

KESARI DEVI CHARITABLE TRUST



(Registration no. 309/10, Varanasi, 15-09-2010)

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE KESARI DEVI CHARITABLE TRUST FOR THE FIRST YEAR & SEPTEMBER 2010 – AUGUST 2011

This first year has been like a pre-take off preparation period. The Trust was registered on Sept. 15, 2010. The next six months were spent in getting registration under section 12A and tax exemption under 80G (5) (VI) from the Income Tax Department. The two were received in April 2011. During the period we have formulated our philosophy of school education and our vision and plans for constructing a good quality school for a rural area. A brochure outlining these has already been sent to you. Another one is attached with the request that please share it with your friends and urge them to support our project.

Since May this year we have launched a fund raising compaign. Appeals were sent out to a large number of friends, former students and colleagues. Apart from the Trustees many other friends have come forward to support the project. To date we have been able to raise Rs. 15 Lac. We thank all our donors and look forward to their continued support and association.

As you will notice from the brochure, our need is much higher. Rupees two crore are needed to build a primary school and additional rupees three crore for extending it upto the secondary stage. So we have approached several corporate bodies for support. So far only one has responded. They are Radiohm Agencies of Noida. They have donated Rs. 51000/-. Out of the public sector compnies only Coal India has responded. They have informed that they are considering our request. Without substantial support from the corporate world it will be difficult to raise the amount needed. We have also contacted an NGO, Schools for India. They have ambitious plans of building top quality schools in all districts of the country. We have had very positive discussions with their Managing Trustee, Shri Venkatesh Chandrashekar and we hope to

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become one of their partners. He has also agreed to help raise resources needed. We hope something fruitful results in the near future.

A National Hub for the credible NGOs working in the social service sector has been set up by the Tata Institute of Social Science. We are taking steps to get ourselves registered with them. This should help facilitate seeking support from the public sector undertakings.

Some of our young friends have set up an informal school in a village to educate poor children who cannot afford regular schooling. Since December last year the Trust is supporting their initiative by way of covering their running expences to the tune of Rs. 10,000/-per month. The money also goes to provide small stipends to the volunteers. The volunteers are also helping us in the Trust activities, like secretarial work, leg work needed to select suitable land for the school, etc.

I hope I will have more to report to you next year. In the meantime I will request you to keep your interest in the project alive and help us secure support from many others.

A.N.Tripathi

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