one of his options is looking at energy problems in India and appropriate options.

Ravi. Narayan.

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PHA-NCC file →

MK/RL - should we start an
AID file (Action for Indian Development)
We may be having more correspondance
with Rem this year?

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7-3/1/2001 To RN

Yes. CJ please start a file
Suman

AID

Subject: AID**Date:** Thu, 07 Jun 2001 17:18:54 +0530**From:** Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>**Organization:** Community Health Cell**To:** mneha@vsnl.net

Dear Neha,

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anniversary conference and was greatly impressed by their energy and openness. Some of them have been included in the PHA process. It would

be useful for mfc members to be in touch with them.

Thanks for the prompt response.

Warm wishes,

Dr. Thelma Narayan,
Community Health Cell.

From the MFC bulletin editor

Subject: From the MFC bulletin editor
Date: Tue, 5 Jun 2001 23:41:55 +0530 -
From: "neha madhiwalla" <nneha@vsnl.net>
To: <anil.gumber@yahoo.com>, <jitinsinghal@hotmail.com>
CC: "CFC - Navi and Tina" <socnara@vsnl.com>

Dear friends,

I heard from Thelma Narayan that you would be interested in receiving the Medico Friend Circle Bulletin. Thank you for your interest. We would be delighted if you would like to subscribe to the bulletin. The bulletin is a bimonthly and has a mix of informative articles, debates on several issues and news about MFC members' activities.

The editorial office is Bombay from where the bulletin is posted.

C/o Neha Madhiwalla
B/3 Fariyas,
143 August Kranti Marg
Mumbai 400036

The subscription has to be sent to the registered office in Pune

Medico Friend Circle
11, Archana Apartments,
163 Solapur Road, Hadapsar,
Pune – 411028.

The subscription rates for U.S based readers is as follows - annual membership - 15 dollars, life membership - 150 dollars

To give you an idea of the kind of articles printed, I have attached some of the articles published in the past issues of last year.

Hoping to hear from you soon.

Warm regards,

Neha Madhiwalla

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Re: From the MFC bulletin editor

Subject: Re: From the MFC bulletin editor

Date: Tue, 5 Jun 2001 12:15:18 -0700 (PDT)

From: Kirankumar Vissa <kiranvissa@yahoo.com>

To: neha madhiwalla <macha@vsnl.net>, jitinsinghal@hotmail.com

CC: CHC - Ravi and Thelma <sochara@vsnl.com>

Dear Neha,

Thanks a lot for your email and for the articles you forwarded. I am certainly interested in subscribing to the bulletin. I will send in my subscription to the address in Pune.

Thank you
Kiran

--- neha madhiwalla <mneha@vsnl.net> wrote:

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Re: Payment for ticket from NY to Washington

Subject: Re: Re: Payment for ticket from NY to Washington

Date: Fri, 15 Jun 2001 02:31:07 -0300

From: "Kirankumar Vissa" <kiranvissa@yahoo.com>

To: "Community Health Ccll" <sochara@vsnl.com>, "Jo Maher" <jmaher@cafod.org.uk>

CC: "Jitin Singhal" <jitin@aidindia.org>

Dear Thelma,

Sorry I was out of town and could not catch up on the email. Sure, we will settle the expenses part with Jo Maher and CAFOD-UK directly. Thanks again for your time and everything. Hope to visit CHC on my next trip to India.

Kiran

Dear Jo Maher,

Could you please let me know in whose name the check should be payable to, and the address to mail it to?

So, we would be able to send a check in US dollars. Would that be fine with you?

As soon as we hear from you, we can send the money over.

Thanks

Kiran

-----Original Message-----

From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>

To: Kirankumar Vissa <kiranvissa@yahoo.com>; Jo Maher <jmaher@cafod.org.uk>

Date: Thursday, June 07, 2001 8:55 AM

Subject: Re: Payment for ticket from NY to Washington

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>Dear Kiran and Jo,
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>I saw the note from Jo Maher from CAFOD-UK regarding the cost of the
>flight from New York to Washington. Would it be possible for both of
>you to settle it directly as to how the amount should be paid, which
>ould
>be easier than involving me. If there are still difficulties let me
>know.
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>With best wishes,
>Thelma Narayan

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Something for AID, Bangalore to think about(Regd. the ani-polluti on drive) ..

Subject: Something for AID, Bangalore to think about(Regd. the ani-polluti on drive) ..

Date: Thu, 21 Jun 2001 18:49:44 +0530

From: Pallavi_Nagaraj@i2.com

To: sochara@vsnl.com

Hi RaviNarayan,

I am Pallavi, volunteer of AIDBangalore. I working for Aspect Development. I got your email-id from Mashood Kandy who happens to be colleague here.

Take a look at the below matter.

Regards,

Pallavi

----- Forwarded by Pallavi Nagaraj/APAC/i2Tech on 01-06-21 18:47 -----

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cc:
Subject: Something for AID,
Bangalore to think about(Regd. the ani-polluti on drive) ..

Hi AID'ers and Friends:

If you remember.. sometime back I had sent out a draft that we (Muthu and myself) had made in response and in support of a PIL that was filed in the Bangalore high court to reduce pollution in the city. Initially we had planned to send this out individually, but later this took the form of a signature campaign (due to logistical nightmares.. I guess). This campaign was initiated within the company and in the end we were able to muster more than 250 signatures that supported the memorandum which we submitted to the presiding judge in the high court. If we had more time we could've gotten more attestations and we could've made a stronger impact. The author of the

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Something for AID. Bangalore to think about(Regd. the anti-polluti on drive) ..

original article which appeared in Times Of India(May 26th) was very interested in our signature campaign and eventually wrote about it in TOI(June 20th) to our utter surprise(article is attached with the mail) .

The point I am trying to make is that we(AID) c(sh)ould get involved in such public interest campaigns which could get us some much needed publicity. Not only that .. at least that way as citizens of this city we should participate(as an org.) in such campaigns to make this city more livable. Kanak Hirani(the author) is a great contact we could use to highlight our activities. For. eg. I don't know if the press gave adequate/any coverage to the anti-tobacco campaign initiated by the CHC(Community Health Cell). It'd be great if we participate in any future campaign with CHC and let Kanak know about it in advance.. and if she could do a piece in TOI about it there will be nothing like it. The more people hear about any campaign, the more they are going be aware and the more participation/involvement we are going to get from them.

As a follow up to the anti-pollution drive, there will be a public hearing on this matter where the public will be given a chance to say voice out their opinions in court. I think it is a great forum for us to participate. I will let you know when the public hearings will be scheduled and it'd be great if you all show up.

P.S: Could someone forward this mail to Dr.Ravi Narayan (CHC).

Cheers,

-Laxman.

{Intel staff do their bit for clean air

By Kanak Hirani

BANGALORE: Most corporates like taking up social causes. But here's one company that has gone a step ahead.

A PIL filed against high levels of pollution has inspired employees of Intel, Bangalore to start a signature campaign.

Muthukumar Kalyan and Laxman Rajagopalan made the first draft of the letter and a campaign was initiated in the company. Here are some of the suggestions that the Intel employees made in their representation that was written on June 18:

"We are very concerned about the adverse effects of pollution (both noise and air) on the city of Bangalore, its citizens and the environment. It is very alarming to note that the levels of pollution are increasing by the day. The day is not far when the city could become one of the most polluted cities in the world, if appropriate steps are not taken. If we are to build and maintain the image of the city as a garden city and a hi-tech city we should take action now. It is time that we, the citizens of Bangalore, do something to change the situation.

We request that the following actions be taken:

Something for AID. Bangalore to think about(Regd. the anti-polluti on drive) ..

* Phase out all two-stroke vehicles over a period of time, say two years, since these contribute the most to pollution. The owners of the two-stroke vehicles should be provided conversion kits to four-stroke vehicles if possible, otherwise, there should be an exchange programme.

* Penalise the drivers/owners of autorickshaws/trucks/lorries/buses who use adulterated petrol, kerosene, diesel etc. Towards this end, the traffic police should be equipped with pollution monitoring devices that should help identify the polluting vehicles. Also, checks/raids should be conducted on petrol bunks that sell adulterated petrol and action must be taken to bring the culprits to book.

* Enforce European/Californian standards for emission control levels of diesel and petrol cars. Use of unleaded petrol must be encouraged. Use of diesel vehicles should be discouraged.

* Convert all public transportation buses to use CNG (Compressed Natural Gas), as they have done in Delhi. In fact, we should go one step further, and require all lorries/trucks/buses that ply in the city to use CNG.

* Direct the city government of Bangalore and the state government of Karnataka to build a Mass Rapid Transit System that serves all parts of the city. It is a shame that a city that labels itself the "Silicon Plateau" has no decent public transportation system.

* Direct the Bangalore City Corporation and the public not to burn leaves and garbage. Such actions should be made punishable, either by a fine and/or community work. The BCC should deploy more garbage collection vehicles to collect the garbage. Leaves and other wood waste should be collected separately and converted to mulch.

* Take measures to improve the drainage and waste disposal system in the city. A good part of soil and land pollution can be attributed to the lack of an effective waste disposal mechanism. This infrastructure should needs vast improvement.

* Penalise/Punish individuals and industries that dump garbage and effluents into storm water drains, lakes, and other natural resources.

There is much more we can do to reduce pollution levels in Bangalore, but these should give us a good start. We realise that controlling pollution is not a one-way street. All of us must be involved in this effort. The public can participate by better maintaining their vehicles, car-pooling to work, making effective use of the public transportation system etc.

Dear pallavi

I am responding to your email on behalf of Dr Ravi Narayan. Dr Ravi told me that we would be meeting all AFD Bangalore members in the near future to discuss about collaborative efforts in focussing on issues that are concerned both to AFD and CTR.

now I would like to invite you for a planning meeting on tobacco free consortium that would be held on 27th June 2001 at Indian Medical Association, Fort Fort area Chamrajpet. We are working towards tobacco free Karnataka ^{beginning an} ~~starting~~ efforts in making Bangalore tobacco free. please do ~~not~~ attend, as many as AFD members who could attend are welcome.

Look forward to seeing you

Yours sincerely

Chander

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Chander
21/7/2001

Subject: Bangalore: Saturday Fast and March for Peace

Date: Fri, 8 Mar 2002 12:58:57 +0530

From: Mashood Kandy@i2.com

To: rranad@yahoo.com, netnews@vsnl.com, sochara@vsnl.com

[If you are not in Bangalore, please pass on the message to friends and relatives in Bangalore]

Association For India's Development Bangalore Chapter
organises "Fast for Peace" to condemn communal violence and Government inaction

Date: March 09, 2002. Saturday

Time: 8:00am to 3pm (all are welcome to join the gathering for as long as they can)

Place: Cubbon Park

Please come to the Bal Bhavan entrance

Please sign up at the campaign website and also consider signing on to a letter to the PM and CM

<http://www.aidindia.org/fastforpeace>

and spread the word among your family, friends and colleagues in Bangalore

If you cannot fast, please still join us for as long as you can and perhaps bring a candle to light in a show of solidarity. We are fasting the whole day but will be at Cubbon Park from 8am-3pm. Following this we will join a March for Communal Peace (organised by a coalition of Bangalore organisations) beginning at Kanteerva Stadium (opposite Mallya Hospital and Tiffanys Restaruran), walking through Residency Road and St. Marks Road and ending at Police Grounds. Shabana Azmi and others will be speaking after the march.

The appeal:

• We sincerely share the anguish of the people who have been affected by the violence.

• We strongly condemn the violent acts and the actions of those who incited them.

• We believe that peace and harmony among its diverse communities should be the basis for India, and the stirring up of passions against such harmony is the biggest disservice to the people, the country and humanity.

• Many of us might belong to a minority community in countries or regions we live in, and we are aware that if society does not promote peace and harmony and prevent violence, few of us can survive.

• We believe that the government is responsible for promoting peace for all its citizens, and the deliberate behavior of the government in failing to protect its citizens, and in encouraging violence, is utterly reprehensible.

Any questions or suggestions please send email to

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Looking forward to see you all there,

AID - Bangalore Chapter Volunteers

Post Script:

First they came for the Jews
and I did not speak out
because I was not a Jew.
Then they came for the Communists
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Then they came for me
and there was no one left
to speak out for me.

- Pastor Martin Niemöller

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Peace and
Communal
Harmony

Week, March 4-9, 02
Fast for a One-day
Fast and Solidarity

**Bangalore Fast for Peace and
Solidarity**
March 9, 2002 -- 8am to 3pm

**Part of a world-wide Peace and
Communal Harmony Week**
www.aicindia.org/fastforpeace

Distressed by the flames of communal violence burning in Gujarat, several groups and individuals world-wide have come together calling for peace and communal harmony.

The groups are appealing to all individuals and associations who have been troubled by the recent happenings to take a stand against communal violence.

Seeking inspiration from Mahatma Gandhi, these groups are encouraging people (health-permitting) all over the world to participate in a one-day fast for peace and communal harmony. In Bangalore, volunteers of the Association for India's Development are gathering for a fast and show of solidarity to end violence and promote communal harmony across India.

All are welcome and encouraged to participate for as long as your time permits. If you cannot fast, please join us to show solidarity or light a candle at home. Please register yourself at <http://www.aicindia.org/fastforpeace> and consider lighting a candle if you cannot fast, and, signing an online letter to the PM of India and the CM of Gujarat.

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Pastor
Martin
Nielsen

From Rabindranath
Tagore's Gitanjali

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high
Where knowledge is free
Where the world has not been broken up into fragments
By narrow domestic walls
Where words come out from the depth of truth
Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection
Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way
Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit
Where the mind is led forward by thee
Into ever-widening thought and action
Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake

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- We believe that peace and harmony among its diverse communities should be the basis for India, and the stirring up of passions against such harmony is the biggest disservice to the people, the country and humanity.
- Many of us belong to a non-governmental, non-profit association with chapters across the US, and are aware that if society does not take care of the poor and vulnerable, it imperils sustainable efforts to empower India's rural and urban poor through interventions in education, women's issues, health, savings and income-generating activities. For the past year, AID has also supported extensive relief and rehabilitation efforts in the aftermath of the 2001 earthquake in Gujarat.
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For more information, contact: Mashood, mashoodpls@hotmail.com

Cell: 98452 92103

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Date: Fri, 8 Mar 2002 01:48:20 -0800 (PST)

From: nagini prasad <naginip@yahoo.com>

To: sochara@vsnl.com

CC: mashoodpk@hotmail.com

Dear Dr Ravi,

3/9/02 9:33 AM

Mashood said he had spoken to you this morning regarding an event tomorrow. Please find details of the event below and please feel free to pass it on to others. I do hope you can make it for sometime.

Sincerely,

Nagini
AID - Bangalore

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*Meet Nagini, Gurni + one more person from AID at the rally - 5/3/02
Signed the petition
AK - pl. forward to others
- after checking with core base the names, names can be signed on the mob petition of those who desire to support.
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Masood (mashoodpk@hotmail.com) or 98450 72353

Guru (mguru@hotmail.com) or 98452 94103

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Subject: Attn. Dr. Ravi. Interns application

Date: Fri, 15 Mar 2002 18:48:10 +0530

From: Mashood_Kandy@i2.com

To: sochara@vsnl.com

Dear Dr. Ravi,

I am forwarding two recent intership applications we got. Kindly let me know if they can be placed with CHC or elsewhere..

Regards,

Mashood.

(Bangalore).

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rani Shankar [mailto:rshankar@email.unc.edu]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2002 10:39 AM

To: tulika@arec.umd.edu

Subject: RE: MID another intern.

Tulika,
Thanks for your response. I am attaching my resume. As for languages, unfortunately it is just english for me.

I am currently applying for grants for funding mostly through my school.

I am interested in going to the south: bangalore, madras, etc but if the right placement came along (matched my interests and skills perfectly i might be interested)

I don't have experience doing public health work in india- mostly just domestic work. i have traveled to india before (two times) and internationally recently to thailand, malaysia, singapore...

my main interests this summer is to work with a community based NGO in reproductive health, women's rights and empowerment, family planning, childbirth, health education, HIV AIDs education particularly

Also i am not sure if this is mentioned in my cv, but i am very interested in photography and would love to incorporate photos in my internship this summer if possible- documenting public health work, etc...

thanks in advance for your help. too bad about the website being down!

Rani

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responsibilities including documentation and primary contact etc and not only R-1
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Maybe we should discuss some aspects of internship and send a separate note to Rani
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Thirdly if English is the only language known then their expectations should be for helping ngo's with organisational and other

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Dear Mashood
Thanks for the internship applications
I shall be discussing this with our CHC team this week. But I need to know urgently which months is particular. Re: interns ^{first} ^(Rani) is requesting the linkage. Our summer and the US summer are different. Specific months would be more helpful.
Secondly they both mention CV's. So forward these when you access the

3/16/02 9:34 AM

-- Juzzy <juzzym@ihug.com.au> wrote:
From: "Juzzy" <juzzym@ihug.com.au>
To: "Deeptha Thattai" <deepthai@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: volunteer
Date: Wed, 13 Mar 2002 11:28:00 +1100

Hello Deeptha,

Thank you for your reply, at the moment I am
up-grading my CV, so I will give
you a brief summary today and send you a completed
copy late Thursday
afternoon. To answer your questions - I do not have
a huge preference where
I work, although I have read quite a bit on
Bangalore in the South. I am
reading a lot about India and it's traditions, but
to tell you the truth
wherever I was sent would be fine with me.

I am interested in Rural projects/teaching, but to
work in urban areas is
fine with me also. I would like to be involved with
teaching/empowering
women/families. If I were to be teaching children in
schools I would also
like to become involved in an outside project, - for
example a sustainable
community development program like "teach the
teacher" for women/young
girls. I do not have any knowledge the Indian
language.

I am in my last semester of my degree in Community
Welfare/International
Social Development - I am required to complete a
placement for 6 months in a
developing country. Aus-aid have not sponsored
anyone to India before - my
lecturer should be receiving funding soon. I would
be required to leave July
or August 2002 for six months.

If my Aus-aid decide against funding students to
India - could you give me a
rough estimate of the costs I would encounter for a
six month placement?

I have just turned 30 years old, i have taught
English in -

Hanoi University, in Vietnam
Rural Aboriginal schoolhouse, Australia
Preschool teacher, Seattle United States

At the moment i am working partime in a refuge with
homeless children. Could
you please tell me about your organisation.

I look forward to hearing from you
regards Justine

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avi. Interns application

-Original Message-----
From: Deeptha Thattai <deepthai@yahoo.com>
To: Juzzy <juzzym@ihug.com.au>
Date: Tuesday, 12 March 2002 13:01
Subject: Re: volunteer

Hi Justine,
> could you send me your CV?
> Also, the following information:
> where in India would you like to work?
> when can you start working?
> Do you know any Indian language?
> Do you prefer an urban or rural place?
> Are there any specific preferences on what you want
to
> work on...with children, is teaching in schools OK,
> etc.
>
> Regards,
> Deeptha
>

>--- Juzzy <juzzym@ihug.com.au> wrote:
>> My name is Justine Demaine, i am in my final year
of
>> a degree in Community Welfare (International
Social
>> Development) at the University of Western Sydney
>> Australia. I am going to be sponsored by Ausaid
for
>> six months and would like to volunteer in India.
>> Could you please tell me who you think would be
>> interested in taking me as a volunteer for six
>> months. I have references and a lot of work
>> experience with dis-advantaged children and
>> families.
>> I look forward to hearing from you
>> justine
>>

Subject: Resume - Rani

Date: Mon, 18 Mar 2002 14:23:50 +0530

From: Mashood_Kandy@i2.com

To: Community health cell <sochara@vsnl.com>

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Dear Ravi,

sending resume of Rani Shankar. Other details I'll check with her and let you know.

regds,

mashood.

Rani Theresa Shankar

318 Davie Road, Carrboro NC 27510 (919) 933-0707

rani_shankar@yahoo.com

Education

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Candidate for Masters in Public Health. Expected graduation May 2003. Department of Maternal and Child Health. Maternal and Child Health Bureau Traineeship. Professional Development Grant.

Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA. Bachelor of Arts. June 1998. Major in Biology with background in Anthropology and Health Policy. Lucretia Mott Fellowship.

East Mecklenburg High School, Charlotte, NC. Graduated in top 2 % of class, June 1994. National Honor Society.

Experience

Field Interviewer, Pregnancy Infection and Nutrition (PIN) Study, Carolina Population Center, Chapel Hill, NC. Telephone interviewer for study investigating effects of stress, physical activity, nutrition, and infection in preterm pregnancy. Jan 2002-present.

Marketing Coordinator, Einhorn Yaffee Prescott, Architecture and Engineering, Boston, MA. Coordinated the production of marketing materials, including proposals, graphic design, and press releases. Campaign chairperson for Red Way Fund Drive. Summer 2000-Summer 2001.

Senior Clinic Assistant, Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts, Boston, MA. Lead clinic Assistant and contraceptive counselor in the gynecology service. Trained and oriented new clinic assistants, compiled and presented clinic statistics, organized and conducted monthly clinic assistant meetings, medical assistant to medical director's consult clinic, managed schedules, stocking, and triaged facility and patient flow issues. Peer-awarded Samuel Clark, MD Award for Excellence in Clinical Service. Fall 1998- Summer 2000.

Teaching Intern, Summerbridge San Francisco, University High School, San Francisco, CA. Taught French to 7th-9th graders at summer enrichment program for academically motivated public school students. Planned and lead daily lessons, all school meetings, and cultural field trips. Organized the occupational field trip day, when students visited businesses and organizations in the community. Summer 1998.

Research Assistant, National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center, Diagnostic Radiology Department, Bethesda, MD. Research assistant for study that used computed tomographical measurements to investigate side effects of an HIV protease inhibitor. Wrote and presented a paper at Poster Day. Co-authored paper, "Visceral abdominal-fat accumulation associated with the use of indinavir", The Lancet, March 21, 1998. Summer 1997.

Clinical Research Assistant, Neighborhood Health Center, Charlotte, NC.

-Interviewer for a public health survey. Interviewed patients on perceptions of health care delivery in the community. Survey results were considered in the planning for new, community-oriented primary care centers in the Carolinas Health Care System. Summer 1995.

-Researched and evaluated the pre-natal clinical pathway for 30 obstetric patients. Summer 1995.

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Volunteer

UNC Birthpartners. Starting work as a *doula* (labor assistant) in the Labor and Delivery Department of UNC Hospital and currently seeking DONA (Doula of North America) certification. January 2002- present.

Reach out and Read Volunteer. Pediatrics Department, Somerville Hospital, Somerville, MA. Read books to children in waiting area. Literacy program grants free books to children at their annual check up. Fall 2000.

Intern, Boston Women's Health Book Collective, Somerville, MA. Worked with webmistress in developing and updating links to resources at ourbodiesourselves.org. Spring 2000.

Swarthmore Foundation Grant Recipient. Awarded funding to work with the Delaware County Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Program at the Wellness Center, a school based health clinic in Chester, PA. Collaborated with peer leaders in the development of a video to accompany the middle school health curriculum in the Chester School System. Involved in the planning, scripting, filming, production, and editing of the video. Spring 1998.

Columbia Hospital for Women, Washington, DC. Med/Surg and Post-Partum units. Assisted in transporting and discharging patients, setting up patient rooms, responding to patient calls, and serving as a courier for the Hospital pharmacy and Laboratory. Summer 1997.

Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, DC. Bone Marrow Transplant Unit. Assisted nurses in care of patients in administration and distributing meals and supplies. Summer 1997.

Carolinas Medical Center, Emergency Department, Charlotte, NC. Worked alongside patient care representatives in administration in triage area. Summer 1996.

Activities

Columnist, Platinum Magazine, Bodywise column. Freelance writer of health articles for Boston women's magazine. Topics included the introduction of new contraceptive methods, eating disorder awareness and domestic violence prevention. Fall 2000-Spring 2001.

Senior class officer. Swarthmore College. Elected representative of senior class to organize senior activities and fundraising, 1997-98. Class secretary. Compile and write alumni notes in college bulletin. 1998-present.

Quintance Sexual Assault Prevention Facilitator. Lead workshops dealing with issues of sexual assault prevention for first year students. 1997.

Varsity Women's Tennis Team. Swarthmore College. Captain, singles and doubles player in Division III intercollegiate competition. 1994-98, centennial conference team title. 1995.

Interests

International travel, conversational French, independent films, music, photography, fashion, painting, sewing, hiking, plants and tennis.

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Dear Dr. Ravi,
i am forwarding Prasanna's email id. He is aware of your visit.
may write to him with details.
thanks and regards,
mashood.

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Tel. 00 49 (0)208 8575 209
Mobile: 00 49 (0)170 8867714

26/4/02

Dear Prasanna

Greetings from CHC/PHM in Bangalore

I have been in close touch with Mashood, Gauri, Senthil and others of AID-Bangalore and got your ^{address} ~~letter~~ from them. My wife and I are ^{facilitating} ~~doing~~ a series of meetings on Peoples Health Assembly/Movement in Europe from 28th April till 12th may enroute to a week of lobbying in World Health Organisation Geneva during their Annual assembly (13-17th May)

If you can attend the Aachen or Frankfurt meetings please do get in touch with the contacts mentioned to confirm and get other details. Is there an AID group in Germany? If we could meet some of you that would be great. Our phase in Germany is from 8th to 12th. Kelma attended the Maryland get together last year.

We leave tomorrow but if you respond before we shall open the mail at office till 12 noon. Not it would be nice. Otherwise Arjun our colleague here coordinating PHM matters in our absence will send you our contact numbers.

We too have your numbers from Mashood
Best wishes
Ravi

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Subject: [aidbangalore] Final Report of Relief/Rehab Efforts of PRL, Ahmedabad Group (fwd)

Date: Thu, 31 Oct 2002 12:37:42 +0530

From: mashood_kandy@i2.com

Reply-To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

CC: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

This is a report i got from Dr. Raghavan. Some of us who have donated money towards this might be interested for the details.

regds,
mashood.

Dear all,

This is the fifth and final report of the relief efforts of the staff and students of the Physical Research Laboratory (PRL) at Ahmedabad. In the past few months we had been channeling our money through other groups to support various relief and rehabilitation efforts and we have now spent the money that we had collected. We thank all of you who have supported us in this venture and we hope that a lasting peace shall someday return to Gujarat.

October 28, 2002

There are a few camps left in Ahmedabad but many people in Ahmedabad have now returned to their homes and are trying to rebuild their lives. In some areas people are still afraid to return to their original dwellings. Sporadic incidences of violence occur occasionally and people are fearful whenever major incidents occur, such as the Rath Yatra and the Akshardham attack, that there could be trouble again.

In the last few months we have continued to support rebuilding of homes in some areas. We donated Rs. 1,00,000 to the Manav Seva Samaj Trust of the Vatwa area to help build homes for those who could not return to their original dwellings out of fear. With Prakriti we continued to support Jan Sangharsh Manch to rebuild homes in Salat Nagar. As you may recall, Salat Nagar is a community of Muslims and Hindus who collectively resisted the rioters and all of whose homes were destroyed. A sum of Rs. 64,000 was provided in addition to the amount of Rs. 1,50,000 that we had provided earlier and mentioned in our previous report.

In June there was an outbreak of jaundice in some of the camps. Citizens' Initiative was providing people in the camps with additional nutritional food such as buttermilk, watermelon, etc. to help those in the camps. We provided Rs. 48,000 to partially cover some of these expenses.

The annual Jagannath Rath Yatra has on occasion led to communal violence in Ahmedabad. This time many people who had left the relief camps returned to them for a few days apprehending a possible outbreak of violence. We provided Rs. 5000 to Action Aid India to purchase firewood for cooking for the camps. (Incidentally, the Rath Yatra did pass off peacefully.)

An activist from Vatwa approached us for assistance in purchasing notebooks for schoolchildren of both communities who had been affected by the riots. In many cases these children had not lost their homes but their parents were unable to buy them the books because they were impoverished as they could not go to work during the riots. We provided Rs. 14,500 for this purpose.

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A young man in Juhapura, Sajjid, had started an NGO called Unity Welfare Trust which provided riot victims with handcarts and sewing machines. After an initial grace period the recipients were to pay back Rs. 10-15 per day towards the cost of the handcart or sewing machine. After they had paid back a reasonable fraction of the cost the remainder of the cost was written off by Unity. Unity was also running sewing classes in conjunction with Gurjari to train women in embroidery. With Prakriti we supported Unity with Rs. 25,000.

Juhapura is a Muslim dominated area of Ahmedabad. There is a community of Hindu sweepers who live there and who had fled their homes during the violence. After they returned to their homes there was a need for food and with Prakriti we provided food worth Rs. 13,000 for the 65 families there.

With Prakriti, we have also provided Rs. 9000 for a school set up to provide non-formal education to riot affected children in Kasai ki chali, a locality in the Behrampura area of Ahmedabad. The school organises various activities for the children. The project is under the stewardship of Ajay Raina, a filmmaker.

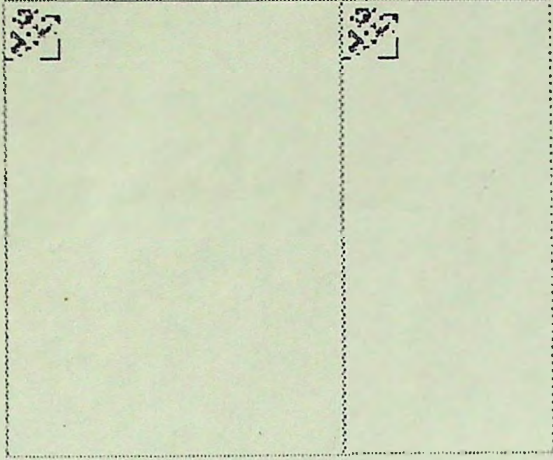
The Baroda based NGO, Sahaj, had been working with Shanti Abhiyan and NCL, Baroda to prevent the spread of violence during the riots. They were also providing livelihood assistance, providing books and paying fees for schoolchildren whose parents could no longer afford to do so, and purchasing household items to those who were restarting their homes. We provided them Rs. 10,000.

Once again, thank you for your all your support and assistance.

With best regards,
Raghu Rangarajan.

The other members of the Gujarat Relief Fund were
Angom Dilip Singh, Arul Laxminarayan, Jitesh Bhatt, Jitendra Parikh,
Ishwar Prajapati, Rishikesh Vaidya, Kaushar Sanchawala
and R. Sankaranarayanan.

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Subject: JSA - ASF

Date: Wed, 13 Nov 2002 16:18:34 +0530

From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>

To: prasanna_aid@yahoo.com

Dear Prasanna,

Greetings from Community Health Cell!

Thanks for your prompt action. Yes, you could take a little more time - by 23rd November 2002.


Mr. Chander said he had sent you the write up. We are sending that to you once again now.

With respect to specific areas of CHC's collaboration with AID volunteers, we will discuss and get back to you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

K. Gopinathan
Administrative Officer
Community Health Cell

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Subject: [aidbangalore] Lavanya's performance

Date: Thu, 7 Nov 2002 18:01:00 +0530

From: mashood_kandy@i2.com

Reply-To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

CC: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

Dear Aiders,

Aider Lavanya is performing a play "Bhavana" on stage tomorrow. This is in support of an Organisation called Sudattha who works towards adoption.

Let us all be there and support her and the cause !. Tickets (Rs. 50, 100, 150) will be available at venue.

If you need to book tickets in advance call me or prasanna. Program starts at 7.00 pm, you need to be there

bit early if you are buying the tickets at the venue.

see you there !

All the best Lavanya !

mashood.

November 8, 2002 – Bhavana at 7

Tata Auditorium

A production for Sudatta - an organisation that works towards the goal of adoption. It is a very sensitive issue and is being handled in two parts.

Part 1 - Hamsa Moly is doing a dance piece with poetry – Classical Style

Part 2 – the play is with the children of the Sudatta families and is integrating with the Chrysalis Theatre Company. Is A danse drama through movement. that has Indian Classical and fusion music. The play is constructed on 6 Rasaas :Sorrow, Compassion, Courage, Amazement, Love, Happiness

It will be creative theatre and will involve script, lyrics and words with movement and imagery
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Subject: Re: JSA - ASF
Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 23:53:00 -0800 (PST)
From: Prasanna Saligram <prasanna_aid@yahoo.com>
To: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>

Dear Mr. Gopinath/Srinidhi/Chander,

I am replying to this mail as an acknowledgement of the mail that was sent by u and to confirm that this is my e-mail address.

1 or 2 things at the first glance. I will forward this mail to my group members and get back to u. Is the deadline of 18th very strict as we r having our weekly meeting only this weekend I wd request u for a little bit more time.

Also I am still waiting for a general writeup from Mr. Chander on CHC's present activities and also it would be good if CHC can identify specific areas in which AID volunteers can support in PHM activities that could help us to prepare the agenda for the Dec 1st meeting.

Thanks.
 Prasanna

Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com> wrote:

CHC Society Members /
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Dear Prasanna and Friends,

Greetings from Community Health Cell.

Enclosed a preliminary intimation of the Asia Social Forum event in Hyderabad from 2 - 7th January 2003 and the Jana Swasthya Abhiyan's evolving contribution to it. CHC will be playing an active role in the JSA - ASF event and organizing

- a) The seminar on Environment and Health and three workshops on
- b) Taking the Peoples Health Movement Forward.
- c) Alma Ata Anniversary reflection
- d) Towards a tobacco free world.

We will also be contributing or participating in many of the other sessions / events particularly

- e) The seminar on Right to Health Care moving from idea to reality;
- f) A cross country audit of externally funded Health Sector reform;
- g) War conflict and Disaster building People Action for Heal th.

We invite you or your team members to join the CHC team in this significant intersectoral event. All participants are requested to cover as much of their own travel to Hyderabad and be ready to cover basic costs of local stay at very subsidised rates. We are raising funds to support some of these costs if feasible.

*Dear Prasanna, // Greetings, for CHC!
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*With best wishes,
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Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 170
Date: 28 Nov 2002 14:40:41 -0000
From: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com
To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

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1. Workshop on Public health movement by CHC on Dec 1, MUST READ
From: Prasanna Saligram <prasanna_aid@yahoo.com>

Message: 1

Date: Wed, 27 Nov 2002 12:37:33 -0800 (PST)
From: Prasanna Saligram <prasanna_aid@yahoo.com>
Subject: Workshop on Public health movement by CHC on Dec 1, MUST READ

Hi all of u,

I am attaching the agenda(CHC_Workshop_0112_agenda.doc) that has been chalked out with Dr. Ravi Narayan, Chander and others of the community health cell (CIIC) for the half day workshop on the Public Health Movement (PHM) on sunday the 1st of Dec. The deadline to send any suggestions on the same is Friday 1 pm. after which the agenda will be frozen. Hope I am giving u people enough time for the same.

Also I sincerely hope that all of us take some time out to participate in this workshop which is a learning process for all of us about PHM. Pls. make it a point to attend the same as our CHC friends are taking extra effort to come on sunday just for this workshop. Sometime back in the CSH we had discussed about moving into newer areas of activities. The cooperation with CHC falls perfectly in line with the same. Also as u would all find out this will be an extension of the "Joy of learning" activities we r at present very actively and committedly doing. It would be nice if each one sends a mail to me confirming her/his participation. Also those who could possibly hv problems locating the place can pls. contact either myself, Guru or Mashood(?) for the dirccions.

Dr. Ravi Narayan and other friends at CHC,

I hope this is in conformity with the discussions I had with u on mon and wed. Any deviations pls. convey to me.

Thanks
Prasanna

P.S. Sorry for the repetition in ur mailbox becos of aidbangalore and aidbangcore.

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[aidbangalore] Re: Announcing "AID-India Conference" - December 2002 at Bangalore

Subject: [aidbangalore] Re: Announcing "AID-India Conference" - December 2002 at Bangalore

Date: Wed, 20 Nov 2002 16:10:34 -0800 (PST)

From: "Venkatesh R. Iyer" <vr_iyer@yahoo.com>

Reply-To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

CC: balaji_sampath@hotmail.com

Mashood,

This is Venkatesh (previously of A.I.D Penn State and A.I.D-Mumbai), writing from Palakkad, Kerala. My parents and i moved here a couple of months ago, and i will be here till mid-Jan when i have to return to the ph.d program i am in at the Center for Energy & Environmental Policy, University of Delaware.

I am just writing to suggest that K.R. Dattye be invited as one of key speakers at the A.I.D Conference in Bangalore. I was in Mumbai recently and met with Dattyeji. He informed me that he plans to be in Bangalore towards the end of December; so it may be quite easy to have him speak at the A.I.D Conference.

Apart from his ongoing work in integrating land, water, livelihoods, equity and energy issues in resource-poor areas, he and his colleagues have also become very seriously involved in demonstrating alternative strategies for renewable materials and energy based development in resource rich areas such as Mizoram, Tripura and Uttaraanchal. Thus, his pioneering efforts now span a very comprehensive set of socio-political, economic and ecological situations. As you and Balaji know, Dattyeji's energy and enthusiasm is very infectious and it may be a good opportunity for more AIDers in India to become aware of his work and be inspired by it.

You can get in touch with Dattyeji at (022) 6184775 or 6185334, or via e-mail at susdev@bom2.vsnl.net.in

It may also be a good idea to try and also get some of his close colleagues (Vilas Gore, K.J. Joy or Suhas Parantape) to be present at the AID Conference. I believe K.J. Joy is currently based in Bangalore as a visiting scholar at CISED. You should be able to reach him by contacting Sharad Lele at CISED.

Best regards,
venkatesh

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Subject: Re: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 170

Date: Fri, 29 Nov 2002 11:56:34 +0530

From: Mashood_Kandy@i2.com

To: sochara@vsnl.com


CC: prasanna_aid@yahoo.com, mguru@hotmail.com

Hi Srinidhi,

i am attaching the word doc. Please let us know if u are able to view it.

thanks,

mashood.

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Conducted by Community health Cell(CHC)

DATE : 01.12.2002
TIME : 9 AM to 2 PM
VENUE : Community health Cell
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Jakkasandra 1st Main,
1st Block, Koramangala,
Bangalore – 560 034.
Ph: 080-5531518
Fax: 080-5525372
Email: sochara@vsnl.com

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Subject: Seminar: History of Ideas at NIAS (13 Dec) (fwd)

Date: Tue, 3 Dec 2002 14:00:07 +0530 (IST)

From: "A. Deva Raju, NIAS" <adr@hamsadvani.serc.iisc.ernet.in>

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Subject: Seminar: History of Ideas at NIAS (13 Dec)

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDIES and RAMAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE, Bangalore 560 080

Seminar on the History of Ideas

Topic: The Idea of chaos

Speaker: Prof P G VAIDYA
NIAS

Date & Date: Friday, 13 December 2002

Time: 5.00 P.M.

Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium
NIAS, IISc Campus

All are cordially invited

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Abstract:

The talk will discuss the 'chaotic' history of the idea of chaos. This history has two distinct streams. One is the narrative of the applied scientists (mostly in physics, but also in engineering, biology and economics) and the other is the story of mathematicians. The two streams occasionally influenced each other but most followers of one of the paths were ignorant of the achievements of the other for a long time. Coming to the present time, it seems that we are about to end a chapter in this history whose title might have been : 'Isn't it wonderful, everything is chaotic?' and we have just begun a chapter called 'So, how does it affect my day to day work?' The interaction of the idea with other disciplines and its possible growth in the future will be discussed.

About the speaker:

Prof Prabhakar Vaidya, Head of the Mathematical Modelling Unit at NIAS, had earlier worked at Lockheed and Boeing and taught at Purdue and Washington State Universities. Currently his research work involves nonlinear dynamics and chaos, cryptography, nonlinear signal analysis and image processing.

Tea/Coffee: 4.30 P.M.

NIAS and RRI are organizing a monthly seminar on the History of Ideas, meeting usually on the second Friday of every month. The organizing committee consists of R L Kapur, N Kumar, R Narasimha, M G Narasimhan (Convenor).

Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 174

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1. [Fwd: [pha-ncc] PHM media coverage during the World Ayurvedic Congress:::::Zafrul.
From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>
2. Re: Greenpeace
From: lavanya_devdas@i2.com
3. [Fwd: Seminar: History of Ideas at NIAS (13 Dec) (fwd)]
From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>
4. Rally for peace - dec 6
From: Senthil S <senthilsos@yahoo.com>

Message: 1

Date: Wed, 04 Dec 2002 11:25:03 +0530

From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>

Subject: [Fwd: [pha-ncc] PHM media coverage during the World Ayurvedic Congress:::::Zafrul.

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Message: 2

Date: Wed, 4 Dec 2002 16:04:03 +0530

From: lavanya_devdas@i2.com

Subject: Re: Greenpeace

Some people had expressed queries of what Greenpeace has been doing in India.

Please look at the link below.

<http://www.greenpeaceindia.org>

Cheers,
Lavanya

Lavanya Devdas
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Hi folks,

I think we need to listen to the silent unheard voices...and why not
become members of the Greenpeace and strengthen our resolve to fight
against the ruthless hegemony of power!!!
I have become a member, and have a friend in the Greenpeace who would help
you'll interested souls become members too!
Do let me know...and lets echo in One Voice for a better, greener world...

Greenpeace exists because this fragile earth deserves a voice. It needs
solutions. It needs change. It needs action.

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to our tomorrow,

Lavanya

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Message: 3
Date: Thu, 05 Dec 2002 14:43:51 +0530
From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>
Subject: [Fwd: Seminar: History of Ideas at NIAS (13 Dec) (tw)]

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Message: 4
Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 05:22:04 -0800 (PST)
From: Senthil S <senthilsos@yahoo.com>
Subject: Rally for peace - dec 6

Hi,

Tomorrow we have a book release/rally starting from
Mysore Bank Circle, Majestic at 3.45 p.m.

Many groups in Bangalore like Pedestrian Pictures,
Vimochana are part of the effort.

The idea of the rally is 'Hate Hurts and Harmony Works'; they are also focusing on the Baba Budangiri and communal situation in Chikamagalur town .

PUCL Report of the issue:

<http://www.pucl.org/reports/Karnataka/chikamagalur.htm>

A Rediff Article:

<http://www.rediff.com/election/1999/sep/07karna.htm>

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<http://www.hvk.org/articles/1298/0045.html>

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Subject: [GUJARATDEVELOPMENT] GUJARAT CARNAGE (*A40*): November 28

Date: Thu, 28 Nov 2002 09:11:04 +0530

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- aman biradari: festival for peace 2002 in Ahmedabad (december 3-6)
- Concerned Citizens Tribunal - Gujarat 2002: An inquiry into the carnage in Gujarat
- PETITION: Seeking Justice for Sexual Violence against Indian Women in the Gujarat Massacres

GUJARAT CARNAGE (*A40*): November 28

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FESTIVAL FOR PEACE - 2002
3 - 6 December

Justice for all - Peace forever

Rediscover the essence of our CULTURE - Let us unite to celebrate PLURALITY

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The ultimate goal of the festival is to create peace in the hearts, homes, communities, and all sections of Ahmedabad Society.

The Festival for Peace 2002 will involve eminent national artists like Shubha Mudgal, Gundecha Brothers, Amreshwar Dhaneshwar, Children's Play by Sanskar Rang Toli of NSD directed by Dr. Mohan Agashe, Street plays across the city by eminent drama groups of national repute, painting festival and exhibition, consultations on various contemporary issues and an artists' convention. They will express through their art and views to influence the citizens of Ahmedabad to celebrate peace & harmony.

The festival is being organized under the auspices of AMAN BIRADARI [PEACE COMMUNITY] a platform of over 500 cultural artistes, organizations and individuals all over India seeking to attain peace & harmony in Indian society by celebrating diversity.

AMAN BIRADARI seeks to provide a cultural initiative to peace efforts, mobilise the youth to creatively respond to societal issues, and support the people's resistance to the oppressive and violent forces active in society.

This festival seeks to launch the peace platform.

This is what we want to do. This is our passion and we hope that you will join us in our efforts with your support, solidarity, feedback and ideas, as well as your financial contributions.

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A brief note about the artistes:

SHUBHA MUDGAL

Born into a musically dedicated family, Shubha Mudgal has been trained by some of the finest musicians and musicologists in India. Trained by Pandit Ram Ashreya Jha in Allahabad, from whom she still receives instruction, Shubha later moved to Delhi where she received the guidance of Pandit Vinaya Chandra Maudgalya and Pandit Vasant Thakar. She went onto

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learn stylistic techniques from well-know maestros Pandit Jitendra Abhisheki and Pandit Kumar Gandharva. She also received training in thumri from Smt. Naina Devi and is thus one of the most versatile and popular performers of the new generation of Hindustani musicians.

in addition to being a performer, Shubha has also won recognition as a composer. Her repertoire of medieval mystic and Sufi poetry includes rarely heard texts from the Vaishnava Pushti-marg poets, as well as the Nirguna poetry of Kabir, Namdev, Amir Khusrau, Nathpanthi poets and other Sufiana poetry.

Shubha Mudgal is accompanied on the tabla by Aneesh Pradhan, a disciple of tabla maestro Pt. Nikhil Ghosh.

AMARENDRA DHANESHWAR

Amarendra Dhaneshwar is a well-known journalist, media person, writer on music and a musician. He is indeed a multi – faceted personality. An activist and a commentator, he has established himself as a public figure whose views & music are worth listening to. As an activist he has suffered a long jail term during the dreaded emergency of 1975.

He is a trained vocalist and has received rigorous training from Ms Neela Bhagwat who is acknowledged as an outstanding singer from the authentic Gwalior gharana. Dhaneshwar has performed at major centers like Dadar Matunga Cultural Center, Bharat Bhawan, Satyajit Ray Institute, Shantipur Music Festival and Karnataka Sangha. His voice and music was used for Kumar Shahani's film 'Var Var Var' and also for the Century City Exhibition held in Tate Modern Art Gallery in London. He has also toured U.K., France, Germany, Holland and Italy. He is a trustee of 'Khayal Trust' and 'Madhu Limaye Smriti Nyas'. Sudhir Nayaka disciple of Pt. Tulsidas Borkar and Pt. Jitendra Abhisheki, accompanies her on the harmonium.

GUNDECHA BROTHERS

Umakant and Ramakant Gundecha are one of India's leading exponents of the Dhrupad style of music. They are among the most active young performers of Dhrupad in Indian and international circuits. After the Dagger Brothers, it is the Gundecha Brothers who have brought Dhrupad to the forefront on the concert platform. Born in Ujjain in Central India, both were initiated into music by their parents.

Gundecha Brothers received conventional university education and learned the Dhrupad vocal art under the renowned Dhrupad vocalist Ustad Zia Fariduddin Dagger and also with Ustad Zia Mohiuddin Dagger [the distinguished performer of Rudra Veena] in Dhrupad Kendra Bhopal.

The Gundecha Brothers have sung great Hindi poetry by Tulsidas, Kabir, Padmakar, Nirala in Dhrupad style and have also composed music for several documentaries, cassettes, CDs, and have sung for many television channels in India and have been broadcast on British, U.S., German and French radio as well.

Akhilesh Gundecha has learned Pakhawaj playing from Pandit Shrikant Mishra and Raja Chhatrapati Singh Ju Deo. He is regularly featured on Radio and Television. He is doing Ph.D. on Raja Chhatrapati Singh Ju Deo.

HAME KHELNA HAI

A children's play by Sanskar Rang Toli of NSD New Delhi

A group of children has grown together in a school. It's a multi-religion cosmopolitan group of children hailing the urban families. One day the city is rocked with riots. Children are rescued back home by parents irrespective of who belongs to which religion. When the school reopens, the children of the cosmopolitan return slowly. But it is not the same any more. They, too start getting divided over the recently acquired religious identity and hatred thereof. Ultimately they decide to refrain from fighting and remain together. But their parents are of the opinion that this is a childish idea. The children jointly stage a unique kind of protest. The parents agree to reconsider their decision of separating them. It is a small but significant win for the children and also for the spirit of communal harmony.

Sanskaar Rang Toli [T.I.E.Co.] of National School of Drama was established on October 16, 1989 and is one of the important educational resources in the country. The Toli consists of a group of actor-teachers working with and performing for children on regular basis. The plays for children are creative and participatory, Specially designed and prepared for children of different age groups to create awareness and encourage children to raise questions, make decisions and adopt theatrical skills as an alternative.

Programme Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Activity	Venue
December				

1	Sun	09-12am	Painting Festival for kids on PEACE	Fun Republic
3	Tue	10-12am	Consultation on Changing Nature of Nation State under Globalization and the Fascist Threat	AMA
		6-9pm	Film: Schindler's List	Fun Republic
		9:30-11pm	Musical Concert By Shubha Mudgal	Town Hall
4	Wed	10-12am	Consultation on Future of People's Politics	AMA
		6-9pm	Film: 1947 Earth	Fun Republic
		9:30-11pm	Children's Play by Sanskar Rang Toli of NSD	Tagore Hall
5	Thr	10-12am	Consultation on Identity Politics and Globalization	AMA
		6-9pm	Film: Bombay	Fun Republic
		9:30-11pm	Musical Concert by Anantendra Dhaneshwar	Town Hall
6	Fri	10-12am	Consultation on Communal Fascism and Globalization	AMA
		4-6pm	Artists' Convention	AMA
		6-9pm	Film: Fiza	Fun Republic
		9:30-11pm	Musical Concert by Gundecira Brothers	Town Hall

plus

Street-plays will be performed in various parts of the city by the following cultural groups of national repute.

- (1) Fade In, Ahmedabad
- (2) Shock Troop, Kerala
- (3) Parivartan, Baroda
- (4) Aahvan Natya Manch, Bombay
- (5) Vikas Jyot, Baroda
- (6) Chhattisgarh Mukti Morcha
- (7) Theatre Media Center (TMC), Ahmedabad
- (8) Loknaad, Ahmedabad
- (9) Pedestrian Pictures, Bangalore

also,

Selected Paintings from the kid's painting festival will be exhibited at various festival-venues between 3-6 December

Painting Festival & Exhibition

Over 500 school children will participate in the painting festival as part of the Festival for Peace 2002. We hope that with their pure and unadulterated imaginations – they will show us the way to peace, equality and civility. Selected works will be exhibited during and after festival at various venues.

Movie Shows

Cinema as an art form leaves lasting impressions with its vivid images in our conscious. That's one reason we will be showing one movie daily at Fun Republic during the festival. Schindler's List by Steven Spielberg, 1947 Earth by Deepa Mehta, Bombay by Mani Rathnam & Fiza by Khalid Mohamed are few movies that certainly rise above the run-of-the-mill cinema. They deal with the basic existential issues of all human beings. Craving for PEACE during the worst historical moments is at the core in these films.

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Festival Hosting Committee

Mahashweta Devi (writer/activist), Harsh Mander (activist), Romila Thapar (historian), Saeed Mirza (film maker), Mallika Sarabhai (dancer/actress), Kumudini Lakhia (dancer), Kailash Pandya (theater personality), Ganesh Devi (academician), Haku Shah (painter), Raju Barot (actor), Rajesh Mehta (entrepreneur) and many more.

Concerned Citizens Tribunal - Gujarat 2002: An inquiry into the carnage in Gujarat

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Crime against Humanity

Incidents and Evidence

<http://www.sabrang.com/tribunal/vol1/index.html>

Volume II

Crime against Humanity

Findings and Recommendations

<http://www.sabrang.com/tribunal/vol2/index.html>

PETITION: Seeking Justice for Sexual Violence against Indian Women in the Gujarat Massacres

We, the citizens of India, find the Home Minister LK Advanis statement that 'rape should be punished by death' misleading, shocking and insincere, in view of the following:

1. His party's consistent refusal to provide even preliminary justice to thousands of gang rape victims in Gujarat, crimes which were organized and perpetrated by his party workers/ people he supports including Chief Minister Modi(provided a clean chit by Mr Advani himself)

2. The statement of the head of the National Commission for Women, Smt Purnima Advani, appointed by his party, that 'rapes are commonplace' and therefore even preliminary justice and filing of FIRs was not 'allowed' by his government and its representatives the Gujarat state government.

3. The statement of his NDA government's convenor and then Defence minister George Fernandes: that 'rape has been happening for 50 years' and Shri Advani's steady support of it.

4. Please find attached the petition signed over the last 6 months, which has been seeking justice for the sexual violence victims of Gujrat - justice which has still not been provided with a single rapist's arrest and prosecution. The three basic demands for justice made by the country wide appeals of Indian women have still NOT BEEN MET.

This therefore proves Mr.Advani's statement as insincere, insulting and demeaning to the dignity of Indian women.

List of 4000+ Signatures available upon request.

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Original Petition Seeking Justice for Sexual Violence against Indian Women in the Gujarat Massacres

Who is India's Defence Minister really defending?

As citizens of India and especially women citizens of India, the Defense Minister George Fernandes's shocking statement in parliament and the NDA government's support of it has outraged and agonized us. His statement (Hindustan Times, May 5th 2002.):

Television cameras captured the moment when the Defence Minister of India spoke as the Defence Minister of criminals who had perpetrated grotesque acts of violence against women and children in Gujarat. He said in his speech in Parliament during the debate on Gujarat under Rule 184, "A woman with her womb cut open and her foetus torn out, women raped, we have heard these stories for 50

years"

We as Indian women and citizens are amazed at this callous denial of humanity and life to hundreds of women victims of brutal sexual and physical violence. In a situation where hundreds of women victims are not even able to file FIRs and bring perpetrators to justice, the Defense Minister's statement comes as a body blow to the dignity and hope for justice for Indian women. His dismissive and contemptuous attitude and utterances directed at the victims and activists seeking justice exemplifies the non-condemnation of the brutalities committed upon the women, which characterizes the insensitivity that prevails in the hallways of national and state power. These actions and utterances becomes an endorsement of these crimes against humanity and should be treated as his accepting these horrendous assaults as non-criminal. It violates every tenet in the UN declaration of Human rights and the National Policy on Women.

We the Hindu, Muslim, Sikh, Christian, Jain and all other women of all the faiths that call India home demand an immediate apology from the Defense Minister. Failing which we demand his ouster from the government. We cannot trust such a regressive and insensitive individual with our personal and national security.

And as part of a wider struggle for the restoration of the rule of law and Constitution in Gujarat we stand in camaraderie with women's organisations throughout India, who will be observing May 13 as a day of solidarity with the women victims of Gujarat. We support their three demands which are:

- Immediate filing of FIRs in cases of sexual assault and violence against women and arrest of all those named;
- The institution of special courts with a time-bound mandate in all such cases;
- Rehabilitation measures specifically designed for families rendered female headed because male members were killed.

We urge all citizens and especially our women citizens to join in raising this voice for those weeping women of Gujarat who lost so much more than words can ever convey. Let rhetoric give way to humanity.

Full investigation reports as well as all the messages of Gujarat Development can be viewed/downloaded from the FILES section (gujaratcarnage folder) of this egroup at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GUJARATDEVELOPMENT>

For daily news updates & citizens initiatives in post riots Gujarat Check:

<http://www.onlinevolunteers.org/gujarat/links/insaf.htm> & <http://www.sabrang.com> & <http://www.riotinfo.com>

All updates on GUJARAT DEVELOPMENT can be viewed at:

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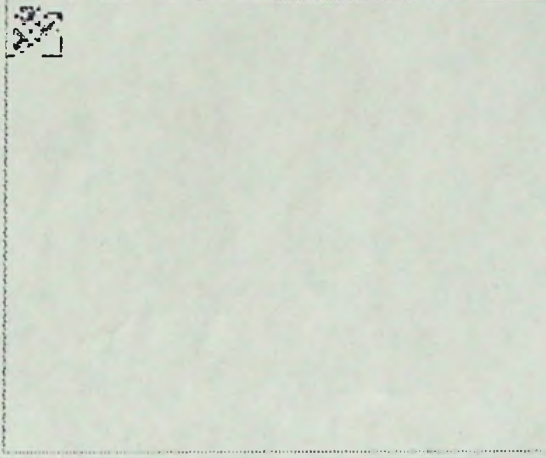
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various themes. You can also suggest projects in the AID-NGO session.
The deadline for suggestions is 23rd of November. Suggestions should be
sent in within next three days to mguru@hotmail.com,
prasanna_aid@yahoo.com and masnood_kandy@i2.com with a copy to
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[Bangalore] Announcing "AID-India Conference" - December 2002 at Bangalore

Subject: [aidbangalore] Announcing "AID-India Conference" - December 2002 at Bangalore

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Dear Friends,

We are happily announcing that the AID-India conference this year will be organized in Bangalore during 27, 28 and 29th of December. This conference is going to be a very important one. AID-India is now working on a large number of projects and we have learnt some important lessons on organizing ourselves. We are now at a stage where things will grow and grow very fast. We now have very active teams in different cities with regular - almost daily - activities. We also have an office fully functioning with a number of fulltime people working out of it.

This conference will be an important point - it will set the agenda for the future. And the agenda below hopefully reflects this.

The main sessions planned are:

1. AID-India Chapters, Roles and Administration
2. AID-Science Movement Interaction - HBP - Health and MPI projects
3. AID interaction with other groups - NAPM, NGOs, Dalit groups, etc
4. Interaction with AID sathis
5. General Educational Session for Volunteers and Outsiders
6. AID-Plan for the year
7. Personal Development and Alternate Living
8. Special Sessions

Within each of the above, a number of sub-sessions are planned. The idea is to place all sub-sessions in each major theme together both for continuity and focus as well as to help people who can participate only for short time to choose the time they want to attend.

The detailed proposed agenda is given below. The exact timings will be announced soon.

 Dates : 27, 28, 29 th of December, 2002
 Venue : Indian Social Institute, Bangalore (getting confirmed)

Day 1: Friday December 27, 2002

9:00 - 9:30 Registration

9:30 - 1:00 AID-India Chapters, Roles and Administration

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To CHC/Kem members for information
 - Any of you free to attend any of the sessions. All are invited RN
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Introducing AID

AID History and the context for AID-India - Ravi and Kiran, Report from India Chapters - Bangalore, Chennai, Pune, Mumbai, Delhi...

Important Lessons Learnt and Role for AID-India chapters - 2-3 people lead with discussion

Tea Break

AID India admin activities Structure (EC, Fulltimers, office, functioning, Byelaws, IT, FCRA, etc)

Requirement and Services by office - discussion
Treasury
Inter chapter co-ordination

AID-US/UK/HK/Aus
Collaborations and mutual support
Administrative requirements and services

1:00 - 2:00 Lunch

2:00 - 6:30 AID - People's Science Movement Interaction

Hundred Block Plan (panel presentation and discussion)

Introduction
Overall Review and progress
Reporting and Questions on
Health and SHGs in TN (Arogya Iyakkam)
Health and SHGs in Bihar (Swasth Abhiyan)
People's School Movement in TN (Makkal Palli Iyakkam)

Tea Break

Non-monetary support
Visits, material development, VCDs, IT, Science Education, etc

Other AID-PSM Interactions

Lessons for AID-US and AID-India volunteers

6:30 - 8:00 Open session, Videos, Posters and Discussions

8:00 Dinner

9:00 Special Parallel Worksnops (waiting for offers !!)

Day 2: Saturday December 28 2002

9:30 - 11:15 AID interaction with other groups - NAPM, NGOs, Dalit groups, etc

Working with NBA - Ravi and Aravinda
Working with NGOs - suggestions invited

11:15 - 11:30 Tea Break
11:30 - 1:00 Interaction with AID sathis - Part I
Michael/Swasi, Aravinda, Ravi
1:00 - 2:00 Lunch
2:00 - 3:30 Interaction with AID sathis - Part II
Leo Saldhana, Aruna Ratnam, Balaji
4:00 - 8:00 General Educational Session for Volunteers and
Outsiders

- Literacy and Education
- Communalism and Gujarat
- Globalisation and World Social Forum
- Science Education
- Public Health
- Women's Empowerment
- Environment and Energy
- Rural Development and Enterprises

(Obviously not all of the above can be fitted in. Based on the availability of speakers and time taken, some topics will be skipped.)

8:00 Dinner

9:00 Special Parallel Workshops (Waiting for offers !)

Day 3: Sunday December 29 2002

9:30 - 11:30 AID Plan for the Year
Tabling of a tentative plan
Group discussions
Finalization of the plan

11:30 - 11:45 Tea Break

11:45 - 1:00 Personal Development and Alternate Living
Reading Circles
Lifestyle changes

1:00 - 2:00 Lunch

2:00 - 4:00 Special Session - Getting Professionals involved...

4:00 - 6:30 Open Session or Parallel Workshops (depending on requests)

Website for registration and email group for communication will be setup in next few days. Details of other facilities will be available soon. We welcome all of you to be part of the effort in making this a useful and successful conference.

Please send in your comments and ideas for the conference. If you want to offer workshops, you can do that. You can also suggest speakers under

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[Fwd: Dr.Ravi's talk at Oracle]

Subject: Re: [Fwd: Dr.Ravi's talk at Oracle]

Date: Tue, 03 Dec 2002 16:10:07 +0530

From: Arvind Rajaram <arvind.rajaram@oracle.com>

Organization: Server Technologies - Oracle India

To: sochara@vsnl.com

Dear Dr.,

Yes. I meant Dec 6th 4PM.

I will get a confirmation from HR tonight or by tomorrow before noon.

Will send you the final confirmation and other details then.

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Thanks,

Arvind.

Arvind Rajaram wrote:

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 > Dr.Ravi is ready!
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 > It would be better if you could let me know your decision by the end of today.
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 > I prefer the policy of fixed dates for arranging the talk can be exempted
 > since we have everything from the speaker's side ready.
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 > Thanks,
 > Arvind.

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 > Subject: Dr.Ravi's talk at Oracle
 > Date: Tue, 03 Dec 2002 15:26:38 +0530
 > From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>
 > To: arvind.rajaram@oracle.com

> Dear Aravind,

> Greetings from Community Health Cell!

> The invitation template is completed and sent. I thought I suggested December 6th at 4;

> Dr.Ravi Narayan

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> Topic: a) "Peoples Health in People's Hands: Is that possible"
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 > b) " Health: beyond Doctors, Drugs and Hospitals"
 > or
 > c) " What the Doctor should have told you...?" Confe

> Date: December 6, 2002, 4pm

> Venue: 5th floor, Oracle Technology Park, India Development Center, 3, Bannerghatta

Subject: Re: [Fwd: Dr.Ravi's talk at Oracle]
Date: Tue, 03 Dec 2002 17:06:42 +0530
From: Arvind Rajaram <arvind.rajaram@oracle.com>
Organization: Server Technologies - Oracle India
To: sochara@vsnl.com
References: 1, 2

I have confirmed the date and timing with HR. It is on.
We prefer: "What the Doctor should have told you...?" Confessions of a Medical Heretic

I will talk to you on Thu night about other details (getting here etc.)

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Thanks,
Arvind.

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>> Date: Tue, 03 Dec 2002 15:26:38 +0530

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Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 175

Date: 12 Dec 2002 18:04:57 -0000

From: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

Ask what you can do for India !

Association for India's Development
Bangalore Chapter.

There are 3 messages in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Register for Aid India conference - Important
From: mashood_kandy@i2.com
2. Tobacco Meeting
From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>
3. PHM - ASF Bangalore Dialogue - December 17th 2002
From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>

Message: 1

Date: Tue, 10 Dec 2002 17:10:59 +0530

From: mashood_kandy@i2.com

Subject: Register for Aid India conference - Important

Hi Bangalore Aiders,

Please spend sometime to register yourself for the conference. This will help us to get an idea of number of participants and to make the arrangements accordingly.. our strength in Bangalore is around 70 now, and we hope to see the same number in the website soon :-).. Also, spread the word among your friends and contacts.

See below some of the sessions which got confirmed. I am sure these will be of great help in educating ourselves on various social issues.

1. Bonded Labour and Dalits - Mr. Kiran Kamal Prasad, Secretary, Jeevika
2. A talk by Sandeep Pandey - Dr. Sandeep Pandey, Ex Professor of IIT Kanpur, Winner of 2002 Ramon Magsaysay Award, Founder of "Asha"
3. Psycho-social ramifications - Gujarat aftermath - Prof. Babu Mathew (National Law school)
4. Corporate social responsibility - Mr. Binod Singh, Founder - Bridge-IT
5. Dowry and Domestic Violence - Vimochana

Wishes,
mashood.

Dear Friends,

The Bangalore chapter of Association for India's Development takes immense pleasure in announcing India conference at Bangalore. The main focus is to share the experiences (good practices and learnings) of various chapters from India and abroad. The conference is open to you, your friends, relatives, people and NGOs you know. AID India is now working on a large number of projects. Some important lessons have been learnt on organizing ourselves. We are now at a stage where things will grow and grow very fast. This

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conference will be an important point and it will set the agenda for the future. In addition to sharing the good practices, taking stock and setting agenda for the next year, few open sessions/talks on interesting topics have been arranged which we hope will attract new volunteer-base to AID.

Please register for the conference at the earliest :

<http://www.aidindia.org/bangalore>

Also, recommend your friends and relatives in India to register.

We will be updating the conference session information at this website, as and when it gets confirmed.

best wishes,

Aid Bangalore Team

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Message: 2

Date: Wed, 11 Dec 2002 12:35:08 +0530

From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>

Subject: Tobacco Meeting

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Community Health Cell!

Hope some of you may be able to attend the meeting for which the invitation is enclosed.

Regards,

S.J.Chander

[This message contained attachments]

Message: 3

Date: Wed, 11 Dec 2002 18:39:23 +0530

From: Community Health Cell <sochara@vsnl.com>

Subject: PHM - ASF Bangalore Dialogue - December 17th 2002

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Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 176

Date: 18 Dec 2002 12:56:55 -0000

From: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

Ask what you can do for India !

Association for India's Development
Bangalore Chapter.

There are 2 messages in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Fwd : Role of Philanthropy in Primary Education - by ES Ramamurthy
From: mashood_kandy@i2.com
2. accommodating conference attendees.
From: "gurumoorthy mathrubootham" <mguru@hotmail.com>

Message: 1

Date: Tue, 17 Dec 2002 17:26:03 +0530

From: mashood_kandy@i2.com

Subject: Fwd : Role of Philanthropy in Primary Education - by ES Ramamurthy

Subject: summary of talk on the Role of Philanthropy in Primary Education

Role of Philanthropy in Primary Education

By

Mr. ES Ramamurthy

11:00 AM, December 8 (Sunday)

St. Joseph's Indian High School

More details about Sikshana's work is at

<http://www.sikshana.org/>

<http://www.deccanherald.com/deccanherald/july14/at6.htm>

Dr. Ramamurthy of Sikshana spoke on the role of Philanthropy in education. Sikshana works in 7 government schools in South Bangalore currently in improving the educational standards.

As opposed to individual philanthropy, 'groups' should focus their attention on systemic reform.

All efforts should be geared towards improving the learning levels of children. In govt schools, the bars are set very low. Even children who 'pass' the examinations and secure a reasonably good percentage of marks might have abysmal learning levels. Things are bad enough that children have no clue as to what they should do to become what they dearly want to become.

It is important to delve on why this is so, given that most of the teachers in these schools do get a good pay and come in with 'good' qualifications.

Teachers do give several excuses why this is so. For instance, they give an excuse that they are not allowed to teach English in early classes by the state education dept. Upon inquiry, Sikshana found that this was no more than a mere guideline and there was sufficient flexibility to allow teachers to do a variety of things, including teaching of English. So English is now being taught in early classes

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Things like libraries are typically non-existent in the govt schools, and where they do exist, the type of books are totally inappropriate. What is more, they are kept under lock and key. Teachers give the excuse that the books are kept locked up because if they are damaged, the cost would be recovered from the teacher's salary! The commissioner of education again rubbished this contention. In the schools Sikshana works in, children are encouraged to play and experiment with the computers.

Empathy with the children is important. Having things like benches and uniforms is very secondary. Most govt spending on education goes into misplaced priorities. Currently spends money on giving 2 sets of uniforms to children. You break the system, and then spend crores of rupees to bring the children who drop out back in through programs like Chinnara Angala. You should concentrate on fixing the system first and retaining the children. Dropouts happen if parents and children perceive it is not in their interest to continue.

Sikshana, for instance, gets the teachers to go through a 1 day TQM program. It is very well adapted to the specific background of teachers and they are asked

What are the things they are proud of.
What are the things they want to do.

Motivating the teachers is very important. Let teachers not be satisfied with 50% of the children meeting the benchmark. Challenge them to get 90% of the children cross the benchmark, and that too, a year earlier than conventional govt school standards dictate.

Focus of learning levels only. Filter out the non-essentials. The intervention efforts taken up should ensure that the child does not feel alienated or from or ashamed of its own community at the end of it.

For instance, NCERT has a book on low cost teaching aids for primary schools which costs only Rs. 90/-. Make teachers make teaching aids from local resources (instead of buying them).

Developing self-esteem of children is important. In the US, one child is asked to teach the class every week on a topic. This leads to empowerment for the children. Sikshana puts up photograph of the children with the best results on the notice board giving a kind of recognition and positive reinforcement. From a child's point of view, it is a big deal if you give them a prize that is worth a few rupees.

Today, there are about 1000 schools in 9x9 sq. km area in South Bangalore. Thousands of schools peddling second rate education. Rather, govt should instead consolidate and create fewer schools which have improved learning levels might be a better strategy.

Empowerment, along with financial empowerment, is very important in a decentralized setup. Recently the notion of DSMC?School Development Monitoring Committee has been introduced. To be an SDMC member, your child should be studying there. So the members of the SDMC have a stake in ensuring the functioning of the school.

It is common for people and organizations to take up niche areas like handicapped children, instead of concentrating on the mainstream system because it is non-glamorous and mind-boggling. Keep away from niche areas, because they are already taken care of.

Groups like Asha, with their volunteer base and volunteer profile, should focus on making a dent in the system so as to benefit millions of children. There is an urgency that requires that the first steps towards this should be taken now.

Q. Is there hope for improving the govt school system.
After looking at a sample size of 50 teachers, I don't think that the teachers are incompetent. In less than an year of Sikshana's involvement, now the same teachers are teaching overtime without even asking for overtime pay. 2 hours talking to the teachers was all that was required to turn their previous mentality and thought process upside down.

Q. What is the type of support that the govt extends to these efforts to improve the govt schools.

Ans. The govt of Karnataka is one of the more progressive govts in the country on this count. The commissioner for education attends review meetings called by Sikshana and we have very good access to the govt. Organizations like the Akshara Foundation have also received good cooperation from the govt

You have to recognize that bureaucracy doesn't STOP you from doing things to improve the system, if you wish to. So one should not take inaction on the ground as being an excuse for abandoning the govt school system.

Q. Can we ask the NGOs who are currently running private initiatives to instead work with the govt

Ans. Sure. But we also have to keep in mind that several private Schools have a vested interest in staying private. They have a vested interest in keeping the learning levels in the govt schools low.

Q. What is the type of money that is spent on these improvement efforts.

Ans. Very nominal. Small amounts of money (Rs. 500/- pm) as grants for miscellaneous expenses like chalk, boards, etc, can go a long way in improving the learning levels. The teachers don't have to approach the govt introducing delays for every small thing.

If we inherit a 1000 teachers in a corporate setup, I should first try to improve productivity of those people before asking for more.

Sikshana employs extra teachers in those schools where they are genuinely needed. These salaries dont exceed the market rate. Teachers are encouraged to get training to improve their skill base, do a good job of teaching for the time they work in these schools, and then move on if they want to pursue opportunities that pay more.

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Date: Tue, 17 Dec 2002 17:25:53 +0000

From: "gurumcorthy mathrubootham" <mguru@notmail.com>

Subject: accommodating conference attendees.

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Subject: You are invited.....

Date: Sun, 22 Dec 2002 11:00:57 -0800 (PST)

From: Prasanna Saligram <prasanna_aid@yahoo.com>

To: Vasan.Seshadri@trinity.oxford.ac.uk, VENKATPK@ml.com, vikaskorea@yahoo.com, vinaymk@iitim.com, YHemanth@novell.com, savitha.rao@sun.com, savita.rao@sun.com, sochara@vsnl.com, janaagraha@vsnl.com

Dear Friends,

AID Bangalore chapter is proud to announce the hosting of the annual AID conference from 27th of Dec to 29th of Dec 2002.

We all believe in the spirit of Volunteerism and here is the time to act on it. Volunteer your two minutes time to register ur participation in the conference.

1. Register yourself and your friends for the conference. Visit : www.aidindia.org/bangalore. U will also find further details like the venue, agenda, registration procedures etc., in this website.

2. If you would like to avail a place of stay for the people who are attending the conference, please send a mail to us.


And thats not enough !.. Listen to Radio Citi FM, you might hear about AID conference and the related talks. Hope to hear from each one of you this time !.

Pls. find enclosed a brief write up about the sessions that are proposed during the conf. I request u to pls. confirm ur participation thro' the online registration process available. If u hv problems accessing the website or with the reservation, pls. get in touch with me either thro' e-mail or by calling me at 3229747 / 3305156 with all the necessary details.

Hope to get an early response from u.

Thanks,
Aid Bangalore Team.

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In the brave new world of the 21st century, as we venture to unthinkable terrains, it is time to pause and ask our selves a few critical questions. How much has the world changed before us? Why is it that the world continues to be an unhappy place? What is our contribution in making this world a better place to live in?

Association for India's Development (AID) is a non-profit, voluntary organization that supports NGOs in India. AID participates in equitable and just social, economic and environmental development in India. AID endeavors to bring about social change in diverse areas from literacy, primary health, promoting rural enterprises, micro-credit to women's empowerment.

AID believes in Gandhi's words of "Be the change what you wish to see". The crusade is to spread brotherhood, harmony and social justice, as much as to give a voice to the unheard and the oppressed. The mirage of an ideal society may be just an illusion, but the crusade of AID for a new world is forever alive and burning.

You get a chance to be with like-minded people, from all walks of life at the AID Annual Conference at the Indian Social Institute, 24, Benson Road, Benson Town, Bangalore on the 27 to 28th of Dec 2002.

Eminent personalities like Sandeep Pandey and others would be deliberating on social issues, ranging from the threat of the nuclear bomb and communalism, gender, Dalit issues.

Furthermore, we will be taking stock of the accomplishments from AID Chapters across the globe, and what needs to be achieved going forward.

Come be a part of this conference and join hands in our endeavor. Please get your family and friends and make this program a success.

Hope to see you there,

Wishes,

Visit us at: www.aidindia.org/bangalore for details and directions the venue.

Association for India's Development (AID)

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AID India Annual Conference 2002

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Talk/Discussion	Timing	Presented by
Dowry and domestic violence	16:00-17:30 Dec 28, 02	Donna Fernandez - Vimochana
Workshop on "Joy of Learning"	19:00-20:30 Dec 28, 02	Dr. Balaji Sampath
Bonded Labour and Dalits	09:30-11:00 Dec 29, 02	Kiran Kamal Prasad
A Talk by Sandeep Pandey	11:15-13:15 Dec 29, 02	Dr. Sandeep Pandey
Gujarat - Waiting for Peace and Relief	14:00-16:00 Dec 29, 02	Prof. Babu Mathew and Dr. R. Srinivasa Murthy
Corporate social responsibility	16:30-18:30 Dec 29, 02	Binod Singh, Founder - BridgeIT

About Speakers:

~~Donna Fernandez, Founder - Vimochana~~ based in Bangalore have been working in and around Karnataka for the last 17 years, mostly to protest and defend the rights of women victimised for dowry and domestic violence.

~~Dr. Balaji Sampath~~ : State-level coordinator of the Tamil Nadu Science forum and State convener of Tamil Nadu for the National Health campaign. After graduating with a Ph.D. from University of Maryland, he returned to India immediately to take up social work as his full-time career. He has been the inspiration for the majority of AID volunteers.

~~Kiran~~ - Secretary, JEEVIKA working on bonded labor issues, Organising Dalits in Karnataka.

~~Dr. Sandeep Pandey~~ - Social activist, ASHA Founder and Magsaysay Awardee - Year 2002.

~~Prof. Babu Mathew~~ is a legal academic and is associated with the people's movements. He is the registrar of the National Law School of India, University, Bangalore.

~~Dr. R. Srinivasa Murthy~~, Professor of Psychiatry, NIMHANS, is a mental health expert in psychosocial issues of disasters. He was the chief editor of the "World Health Report-2001" (WHO)

~~Binod Singh~~ - Founder BridgeIT is taking initiative in bridging the gap between the worlds of mentally, physically and socially challenged section of the society and the IT industry

The Association for India's Development (AID) is committed to the cause of alleviating poverty in India measuring progress through the yardsticks of self-reliance, people's involvement and volunteerism.

Venue: Indian Social Institute, Bangalore. Address: 24, Benson Road, Benson Town, Bangalore 560046. Phone: 3536060, 3536189, 3536360, and 3536364. For directions visit <http://www.aidindia.org/bangalore>

For more information about the talks contact: Prasanna - 322 9747, Guru 6685341

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A Talk by Dr. Sandeep Pandey

Magsaysay Award winner - Year 2002 talks on the issues concerning India

The Ramon Magsaysay Awards Foundation has recognized Dr. Sandeep Pandey by awarding him this year's Magsaysay Award in the "Emergent Leadership" category.

The awards committee's citation ends with these words - *"In electing Sandeep Pandey to receive 2002 Ramon Magsaysay Award for Emergent Leadership, the board of trustees recognizes the empowering example of his commitment to the transformation of India's marginalized poor."*

TIME: 11:15 to 12:15.

DATE: Sunday December 29, 2002.

VENUE: Indian Social Institute (Directions below).

Admission is free.

About Sandeep Pandey:

Sandeep did his mechanical engineering in 1982-86. He pursued his PhD in control theory at the University of California, Berkeley, where he lived for six years. While still a graduate student in the United States, Pandey began what would become many years of service to the cause of education. Along with two of his friends, he founded Asha for Education, which in the decade since has raised over a million dollars for education projects in India. After a brief period as a university instructor, Sandeep Pandey decided to devote his energies entirely to his activist causes.

The Association for India's Development (AID) is committed to the cause of alleviating poverty in India measuring progress through the yardsticks of self-reliance, people's involvement and volunteerism.

Venue: Indian Social Institute, Bangalore. Address: 24, Benson Road, Benson Town, Bangalore 560046. Phone: 3536960, 3536189, 3536360, and 3536364. For directions visit <http://www.aidindia.org/bangalore>

For more information about the talks contact: Prasanna - 322 9747, Guru 668 5341

Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 181

Date: 31 Dec 2002 13:16:44 -0000

From: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

Ask what you can do for India !

Association for India's Development
Bangalore Chapter.

There is 1 message in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

- 1. Volunteer Opportunity
From: "India Literacy Project" <ilp-india@eth.net>

Message: 1
Date: Mon, 30 Dec 2002 09:42:23 +0530
From: "India Literacy Project" <ilp-india@eth.net>
Subject: Volunteer Opportunity

Friends,

Nikhil Rao <skanix@rediffmail.com> from Christel House is looking for volunteers to help on Saturdays. The information below gives details Christel House as well as the volunteer requirements. Your freinds/volunteers can directly contact Nikhil Rao.

Regards
Sindhu

Welcome to Christel House!
The mission of Christel House is to help orphaned, abandoned and underprivileged children break the cycle of poverty and to make them self-sufficient and contributing members of our society. Our uniqueness lies in our taking on total responsibility of every child coming to Christel House. In addition to a holistic education, the school also provides the children with physical and emotional health care and a nutritional programme for the time they are in school. We have an eminent panel of doctors & psychiatrists helping us with the children, over and above our team of qualified and trained teachers.

Founded by Christel DeHaan in 1998, Christel House India was started by Ms. Shukla Bose in Bangalore on 16th July 2001. Beginning with a fairly good number of 320 students, today it is 450 students strong. The education imparted here is in English and follows the ICSE Syllabus, with emphasis on Experiential Education. At present Christel House has classes starting from LKG - Class IV and will add one grade each year. At Christel House we have a dream - a dream to create a future for the deprived child. It may be utopia today but we are determined to make it a reality tomorrow.

On Saturdays we run an enrichment programme, which consists mainly of

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extra-curricular activities, such as: music, drama, sports, dance and nature awareness.

We are looking for volunteers who will be able to engage the children during the Saturdays, and contribute something from their area of expertise.

Commitment is essential, at least for 3-4 months at a time. This way we can ensure that the students get your continuous guidance.

Co-curricular activities are an important and integral part of education in Christel house. Some of the objectives are:

- to keep the child's ability for imagination and creativity alive.
- to impart various skills.
- to take on different kinds of challenges.
- to cultivate desired capabilities and talents.
- to give them a freedom of expression (which can be therapeutic)
- for physical growth
- to cultivate an aesthetic sense.
- get them to appreciate different art forms and cultures.
- to inculcate discipline and rigor in different activities.
- to develop inter-personal and intra- personal relationships.
- to expose them to the 'outside world'. (field trips)
- to expose them to the natural world. (field trips).
- to integrate co-curriculum into the academic subjects.

We work from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm on Saturdays. We begin the year on the 2nd of January and close end April. Looking forward to meeting you.

Our school is located near Hebbal and for more information please visit us at www.christelhouseindia.org

CONTACT: Christel house at 3539147, 3532964

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Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 187

Date: 14 Jan 2003 14:03:35 -0000

From: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

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There are 2 messages in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Tuition Classes
From: "India Literacy Project" <ilp-india@eth.net>
2. Re: Tuition Classes
From: "India Literacy Project" <ilp-india@eth.net>

Message: 1

Date: Mon, 13 Jan 2003 11:10:50 +0530

From: "India Literacy Project" <ilp-india@eth.net>

Subject: Tuition Classes

Urgently Need committed, consistent volunteers for Tuition Classes in
Srirampuram Area for
a Free Tuition Center.

Classes 1 thru 10: About 150 students.

Tamil Medium; Kannada Medium; English medium students; all from the low
income group families in the Sroerampuram locality.

Timings : 4:30 p.m to 9:00 p.m. every day; including Saturday.

Those interested please call (3546426) or e-mail : ilp-india@eth.net for
more details.

Regards

Ravi & Sindhu

Message: 2

Date: Mon, 13 Jan 2003 13:05:27 +0530

From: "India Literacy Project" <ilp-india@eth.net>

Subject: Re: Tuition Classes

Dear Mashood,

Thanks for the response

It is on the Okalipuram-Sreerampuram Main Road - very close to Majestic
Railway Station.

Address:

No. 30, 7th Cross, 5th Main Road, Ambedkarnagar, Srirampuram, Bangalore - 21

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Directions:

1. Take the road that runs between Bangalore City Railway Station and the Bus Stand
2. Go Past Bangalore City Station; Under the Railway Bridge; (You will pass the 2nd entrance to the Railway Station, Shatabdi booking counter to the left.)
3. Take a left at the junction (You will notice a church on the opposite side of the Road)
4. Go under the 2nd bridge.
5. There is a signal here. Take a rt here- and you are on the Okalipuram-Sreerampuram main Road. About 1.5 kms from here, you will notice a small two story (Ground + 1) structure to the left- named Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Free Tuition Association.

One word of caution:

The center is small - 2 floors- not very well organized. We have been trying work with him to group the classes.

Call up and I will give you a background. Tel 3546426

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Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 186

Date: 13 Jan 2003 13:29:02 -0000

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Message: 1

Date: Sun, 12 Jan 2003 21:30:16 -0800 (PST)

From: Senthil S <senthilsos@yahoo.com>

Subject: Tutition classes...ASHA conference

Hi,

Tutition classes in slums is a good thing...even if its one person...if he/she can go regularly...then we will have lot of now activity and volunteers for this...

Otherwise the ASHA conference was good it gave us a chance to meet some of the groups who are really doing good work..

BGVS for example is doing a wonderful job with governmet primary shcool teachers...these teachers...basically Kannada teachers...who did not have the privilege of English education...are doing wonderful things like night sky watching with telescope , a science magaxine which reaches a lot of children and teachers...lot of publication...etc

AVESHI-ABACUS a bombay based group has made good social science material and manuals for the same...we are trying to buy the kit and try it out as an exporiment in our schools and see how it works...

Senthil

AID Bangalore file →

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--- Prasanna Saliqram <prasanna_aid@yahoo.com> wrote:

- >
- > Hi all of u,
- >
- > I think after having jumped from one conf to the
- > other we in AID B'lore should now concentrate our
- > energies on taking forward the momentum and the
- > energies generated before and during the conf. For
- > this I hv made some notes as to the activities that
- > hv to be taken up immediately. All the others r
- > invited to contribute their ideas.
- >
- > The activities listed below r the follow up on the
- > conf:
- >
- > 1. Writing a thanking letter to all the
- > participated/invited speakers during the conf (I can
- > volunteer). We r already somewhat late in doing
- > this.
- >
- > 2. Fine tune the minutes of the conf and then send
- > the summary of the conf to AID news (some sort of
- > info is already passed onto THIS MONTH IN AID
- > magazine). Also use this material for the
- > preparation of the conf. proceedings in the form of
- > a book (We hv a very good printer of Gurnu who can do
- > the same).
- >
- > 3. Write a follow-up letter to all the registered
- > participants during the conf in the form of a
- > newsletter. Ask them if they r interested in joining
- > the e group if so, then see to it that they join.
- >
- > 4. Editing of the video and the developing of the
- > photographs
- >
- > 5. Look into the pledge form and then follow-up on
- > the same
- >
- > 6. Final settlement of the accounts
- >
- > 7. Finalisation of a meeting place for our CSH (
- > Balaji Kutty has done some preliminary work on the
- > same we need to follow it up). This is very imp as I
- > am being constantly encountered with questions from
- > new people as to where and when we meet. So Mashood
- > pls. prepare a covering letter (on the lines of the
- > letter we had prepared for ISI) requesting the
- > concerned Principal to grant us a place to meet. One
- > more letter has to be prepared for the St. Joseph's
- > collage (Sunita's) which is also near Divyasree.
- >
- > 8. Updation of the website as Arvind has mentioned
- > (volunteered:-)). We can even upload all the CSH
- > minutes, conf photos (if possible video), conf
- > proceedings etc., onto the website
- >
- > As reg some of the long term activities. I think we
- > need to take up the following
- >
- > 1. We in AID B'lore hv committed to take up the

> newsletter activities more seriously. So
> Babu/Mashood to look into that urgently

> 2. As I hv been attending meetings conducted by
> various people like CHC, RGVS, ASHA etc., some of the
> grassroots organisations r getting to know our
> activities. Our visibillity has increased. So people
> r trying to explore the ways in which we cd work
> with them. We hv been aproached by groups which r
> working in the slums etc., to help them. So in the
> my informal discussions with Mashood, Senthil and
> Peeyush some ideas hv come up. we can explore areas
> in which we can work with those grassroots
> organisations (since we dont hv the grassroots
> presence). For eg. We can in the initial stages go
> every weekend to these slums/areas etc., and take
> tuition classes for the kids (like Taremani
> experiment) and slowly we can expand the same to
> identifying some volunteers in those areas and train
> them on the "joy of learning" etc., Since these orgs
> hv some grassroot level activities we can start at a
> later stage the Self help groups and then slowly try
> and start other programs like health, environment
> etc., I hope this is clear.

> 3. For activity 2 to happen we need more volunteers
> than the current group. So we need to arrange talks
> in the companies (like Aravindan did in Oracle) and
> colleges to attract volunteers. After that we can
> tag each of these voluntocr groups with the
> respective activities of Activity 2. This helps
> solve one of our dilemnas for volunteer
> mobilisation. The most common question we ask
> whenever we think of volunteer generation is what to
> do with the new volunteers. We dont hv enough work
> to load them etc., I hope this plan of action solves
> some of the dilemnas facing us.

> I now hope everyone contributes his/her ideas for
> this discussion.

> Prasanna

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From: Senthil S <senthilsos@yahoo.com>

Subject: Drought did not cause starvation deaths and rains cant end it

Hi,

Sainath is visitng Bangalore this weekend.

Here is an excerpt (quick reading) and the link to the article (detailed reading) "Poor and the Permanent Drought" by Sainath.

<http://www.indiatogether.org/opinions/psainath/droughtseries1.htm>

<http://www.indiatogether.org/opinions/psainath/droughtseries2.htm>

"Drought did not cause the food crisis. Rainfall will not end it. Drought, alas, is a normal, recurrent feature of climate. Its nature varies vastly by region. But it is still a feature of almost all climatic zones. With sense and planning, we can decide how much of a disaster it becomes. Drought is the season the media get to flaunt their social conscience. But that farmer staring wistfully at the sky must have a crick in his neck by now from holding that pose so long for so many insistent camera persons.

There's plenty the media can do if they wish to. For one, don't just cover drought. Cover deprivation. Stop treating the countryside as some homogenous entity and look deeper at the crisis, class-wisc. Look at how policy has spurred inequality. How it has seen the growth of hunger in the weakest sections of society. How do we explain their worsening state even in years when there is no drought? Many of the questions we ask people in the countryside about corruption, relief work and implementation would fetch largely the same answers at any other time of the year. Not just during the drought. There are problems in the countryside that haven't a hope in hell of being solved with "relief work".

Stop assuming that, somehow, the basic policies are okay. That it's corruption that foils them. The big corruption is in the policy. A set of policies that savaged the livelihoods of the poor during the 1990s. As Prof. Utsa Patnaik points out: "In the year 2001, the availability of cereals in the country dropped to an all-time low of less than 143 kg per head. That of pulses fell to below 10 kg." The last time we saw such levels, "was just before World War II, in the hungry 1930s of colonial times. And again, briefly for two years during the food crisis of the mid-1960s. An average family of five members consumed 114 kg less of foodgrain" than they did in the early 1990s - " a massive decline".

There's the big story. You can find it reflected in tens of millions of poor households. Try getting them to tell their story, not just the one about drought.

Meanwhile, it's vital to see that real food for work programmes get going. Not by cheating people on the cash component. But by paying them two-thirds of the wages in grain and the rest in cash. There is an

urgent need to crack down on profiteering in the sale of water. There's also a desperate need to help people have their livestock survive by getting fodder to them. The media, too, could play a role by forcing governments to act in those directions. It would be a shame if the arrival of some rains just washed those issues away. For, as my friend Shankar Singh in Rajasthan put it to me last year: "In the homes of the poor, there is always drought

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Date: Mon, 13 Jan 2003 04:30:54 -0800 (PST)

From: Senthil S <senthilsos@yahoo.com>

Subject: What Sainath spoke at AID conference in College Park, 2001 : With Q&A

This is the speech Nagini was referring to in her previous mails I guess.

As a freelance journalist, P. Sainath has spent the last 9 years in rural arcs, covering a number of topics related to development - caste, poverty, agriculture, etc. He spends between 200 and 250 days of each year in the villages he chronicles. Royalties from the sale of his book Everybody Loves a Good Drought are used entirely to promote rural journalism, so that people in the villages can tell their own unfiltered stories. The following notes are excerpted from his talk at the Association for India's Development (AID)'s annual meeting in College Park, Maryland in late May 2001. Excerpts from the Q & A session following the talk are also included.

<http://www.indiatogether.org/opinions/talks/psainath.htm>

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Subject: Re: Drought did not cause starvation deaths and rains cant end it

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1. IISc - an exhibition of photos by P. Sainath
From: Aravinda & Ravi <aid@vsnl.com>

Message: 1

Date: Mon, 20 Jan 2003 12:18:26 +0500

From: Aravinda & Ravi <aid@vsnl.com>

Subject: IISc - an exhibition of photos by P. Sainath

CONCERN presents

VISIBLE WORK, INVISIBLE WOMEN

an exhibition of photographs by
P.SAINATH

Date - 20th January, Monday.

Venue - Choksi Hall, IISc

Time - 11:30am - 7pm

The photos, based on the theme of Women & Work in Rural India, shot in ten states across the country by Mr. P. Sainath, show the astonishing labour that poor women put in every day of their lives and the gigantic -- yet unacknowledged -- contribution they make to the national economy. A contribution worth, literally, billions of dollars. Each of ten panels deals with different kinds of work that women do. The text details the scope, significance and centrality of that labour to the Indian economy, particularly to agriculture.

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4. Take part in the tour (all or part), take photographs / video, interview local activists, record public speeches, create news stories and human interest features to be circulated in various print and audio-visual media.

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5. Collect songs, poetry, posters and other creative media of resistance

A-Exchange: TIME TO DO A REALITY CHECK on the tour. ~~14th January 2003~~

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2. Fwd : Asian Social Forum 2003- Reflections
From: mashood_kandy@i2.com

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Date: Tue, 21 Jan 2003 04:25:14 +0000

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Date: Tue, 21 Jan 2003 11:15:10 +0530

From: mashood_kandy@i2.com

Subject: Fwd : Asian Social Forum 2003- Reflections

An Asian Resistance to Economic and Militaristic Globalization
Alternative Future: A Work in Progress

The Asian Social Forum (ASF) was personally a very overwhelming experience, which was beautifully conceived and conceptualized. To see 15,000 people from diverse backgrounds of grassroots social movements, people's organizations and NGOs out in the open showing their resistance to Corporate Globalization was inspiring. Their were women, men, dalits, youth, socialists, leftists, activists', academics, writers, performers, trade unionists', filmmakers and the list can go on who we saw at the Nizam Grounds, Hyderabad from the 2nd ? 7th

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January 2003 expressing their concern, discomfort and outrage in various forms to the impacts of the neo-liberal policies. It was a celebration, a mela of the spirit of solidarity.

The ASF although grounded in Asia and in the movements which have grown in the region against the neo-liberal paradigm, against exclusion, and for the imperatives of equality, people centered development, global justice, human security and human rights, is part of the world movement and resistance which took a physical form in the World Social Forum where in 2001 and 2002, tens of thousands of people gathered in Porto Alegre, for the 1st and 2nd Annual World Social Forum, titled " Another World is Possible". The ASF was an Asian expression of the same movement to carry forward the process of popular consensus building towards a world that works for all.

The overarching theme of every conference, seminar, and workshop at the ASF, the Milit Forum and the Youth Camp was offering alternatives and showing the path towards 'Another Asia is Possible'. A world, which is based on economic justice, gender equality, secular democracy, environmental sustainability and peace.

A visit to the Youth Camp was very inspiring and a dialogue with Lysa, Youth Camp Coordinator, revealed that 13 Asian countries and 19 states of India were represented. Although the number was nowhere near to what they had expected but was nevertheless commendable as the youth, which was there, had purely come on their own with no financial support. They were high in energy and spirit inspite of the fact that they did at times felt neglected by the ASF.

A reflection on the seminars on the theme of Peace and Security ? most of them were poorly attended, including the ones organized by Focus, inspite of distributing the flyers and posters and putting up banners all around and in the 3 most spoken languages. The delegates were more interested in attending workshops dealing directly with globalization and privatization and sustenance based on justice and equality. What is important for us is to understand the linkages between corporate and militaristic globalization and take it down to the grassroots and social movements, or else we will lose half the battle.

A valid criticism of the Forum is that it was too India Centric but with a large Bangladeshi and Nepalese contingent, which then makes it more centered around South Asia and also within India it was the South and the West which was more represented.

Everybody during the Forum did talk about logistical disconnect, more importantly about the physical distances between seminar venues and also from

the main venue and the simultaneous translations, which could happen in events

organized at this magnitude, but what is significant is to learn and be able to

connect better for even bigger events.

What was particularly upsetting about the event was the loss of Hussain's painting and the media projection of the same in which it is being referred to

as an international racket. We need to handle it with great care so that the

movement does not lose the support of the artists' fraternity in its fight against globalization.

To conclude, I would like to say that the ASF was a very exhilarating experience

and only a beginning of massive mass mobilization and movement against globalization. It is here to stay and only increase in its size and intensity.

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Response to the National Tour of People's Movements, which is named "DESH BACHAO, DESH BANAO" has been pleasantly motivating and following is a faq as well as an important CORRECTION to the schedule: Indeed the tour covers Bihar & Jharkhand from Mar 3 5 halting in Muzaffarpur, Ranchi & Dhanbad.

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what happened
to the meeting at
LC Tans Rensara
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FAQ

1. What about travel, meals & stay?

All are being arranged locally, will be very basic, roughing it all the way without reservations and with expenses shared and fundraising for the same taking place as part of the tour. Though budget is meagre, the experience will be enriching.

2. What if I want to work in the control room in Mumbai?

We are making staying arrangements for volunteers working in the Mumbai control room. You will be responsible for your own meals.

3. Can I join the tour in the middle?

Of course! Call the contact point where you plan to join the tour.

4. What should I bring with me?

Have a bedsheet, water bottle, flashlight and emergency kit. Some dry foods may be useful if you aren't used to late meals. Keep a diary where you can note all important information. Have some basic supplies for the kind of work you plan to do -- e.g. have enough paper, pens, paints, tapes, films, floppy disks, etc depending on the kind of media in which you are working. There will be one portable computer with the tour most of the time. In places where supplies are available, one can assess and restock as needed.

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Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 194

Date: 24 Jan 2003 12:25:23 -0000

From: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

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Topics in this digest:

- 1. Proof that things get done just before a group meeting :-)
From: Aravindan R <aravindan_r@yahoo.com>

Message: 1

Date: Fri, 24 Jan 2003 02:45:04 -0800 (PST)

From: Aravindan R <aravindan_r@yahoo.com>

Subject: Proof that things get done just before a group meeting :-)

Ya, the work is not 100% done. But, still..

Checkout: <http://www.aidindia.org/bangalore/>

email your suggestions to me.

Cheers,
Arvind.

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Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 193

Date: 23 Jan 2003 12:19:40 -0000

From: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

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Topics in this digest:

1. Community service hour (CSH) meeting (AID meeting)
From: Prasanna Saligram <prasanna_aid@yahoo.com>
2. Re: Community service hour (CSH) meeting (AID meeting)
From: Senthil S <senthilsos@yahoo.com>
3. mailing list software?
From: Aravinda & Ravi <aid@vsnl.com>
4. Last week's P.Sainath exhibition covered in 'The Hindu'
From: "gurumoorthy mathrubootham" <mguru@hotmail.com>

Message: 1

Date: Wed, 22 Jan 2003 08:44:10 -0800 (PST)

From: Prasanna Saligram <prasanna_aid@yahoo.com>

Subject: Community service hour (CSH) meeting (AID meeting)

AID Bangalore →

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Hi all of u,

After sufficiently recovering from the hectic activity of the conferences it is time we I hope everyone takes the time aspect seriously and let us run the agenda in the tight:

1. Joy of learning activities update- Peeyush, Suman, Senthil, harish and group - 15 min
2. ASHA Conference report- Senthil, Peeyush, Mashood, Prasanna etc., - 15 mins
3. Strategies for the tie-up with ASHA, ILP and other requests that r coming up - 15 min
4. Conference follow-up- all of us. Nothing has been done on this except for the report
5. Kandili visit- Prasanna- 10 mins
6. Newsletter issues- Prasanna and Babu, There r lot of new members in the aidbangalore
7. IISC, JNCASR followup (these 2 groups r in the formative stage and we need to evolve
8. Sainath's exhibition report and learnings- 10 mins
9. Others (Members pls contribute ur agenda items in advance and specify the time needed

Newcomers,

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Pls. dont get confused with the terms like "joy of learning" and Kandili visit. Kandili

Thanks in advance,
Prasanna

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Message: 2
Date: Wed, 22 Jan 2003 21:27:25 -0800 (PST)
From: Senthil S <senthilsos@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Community service hour (CSH) meeting (AID meeting)

Hi,

I wanted to discuss "watching 30 ml videos in CSH" -
this will need 5 mts

senthil

--- Prasanna Saligram <prasanna_aid@yahoo.com> wrote:
>
> Hi all of u,
>
> After sufficiently recovering from the hectic
> activity of the conferences it is time we get back
> to our regular activities. We hv been doing hectic
> activities even after the conf (ASHA Conf,
> Sainath's exhibition etc.,) but not in the
> structured way. In that direction a CSH is going to
> be held on Friday the 24th of Jan 2003 at 6.30 pm (
> As sat morning we hv joy of learning and evening is
> the first day with ILP tutions and Sunday some of us
> r going to Kandili) . The venue will be in the
> vicinity of Divyasree chambers (Near Hockey stadium
> and Richmond circle). Balaji Kutty is trying to
> contact the principal of his school for a possible
> classroom for us to meet and the principal has
> agreed in princple. He had asked for some basic
> documents reg AID and it shd be through. In case we
> dont get the permission witnin Saturday then we can
> meet in the nearby park. I hope nobody has any
> objection to this.
>
> I hope everyone takes the time aspect seriously and
> let us run the agenda in the tightest possible way
> so that there is not too much dragging of the CSH.
> IT IS ALSO VERY IMPORTANT THAT ALL OF US MAKE IT TO
> THE MEETING . The agenda thought out for now is

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> 1. Joy of learning activities update- Peeyush,
> Suman, Senthil, Harish and group - 15 mins.
>
> 2. ASHA Conference report- Senthil. Peeyush,
> Mashood, Prasanna etc., - 15 mins
>
> 3. Strategies for the tie-up with ASHA, ILP and
> other requests that r coming up - 15 mins.
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> 4. Conference follow up all of us. Nothing has been
> done on this except for the report that has been
> sent to "This month in AID". I hv prepared a draft
> of the thanking letter that has to be sent to all
> the registered/pledged participants and other issues
> like accounts etc., - 20 mins (Babu, Gokul,
> Aradhana, Ahhijit, Can somebody pls. work out the
> accounts finally and present it we need to raise some
> money for the activists' B'lore visit expenses etc.)
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>
> 5. Kandili visit- Prasanna- 10 mins
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> 6. Newsletter issues- Prasanna and Babu, There r lot
> of new members in the aidbangalore yahogroup and
> the only way to sustain their interest wd be to
> update them about the activities that r happening. -
> 10 mins
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> 7. IISc, JNCASR followup (these 2 groups r in the
> formative stage and we need to evolve a strategy for
> the same. - 10 mins
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> mins
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> 9. Others (Members pls contribute ur agenda items in
> advance and specify the time needed for the same)
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> Newcomers,
>
> Pls. dont get confused with the terms like "joy of
> learning" and Kandili visit. Kandili is our health
> program and Joy of learning is our education
> program. The rest u will understand when u make it
> to the meeting. In case u find it difficult to get
> to the venue pls. call 98860 00541 they wd be able
> to guide u.
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> Thanks in advance,
> Prasanna
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> the darkness". Join AID India, visit
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Message: 3

Date: Thu, 23 Jan 2003 16:28:16 +0500

From: Aravinda & Ravi <aid@vsnl.com>

Subject: mailing list software?

Hi folks,

HELP -- we are going to create a mailing list database for NAPM and enter all the addresses collected in the course of the tour. Currently we have some addresses on paper which we will first enter. We are planning to start by using excel till we figure out what mailing list software would be most appropriate to use. It should be very easy to use, sort, print, etc ... entries should be categorizable by state, organisational affiliation, and perhaps 2-3 other categories by which one might sort before sending a particular mailing. It should preferably be compatible with excel so that people who don't have the specific software can still read the files. Does such a software exist?

Hoping that you can offer guidance.

Aravinda

Message: 4

Date: Thu, 23 Jan 2003 12:18:35 +0000

From: "gurumoorthy mathrubootham" <mguru@hotmail.com>

Subject: Last week's P.Sainath exhibition covered in 'The Hindu'

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From: <aidbangalore@yahogroups.com>
To: <aidbangalore@yahogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2003 4:55 PM
Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 199

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Bangalore Chapter.

There is 1 message in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. *URGENT ACTION ALERT: SSP
From: "Aravinda / Ravi" <aid@vsnl.com>
-
-

Message: 1

Date: Mon, 3 Feb 2003 22:22:58 +0530
From: "Aravinda / Ravi" <aid@vsnl.com>
Subject: *URGENT ACTION ALERT: SSP

Friends,

Narmada Control Authority (NCA) Director Afroz Ahmed is in Mumbai to meet Kurduar, the Grievance Redressal Authority of Maharashtra. This consultation is taking place in the context of consideration to raise the height of Sardar Sarovar (to 110 m, though may "settle" for 100m) despite clear and abundant evidence that rehabilitation has not been completed for even 90m - affected families and the submergence without rehabilitation we all witnessed in the recent monsoon.

AID Bangalore →

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With a new Chief Minister and cabinet in Maharashtra, the village representatives have come to Mumbai to meet with various government officials in the past few days to brief them on the situation. While the Maharashtra Task Force Committee report, submitted on September 13, states that more than 1000 families remain to be resettled at the 95 and more than 1700 families remain to be resettled at the 1000 m level, the recently released "Action Taken Report" of January 2003 gives the patently false declaration that only 64 families remained to be rehabilitated at the 100 m level and that all have been allotted (ex-parte) land. When Afroz Ahmed went to Taloda to check on these cases he found that most were false. Nevertheless the fact that he is meeting with Kurdukar tomorrow does not bode well, as such meetings

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5/2/03*

are held only for NCA to grant clearance to raising the height of the dam

IMMEDIATELY all of us must send a clear message that:

1. The Action Taken Report is incorrect and must be withdrawn
2. The Maharashtra Task Force Report, which is scheduled to be presented in the cabinet soon, must be fully considered and followed through, and rehabilitation must be allotted according to the provisions of the Narmada Tribunal for all affected families

TILL THEN NO CONSIDERATION OF FURTHER CONSTRUCTION OF SARDAR SAROVAR PROJECT

Today let us send as many faxes as possible to Maharashtra CM. Tomorrow or next day we will do the same to NCA Chairman Gopal Reddy and Madhya Pradesh CM Dig Vijay Singh

***Please fax by 11:00 am (LATEST) Tuesday morning (Mumbai time) to

Chief Minister Sushil Kumar Shinde
Mantralaya, Mumbai
Maharashtra 400032
FAX (022) 2202 9214

Honourable Sushilkumar Shinde ji,

Extremely concerned about the tribal people of the Narmada Valley, we would urgently like to call your attention to the current life-and-death situation being faced by families affected by the Sardar Sarovar Project. Government of Maharashtra has appointed a Task Force to make an accurate assessment of families affected by the Sardar Sarovar Dam, and found that more than 1000 families were yet to be rehabilitated at the 95 m level and that more than 1700 families would be affected if the dam height went to 100 m. This report was submitted by the Task Force to the Government in September and the Government has assured the people that it will proceed according to the facts as stated. The Cabinet is to discuss this report very soon, and see that each and every affected family is provided with proper rehabilitation according to the law.

Meanwhile we have learned that, in total disregard for this process, the latest Action Taken Report states that only 64 families remained to be rehabilitated and that all have been allotted land. This is patently false according to the findings of the Maharashtra Task Force and furthermore Narmada Control Authority Director Afroz Ahmed found through ground-level verification that the claimed rehabilitation was in fact not done. Furthermore we have all seen with our own eyes that in the recent monsoon the tribal families in Maharashtra as well as Madhya Pradesh suffered submergence without rehabilitation, as accepted by Government of Maharashtra which agreed to award Rs. 37

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lakhs in compensation for lost homes and crops.

We as concerned citizens demand therefore that

the Action Taken Report be immediately withdrawn
and that the Report of the Task Force be duly discussed in the Cabinet
and followed up
and that until full rehabilitation is provided for all the affected
families there be no consideration of further construction on the
Sardar Sarovar Project.

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From: <aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com>
To: <aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 06, 2003 4:42 PM
Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 200

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There is 1 message in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

- 1. Terry Fox run for Cancer research
From: "Jayant Balraj Madavi" <mjayant@novell.com>

Message: 1
Date: Thu, 06 Feb 2003 00:04:28 -0700
From: "Jayant Balraj Madavi" <mjayant@novell.com>
Subject: Terry Fox run for Cancer research

Hi All,
The Annual Terry Fox Run is being held in Bangalore this year on 9th February 2003 Sunday. The event is held every year in several cities around the world with a view to create awareness and also to raise funds. Please note that all the funds raised from the Bangalore Event will be used for cancer research in BANGALORE.

www.terryfoxrunbangalore.com

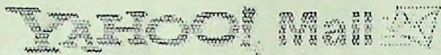
Thanks,
- Jayant

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From: "Aravindan R" <aravindan_r@yahoo.com> | This is Spam | Add to Address Book

Date: Sat, 15 Feb 2003 05:47:24 -0800 (PST)

Subject: [aidbangalore] Kandhili visit and followup

Four volunteers from Bangalore visited the Kandhili block of TNSF (Tamilnadu Science Forum) on Jan 26th.

Details:

http://www.aidindia.org/bangalore/visits/kandhili_jan2003.txt

After a week, AID Bangalore team met and came up with the following action items/decisions.

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One important aspect is to find out if there is any difference in the methodology followed by Malai.

AID Bangalore will get guidance/consulting from Balaji Sampath whenever necessary.

From now on, atleast one volunteer will visit Kandhili block twice a month for few more months.

== Income generation activities:

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- think about long term income generation ideas by promoting 'rural enterprises'.
- See the possibility of sending raw materials from Bangalore instead of from Madras to resume the income generation activities like making 'washing blue' etc.

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Yahoo! Mail - prasanna_cid@yahoo.com

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- == Sponsor village volunteer meet:
 - AID Bangalore will fund Rs.1500 for each meet to be held every 2 months.
 - Initially this support will be for 3 meets.
 - In the mean time, try to see the possibility of getting support from the local community to fund Rs1500 after 3 meets.
 - Try to invite district level coordinator / Kalpana or somebody knowledgeable in health and micro credit.
- == Sponsoring bicycles for full time volunteers:
 - See whether we could get 2 cycles donated by AID Bangalore volunteers.
 - Otherwise, buy them 2 bicycles from Thirupathur when the volunteers visit there.
- == Salary for full time volunteers
 - work with TNSE for giving/reimbursing travel expenditure *in addition to the 500 Rs salary.

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From: <aidbangalore@yahooogroups.com>
To: <aidbangalore@yahooogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 16, 2003 4:12 PM
Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 201

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There is 1 message in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. Kandhili visit and followup
From: Aravindan R <aravindan_r@yahoo.com>

Message: 1

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From: <aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com>
To: <aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 03, 2003 3:03 AM
Subject: [aidbangalore] Digest Number 215

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Topics in this digest:

1. Re: Fwd: Re: [no-to-war] Fw: Re: April 12 worldwide protest
From: "Malini Shankar" <mogli@satyam.net.in>

Message: 1

Date: Wed, 2 Apr 2003 17:56:55 +0530
From: "Malini Shankar" <mogli@satyam.net.in>
Subject: Re: Fwd: Re: [no-to-war] Fw: Re: April 12 worldwide protest

Someone please give me the phone number of Prasanna Saligram please !

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Malini Shankar
Environmental Journalist /
Nature photographer
"Amrutha" # 1 / 1 Police Station Road
Basawanagudi
Bangalore 560 004
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----- Original Message -----

From: Prasanna Saligram
To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

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PHM - AID Bangalore ->

Anasuya Sengupta <anasuya_s@yahoo.com> wrote:

To: ,
"BabumathewProf." ,
"ParvathiMenon- frontline"
CC: "IraqBangaloreYahoog"
From: "Anasuya Sengupta"
Date: Tue, 1 Apr 2003 20:39:55 +0530
Subject: Re: [no-to-war] Fw: Re: April 12 worldwide protest

Unni and other friends,

I think we should combine rallies/protest demos with the call for lights outside homes on April 12th. This would mean that we have enough time to mobilise for both (and communications on both at the same time will help) and those who cannot be part of the rallies - including in rural homes - can express protest as simply as possible. We should also really work on colleges' participation, if some of them have finished with exams.

just my sense of what would be the easiest way to mobilise.

best wishes, anasuya

----- Original Message -----

From: UNNIKRIISHNAN PV (Dr)
To: BabumathewProf. ; ParvathiMenon- frontline
Cc: IraqBangaloreYahoog
Sent: Wednesday, April 02, 2003 9:07 AM
Subject: [no-to-war] Fw: Re: April 12 worldwide protest

Friends

There is a global protest scheduled for April 12th. please read the following. This is FYT>

Regards

Unni

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Dr. Unnikrishnan PV , India
E-mail: unnikru@vsnl.com; Ph (m): +91 (0) 98450 91319

Read the latest on the campaign to stop the war at :

www.indiadisasters.org/iraq

----- Original Message -----

From: C.R.Bijoy <rights@rediffmail.com>

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To: UNNIKRIISHNAN PV(Dr) <unnikru@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2003 4:44 AM
Subject: Re: Re: April 12 worldwide protest

> March 31, 2003

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> DÉAR FRIENDS IN THE ASIA PACIFIC REGION:

>

> Warmest greetings of solidarity!

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> We acknowledge the positive and encouraging responses

> from you and many groups in the Asia Pacific to the call of

> ILPS-Philippine Chapter for a region-wide mobilization on April 9

> against the immoral, illegal, unjust war of the US against the

> people of Iraq.

>

> However, events in the world today are indeed rapidly

> developing.

>

> There is now a call from leading organizations of

> International A.N.S.W.E.R (US) and STOP WAR (London) for

> WORLDWIDE, ANTI-WAR DEMONSTRATIONS on April 12.

>

> So that we can be one with many more people in

> registering our mightiest, loudest, and most militant protest, we

> in the ILPS-Philippine Chapter inform our friends and network in

> the region to that the Asia Pacific-wide anti-war protests set for

> April 9 have been moved to April 12 to coincide with the global

> mass actions.

>

> Together with Africa, North and South America and Europe,

> the people of Asia Pacific shall also march, rally and protest on

> April 12 to compel US President George Bush and his cohorts to

> STOP THIS SENSELESS WAR.

>

> We hope that we could mobilize hundreds of thousands, if

> not millions, in our region. But if your group or country cannot

> mobilize on April 12, we suggest that you mount small but symbolic

> propaganda action could highlight your unity with the global

> protests.

>

> Please email us at april9@pilnet.com regarding your

> participation on April 12. You may later check the website

> www.justicenotwar.tk for updates.

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> Looking forward to your reply in the soonest time

> possible.

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> For genuine peace based on justice,

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PHM Secretariat

From: PHM Secretariat <p hmsec@touchtelindia.net>
To: Priya Ranjan <a_priya@aidindia.org>; <nagapr@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2003 3:01 PM
Subject: Mail from Prasanna, some issues pertaining to PHM and Dr. Ravi Narayan's visit

Hi Priya and Naga,

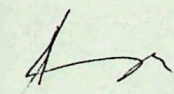
Prasanna here from the People's Health movement Secretariat (Global) and AID Bangalore. Actually I am writing this mail to you with regard to the website issues that Dr. Ravi had spoken to u people during his visit to USA. It was agreed by AID that AID could host the website of the JSA. We have in the meantime also recd. the CD from Balaji which contained the contents of the webpage of the Jan Swasthya Abhiyan as it existed in its last updated form. At this point of time we are updating this information and are also in the process of rejuvenating the website. Balaji had earlier hosted this on AID server. But now that link is broken maybe due to the migration of the AID server. So I request u to pls. open a new file for JSA in the AID webserver and then to send me the FTP login name and the password for the same at the earliest as we are thinking of making our website public with most of the background work already over. Hope to get a response from u people soon.

Also during his visit to the USA Dr. Ravi had carried a series of CDs. Dr. Ravi has forgotten to bring one of the CDs which I think was left out in one of the computers. He has just brought with him the CD cover:-) thinking that he is carrying the CD as well [The CD had the following documentaries PHA official report, BBC health protesters, STAR TV-2001, Anniversary PHA-RECALL with Kalpana, Balaji, H Sudarshan etc., in that). Could u pls. trace the same and try to send it over to our office pls? It had some important documentaries in it and we had not yet made a copy of the same. So it would be nice if u could trace and send the same.

Hope to get a reply from u.

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To: Mokshay Madiman <mokshay@dam.brown.edu>
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2003 11:53 AM
Subject: Re: PHM - US

Dear Mokshay,

Greetings from People's Health Movement Secretariat (Global) at CHC, Bangalore!

I am forwarding your response to Thelma who will decide whether some one in CHC will take up your suggestion in the context of the present commitment. However I am forwarding a copy of a paper she presented at the Global Forum for Health Research at Arusha , Tanzania in November 2002 based on her PhD thesis in the broader issues in TB programme implementation. Also you will be interested to know that she had earlier written on TB in the Hindu State of the Environment Report in 1997 in an article entitled 'Tuberculosis: Persistent Killer' which you can probably also access from HINDU archives. Did you get out thank you letter to all AIDers? Ensure that it reaches everyone who attended the sessions.

Best wishes,

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P.S: Next week I shall be reporting AIDers in Bangalore about the PHM - US trip and the AID dialogue.

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I just saw this article on "Fighting TB worldwide" by Gro Harlem Brundtland and James Wolfensohn in The Hindu today:

<http://www.hinduonnet.com/stories/2003041103261200.htm> → Print taken

It occurred to me that a reasoned response to the article from PHM describing the problem with the whole formulaic drug delivery approach would be a welcome perspective broadener for readers. Just a suggestion in case your office can spare the time from your numerous other commitments to do this outreach.

Looking forward to your email to AIDers on how we can be more involved in PHM,

warmest regards,
Mokshay

On Sat, 5 Apr 2003, PHM Secretariat wrote:

- > Dear Mokshay,
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- > Greetings from People's Health Movement Secretariat at CHC, Bangalore!
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- > Thanks for both your letters of 18th and the poster. There was a pile of
- > emails waiting to be responded to while we were away. Just got top the
- > end of it and have started responding to others after our US trip. Glad
- > to hear that our visit helped to clarify your stands on some aspects of
- > Globalization and also charged your batteries. We enjoyed meeting all of
- > you and were inspired by the youthful enthusiasm and commitment.
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- > I am writing a longer letter to all the AIDers, which I hope you will
- > all consider seriously. It has some ideas about how you can add an
- > international support dimension to your work without being too
- > distracted from the ongoing commitment to supporting projects in India.
- > Hope some of the chapters may be responsive to the idea. Thank all your
- > AID colleagues from both of us and do keep Bangalore and CHC on your
- > itineraries when you visit India next.
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- > Keep in touch.
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- > Best wishes,
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- > Ravi Narayan

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Best wishes
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Fighting TB worldwide

By Gro Harlem Brundtland and
James D. Wolfensohn

GENEVA. Ten years ago, the World Health Organisation declared a Global Emergency to battle the resurgent epidemic of tuberculosis. The international community is making steady headway, but "steady" is too slow and the emergency remains in force. Two million people die from TB every year, worn down slowly and painfully by an infectious disease that destroys their lungs and wastes their bodies.

The epidemic is still growing in Africa and in the countries of the former Soviet Union. TB thrives on poverty and social disruption. It is a close companion of HIV/AIDS as it takes advantage of the weakened immune systems of those who are infected with HIV... The emergence of drug-resistant strains of the disease has revived TB's centuries-old reputation as the "captain of death".

We have an effective weapon against this killer. Known as "DOTS", it ensures that people suffering from TB are fully treated with a powerful combination of drugs under the regular supervision of health workers or community volunteers. The treatment costs \$10 or less for six months of drugs and uses primary care services. Over the past few years DOTS has turned the TB tide in several countries and more will follow suit.

Since 1993, 10 million TB patients have been treated successfully worldwide, more than 90 per cent of them in developing countries. A total of 155 countries have now adopted the DOTS strategy, which is vital to ensuring high cure rates and preventing the spread of infection.

China and India have shown remarkable progress in expanding population coverage while maintaining high cure rates. Some 50,000 new TB patients are put on effective therapy each month in India alone. In China, active TB cases fell by 35 per cent in areas applying DOTS over the last decade. Other countries, such as Peru and Vietnam, have already surpassed 2005 targets for TB detection and treatment.

Yet, only a third of all people with TB are being treated under DOTS programmes at present. We must move much faster in

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living with HIV through treatment with antiretroviral medicines, DOTS must become part of the treatment package for the millions of people infected with both HIV and TB. We also have to boost health systems to enable faster response on a range of public health threats.

Poor distribution, management and capacity of health manpower, labs and health posts create barriers for those most vulnerable to disease. Local community and political leaders can be mobilised far more.

The highest TB burden countries, together with G-8 Governments, our institutions, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), foundations, universities and committed individuals such as George Soros and Bill Gates are all supporting the "Global Plan to Stop TB" and are committed to the "Stop TB Partnership". The new "Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria" is a major new contributor to this work and is bringing still more energy to the fight. Through these partners, hundreds of millions more dollars are available now than in previous years for DOTS expansion, for innovative response to HIV-associated TB and drug-resistant TB, and for research and development for new diagnostics, drugs and vaccines. Still, this is still well under the billion dollars more needed annually to change our trajectory in TB control.

Reversing the major communicable disease epidemics of HIV/AIDS, malaria and TB is among the Millennium Development Goals for 2015 adopted unanimously in 2000 by all members of the United Nations. High burden countries are putting considerable money and expertise into defeating TB, with positive, verifiable results. As G-8 leaders prepare to meet in France in June, they should unite in scaling up the fight against these diseases. Millions of lives hang in the balance.

(The writers are Director-General of the World Health Organisation and President of the World Bank respectively.)

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 CC: aidnews@aidindia.org
 From: "Aravinda/Ravi"
 Date: Thu, 24 Apr 2003 08:48:54 -0400
 Subject: [AID Coords] Interesting -- People's Movement's Thoughts

Category: Informational

Action Requested: Pass it on to interested volunteers and people, Send comments to us.

Dear AIDers,

This is the "Agenda and Programme of Action" that has come out of the National Tour organized by the NAPM -- Desh Bachao Desh Banao Abhiyan (Jan 26 - April 1). It is important for AIDers to be aware of many of the things here, that some of India's most important people's movements of the poorest are saying. Several organizations in India across different mass bases have to come to a shared vision and this is a step in that direction of a National People's Movement.

As AID we need to be aware of and understand many of the issues presented here. The idea of sending this mail is not to see whether we agree with every detail or point but to get a perspective of issues and possible actions involved, which have been presented well here, and be inspired to connect and contribute where we can.

After reading, if you have any comments to send to NAPM -- congratulatory/solidarity, suggestions, constructive debate -- please send to aid@vsnl.com.

--Ravi and Aravinda

This is the action part of the Final Declaration of the DDDB Abhiyan / NAPM tour....

Agenda and Programme of Action

The Abhiyan focused on the five key areas that encompass a large number of concerns that the proposed national movement should address. During the

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tour, there seemed to be a wide acceptance of the five point framework for

basic anomalies has evolved at the conclusion of the campaign, which is more in the form of guidelines for the organizations for future actions, to which they can add or make suitable changes. The Desh Pachac Desh Banac Andolan would incorporate all these and also the local to national actions by the allied organizations and our associates, individuals enrolled in the

Andolan would be supported in all ways. The detailing of the form, symbols and media, conceptual documents to Advisory Co-ordinating Cells for each area or even important specific programmes are to evolve with everyone's contribution at the earliest.

1. Right of Local Communities to Natural Resources

Main Issues

* Natural Resources include: Water, water bodies and aquatic resources like fish, Land with minerals underneath, Forest and forest produce which are a life support and sources of livelihood - not just marketable commodities. These need to be used and harnessed so as to promote survival and sustainable development of human and all living beings.

* Communities urban and rural should be granted the first right to the resources in their hands so as to have the first right to plan use of those

and to have its basic needs fulfilled before a wider unit claims right. A bottom-up planning with the principle of subsidiarity should accept the peoples right to know and to give their prior informed consent or even to object and reject. There is a need to evolve and ensure democratic, equitable ways of management and distribution of resources within a community. Land reform and water sharing should thus accept the right of dalits, landless, women and other disadvantaged, oppressed sections.

* Communities contributing natural resource or human labour to any development plan and activity should have a right to participate and to a share in the benefits.

* Policies for managing resources in each sector should ensure solutions to environmental crisis without unmanageable social impacts e.g. a decentralized resource-planning in a river basin, a solution to drought and flood crisis and organic self-reliant agriculture with efficient use of

land and water

Action Programme

* Nationwide struggle for village community rights to be facilitated and strengthened. Implementation of Adivasi self-rule and its extension to all villages move towards Village Rule (Gaon ka Raaj) with equality and justice.

* National, multidimensional, international Campaign and struggle against proposed plan of Interlinking of Rivers a plan which is unscientific and irrational, which is ecologically devastative, socially unjustifiable, and financially non-viable. It is a step towards privatization and centralized undemocratic management, leading to all other

forms of privatization of water and deprivation, destruction, disparity and

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displacement.

* Movement against privatization through centralization of water management at the cost of people.

FOUR STRUGGLES WILL BE CONSIDERED AS NATIONAL STRUGGLES.

All out Efforts Against

- a) The privatization of Shivnath River in Chhattisgarh.
- b) Agitation against Coca Cola in Plachimada, Palakkad District, in Kerala.
- c) Struggle of fisherpeople of Jambudwip (West Bengal) for their right to livelihood.
- d) Campaign against sale of 65 crore litres of Ganga water to Suez-Dregmont company and
- e) Supporting the struggle in the Narmada Valley against massive, forcible and illegal displacement.

Agitation against Projects sponsored by the World Bank and other bilateral / multilateral agencies, like Forestry Projects leading to the eviction and division of Adivasis ; asserting community forest management.

Struggle for abolition of Forest Villages, converting them to Revenue Villages and regularizing of all forest cultivators with community level record keeping and management of land and forests

Planning and execution of decentralized development from the village to block

(tehsil) levels , selecting socio-economic-ecological units for planning towards

self reliance and self rule. Units to be chosen by

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Andolan committees / organizations and the maximum process to be

facilitated through interdisciplinary support groups.

(Refer to Point 3 as well).

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An inter-state people's planning process (including U.P., Bihar, Bengal) with co-operation of people's organizations in Nepal will be undertaken towards Ganga Peoples Plan (GPP).

2. Right to Life and Livelihood.

Main Issues.

No to Global Capitalism, Liberalisation and Privatization policies. A clear position against WTO and opposition to MNCs as a challenge to the corporatization of resources, economy and polity. Basic services energy, water, education and major industries need to be managed by the State as it's responsibility and should not have private capital investment.

No to disinvestment of Public Sector Corporations. Instead, where new participatory management initiatives with labour organizations and exercise towards autonomy without political interference should be stressed and demanded. Co-operative management with employees, employers and state representatives should be a way out in inefficient sick industries.

Right to Work needs to be incorporated as a fundamental right a corollary to the right to life, in the Constitution of India. Industrialization as also management of production distribution should be labour intensive, generating employment opportunities. Priority in budgeting and planning for food for work and other schemes is essential. Mobilising secular political parties and elected representatives for including right to work as a fundamental right in the Constitution to be undertaken.

Right to Food Agricultural Policy needs to be changed towards decentralized growth in food production with equitable distribution of land and water, self reliance in food production at local to national level and an effective public distribution system with due priority, budget allocation covering every needy family especially women and children. No involuntary food imports under WTO's compulsion and distribution of stocks in godowns should be undertaken.

Food security, Public Distribution System (PDS) to be strengthened with subsidies by the Centre and each state government to extend to large sections of urban and rural poor. The surplus foodgrains lying in the godowns of the Food Corporation of India (FCI) should be distributed at subsidized rates to the poor and marginal people and be used for Food-for-Work programmes. Decentralisation of storage infrastructure for agricultural and dairy produce by regularly reviewing poverty line criteria. The lists to be regularly furnished to people's organizations as well as elected representatives.

Education, Health and Housing as primary level basic services

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especially for the lower income groups must be the responsibility of the State with the involvement of local communities through special efforts. A check on the profit making private service institutions to be applied by developing and maintaining efficient, adequately funded network of public

In Health Services, priority should be given to preventive services with a complimentary role to be played by various systems, including home-care.

Unlimited commercialization and corporatisation of education needs to be opposed.

Public Hearings on the state of education and health services, campaign for basic services as a priority in planning and budgeting.

Reservations for dalits and Adivasis should be complimented with various support actions on the lines of Mandal Ayog Recommendations, so as to make the discrimination superfluous. A limited percentage of seats in Private organizations / industries also should be reserved with special incentives to them.

Opposition to disinvestment and deregulation - which favours corporatization, while accepting a balanced mixed economy with appropriate controls by a clear role to be played by the public sector.

Action Programme

Participate in the Week of Action on the Right to Work (April 25th. to May 1st), initiated by various peoples organizations and movements (some proposed actions: padyatras in drought affected areas with a demand for employment Guarantee Scheme, holding Public Hearings , exposing the failures of Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojna, agitation for minimum wages in the drought / flood relief work and against the type of mechanization that reduces employment. A Common National Memorandum to be presented to all the elected representatives on May 1st. with local issues and perspectives added.

A strategy meeting with weavers and workers organizations in textile mills leading to workers taking control of the sick units in selected places and running these in a co-operative manner.

National Quit WTO campaign: Campaign against disinvesting and privatizing the public utilities like public transport, water supply, health services, education, post and telegraph etc. Call to analyze and expose the disinvestment decisions and corruption involved. Displace the Disinvestors agitation in co-operation with workers organizations. International actions, especially related to the WTO agenda, Kyoto protocol, joining the protests at Cancun meet in September 2003.

Will oppose the globalization process in agriculture as reflected through the Agreement on Agriculture (AoA) - pressurize the Government of India through legislators and directly against signing any agreements as a

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result of further negotiations.

Nationwide campaign against Multinational goods , boycott of cold-drinks MADE by MNCs and promotion of local, nutritional drinks through stalls and water kiosks , sale of coconut water, buttermilk, lemon juice, jeera-pani, etc. during the summer of 2003.

Boycott of American and British goods as a mark of opposition to the attack on Iraq and American British imperialism. Build awareness towards demilitarization of the world and opposition to nuclear weapons and

3. New Paradigm of Alternative Development ensuring Sustainability and Justice.

Main Principles and Parametres

* Appropriate technology choices should be incorporated in the policy of every sector. Machines and mechanization needs to be accepted within limits to ensure labour intensive technology which will relieve India of the huge debt trap with related political-economic oppression and will generate sources of livelihood without destroying nature in a major way. Sectoral policies need to be changed and these new policies should be strictly followed in development planning.

* Co-operative management of village industries, small industries and core / basic industries need to be facilitated.

* Democratic and decentralized planning: Atleast 60 % of the planned funds should be allocated to district and district level plans should be given primacy.

* Appropriate unit of planning, appropriate technology and participatory process should be chosen in order to avoid serious social-environmental impacts and economic non-viability of the present centralized plans.

* Policies for managing resources in each sector should ensure solutions to environmental crisis without unmanageable social impacts e.g. a decentralized resource-planning in a river basin, a solution to drought and flood crisis and organic self-reliant agriculture with efficient use of land and water.

* Constructive work through people's planning and action, based on the above principles.

Action Programme

* A struggle for change in the present policies and adoption of alternative policies in various sectors (like agriculture, water, power, unorganized workers, fisheries, displacement and rehabilitation, electoral reforms, judicial reforms etc.) is ongoing., yet needs to be co-ordinated. Draft alternative policies are worked out with various organizations. A compilation of these to be prepared as an Agenda for A New India and used in the campaign and in designing our action programme.

* Struggle in alliance with the like minded farmers organizations for

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optimum price for agricultural produce, demanding subsidy till the optimum price (comparative to the price of individual products) is granted, and an

effective marketing infrastructure and institutions are in place.

* Establishing Jan Vikas Kendras as training and resource centres for demonstration of technological alternatives, youth action, dialogue and workshops in places where our presence is strong, where some land with minimum infrastructure is available, ultimately at least one in each state. Special involvement in building a cadre of young activists.

* Establishing producer-consumer forum for village industries (Gramodyog Parivar) and small production centres for decentralized, cheap and labour absorbing production of basic goods. Network of multidisciplinary teams of intellectuals for alternative development planning in selected socio-economic-ecological units. (Please refer to Point 1).

* Campaign in schools, colleges and other educational institutions on the Peoples Agenda, selecting a few issues and activities. State-wise tours

of schools, colleges and universities to mobilize the youth force.

* Facilitate a People's Plan for every village / cluster of villages, region, city / metro, by the people's organizations, on the basis of sustainable, equitable and just development. (Refer Paradigm and Technology Point -1) Encouraging such planning in selected urban units which would address the various aspects of traffic and public transport, housing, water-supply and sanitation, displacement and prime land issues, expansion and satellite clusters, industries and open spaces etc. Similarly

to undertake planning in selected rural units.

4. Struggle for Social Action

Main Aspects

* Struggle against caste-system and inequalities: Empowerment of caste - communities should only be with an ultimate aim of annihilation of caste.

Any form of untouchability direct or indirect and discrimination to be opposed through individual protest, mass action as also legal action. A firm belief in non-violence and tolerance as values propagated by all religions. Every effort by power politicians or fundamentalist religious leaders need to be condemned. Secularism in politics should necessarily mean only limited participation of power holders and officials on duty into religious, caste-based activities.

* Struggle against gender inequalities. All forms of discrimination and atrocities against women to be opposed and right to property as well as to basic, equal services and opportunities to be asserted.

* Global peace and justice. War-mongering and imperialist policies and attacks need to be stopped. The United Nations must play a much stronger role while the civil society too needs to raise a stronger voice of protest.

Action Programmes.

* Some of the programmes suggested by the Anhad or National Campaign for Defence of Democracy, including action on the report of the public

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commission on Gujarat carnage and other programmes to be taken up. (More later).

* Building and widening Insaani Biradari, youth and children's dals

Programmes demanding

- a) Rights to Dalits / landless in the existing or newly created water resources for communities.
- b) Demand for maximum electricity or alternative sources of energy to each poor family as a priority - cutting down Transmission and Distribution losses and consumerist use / unjust distribution.
- c) Right to atleast one acre of land to each Landless Dalit Woman , recovering and distributing the former Vatan lands of dalits.
- d) Supporting the demand by Dalit organizations for retaining reservations in education and employment and extending these in the private sector with some incentives.
- e) Joint ownership of women and men in the land and property title raise a demand from all fora accompanied by actions in favour of women. This should be brought to the forefront of the

Agenda by March 2004.

- f) Collaboration with women s organizations / networks. Campaign for reservation for women in Parliament and state legislative Assemblies. Issues to be raised through Loknanch / Loksansad. (See point 5 programme)

5. Fostering Alternative Politics.

Main Aspects

- Right to Information : As a tool , this needs to be granted by improving the existing state and central level legislations and the other governments would and should adopt it.
- Challenge to corruption in public life. Recommendation of Vohra Committee towards non-corrupt, clean politics needs to be adopted. Corruption at all levels, especially in bureaucracy needs to be exposed.
- Opposing money and muscle power in electoral politics. Awareness campaign and Know-Your - Candidate campaign based on the latest judgment of the Supreme Court on Public Accounting by politicians.
- Intervention for Social Justice - Formation of groups of intellectuals and eminent persons from various walks of life who would intervene in times of crisis including state repression. Such a list will be maintained in each region and these persons would be available for intervention within 48 hours of receiving information about the critical

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situation.

• Alternative Media : This has become essential but the same should not remain restricted to the converted groups / cadres. Ambitious planning to make the Peoples Agenda known to the masses at large and to publicize programmes , to link various initiatives and organizations etc. is necessary.

• POTA and other anti-people draconian acts should be repealed and

crime and criminals should be dealt with through the existing IPC and CrPC.

Action Programmes

- * Dialogue with secular political parties, individually and in groups, on the Peoples Agenda in the context of upcoming elections.
- * Issuing Peoples Manifesto at the time of coming elections and making

public the analysis of performance of various political parties based on their previous manifestos.

- * Lok Manch, a civic group to be formed out of Desh Bachao Desh Banao committees to call to one dais and interrogate the candidates and hold representatives accountable to people in the Lok Sansad (People's Parliament) to be organized every three months, inviting elected members of District Panchayat, Vidhan Sabha (Parliament Assembly) as well as selected members of the Lok Sabha and bureaucrats. A Lok Manch is to be organized in Delhi in June 2003.

- * Direct / indirect intervention in electoral politics (challenging, assessing the parties, their manifestos, candidates and elected representatives) beginning with the forthcoming Assembly elections. Collaborate with civil society groups already active on the issue of electoral reforms.

- * Political education camps for the local and other activists and community leaders on ideologies and strategies.

- * Establishing a National level Daily or atleast begin with a news bulletin in Hindi to be finalized.

- * Linking with alternative media organizations towards a National Media Campaign on Peoples Agenda.

- * National Campaign for Right to Information to be strengthened with a common national and common state level legislation bringing in amendments in the present ones.

- * Anti- corruption committees with government and non-government representatives should be demanded and formed in each district of every state with due powers.

Follow Up Process and the Structure Towards a Launch.

- * We will strive to attain these goals and begin with the action programmes at the earliest. What is most necessary is the immediate follow-up and consolidation of the support and participation in the Desh Bachao Desh Banao Abhiyan. Contacting and discussing with all the organizations and individuals involved in the Abhiyan in each state will be

initiated by the state convenors with a group of active organizers / participants during the Abhiyan. It is necessary that a follow-up process

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is carried out by holding meetings of the organizations and individuals who have enrolled themselves for Desh Bachao Desh Banao by filling in forms during the Abhiyan, and participated in the programmes. The meeting should atleast be held at the places where the Abhiyan programmes were held. In this follow up process and meetings in each state, at least one national convener of the NAPM will participate in the process, as per the decision taken by the national convenors.

- * The committees formed for organizing the Abhiyan programmes at various places during the last two months will function with the consent of all, as Desh Bachao Desh Banao committees and be a part of / associated with the NAPM. Peoples organisations will be motivated to become members of NAPM.

For immediate tasks, a schedule of programmes was approved by the national conveners of NAPM at Lucknow and is given below :

April May : Follow up meetings to form / strengthen the Desh Bachao Desh Banao Committees.

April 25th. to May 1st: Action Week on Right to Work

June: State level Desh Bachao Desh Banao Conventions. A programme issuing a Warning Notice to the state governments, informing them about the state and national level agenda / issues / demands.

July: State level training camps / shibirs / workshops.

August 9-14: Action Week Campaign towards Janadesh a Call to Act to the state governments.

August 15: The day to issue the Janadesh (People's Mandate) or Jan Sankalp (People's Resolve). Programme to be planned at the flag hoisting ceremony or separately with widest possible participation of the participants / supporters of the Desh Bachao Desh Banao Andolan.

October: National satyagraha begins on the approved common national issue/s. (Details to be finalized later). Also, state level joint, indefinite action: March to the Capital or whatever is unanimously decided upon.

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Sent: Friday, April 25, 2003 6:39 PM
Subject: Potential Support of AID to PHM Activities

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To: Phm Office <phmsec@touchtelindia.net>
Sent: Monday, April 28, 2003 12:21 PM
Subject: Fw: [science-movement] We Admire You!

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From: "Vinod Raina" <vinod.raina@vsnl.com>
To: "sb27" <Satindar M BHAGAT@umail.umd.edu>; "Daniel Amit" <daniel.amit@roma1.infn.it>; "Shobha Madan" <madan@iitk.ac.in>
Cc: -science-movement@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, April 25, 2003 5:46 PM
Subject: Re: [science-movement] We Admire You!

>
> Prof. S. Mohan Bhagat
> Dept. of Physics,
> University of Maryland, College Park
> US
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> My dear Mohanji,
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> It is wonderful to receive your response. I hope you are as well as one
can
> expect to be in these turbulent times.
>
> I am very grateful to you for your gentle and mild reproach to my rather
enthusiastic and spontaneous reaction to
> Prof. Daniel Amit and Prof. Shobha Madan's actions. It is perhaps easier
to
> give up an institutional position (as some of us did at some point of
time)
> or emigrate, than to fight from within. Therefore your caution about not
> undermining the resistance and motivation of dissenters
> from within is well taken.
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> My faith in humankind goes beyond your figure of 84 million, and tells me
> that a majority of people in the US also seek peace and are not enamoured
> by war. Opinion polls in US mostly reflect consent manufactured and
> doctored through media - the FOX's and the CNN's,
> and a high degree of illiteracy about the rest of the World. If anything,
> the spontaneous and massive anti-war rallies in the US
> are a better reflection of the people's response than state influenced
> polls. And as you say, such a sentiment is perhaps higher
> on the campuses. I believe so, since I saw exactly that at some of the
> campuses on and immediately after 9/11 when, as you know,

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> I was travelling through the US campuses.

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 > But this is just the point I was trying to make in my hastily put together
 > message to the two Professors. Where as the majority
 > of people in the World, I believe, seek peace and harmony, it is the
 > institutions of the World - of the state, corporate and educational kind,
 > where potent violence is being brewed, in mind boggling varieties -
 > cultural, social, racist, ethnic, religious, scientific, economic and
 > military. True, as individuals, many people working in these institutions
 > do not share the goals of their institutions, but since they have to
 locate
 > themselves somewhere in order to use their skills and intellect, or simply
 > to earn a living, they must inevitably remain trapped in these
 institutions
 > Any action or protest, which can potentially harm their professional
 > careers is therefore an act of courage. Opting out is the last recourse,
 > but as I said, perhaps easier, since one no more has to negotiate one's
 > professional circles, and be judged by values one no longer subscribes to.
 > The major problem therefore is with the institutions rather than the
 people.

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 > This is not however an attempt to promote ideas emanating from
 > the neo-liberal, post-modernist, or anarchist politics - to disband all
 > institutions, as seems fashionable in many circles. Disband the state and
 > replace it by civil society, whatever that means, is a seductive and fund
 > attracting agenda these days, supported even by the World Bank. Our
 > democratic institutions are no longer representative of the needs and
 > aspirations of the majority of the people (including the post of the
 > present President of the United States, that had to be filled with the
 > intervention of the Supreme Court!) . This does not imply that we give up
 > democracy and its institutions - what it does however imply is the need to
 > deepen the democracy and transform its existing institutions and
 mechanisms
 > so that they reflect better the aspirations of the trapped masses. And
 this
 > extends to all other institutions, supported by the state, or otherwise.

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 > And I believe such transformation will require, as you rightly imply,
 > dissent from within the institutions and pressure from outside. And we
 > desperately need to create solidarities and alliances between these two
 > forms of action. Which is what, on reflection must have motivated my
 > spontaneous response to the action of our colleagues in as diverse places
 > as Rome and Kanpur.

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 > With warm regards,

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 > Vinod

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> At 03:47 AM 4/25/03, sb27 wrote:

>> At one level I agree with you completely. However, at another
>> level I would like to submit the following for your consideration.
• Whereas
>> I find the arguments offered by Blume total sophistry I have to remind
>> everyone that even in the height of the recent monstrosity in Iraq,
>> well nigh 30 per cent of the people of the US expressed total disgust
>> with what was being done in their name. That is close to 84 million
>> people. In addition, from my experience with people at the Universities
the
>> percentage of faculty who were ashamed of what we were doing was even
higher.
>> In my humble opinion I would like to suggest that we donot do anything to
>> undercut this group. Rather, these citizens of the US need all the
support
>> that they can muster around the world to keep the pressure on the power
>> structure to mend its ways. That said, there is no question that I
applaud
>> the principled stand taken by our colleagues. Take care, God Bless all
your
>> efforts!

>> Mohan

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Mohan

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 Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2003 5:34 PM
 Subject: PHA-Exchange> Free HIV Drugs Have Boosted AIDS Survival

Source: CDC HIV/STD/TB Prevention
 News Update / Wednesday, July 30, 2003

"Free HIV Drugs in Brazil Have Boosted AIDS Survival"
 Reuters (07.25.03); Maria A. Loewy; Jimena Castro Bravo

Survival among adult AIDS patients in Brazil has dramatically improved since universal free access to triple antiretroviral treatment began in 1996. "Median survival was five months for cases diagnosed in the 1980s, 18 months for those diagnosed in 1995, and 58 months for those diagnosed in 1996," the year the policy was launched, reported Dr. Jose Ricardo Pio Martins, of the University of Campinas in Sorocaba, Brazil, and colleagues. The study, "Dramatic Improvement in Survival Among Adult Brazilian AIDS Patients," was published in the journal AIDS (2003;17(11):1675-1682).

"It is the first time a study has demonstrated that universal free access to triple antiretroviral treatment in a developing country can produce benefits on the same scale as in richer countries," said Martins.

The study involved 3,930 randomly selected adult AIDS patients diagnosed in 1995 and 1996, who were from seven states representing all regions of Brazil. The patients were tracked for an average of five years. After accounting for other factors, the authors found antiretroviral treatment was the main predictor of survival.

However, Martins noted that there is still much to be done before HIV/AIDS is under control in Brazil. "Only 40 percent of the 600,000 HIV-positive patients in Brazil are aware of their infection. The rest just fear the social and physical consequences of this disease and prefer not to undergo the test," he added.

The study results come at a time when the Brazilian Ministry of Health is considering breaking the patents of three AIDS drugs: Merck's efavirenz (Sustiva), Roche's nevirapin (Viracept), and Abbott's lopinavir ritonavir (Kaletra). These drugs currently account for almost two-thirds of the government's HIV drug budget.

Negotiations between the Brazilian government and the drug companies are slated to begin August 1 and could last until the end of the month. "If we don't reach a deal, we will use the licenses in a compulsory way," Health Minister Humberto Costa said at a press conference.

"The world community must realize that we need to have a low-cost drug policy for developing countries if we want to defeat AIDS," observed Martins.

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- 1. Narmada Valley in Crisis - Meeting in Bangalore, on Friday 5 p.m. at ALF
From: listservs1@sangamaonline.org

Message: 1
Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2003 16:38:15 -0530
From: listservs1@sangamaonline.org
Subject: Narmada Valley in Crisis - Meeting in Bangalore, on Friday 5 p.m. at ALF

----- Forwarded message follows -----
From: "jagadeesh" <jagadeesh_bu@yahoo.com>
Date sent: Thu, 31 Jul 2003 10:58:02 -0000
Subject: [bangaloresolidarity] URGENT: Narmada Valley in Crisis - Meeting in Bangalore, on
Friday 5 p.m. at ALF

Dear Friend(s)

PHM - AID

The submergence caused by the Narmada river (due to the 100 meter
Sardar Sarovar dam height) is increasing and has entered almost all
the 33 Adivasi villages in Maharashtra. It has submerged the
Nimagavhan and by now it must have submerged the Jeevan Shalas

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(School for life) of Narmada Bachao Andolan. Adivasis and peasants in the Narmada Valley are facing grave situation due to the unjust submergence.

In this context, we are inviting you for a meeting/discussion to think of ways we can support the peoples' struggle in the valley in this crucial moment.

Please do come and bring as many friends as possible.

Venue: Alternative Law Forum, Opposite Infantry Wedding Hall,
Infantry Road, Tel: 2865757
Date: 1st August 2003
Time: 5:00 pm

In Solidarity

Ugadesh, Pravin and Clifton

Here is the latest press releaser from NBA:

Tue, 29 Jul 2003

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The government of Maharashtra has not initiated even the most primary action towards rehabilitation of the people threatened with submergence. Till this time it has not issued a Government order (GR) for rehabilitation according to the assurances it has given to end the indefinite fast by Medha Patkar and dharna in May-June 2003.

Instead it chose to deal with the people through police. On Tuesday (July 29), police arrested another 74 people along with activists like Pratibha Shinde, Noorjibhai and others.

The NBA has sent a letter to the District Collector to come to Dhadgaon (Tehsil Akrani) on August 1 2003 with all the responses from the government and answer the people's questions. The main activists including Medha Patkar are in the valley with the people.

We call unto you to immediately call/fax/email/meet the Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Mr. Sushilkumar Shinde, Mantralaya, Mumbai-400003

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and demand the following

- Initiate concrete steps immediately to resettle people affected by the SSP in Maharashtra. A revised GR should be issued instantly and the Collector be instructed to carry out the rehabilitation process in a just, participatory manner.
- Correct the faulty Resolution passed by the Government of Maharashtra as per the discussions held with the Ministers and terms agreed upon and implement these without delays.
- Immediately implement the recommendations of the Task Force Report set up by the Maharashtra Government and conducted jointly by the Government and the Narmada Bachao Andolan.
- Demand that Gujarat keeps the SSP gates open in order to minimise submergence in Maharashtra.
- Demand an immediate geological enquiry into the Earthquake at the dam-site that took place on the 17th July morning and measured 4.3 on the richter scale.
- Full compensation for the damage and destruction following the just panchamas in the affected villages.
- The Maharashtra government should not allow any further increase in the height of the dam since people affected at 80 meters are yet to be resettled.
- Please stand by in solidarity with the people in the Narmada valley. Make public the injustice of the State and central governments in India and do not allow the governments to evade the responsibility of safeguarding the lives and livelihoods of the people.

M.K. Sukumar
Sanjay Sangval
Pervin Jemhangir
Narmada Bachao Andolan

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1. Draft letter

From: "jagadeesh" <jagadeesh_bn@yahoo.com>

Message: 1

Date: Sat, 02 Aug 2003 08:13:21 -0000

From: "jagadeesh" <jagadeesh_bn@yahoo.com>

Subject: Draft letter

Dear Friends,

As discussed in the meeting yesterday we are sending drafts of the letters that may be faxed to the CMs of Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh. Please do make changes and send since the same letter from many people may seem rather obvious.

regards
jagadeesh

To:
Shri Digvijay Singh
Chief Minister
Madhya Pradesh.

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Sir,

In the past week we have heard and read about the large-scale submergence caused by the Sardar Sarovar dam in the adivasi villages of your State. According to available information, the 100% adivasi villages located on the opposite bank of the Maharashtra submergence villages have been totally submerged causing to widespread loss of crops. This, according to the law, is illegal and contravenes the Supreme Court judgment. This is an unfortunate predicament to force the adivasis into, where on one hand they are not being rehabilitated, while on the other the reality of scarcity of food during the coming year stares them in the face.

You must be aware that this submergence was wrecking havoc while you were immersed in a meeting with Shabana Azmi, L.C.Jain, Swami Agnivesh, your officials and senior representatives of the Natnada Bachao Andolan. Your officials seem to have claimed that they had rehabilitated all affected families. The submergence of fields and houses only exposes the false claims of the government as to the completion of rehabilitation.

On a more positive note though, you have agreed that the Gram Sabhas should be involved in the Rehabilitation process, especially the drawing up of the affected persons' lists and, importantly, in the identification of agricultural land for rehabilitation. We hope that all this is done before there is any further construction.

In this context, as citizens of this country and upholders of the Constitution, we demand that such illegalities and violations of human rights be immediately stopped.

- immediately ensure that the sluice gates are opened to prevent any further submergence
- assess the loss of crops and houses due to the submergence and immediately distribute the compensation
- carrying out relief work as required in every village
- keep up the promise made to the affected people regarding their rehabilitation

Yours sincerely,

Digvijay Singh,
Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh

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To,

Shri Sushilkumar Shinde,

Chief Minister

Maharashtra.

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According to the report of the government committee, "Task Force", at 100m there are thousands of families that remain to be rehabilitated. Under these circumstances it is difficult to imagine how your government permitted the construction of the dam when you were fully aware of the fact that thousands remained to be rehabilitated. It goes without saying that this is in violation of the law and the Supreme Court judgment.

According to newspaper reports the submergence has caused wide-spread destruction of crops and houses in Mauboli, Danel, Dhankhedi, Mokhedi, Chimalkhedi, Sikka, Bharad, Suning, Domkhedi, Nimgavan and other villages. In village Chimalkhedi the Police arrested all the people from the village, seized their belongings and threw them into "relief" camps. It is a pity that adivasis who have been granted a special status in the Constitution and are entitled to rehabilitation according to the law and the Supreme Court judgement are instead arrested and thrown out of their villages.

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1. Coke and Pepsi

From: mashood_kandy@i2.com

2. Announcing AID Bangalore Workshop on Joy of Learning for Rotary Club, Peenya on 23rd
Aug

From: senthil_sundaram@lucent.com

3. Independence day Pledge...

From: [Prasanna Safigram@yahoo.com](mailto:Prasanna_Safigram@yahoo.com)

Message: 1

Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 17:41:34 +0530

From: mashood_kandy@i2.com

Subject: Coke and Pepsi

In case, you haven't seen this.

Friends,

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12/14/03*

PHM - AID

*PN
14/8*

Something I had written about Coke and pepsii which people may be
interested in.

Best,

Amit Sen Gupta

Peddling Poison

Coca Cola and Pepsi Must Go!

Allende's Murderer

The year: 1970. In the South American country of Chile, Salvador Allende had just been elected as President but was yet to be confirmed and sworn in constitutionally. Allende had won in the face of the whole economic might of US corporations and the US government, who had funded the campaign of his opponent. Richard Nixon, then President of the United States received a personal call from Donald Kendall, Chairman of PepsiCo. This had not been difficult to set up, given that Richard Nixon had formerly served the company as its corporate attorney. Kendall arranged for the owner of the company's Chilean bottling operation to meet National Security Adviser Henry Kissinger on September 15. Hours later, Nixon called in his CIA chief, Richard Helms, and, according to Helms's handwritten notes, ordered the CIA to prevent Allende's inauguration as President of Chile.

The CIA swung into action. The nature of its operation can be gauged from the "Eyes only, restricted handling, secret" message to US station chief of the CIA, Santiago, from CIA headquarters on 16 October 1970. The message said, "It is the firm and continuing policy that Allende be overthrown by a coup... Please review all your present and possibly new activities to include propaganda, black operations, surfacing of intelligence or disinformation, personal contacts, or anything else your imagination can conjure..." The attempt in 1970 failed as the CIA found it difficult to sway the Chilean army. But they persisted, egged on by persistent prompting from US multinationals like PepsiCo, ITT (the forerunner of AT&T) and copper multinationals. Finally in 1973 they engineered the assassination of Allende. American interests were protected once again and the Chilean people paid for their "mistake" with more than 15,000 dead, more than 30,000 prisoners, more than 100,000 brutally tortured, more than 200,000 dismissed for political reasons, and more than 30,000 students expelled from the university by the military that took over.

With the Drug Mafia in Colombia

Fast forward to the decade of the nineties. The US is now engaged in subverting the democratic process in another South American country - Colombia. And what better ally can they have than another soft drink giant

— Coca Cola. For almost a decade now Coca Cola has been working closely with the mafia and criminal gangs in the country to terrorise its workers. Since 1996, eight workers and union activists from Coca-Cola plants in Colombia have been murdered by anti-union paramilitary groups. Managers of the Coca-Cola bottling plants in Colombia have allowed, and encouraged, right-wing paramilitaries and government security forces to threaten, detain, kidnap, and murder union activists.

Isidro Segundo Gil was killed inside the Coca-Cola bottling plant in Carepa by right-wing paramilitaries on December 5, 1996. Isidro was the president of the local union, and was involved with negotiations for a new collective bargaining agreement with the company. Four days later, the paramilitaries entered the plant and gave the union members until 4 P.M. to resign from the union. Fifty workers signed identical resignation letters and the local union was disbanded. Prior to Isidro's murder, the plant manager boasted that he had given an order to the paramilitaries to destroy the union. The most recent killing was of Adolfo Munera, who was shot to death in the doorway of his mother's house in Barranquilla on August 31, 2002. Adolfo was murdered just nine days after the Constitutional Court of Colombia decided to review his case against Coca-Cola.

Challenging the WHO

The year: 2003. The scene shifts to the corridors of the World Health Organisation headquarters in Geneva. This time Pepsi and Coca Cola are working in tandem to prevent the publication of a report by the WHO on unhealthy nutrition. The release of the draft prompts them to threaten Gro Harlem Brundtland (then Director General, WHO) in a letter (co authored by the sugar and other food multinationals) with the following words: "We

will use all possible methods to throw light on the questionable character of this report. Tax payers' money should not be wasted on supporting non-scientific surveys".

At the heart of the controversy is the WHO's report on obesity and nutrition. The report urges governments to clamp down on TV advertisements pushing "sugar-rich items" to impressionable thirsty youngsters and consider

levying heavier taxes on them. It suggests that school vending machines should be turned into scrap metal. The WHO is concerned about the rising tide of obesity that is killing and debilitating millions in rich countries

such as the UK and US and that is now edging into poor countries to co-exist

obscenely with malnutrition. The soft drinks industry, appalled at this "interference" with its global dominance, disputes not only the scientific evidence but the WHO's right even to raise issues of taxes and advertising.

Pepsi and Coke received strong support for their stand from an expected quarter. The US government registered a formal objection to the WHO draft

report, arguing that it had not proved its case. It said the report found "insufficient evidence to conclude a causal link between soft drinks consumption and weight gain exists" and demanded that the offending words be "deleted or significantly revised".

The above are but a few glimpses from the murky history of the soft drink giants, Pepsi and Coca Cola. Should we really be surprised when we learn from a study recently published by the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) that they have been serving us soft drinks laced with deadly pesticides? Let us not forget that Coca Cola started as a firm that peddled drugs! Till 1906 it is officially acknowledged that their formula contained cocaine. The two, who today symbolize the "free world" and the "American way of life" have for a century carved out an empire by marketing junk that is bad for health - pesticides notwithstanding. They have even acquired a philanthropic sheen. They fund "social causes" and a member of Coca Cola's board of directors sits on the board of the Ford Foundation, which appears to have, in recent years, built a reputation for funding "radical" causes! From drug peddling to philanthropy - it has been a long and eventful journey!

Damning Evidence

The CSE study itself is a damning piece of evidence that suggests corporate irresponsibility and double standards. It found that all the different brands sold by these companies -- Pepsi, Mountain Dew, Diet Pepsi, Miranda orange, Miranda lemon, Blue Pepsi, 7-Up, Coca-Cola, Fanta, Limca, Sprite and Thums Up -- contained the deadly insecticide lindane which damages the body's central nervous system and has the potential to induce cancers. Coca-Cola, for example, was found to contain lindane in a concentration of 0.035 milligram per litre -- a level which is 35 times higher than the European Economic Commission (EEC) limit. Similarly, highly toxic DDT residues, almost 45 times higher than EEC limits, were found in Pepsi's Miranda Lemon. Repeated exposure to pesticides such as DDT, malathion and lindane can cause severe harm, ranging from cancer, liver and kidney damage, to birth defects and damage to the immune system. The fact that these pesticides came from the ground water used in the manufacture of Coke and Pepsi do not in any way absolve them of responsibility.

But the reaction of the Indian Government to the report by the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) on pesticide content in Coke and Pepsi speaks volumes for its supposed concern for the health of the people. The emphasis of all the pronouncements have been on testing the soft drinks for pesticide content. In other words, if the companies clean up their act, it will be

business as usual. No one seems to be prepared to question the rationale for allowing these products in the Indian market in the first place - with or without pesticides.

The reaction from the liberalization brigade and their poster boys has been nauseating. After the study was published, a very familiar anchor in one English news channel was seen smirking at and hectoring MPs for having dared to ban Pepsi and Coke from Parliament. The same news channel ran a programme titled: "Villains or Victims"! Pepsi and Coke as victims should qualify as the news scoop of the millennium! In most metropolitan newspapers the story had vanished from the front page within a couple of days. Big money has obviously been doing some plain talking! Let us forget - the Indian soft drink industry is worth Rs.6,000 crores, and 85% of the market is controlled by Pepsi and Coca Cola. They are among the biggest advertisers on television and in the print media. We can soon expect to see planted stories appearing on their behalf in the media.

Coke and Pepsi must go not just because they contain liberal dollops of pesticides. They must go because of their track record globally and in this country. They must go because even minus pesticides, they are junk and harmful for the health of those who consume them.

In India, both these companies have bought acres of prime land to set up their manufacturing facilities. In Maharashtra and many other regions their operations have starved the local population of water. Thousands have been agitating against this practice of the Indian Government, which has sold the water rights of the people to corporates like Pepsi and Coke. Recently the BBC broke a story that is even more damning. It now transpires that as a philanthropic gesture, Coke in Kerala had been supplying, free of cost, sludge from their factory to be used as fertiliser to local farmers. The catch in this tale of corporate munificence is that this sludge is laced with cadmium, a deadly poison! The Kerala State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) has confirmed the presence of the carcinogenic metal cadmium in waste material generated by the Coca-Cola plant at Plachimada in Kerala's Palakkad district. The sludge being supplied to farmers was found to contain 201.8 mg of cadmium per kg of dry weight, against the tolerable limit of 50 mg. The factory has been asked to stop supplying the sludge as fertiliser to farmers in the locality, and to keep the material in 'seepage-proof' conditions.

Let us now turn to something about Coke and Pepsi that is rarely discussed.

Mercifully they do not contain cocaine any more, and one assumes that they do not deliberately add pesticides. But what they contain is almost as harmful for health. The first problem is that soft drinks provide no nutritional value, but supply "empty" calories - that is just plain sugar

(a bottle of coke contains the equivalent of 11 teaspoons of sugar). This is

a deadly combination when consumed by people with sedentary (not active) lifestyles. Dr.Brundland, while releasing the WHO report on obesity and nutrition said: "We have known for a long time that foods high in saturated

fats, sugars, and salt, are unhealthy; that we are, globally, increasing our

intake of energy-dense, nutritionally poor food as our lives become increasingly sedentary ?. And that these factors - together with tobacco use - are the leading causes of the great surge we have seen in the incidence of chronic diseases". Even in the U.S. there is today a major

public outcry against the promotion of soft drinks. Los Angeles, for example,

is proposing to ban soft drink in all schools from 2004.

Another active ingredient in Coke is phosphoric acid. It is highly acidic, with a pH value of 2.8. It is thus highly corrosive and can dissolve a nail

in about 4 days. One can imagine what that would do to the teeth of children

who consume Coke in large quantities. Phosphoric acid also dissolves out calcium from bones and is a major contributor to the rising increase in osteoporosis - a disease characterized by thinning of bones that leads to easy fractures. Studies have also implicated phosphoric acid as a causative agent of kidney stones.

This then is what the votaries of "free market" want protected. Coke and Pepsi typify the consumerist culture being promoted in the country today.

They must go because they are poisoning a whole generation of children and young adults. They must go because they ravage the land where it is produced. They must go because they are symbols of all that is evil in the corporate world.

[This message contained attachments]

Message: 2

From: Senthil Subramani - ssubramanis@iitcent.com
Subject: Announcing AID Bangalore Workshop on Joy of Learning for Rotary Club, Peenya on 23rd Aug

Hi All,

AID Bangalore is conducting a Joy of Learning Workshop for Rotary Club, Peenya on the 23rd Aug 2003.

Rotary Club is working with five government schools in the Peenya Industrial Area. We will be training around 20 people from the governments schools/corporate volunteers on Joy of Learning. The exact venue will be communicated later.

Agenda for the Day:

- 9.00 a.m - Mashood - Intro/ Rotary Intro
- 9.15 a.m - Dialogue on right by Dr.Ravishankar, IITM, Chennai.
- 10.15 - Origami - Abhijit Bhide
- 10.30 - Science and life - Slide show and discussion - Senthil
- 11.30 - Tea Break
- 11.45 - Maths Experiments - Ravi/Aravind
- 12.45 - Lunch break
- 1.00 - Game with participants
- 1.45 - Pressure experiment based on Pressure CD made by AID Chennai (Balaji Kutty)
- 2.45 - Joy of Learning in Social Science : based on the Aveli Abacus Kil from Bombay
- 3.45 - Education System a discussion : Ravishankar/Prassana
- 4.45 - Mashood/Abhijit/Amuzed volunteers - Joy of learning Experiments
- 5.45 - Discussion on how Rotary is going to take this work forward

If you are interested in attending this one day workshop email your registrations with the following details before 20/8/03 to Prassana.prasanna_aid@yahoo.com

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Senthil

Message: 3
Date: Wed, 13 Aug 2003 01:52:11 -0700 (PDT)

Nagaraja Prakasam nagapr@yahoo.com wrote: To: "AID Coords"
From: "Nagaraja Prakasam"
Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 23:48:13 -0400
Subject: [AID Coords] Independence day Pledge...

Dear Friends,

The ID Pledge is available on the web...
<http://www.aidindia.org/hq/index.shtml>

Happy 56th..
-Naga

The Pledge

I realize that I can do something to eliminate poverty from India. I understand that wherever I am (in India, US or any other country) and whatever be my educational and vocational background, I can make a meaningful contribution towards this.

With humility and sincerity, I pledge that I shall strive to free India from poverty. I shall contribute time, money, effort and ideas towards achieving this goal. I will contribute atleast x% percent of my income and I will volunteer atleast a few hours per week for this cause. In my efforts, I will also try to involve my family and friends. I will not let religious, regional, linguistic or personal differences come in the way of working with others towards achieving our common goals.

I will constantly try to sustain and build my relationship with India, especially the India that lives predominantly in its villages. I will try and visit atleast 1 new Indian village every year or every time I visit India.

I will try to involve myself in an honest and sincere organization that is trying to improve the lives of people in the villages so that my contribution can inspire and motivate others working towards the same ideal.

I realize that everything I do and every dollar I spend affects those around me. Therefore, I will respect the natural resources and labour that all of humanity must share. I will also support an economy which respects human rights and dignity of all people.

I understand the responsibility I will carry by making this pledge. I reaffirm my pledge to strive to free India from poverty.

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Topics in this digest:

1. Narmada meeting

From: jagadeesh BN <jagadeesh_bn@yahoo.com>

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Message: 1

Date: Tue, 5 Aug 2003 10:10:58 -0700 (PDT)

From: jagadeesh BN <jagadeesh_bn@yahoo.com>

Subject: Narmada meeting

Dear friends,

You all know that we had a meeting on Friday(1-8-2003) at ALP regarding the critical situation of Narmada Valley. we have decided that we will do cycle Jata on 9th August. Regarding that

we are meeting Tomorrow Wednesday(6th August-2003) at Ferose Estate

Place: Ferose Estate,
 Opposite Hotel Chandrika,
 Cunningham Road,
 Time: 6.PM
 Date: 06-08-2003.

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Regards,
jagadeesh

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Subject: [aidbangalore] AID meeting Agenda

Date: Sat, 16 Nov 2002 15:01:45 +0530

From: mashood_kandy@i2.com

Reply-To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

To: aidbangalore@yahoogroups.com

Dear friends,

I am forwarding the mail from Senthil for those who have not recieved it. This contains agenda for Today's meeting plus some thoughts on future activities.

regards,

mashood.

Rü All.

AID meeting at 7.30 p.m on 16-11-02 at Babu's place.

Agenda

- 1) Community Health Centre : Wolrd Social Forum : Prassana to co-ordinate , who is going for the event from Banglaore?, some of us can go on 4th and 5th (Sat Sun)
- 2) Aid India Conference Activities : Finalizing speakers and venue, allotting tasks. Meeting people whom Prassana can't
- 3) Aid Bangalore - Elections
- 4) Schools: Are all folks resuming classes this week - If anyone is not let me know

Status of All Classes - updates and issues

- 1) Namma Mane - Balaji Kurty
- 2) School near Sun micro Systems - Balaji Kurty
- 3) Ulsoor Govt School - Senthil
- 4) Ulsoor Girls School - Raghu / Raghavendra
- 5) Namma Mane - Sthanu
- 6) Namma Mane - Babu
- 7) Namma Mane - Aravindan
- 8) Namma Mane - Manoj
- 9) Namma Mane - Vanilla
- 10) Indira Nagar class I - Suman
- 11) Indira Nagar class II - Peeyush
- 12) Army School - Mashood - Abhijit

- Finalising archimides related experiments
- kits for this week
- Next week's thought : Newtons Laws : Currently the team is Suman, Peeyush, Sthanu, Sen : anyone who can join
- To get Maths kit - Guru
- To get puzzle set - Guru
- Maths book to Raghu

5) Science Experiment classes : whats our aim : A discussion

Some thoughts on our activity:

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in future : this item is not part of agenda but things we can do in the future - we can have a discussion - these are not things which we are going to do immediately - our immediate aim is clearly generating a good set of

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SAR - would you like to get the AID group to schools in
Sudhahangar, Victoria Nagar, Rajivnagar
+ particularly to Govt. schools
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science experiments and getting more volunteers to cover more schools in bangalore. These our just thoughts.

- Similar efforts in mathematics
- watch balaji sampath's videos and freeze on more experiments, currently with Abhiji
- call balaji sampath and find more experiments and free time activity
- Senthil and Balaji to visit other education projects in an around bangalore - to take help of Ravi, Babu, Aruna, - to meet inspiring people in the field
- one day workshop for aid education volunteers by an inspiring person involved in education
- Holding more such discussions within the group
- Common accounts
- visiting anikal - Shankar - bonded labour education project - mashood
- Conducting science based video shows
- can we have songs in English, Tamil, Kannada which we can sing - related to science etc
- How to introduce reading habit among students - story book workshops
- Dispelling myths - Science experiments
- John holt based session - workshop
- balaji sampath got a CD made - check it out
- replicating the work to a larger crowd and getting more science experiment volunteers from the field

p.s: Ganesh, Harish, Pradeep to join us soon

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PRESENTS

A talk by Mr. K.R. Datye

On community based watershed development and Biomass energy generation
On 02.02.2003 between 10.30 AM and 12.30 PM

Venue:

Community Health Cell
367, "Srinivasa Nilaya",
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Mr. K.R. Datye on Sunday, 02.02.2003 is going to talk on building up of a Framework for implementation of community based Watershed development and Biomass energy generation.

All are welcome to participate in the same.

Prasanna

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Date: 31.01.2003

Dear Sir,

Sub: Requisition for permission to utilize the conference premises of Community Health Cell for a meeting with renowned water technologist Mr. K.R. Datye

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We would like to arrange a meeting with Mr. K.R. Datye on Sunday, 02.02.2003. We request you to grant us the permission to host the same in your premises. This meeting at CHC, would be convenient for participants which includes our organization members, friends, social workers and members from other organizations. Hence we request you to provide us a meeting place for the same. Hope to be obliged.

Thanking you in advance,
Yours faithfully,

Prasanna
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Hi All,

Today we have a Joy of Learning class in Namma Mane at 2.30 pm. This is part of the continuing weekly classes based on the Aveshi Abacus kit.

Today's topic is - Understanding yourself.

The worksheets and the session help the participant to discover her/him self.

It talks about the process of discovering what one is, what one likes, dislikes and how changes are possible.

This is part of the continuing series on : my body, myself and my earth.

Let me know if you are interested in visiting.

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Bangalore, Feb-2004

Dear Readers, AID Bir's still unchristened newsletter is back again! We have a lot of things to catch up with. You saw that our last newsletter covered a few updates till April 2003. In this and the subsequent issues, we'll try to cover as many backlog updates as possible. This edition's inputs were contributed by Srikanth, Prasanna, Aradhana and others who participated in various activities. -Editor

AID Bangalore meets Prof. K.R.Datye. Prof. Datye has worked extensively on water issues and on alternative technology and modes of development in various parts of the country. One of his several books "Banking on Biomass" details an alternative mode of economy based on biomass production and consumption. During the meeting it was decided to explore the possibilities of AID Bangalore working with him on his "Food for work" program for sustainable agricultural methods. AID is now acting as a support agency by providing assistance in various activities such as data collection and analysis with the support of farmers.

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Magadi Project - Capacity Building for Natural Resource Development and Management:

The ever growing use of fertilizers and other inputs for more yield in agriculture have led to significant soil deterioration and unsustainable means of livelihood for farmers in rural areas. With the help of Prof. Datye, the project in Magadi seeks to investigate and establish sustainable ways of agriculture and water development. A pilot project will be undertaken for the first 6-8 months and based on these experiments, sustainable methods will be established and extended to other locations. To volunteer for this project please contact Srikanth (srikanth.zvaloo@gmail.com) or Prasanna (Prasanna_aid@yahoo.com) for further details.

JoL Workshop in Peenya: It was the very first workshop for teachers on JoL that AID BIR did. It was an exciting session with most of the AID BIR volunteers participating. The participation was good. The workshop was for a school that the Rotary club was supporting in Peenya. One exemplary job was that of Poojash and team who did not even catch a wink for two continuous days and worked right through the nights to make a CD presentation out of the Danger School book, lending voices to the cartoon clips.

Kandhari Block Visit, Nov 2003 - Chevathur, Pa.Muddampatti and Jaliyur

Objective: To meet the volunteers and assess the working of the SGHs and health initiatives. To account and interact with the people involved in the hundred-block plan.

A serious concern during the visit was the observation that nearly 50% of the children in Jaliyur were in Grade 1 category. The village volunteers expressed concern about money and the sustainability of these programs. Some specific issues were addressed. The high level of participation in Jaliyur is commendable. Examples of successful SGHs help inspire and motivate other groups. In all, it was observed that these programs can sustain and see greater participation with the help of highly motivated volunteers, proper guidance and training, and by setting up goals and benchmarks and living up to these. Though these are already in practice, the feedback only emphasizes the importance of these points.

Kalavathi's story, Dharmapuri - Special meeting to discuss the follow-up on the Dharmapuri visit by Aradhana, Prasanna and Babu, 8th May 2003

After much discussion about the logistics, it was decided that AID Bangalore would support the activities of Kalavathi in Dharmapuri. Through its intervention it would add value to nearly 128 SHGs started by Kalavathi and her group. The first step would be to conduct a health awareness training session with one of the state resource persons on health (Kajjona - Shanithi).

Meetings on various issues concerning society: In one of the CSIIs of AID Bangalore it was decided that the volunteers needed to understand the concepts and the issues that confront the society and accordingly we started with a series of meetings on various issues.

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"Issues of Communitarism" with Dr. Ravi Narayan, 8th June 2003. The discussion was led by Babu Kunyol of AID Bangalore who presented his ideas from one of the books he had read on communitarism.

"Kali River Issue" with Subramanya Shastri, environmental activist from the US and Sanku Lakshminarayanaiah, former Secretary of the Environmental Support Group (ESG) and Malini Shankar, environmental journalist

"Electoral Reforms", lecture by Jayaprakash Narayan, national co-ordinator, Lok Satta and IIM-B faculty. Trudechan Sasriv, of National Council for Electoral Reforms

Did you know?

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Aug 2004, Chennai

Small Steps...
towards a better world

Dear Reader,

AID Chennai brings you the latest news and updates from projects in various fields, through the monthly newsletter Small Steps. We hope this newsletter graduates into a forum to discuss and debate issues or news that affect us. Voice of the Volunteer is a special section, where our volunteers share their experiences with you. Soon we also plan to include articles and updates from AID projects across India. We solicit your valuable comments, suggestions and also interesting and thought provoking articles, poems, cartoons etc. Kindly email us on aidchennai@gmail.com. Ramki, Balaji, Ravi Shankar, Vibha, Suchi, Arthik, Sundhar and Smitha contributed articles and ideas for this edition. - Editor.

INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT IN ARIYALUR

Ariyalur is a very poor district, near Trichy in Tamil Nadu. Neither AID nor TNSF has a base there. Balaji and Srivats have taken up the challenging task of starting some development activities there. They have been visiting Ariyalur every week, trying to build youth groups, start primary education, science education and health initiatives etc. Starting now with 5 villages and 5 schools close to the town, they plan to expand the scope of this integrated development to about 300-500 villages in the district. To start with, two science clubs and adolescent girl groups in two schools and a primary education centre have already been started in a village. Contact Person: srivats17@yahoo.com, balaji_sampath@hotmail.com

NESAKARAM - Nesakaram is an NGO that rehabilitates poor kids who run away from home, by providing food, shelter and education.

Our classes there have begun again over the weekends. It is a heartening experience for the volunteers Ramki, Bala, Prabhakar, Guni, Anu and Divya interacting with the kids. On one such weekend, the session started with a round of maths puzzles. The volunteers used various number games to find out the secret number etc, which the children found interesting and came up with various explanations on how the volunteers were able to find out. Such interesting interaction between the teacher and the student builds confidence and makes the child inquisitive. More importantly, such methods help in understanding concepts better. In this case, math puzzles of finding secret numbers help children understand the underlying

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How come no mention of NHRC/TSA public hearing?
I believe AID is part of TSA DO they cannot and should not TSA happenings is creation of people or any way involve
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math concept of Algebra. Contact Person: rankey_1@yahoo.com

VOICE OF THE VOLUNTEER

Lady Nye School near the IIT campus has both residential students and day-scholars. Ravi Shankar and Vibha have been helping 25 10th std students with their math for a month now in the weekends. This is what Vibha has to share....

So far, our experience has been excellent. The students are warm, bubbly and very cooperative. Our first challenge is Arithmetic progression and I am happy to say that we are progressing geometrically. Our teaching methodology aims at clarifying fundamental concepts by breaking down problems into small sequential steps. This not only reinforces their confidence but also highly motivates them.

We had an interesting learning too. We noticed that all the students are very confident about algebra using the variable 'x'. They can easily field questions like $x^2 \times x = x^3$, $x-x=0$ etc. However try that with $n + n$ and they are stumped. Perhaps this abstraction seems obvious to us, but the truth is that this points to one of the many fundamental gaps in our education system. But it can be very easily bridged. Hopefully at the end of the day the students can marvel at the beauty of equations rather than be stupefied!

PERSEVERANCE IS THE WORD - A story from Bangalore

AID volunteers Pradeep, Karthik, Venkatesh and Sivakumar are all software professionals who have been helping children over the weekends regularly at a small government primary school. The school has only two small class rooms where Pre KG, 1st and 2nd standard students sit in one class room and 3rd, 4th and 5th standard students sits in another class room. The school had a half-finished building adjacent to the two classrooms. They found out that the local area counselor, now an MLA, out of his own interest, started the building. But the construction was left unfinished because of the busy schedule of the MLA. This is where our volunteers stepped in. They met the MLA not once but a number of times. Their persistence won. First, an engineer evaluated the construction. The next week somebody asked the teacher to allocate space to place the cement bags for construction. The week after that, they saw a group of people working. Congratulations to the volunteers who did not give up.

AID in the NEWS

Recently, Indian Express in Chennai carried an article titled AIDing Development about AID and its activities and associations in India. An excerpt - "AID is a voluntary organization committed to promoting sustainable, equitable and just development by working with various grassroot organizations and movements in India. It supports and initiates efforts in various interconnected spheres such as education, livelihood, natural resources, health, women's empowerment and social justice."

NEWS!!

- i) AID and TNSF volunteers have been invited by the Commissioner of Corporation Schools in Chennai to train all middle and high school teachers of corporation schools in Chennai through monthly workshops.
- ii) Ravi Shankar has designed a new concept card on Day and Night explaining the earth's rotation.
- iii) AID Chennai has released its new brochure

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