



# INDIA DEVELOPMENT & RELIEF FUND, INC.

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Wish You Happy Thanksgiving, Holidays and New Year!

## CAMPAIGN APPEAL 2009/10

While we look forward to celebrating and enjoying the Thanksgiving, Holidays, and the New Year, let us rededicate ourselves to the IDRf motto, *Service to Society is Service to God*, and extend a helping hand to the needy and the downtrodden to the best of our ability. IDRf strives to help them realize their full potential and lead a life with dignity and self-esteem. **IDRF remains committed to make grants** to the grassroots, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) managed by dedicated volunteers in India. IDRf practices transparency and accountability; it has submitted to IRS and other official agencies all **annual tax returns**, and posted **audited financial statements** on its website. IDRf's finances (**in thousand dollars**) for recent years are summarized below.

Item	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Contributions for Development Projects	1451	960	963	981	592
Contributions for Tsunami Relief/Rehab	-	1180	-	-	
Other Income	374	320	316	337	317
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>1825</b>	<b>2460</b>	<b>1279</b>	<b>1318</b>	<b>909</b>
Total Grants	1326	2484	1759	1483	1256
Administrative Expenses	57	58	40	55	107*
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>1383</b>	<b>2542</b>	<b>1799</b>	<b>1538</b>	<b>1363</b>

\*It includes \$75,625 in legal fees, which IDRf had to incur to recover its funds invested in a private corporation. Since IDRf's investment income is far greater than all legal fees, your contributions remained intact; funds have been fully recovered.

### The common features of our partner, grassroots NGOs are:

- Creation of self-empowerment and responsible citizenry
- Operation under a shoestring budget
- Bringing impoverished, neglected people into the mainstream
- Management by selfless, dedicated volunteers
- Humanitarian service without consideration of sect, caste, creed, religion or region

### IDRF offers a wide range of choices for your contributions:

- \* Vocational training
- \* Combating corruption and improving governance
- \* Tribal girls dorms/Schools
- \* Women's self-empowerment & gender parity
- \* Mobile medical clinics
- \* Loving care for children with developmental challenges
- \* Ekal Vidyalayas/Single-teacher schools
- \* Rehabilitation of victims of terrorism/insurgency
- \* Social workers' training
- \* Sustainable development & economic self-reliance

### You may support IDRf in several ways:

- ◆ Mail donation check(s) at your convenience
- ◆ Avail your employer's/corporation's **matching gift program**
- ◆ Give your **gifts to IDRf on celebrations** with your family and friends
- ◆ Donate your old car through IDRf's **car donation program** (see FAQ)
- ◆ Designate your donation to IDRf under the UNITED WAY's "**donor-choice program**"
- ◆ Transfer **stocks** to IDRf: **avoid capital gains tax** and also **avail income tax-deduction** on your donation
- ◆ **Donate on-line** through **PayPal** using your credit/debit card or direct debit from your bank account (see FAQ)

Kindly mail your *tax-deductible* donation check, payable to "IDRF" to:

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## SOME IDRF-SUPPORTED PROGRAMS/PROJECTS

1. **Akhil Bharatiya Vanavasi Kalyan Ashram (Jashpurnagar, Chhattisgarh):** Established in 1952, it is now *servicing the tribal people through 14,440 multifarious projects* (like health centre, dorm, school, library, women self help groups, folk art/agricultural development) in 49,610 villages. *IDRF supports rural medical clinics, medical vans, ekal vidyalayas, dorms, blindness eradication, and rural development.*
2. **Arpana Trust (Karnal, Haryana):** Its innovative experiment proves that people from different walks in life can live together and contribute to society's well-being. Its service activities include healthcare, family planning, women self-empowerment, and economic self-reliance. *IDRF supports women's economic emancipation & gender parity, family planning, and health improvement projects in villages.*
3. **Deendayal Research Institute (Chitrakoot, MP/UP):** Established in 1968 by renowned thinker/social reformer, Nanaji Deshmukh, it aims at achieving self-reliance through integrated rural development in 500 villages around Chitrakoot. 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 supports development of 85 villages through the posting of 20 couples in the field.*
4. **Gramin Mahila Shikshan Sansthan Samiti (Sikar, Rajasthan):** Girls College in Science and Humanities focuses on the self-empowerment by providing them high quality education in a cultural environment with residential facilities. Girls from economically weak families are given scholarships. *IDRF supports development of science and computer labs.*
5. **Magan Sangrahalaya Samiti (Wardha, MS):** It is chaired by Dr. Vibha Gupta (IIT-Delhi graduate), who has dedicated her life towards rural women's self-empowerment and village self-reliance. It is working in over 120 villages for improving living standards of rural people through holistic economic development. *IDRF supports development of its eco-friendly infrastructure for organic farming, processing and marketing; all by the local rural women.*
6. **Sanghamithra Seva Samithi (Nandyal, AP):** It runs rural health schemes for the poor in remote tribal areas: health centers, mobile medical clinics and medical relief camps, and trains medical aid workers. *IDRF supports capital and operational costs of mobile medical clinics.*
7. **Sewa Bharati (Bhopal, MP):** Engaged in integrating the poor tribal people into the mainstream; focuses on schools, dorms, day care and vocational training centres, and medical clinics. *IDRF's support includes the construction of dorms for girls, boarding/lodging of boys at a dorm, mobile medical clinic, and maintenance of the children at an orphanage.*
8. **Shiksha Bharati (Hapur, UP):** Girls Senior Higher Secondary School provides model infrastructure for exemplary physical, mental and spiritual growth of girls – besides outstanding academic achievement. *IDRF supports the dorm for rural teachers and tribal girls for enabling them to realize their dream of becoming first rate professionals.*
9. **Transparency International India (Delhi):** Represents non-political civil society movement of highly motivated volunteers. It started a decade ago to combat corruption, which severely obstructs programs of poverty alleviation and self-empowerment of poor people. *IDRF supports improving governance through increased accountability and transparency of the Administration and Political Representatives for empowering the rural/tribal poor population.*
10. **Vikas Bharati Bishunpur (Ranchi, Jharkhand):** Engaged in village self-sufficiency and integrated socio-economic development of poor/tribal people through value-based education, vocational training, medical clinics, appropriate technology, and ecological awareness, etc. *IDRF supports self-empowerment of poor farmers and women.*
11. **Vivekananda Kendra (Kanyakumari, 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 supports construction of Regional Center building in Assam to serve the sensitive region of the Northeast.*

### Appeal for Rehabilitation of Flood Victims in Andhra Pradesh & Karnataka

In October 2009, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka states had their worst floods in 100 years: 2.7 million people homeless, 700 villages flooded, and 400,000 houses damaged. Your donations will be used to support the construction of new homes for the poor.

For more info, please visit [www.idrf.org](http://www.idrf.org), and write "AP/Karnataka Floods" in your check's memo item.