

# EMPOWER INDIA

### NEWS BULLETIN

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### Inform, Inspire, Empower, Impact

Dear IDCA Member or Friend, We are pleased to share this Third issue, providing news summary from some of our members and from India. Hope you will find useful.

Please join us and support our efforts to serve less fortunate people in India.

#### **Upcoming IDCA Events:**

Ninth International conference on

October 15-16 in Chicago Register NOW and Save\$\$\$ Just Pay \$25. more to register your spouse or friend.

Second West Regional Conference on November 19, 2011 in Milpitas, CA Eighth International Conference in Jaipur on January 11-12, 2012 You can learn about the upcoming IDCA events at: www.idc-

america.org/upcoming.htm

You can support our efforts to serve you all by joining as a member. To learn how you can join us, please click: www.idc-

america.org/membership.htm

Let us know how you like the new format.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon. Learn more from our members and support them at:

www.irrad.org, www.idsusa.org, www.idrf.org www.prathamusa.org, www.hohinc.org www.treesforlife.org, www.atree.org Your feedback and contribution helpful.

#### **IDCA Team**

# IDCA Invites you to Ninth International Conference

India Development Coalition of America is organizing its Ninth International Conference in Chicago on October 15-16, 2011. We are pleased to invite you to join us to meet and learn from many NPOs / NGOs leaders about their accomplishments and challenges to eradicate poverty and mitigate climate change. We will focus on rural development, healthcare, Education, Water, Livelihoods, and renewable energy areas. IDCA believes by learning from each other and working together we can achieve our goals more holistically and quickly. The purpose of the conference is to promote networking, collaboration, learning, giving, sharing, and volunteering to achieve our goals individually and collectively in shortest possible time.

Conference Theme: Working Together to **Eradicate Poverty and Mitigate Climate** Change in India. Conference Venue: Illinois Institute of Technology, Rice Campus, 201 East Loop Drive, Wheaton, IL 60187. Time: 9 AM to 9 PM ---October 15. 9 AM to 4 PM---October 16. Registration: \$75.00 (\$60. Member) to September 30. \$95. (\$75 Member) from October 1. You can register by completing the registration form (download at: www.idcamerica.org/upcoming.htm) or with your check or you can pay by credit card at: http://www.idc-america.org/DonationForm.htm Invited Speakers Include: Counsel General of India Ms. Mukta D. Tomar; Ms. Jane Schukoske, CEO, IRRAD, Gurgaon,

Dr. Anant Pandhare, Director, Hedgewar Hospital, Aurangabad, Maharashtra; Ms. Nileema Misra—Founder, Bhagini Nivedita Gramin Vigyan Niketan, Bahadarpur, MH, Winner of 2010 Magsaysay Award; Mr. Jeff Klein, President and CEO, The Global Food banking Network, Chicago; Dr. Anil Sarkar, Philanthropist/activist, Terre Haute, Indiana; Professor Prodip Dutta, India Studies

India:

Program, Indiana State University, Terre haute, IN; Ms. Madhu Sridhar, president, Akshay Patra Foundation, Boston, MA; Mrs. Biraj Solanke, Founder and president, Majalgaon Vikas Pratishthan, Maharashtra; Prof. R. Rajagopal, Univ. of Iowa, Director, India Wintrim Program; Prof. Ronald Fernandez, DePaul University, Chicago, Director, India Studies Program; Mrs. Chandrakala Bhardwaj, director, Adarsh Mahila Grah Udyog Samiti, Latur, Maharashtra. **Upcoming Programs:** November 19, Second West Regional Conference, Milpitas, CA; Conference Theme: Working Together to Eradicate Poverty and Mitigate Climate Change in India. Registration: \$50. to September 30; \$75. to October 31; \$95.00 to November 19. http://www.idcamerica.org/DonationForm.htm IDCA is a 501©(3) not for profit organization registered in the state of Illinois since 2004. It was conceived and formed after a conference of 15 Not for profit organization and their supporters in October 2003 in the Chicago area. Since 2004 it has organized eight conferences in the Chicago area, one in Terre Haute, Indiana, 3 in DC area, one each in Milpitas and Houston, and Detroit. It has also organized 8 conferences in India. 4 in New Delhi, 2 in Gurgaon, and one each in Jaipur and Hyderabad. It has organized several forums in Chicago and organized seminars for

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#### October 9, 2011

Art Display of Late Dr. Roda Patel and Charity sale
At 2030 Post Road, North Brook
from 11 Am to 4 PM
During Northbrook Artists Studio Tour
100% proceeds for Gram Seva Foundation

#### Gram Seva Foundation | Give Online

Gram Seva on Facebook | forward to a friend

#### Pratham USA Chicago Gala

Friday, October 14, 2011, 7 pm The Meadows Club 2950 West Golf Road, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008

Cocktails \* Dinner \* Entertainment Keynote Speaker: Dr Raghuram Rajan Professor, Booth School of Business, University of Chicago

Pratham Update: Dr Rukmini Banerji

Director, ASER Centre, Pratham

Standup Comedy: Dan Nainan

Music: Well known Bollywood singer

**Poonam Bhatia** 

**Sponsorship information:** 

chicago@prathamusa.org

Wangari Maathai: Death of a visionary

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-15060167

Health and Climate Change: 7 Ways You Are Being Harmed

http://www.theatlantic.com/life/archive/2011/09/health-and-climate-change-7-ways-you-are-being-

harmed/245607/?google\_editors\_picks=true

#### **News from India**

#### **Appeal for Funds by Vayam-Pune**

People from two neighboring blocks (viz. Vikramgadh and Trimbak) approached us and joined the movement. They have scaled up Vayam's work and we are now operating in 3 Talukas. Our current need is for a residential training center.

This appeal is to request you to donate and collect donations to raise Rs. 10 Lakhs for the construction of training center.

Here is our <u>online appeal</u> (with all relevant details for donors; including 80G tax exemption, receipts, local contacts etc.)

Vikramshila Education Resource Society (1989) is a non profit non governmental organization working in the area of education with the mission of "making quality education a reality for all children".

For this, Vikramshila provides technical support to other organizations in the form of teacher training, development of curriculum material and teaching learning modules and materials. Vikramshila also undertakes innovative pilot projects from time to time in

an action research mode to try out new ideas and look for practical solutions to problems in the field of education.

Registered under West Bengal Society Registration Act, Vikramshila is based in Kolkata, (West Bengal, India) and has 140 members striving to realize its mission.

http://www.vikramshila.org/

## Assessing Climate Change in Cities of Uttar Pradesh

ftp://ftp.solutionexchange.net.in/public/clmt/resource/cr-se-clmt-05071101-presentation.pdf

#### **Ending Corruption in India**

Frustration ends, once you go into the wealth of IDEAS within <a href="www.icac.org.hk">www.icac.org.hk</a>
the website of Independent Commission
Against Corruption, Hong Kong as we
are no way short of caliber & Youth are now
waiting to pounce - seeing Anna Hazare
ji's recent IAC (India Against Corruption) Jan
Lokpal demand. Therefore, first step, do spend
15 / 20 minutes seeing / absorbing, contents
within <a href="www.icac.org.hk">www.icac.org.hk</a>

Pick up concepts & evolve a strategy for our Mother India: Youth will need to RAISE THEIR VOICE & MIGHT to make all in the Ruling class, including Councilors - MLAs - MPs compellingly recognise there is a way out. Political Will creation must happen - obstacles, bull dozed.

Thereafter, just do what Hong Kong did & does!

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#### Asia Livelihood Film Festival 2011

www.jeevika.org

## Going Mobile How Nonprofits Succeed----Webinar on October 20

Join *The Chronicle of Philanthropy* to learn how some nonprofits with tight budgets have already devised **innovative** and **useful** mobile applications to connect with supporters and extend their missions. You'll hear directly from two experts with hands-on experience—one from the Salvation Army and the other from a major conservation organization.

Find out what works **TODAY**, what to expect **TOMORROW**, and how to **AVOID costly mistakes** all along the way.

In this information-filled Webinar, you'll learn real-world examples of how mobile tools can:

- Help nonprofits raise money.
- Inspire deeper connections to your organization and its mission.
- Widen your pool of supporters.

https://event.on24.com/eventRegistration/EventLobbyServlet?target=registration.jsp&eventid=360025&sessionid=1&key=D22BEA17E3E59725BC7970E5E31BF43C&partnerref=PT&sourcepage=register



#### Michael Perigo

"Without philanthropy, our human community is simply a collection of individual parts. Philanthropy ensures that not only do these individual parts receive what they need to thrive and grow, but it also connects these individual parts in unique ways that help the entire human community grow and develop in ways that are positive and good."

#### 22 New 'Genius' Prizes Awarded

Twenty-two people have received \$500,000 nostrings-attached prizes from the MacArthur Foundation.

#### Making Social Change Happen One Person at a Time

Read the transcript from our live online discussion with Pilar Gonzales, who leads a nonprofit group and gives a big share of her income away.

**Next Generation Charity Conference** http://www.nextgencharity.com/

#### Five Ways Foundations Can Strengthen **Nonprofit Boards**

Foundations should have high expectations for their grantees' boards and should communicate how important the quality of the board is to grant-making decisions.

#### Silicon Valley Fund Sees Rise in Giving

Philanthropy appears to be growing rapidly in the heart of America's technology sector, *The* Wall Street Journal writes

#### D.C. Billionaire Seeks Suggestions on **Giving Away Fortune**

The financier Bill Conway, who is planning to give away at least half of his \$2-billion fortune, is seeking ideas from the public on how best to use the money to create long-term jobs for the poor and unemployed, The Washington Post

#### **Inspiring Story of Scott Harrison Founder of Charity Water**

http://www.charitywater.org/about/scotts story.

#### **India Development of America**

#### **Green America Action Item**

#### Find Better Paper Magazines in Stores and Online



You can find magazines with a commitment to eco-friendly publishing on recycled paper by therinschecking out in-store promotions coordinated by Green America's Better Paper Project, or clicking

through to the online resources listed below.

For the month of September, the Better Paper Project has partnered with Barnes & Noble bookstores around the country to call attention to the recycled paper magazines appearing on store shelves. Then, starting in October and running through December, Hastings Books and Music will run a similar promotion in partnership with the Better Paper Project, and Books-a-Million will be on board with in-store recognition next April.

Our Better Paper Project Web site features a regularly updated list of magazines that publish on recycled paper, including many that have used our resources to improve their publishing practices. What's more, the Magazine Yellow Pages offers a donation to Green America whenever you subscribe to a magazine that prints on recycled paper.

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