

## SOME IDRF-SUPPORTED GRASSROOTS NGOs

1. **Akhil Bharatiya Vanavasi Kalyan Ashram (Chattisgarh):** Established in 1952, it is now *servicing the tribal people through 13,000 multifarious projects* (like health centre, dorm, school, library, folk art/agricultural development) in 42,000(out of 140,000) tribal villages. *IDRF supports rural medical clinics, medical vans, single-teacher school, dorms, blindness eradication and village development.*
2. **Arpana Trust (Haryana):** Its innovative experiment proves that people from different walks in life can live together and contribute to society's well-being. Its multi focus service activities include healthcare, women self-empowerment, and economic self-reliance. *IDRF is focusing on its very effective family planning program and mobile medical clinics.*
3. **Aruna Chetana (Karnataka):** It is providing excellent educational/rehabilitation facilities to 160 children, mostly from lower economic strata, with special needs/disabilities/challenges. *IDRF has recently financed the badly needed school bus. Request for financing its proposed residential facilities for such children is pending.*
4. **Arya Samaj Gandhidham (Gujarat):** It runs "IDRF - Jeevan Prabhat" (an orphanage cum widow home for the earthquake affected children). It focuses on all-around development of 162 children with the support of well trained 12 widows. *IDRF was so much impressed by the management team's vision, mission and dedication that we decided to finance a major part of its building complex. We would now like to extend our help towards children's education.*
5. **Deendayal Research Institute (Delhi):** Established in 1968 by renowned thinker/social reformer, Nanaji Deshmukh. It aims at achieving self-reliance through integrated rural development in about 500 villages around Chitrakoot (Madhya Pradesh). A well-educated/trained, young, married couple is stationed at a cluster of 5 villages, who is engaged in holistic development through people's initiative. *IDRF is supporting the development of 100 villages.*
6. **Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Vaidyakiya Pratishthan (Maharashtra):** Started by fresh medical graduates in 1989, its activities include providing excellent medical services at affordable cost to the general public. *IDRF is supporting its multidimensional community and health complex at slums and the mobile health and community clinic having a target to cover many pockets of slums in Aurangabad.*
7. **Economic Rural Development Society (West Bengal):** ERDS focus on the mainstreaming of the marginalized population in rural areas and urban slums by providing healthcare, microfinance, education, skills training, etc. *IDRF supports educational facilities for the deprived and/or vulnerable children.*
8. **Gramin Mahila Shikshan Sansthan Samiti (Rajasthan):** It focuses on the self-empowerment of girls/women by providing them high school/college education togetherwith residential facilities. The response of rural population to its marching forward has been phenomenal. *IDRF is supporting construction of its science labs.*
9. **Lok Sevak Sangh (Delhi):** Inspired by Mahatma Gandhi's Last Will and Testament, it focuses on good governance, eradicating corruption, establishing homes and vocational training centers for destitute women/girls. *IDRF aims to support its activities on better governance, anti-corruption and social justice.*
10. **Rural Women Technology Center (Maharashtra):** It is directed by Dr. Vibha Gupta (IIT graduate), who was so dedicated towards self-empowerment of rural women that even the ever-shining IT career could not allure her. The center is working in 100 villages of Wardha district to improve economic status of women through rural enterprises. Among its multifarious activities it has also mobilized 500 self-help groups. *IDRF is supporting its infrastructural development.*
11. **Sewa Bharati (M.P.):** Engaged in integrating the poor tribal people into the mainstream; focuses on schools, dorms, day care and vocational centres, and medical clinics. *IDRF's support includes the construction of dorms for girls, mobile medical clinic, boarding/lodging of boys at a dorm, and babies/children at an orphanage.*
12. **Shiksha Bharati (U.P.):** Situated in Hapur, its educational institution for girls provides model infrastcuture for exemplary physical, mental and spiritual growth of girls – besides outstanding academic acheivements. *IDRF supports the dorm for tribal girls and rural teachers.*
13. **Uttaranchal Daivi Apada Peedit Sahayata Samiti (Uttarkhand):** Runs schools, dorms, medical clinics and vocational/rural industry centers. *IDRF finances single-teacher schools, mobile medical clinics, and dorms.*
14. **Vikas Bharati Bishunpur (Jharkhand):** Engaged in *village self-sufficiency and integrated development of tribal people* through value-based education, vocational training, medical clinics, appropriate technology, agricultural development, and ecological awareness. *IDRF currently supports women self-empowerment/horticulture and educational projects.*
15. **Vivekananda Kendra (Tamil Nadu):** Engaged in translating Swamiji's message of *service into action*, it has been training dedicated and talented life-workers, and deploying them in tribal and rural areas. *IDRF's current support is focused on spreading Swamiji's message globally through its International Center in New Delhi, to be inaugurated in March 2008.*