



The Third West Regional Conference

*Finding Innovative Poverty and
Climate Solutions for India*

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*Promoting Networking, Collaboration,
Learning, Giving and Volunteering*

Inform, Inspire, Impact India

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Vision

- *A developed India, free of poverty, ignorance, diseases, socio-economic disparities, ecological disasters, and social disharmony.*
- *Happiness depends on what we can give, not on what we can get.—M. K. Gandhi*



Mission

- *To Empower NPOs / NGOs, and individuals to Eradicate Poverty and Mitigate Climate Change in India. Raise consciousness and level of dialogue in NRI/PIO community and in India for just, and Sustainable Development.*
- *Villages are Foundation of India-We need to strengthen the Foundation for our survival. Gandhiji came to India in 1915---2015 will be Centennial year of his return. Let us work together to realize his dream for Gram Swaraj.*



Membership

- IDCA has Four Types of Memberships:
- Primary Member—Organizations and Individuals— 5 Votes—Leadership role
- General Member: Organizations and Individuals.---1 Vote—Project Committees
- Associate Member: Individuals--Volunteer
- Student Member: Full Time Students--Volunteer



Working Team, 2012-13

- Jay Sehgal, president/Director Des Moines, IA
- Prof. Kamal Bawa, Director, Founder ATREE, MA
- Dr. Mohan Jain, Director and Founder President, IL
- Prof. Ronald Fernandes, Secretary, DePaul Univ., IL
- Ms. Neha Misra, Chair—Washington, DC Chapter,
- Dr. Chaya Prasad, Chair, West Regional Chapter,
- Mr. Sam Kannappan, Chair, South Regional Chapter,
- Porus Dadabhoy, Program Chair, Downers Grove, IL
- Prakasam Tata, Water Comm. Chair, Naperville, IL
- Dr. Suri Sehgal, Founder Trustee, Captiva, FL



Poverty Eradication?

- Meeting the Basic Needs of all the people:

- Water-Sanitation

- Education

- Agriculture

- Livelihoods

- Technology

- Healthcare plus---Housing

- Climate Change and Renewable Energy

- End Corruption—Governance-RTI-RTE-Food



Poverty is the worst form of violence—M. K. Gandhi



Mitigation of Climate Change

- Reduce Energy Consumption—Buildings, Transportation, Industry—Green construction, electric bikes, mass transit
- Develop Renewable Energy resources—Wind, Solar, Biomass, Geothermal
- Conserve Water and promote Rainwater Harvesting
- Promote Organic farming—Local food--Veganism
- Promote Reforestration of Wasteland
- Promote LED lighting to reduce consumption
- *In Summary---**Reduce, Reuse, Recycle***

India's Response to Climate Change

- **Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission:**

---It aims to deploy 20,000 MW of solar capacity by 2020 with 1,000 MW planned for installation by 2012.

- **National Mission for Enhanced Energy Efficiency:**

-----It includes the Perform, Achieve and Trade (PAT) mechanism to promote efficiency in large industries and the Super Efficient Equipment Program (SEEP) for promoting efficient appliances.

- **Improving Energy Efficiency through Standards & Labeling Program**

-----Bureau of Energy Efficiency could partner with NGOs for enhancing awareness regarding the Standards & Labeling Program.

India's Response to Climate Change

- **National Mission on Sustainable Habitat:**

---It promotes sustainable transport, energy efficient buildings, and sustainable waste management.

- **National Water Mission:**

---It aims at conservation of water, minimizing wastage and ensuring its more equitable distribution both across and within states through integrated water resources development and management.

- **National Mission for Sustaining the Himalayan Ecosystem:**

-----It will establish an observational and monitoring network for the Himalayan environment and will promote community based management of Himalayan ecosystem.

India's Response to Climate Change

- **National Mission for a Green India:**

----It aims at forestation of additional 10 million hectare of forest lands, waste lands and community lands.

- **National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture:**

----It focuses on enhancing productivity and resilience of agriculture to reduce vulnerability.

- **National Mission on Strategic Knowledge for Climate Change:**

----It promotes the development and diffusion of strategic knowledge related to climate change.

Ten Things We Can Do!

- Change your light---Save 150 lbs of CO2 a year per bulb
- Drive Less—Bike, Walk, Carpool, use Mass Transit
- Recycle More---Save 2400 lbs a year on CO2---50% recycle
- Check your Tires regularly—Save 3% on Gas and CO2
- Use Less Hot Water---Change to Solar Water heater
- Avoid Products with Lots of Packaging—1200 lbs a yr. 10%
- Adjust your thermostat by 2 degree and save 2000 lbs.
- Plant a Tree---Reduce CO2 by 1 Ton over life time.
- Turn of Electronics devices when not in use— 1000's lbs
- Spread the word—Encourage friends and family to do so.



Recent Accomplishments

- Organized Tenth International Conference in Chicago, October 6-7.
- Organized Second South Regional Conference in Houston, May 6.
- Organized First University Student Conference, Chicago, April 21.
- Organized First Mewar Regional Conference, Udaipur, Feb. 18
- Organized First South India Regional Conference in Hyderabad, February 3-4, 2012 at FAPCCI.
- Organized Eighth International Conference in India on Jan. 11-12, 2012 at International School of Informatics and Management, Jaipur.
- Organized World Water day Forum in March, and seminars by 3 speakers, visiting from India at Oak Brook and Darien Libraries, May-June 2012.
- Organized Second West Regional Conference, November 19, 2011.

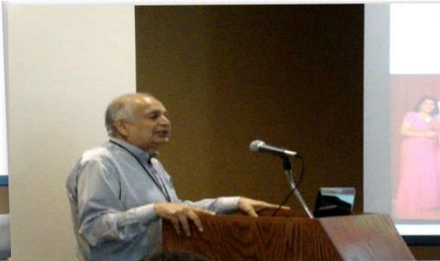


Tenth International Conference October 6-7, 2012, Wheaton, IL





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First Midwest Student Conference, Chicago, April 21, 2012





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First South India Conference February 3-4, 2012, at Hyderabad





Eighth Int. Conference-India, January 11-12, 2012, at ISIM, Jaipur



Visit to Soda Village Near Jaipur



Visit to Parikrma School, Bangalore



Visit to Hedgewar Hospital, Aurangabad



Governance Conference, Gurgaon, March 2







Third East Regional Conference, Rockville, MD, August 14, 2011





Solar Lantern Project in Village Chandai, MP, and Kalla, UP





How Can You participate?

- Become a Member of IDCA and serve.
- Volunteer with IDCA or its Members in US
- Learn about the needs of your village/town
- Develop a project plan for one of the needs
- Volunteer with an NGOs and learn from it.
- Donate funds to one or more projects
- Inform, Inspire, and Involve others in US and India.
- Share your experiences and help others.



Way Forward 2012-13

- Organize 5 seminars and Forums
- Organize Ninth International Conference in Kochi at RCBS on January 11-12, 2013.
- Organize Second North India Regional Conf. in Jaipur on February 8-9.
- Organize Second Univ. Student Conf. in Chicago, April, 2013.
- Organize Third South Regional Conference in Houston, May, 2013.
- Organize Fourth East Regional Conference on August 10 in Rockville, MD.



Thank you!!

*A man is but the product of his thoughts.
What he thinks, he becomes.* **M. K. Gandhi**

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