

INDIA DEVELOPMENT SERVICE

Annual Report 1991

The Board Of Directors of IDS wish to thank you for the staunch support and the generous contribution to IDS during 1991. Following is a brief review of the activities.

Educational Activities.

- * Ravi Chopra, an activist, environmentalist and director of "People Science Institute" spoke on "Scarcity Amidst Plenty" on March 30, 1991. His discussion focussed on drought and water resources in India.
- * Lata P.M. a feminist and coordinator for "Women's Center", Bombay spoke on July 13, 1991 about progress of feminist movement in India. She emphasized upon the contribution of activists in the legalization of anti infanticide movement in Maharashtra.
- * Lavanam, director of "Atheist Center" Vijaywada spoke about Atheism on August 11, 1991. He elaborated upon the Center's philosophy of post religious, universal humanitarian attitudes while preserving one's religious beliefs on a personal basis.
- * Swami Agniwesh, an activist spoke about "Bonded Labor" on November 17, 1991. His speech gave a vivid picture of fifty five million Indian children who languish in slavery each year.
- * Vidya Bal and Vijaya Chauhan, feminists from Pune spoke about "Women's Role In Development" and "Role Of N. G. O.s In Development" respectively on December 8, 1991. They illustrated innovative methods of integrating women from urban and rural settings for a common cause thus enhancing the vitality of the cause.

ANNUAL SEMINAR

- * The annual seminar of IDS on "Dynamics Of Development In 1990s" was held on May 11, 1991 at College Of Du Page in Glen Ellyn, IL.

The seminar featured following speakers:

- * Gyanendra Pandye, Professor Of History at Delhi Univ. and a Rhodes Scholar, spoke on "Democracy, Development and Social Justice".
- * Karki Hussain, Research Scientist at J.N.U. and Professor at National Defence College, Delhi, spoke about "Development In China, A Comparative Study".
- * Alok Baveja, a student from Amherst and coordinator for "Gurukul" a literacy project from A.P. spoke about "Literacy And Development".
- * S.R.Hiremath, activist and Founder of Samaj Parivartan Samudaya spoke about "Politics and Development".
- * Shamala Hiremath, confounder of IDS, India , David Hardiman, activist at Center For Social Studies at Surat and Maxine Berntsen, educationalist and activist at Pragat Sikshan Samstha at Phaltan, Maharashtra, all spoke about "Development: Perspectives Of Activists".

The seminar was very successful event and the open forum followed by the speeches prompted interesting discussion amongst all the participants.

Synopsis Of Current Developmental Projects Supported By IDS

IDS continued support of the following projects and hundred percent of the earmarked donations received for these projects were forwarded to them.

1. Abandoned Women, Maharashtra.
2. Antar Bharati, Maharashtra. [Completed in 1991]
3. Bharat Seva Trust, Tamil Nadu. [Completed in 1991]
4. Gramiya Munetra Sangam, Tamil Nadu.
5. National Association For The Blind, Karnataka.
6. Rural People's Development Society, Tamil Nadu.
7. Sahiyar, Gujarath.
8. Samaj Paryavaran Kendra, Gujarath.
9. Society For Integrated Development Action, Kerala.
10. Vanasthali Gramin Vikas Kendra, Maharashtra.
11. Welfare Association For Rural Mass, Tamil Nadu. [Completed in 1991]

Following ten new projects were adopted by IDS during 1991. Majority of these projects are located in the regions of the country where poverty and illiteracy are rampant. Location and a brief discription of each of these projects is illustrated in the following pages.

1. Tribal Community Action, U.P.
2. Foundation For Women's Education, U.P.
3. Gramin Vikas Vigyan Samiti, Rajasthan.
4. Jagran Jan Vikas Samiti, Rajasthan.
5. Kumbhakari Jagriti, Karnataka.
6. Meenakshi Illam, Tamil Nadu.
7. SRUTI Fellowship, Assam.
8. Soc. For Upliftment Of Dalits, Goa.
9. Village Development Council, Orissa.
10. Women's Liberation And Rehabilitation Society, Karnataka.

INDIA DEVELOPMENT DAY

The theme of this year's I.D. Day celebration was "A Thread Of Life Endangered" This event focused on the history, evolution and current status of textiles from India as well as the plight of weavers combating impact of powerlooms. The key note speaker for this event was Rajiv Sethi, coordinator for "Festivals of India" as well for "Sarathi"; an organization which works for the rehabilitation of artisans in India. This event was a resounding sucess and created a wide media coverage in Chicago for IDS and it's activities.

IDS Chapter News

The Milwaukee chapter of IDS arranged talks by Feminists Lata P.M. in July and Vidya Bal and Vijaya Chauhan in December. These speeches were attended by a large number od IDS supporters.

The Austin chapter of IDS has been very active in 1990. They adopted a new project S.U.D.A. [Goa] in conjunction with IDS Chicago and have successfully raised funding. They will be the prime force behind the forthcoming IDS seminar in spring.

IDS Maryland Chapter has been active in soliciting and adopting projects and has raised funds for S.U.D.A. [Gao] in conjunction with the Austin Chapter.

1. Abandoned Women, Maharashtra: Women's Support.

Abandoned women are organized to achieve economic and social recognition through acquisition of common land and production of biomass by recycling the waste materials.

2. Tribal Community Action, U.P.: Social Action.

Tribal people in the hilly region are organized in regular training camps to inform them about their legal rights to their lands as well as forests.

3. Foundation For Women's Education, U.P.: Women's Support.

Provide women training, employment opportunities and marketing skills in garment making.

4. Gramin Vikas Vigyan Samiti, Rajasthan: Women's Support.

Provides training and income generation for women and pre-school education for children.

5. Gramiya Munetra Sangham, Tamil Nadu: Education

Leadership and political awareness training of rural youth with help of seminars and camps.

6. Jagran Jan Vikas Samiti, Rajasthan: Health And Education.

Training village women in health practices using Ayurveda and herbal medicine, sanitation awareness plus providing legal aid to women.

7. Kumbhakari Jagriti, Karnataka: Income Generation.

Specific pottery training and teaching marketing skills to village potters.

8. Meenakshi Illam, Tamil Nadu: Education Income generation.

Vocational training programs, constructions and repairs of low cost housing and increasing water resources by digging bore wells.

9. National Association For Blind, Karnataka: Education.

Educating rural blind children to facilitate integration with sighted children.

10. Rural People's Development Society, Tamil Nadu: Education.

Non formal education to rural illiterate people through stipend for learning.

11. Sahiyar, Gujrat: Social Action, Women's Support.

Organizing dalit and minority community women against domestic violence and female infanticide

12. Samaj Paryavaran Kendra, Gujrat: Environmental Research.

Survey of ecological changes, monitoring and documentation leading to development of a plan revitalizing Saurashtra's ecosystem.

13. Soc. Intg. Development Action, Kerala: Women's Support.

Construction of latrines for rural women who volunteer labor and setting up of cooperatives.

14. SRUTI Fellowship, Assam: Income Generation, Education.

Support activist Girin Chetia for teaching innovative methods of cultivation in flood affected regions of Brahmaputra as well as setting up income generation activities for villagers.

15. Soc. For Upliftment Of Dalit, Goa: Women's Support, Health.

Provide education in basic health care and employment alternatives to prostitutes and their children in Vasco. Health education emphasis on prevention of A.I.D.S. and sexually transmitted diseases.

16. Vanasthalai Gramin Vikas Kendra, Maharashtra: Education, Women's Support.

Train women as balwadi teachers and provide employment. Follow up on these women regarding utilization of their education.

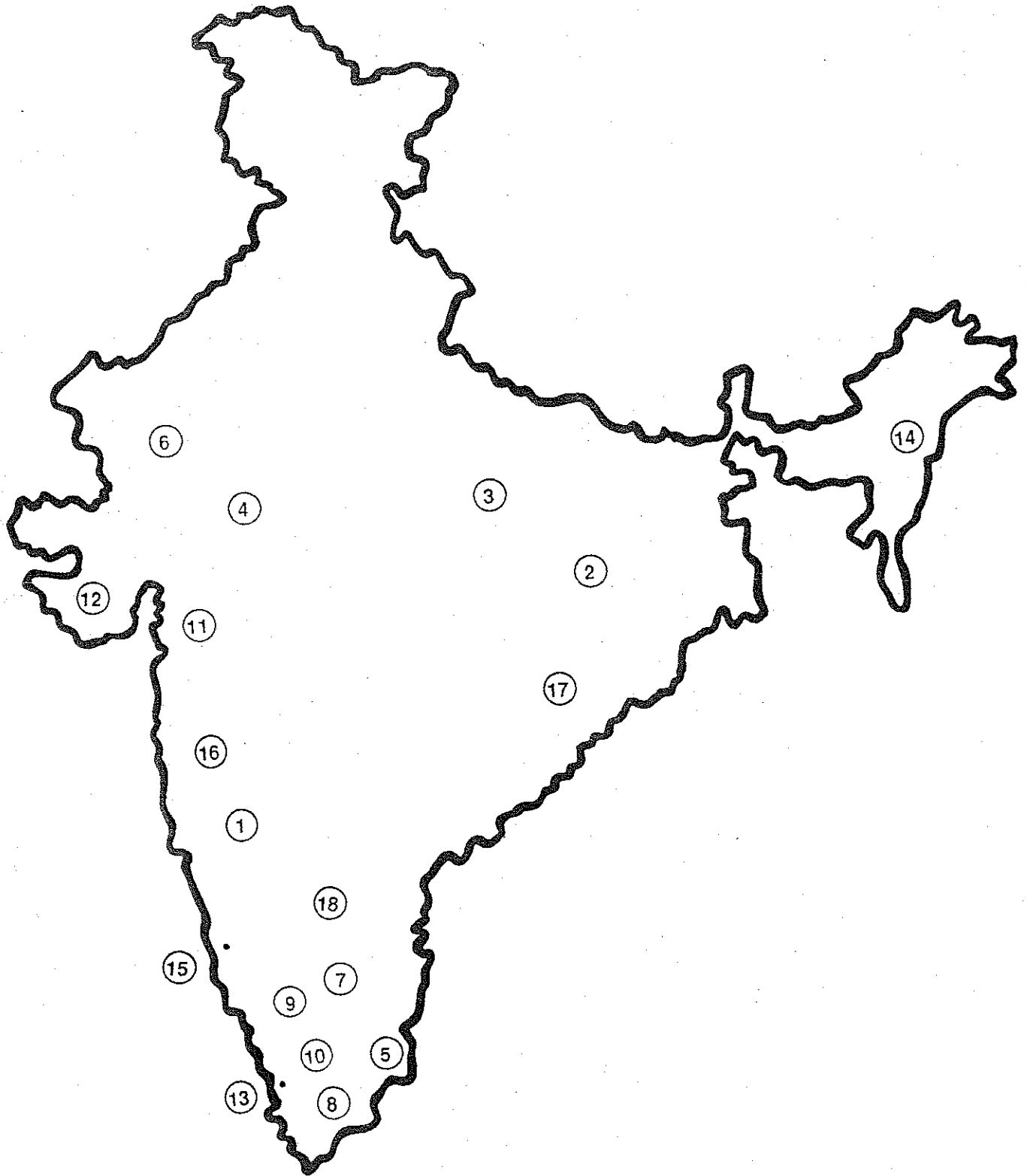
17. Village Development Council, Orissa: Education, Income Generation

Providing education opportunities for youth and motivating them for community work.

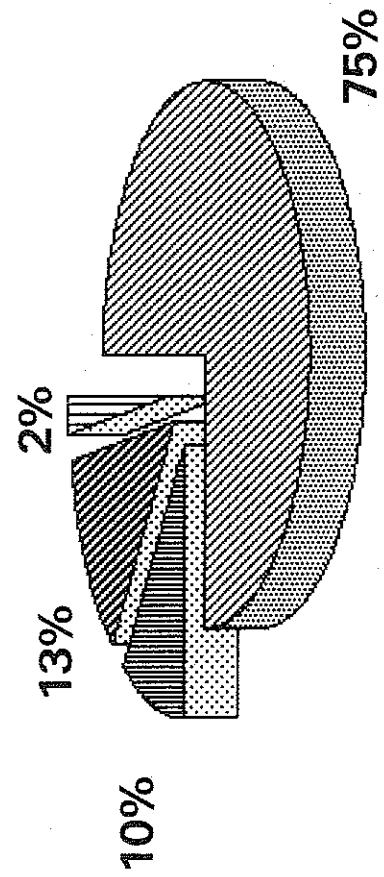
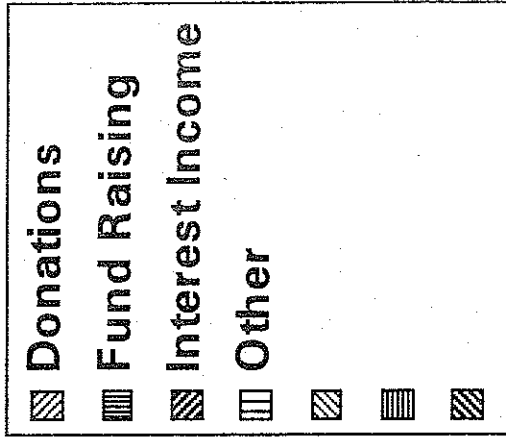
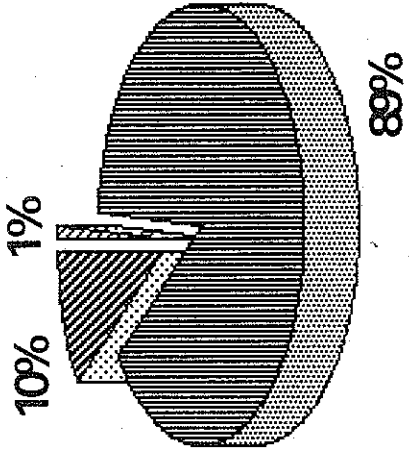
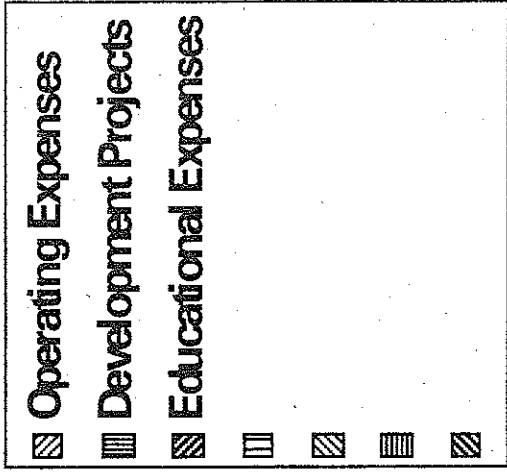
18. Women's Rehabilitation And Welfare Soc. Karnataka: Women's Support.

Women are provided with training and marketing of garments with the help of tailoring center.

INDIA DEVELOPMENT SERVICE PROJECTS: 1992



Where Does Your Money Go?



INDIA DEVELOPMENT SERVICE
FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1991

STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS & DISBURSEMENTS				
	<u>UNRESTRICTED</u>	<u>RESTRICTED</u>	<u>ENDOWMENTS/ TRUST FUND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>CONTRIBUTIONS</u>				
DONATIONS	10,270	26,938	4,750	41,958
FUND RAISING ACTIVITY	5,905	0	0	5,905
INTEREST INCOME	2,964	0	4,350	7,314
OTHER	1,017	0	0	1,017
TOTAL	20,156	26,938	9,100	56,194
<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>				
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS	40,166	22,557	0	62,723
EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS	7,625	0	0	7,625
OPERATING EXPENSES	119	0	0	119
TOTAL	47,910	22,557	0	70,467
SURPLUS(DEFICIT)	(27,754)	4,381	9,100	(14,273)

STATEMENT OF CONDITION AS OF DEC 31, 1991	
<u>ASSETS</u>	
CASH IN BANKS	\$97,876
<u>ALLOCATION OF ASSETS</u>	
RESTRICTED FUNDS DUE	7,155
ENDOWMENTS/TRUST FUND	70,162
AVAILABLE FOR PROJECTS/ EXPENSES	20,559
<u>TOTAL ALLOCATIONS</u>	\$97,876

Your Contribution to IDS in 1991 was \$ _____ .