India Development Coalition of America

Inform Inspire, Impact, Poverty and Climate Change in India

IDCA was founded in Chicago, Illinois as a not-for-profit corporation following a one day conference in October 2003 on Rural Development and Gram Swaraj. It has been granted 501©(3) federal Tax exemption approval by the IRS. It is a membership organization, of not-for-profit organizations, individuals and Institutions who want to promote and support efforts to eradicate poverty and mitigate Climate Change in India. We invite you to join in this undertaking. Please visit our website for more information and membership application. Also, learn about our activities, events, and useful resources on the website.

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Working together for poverty eradication and climate change mitigation/adaption

Happiness depends on what we can give, not on what we can get.

-M. K. Gandhi

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IDCA promotes Innovation, Social Entrepreneurship networking, co-learning and collaboration between non-profit organizations, non-governmental organizations and individuals that are engaged in bettering the lives of village and urban poor through scalable sustainable development initiatives. Some of the issues we are focusing can be expressed by the acronym WEALTH as shown below:

- **Water, Waste/Sanitation**
- **Education, Energy, Environment**
- **Agriculture, Attitude, Administration**
- **Livelihoods, Leadership**
- **Technology, Trade, Transportation**
- **Healthcare, Hygiene, Housing, Harmony**

**Vision, Mission and Objectives:**

We work for a developed India, free of poverty, ignorance, diseases, socioeconomic disparities, ecological disasters, and social disharmony.

To **Empower NPOs, NGOs in India to accelerate Sustainable development and realize our Vision for a developed India.**

This will be done through the following activities:

- Promoting collaboration and cooperation between organizations engaged or interested in the development of India.
- Providing a platform to members for networking with each other in person and on the internet. Organizing seminars, conferences, workshops, learning journeys in US and India. We also intend to work with members to develop innovative projects to Alleviate Poverty and Mitigate Climate Change.
- By informing, inspiring, and involving the community at-large to raise necessary resources for the members.
- By sharing best development practices from around the world. Maintain a website to share knowledge.

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*Let New India arise* - let her arise - out of the peasants' cottage, grasping the plough; out of the huts of fisherman, the cobbler, and the sweeper. Let her spring from the grocer's shop, from the oven of the fritter-seller. Let her emanate from factory, from marts and markets. Let her emerge from groves and forests, from hills and mountains.

- Swami Vivekananda

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**What We Do?**

- **Have Organized an International Conference in the US since 2003 for NPOs and NGOs**
- **Have Organized an International Conference in India in Delhi, Gurgaon, Hyderabad and Jaipur Since 2004.**
- **Have organized Regional Conferences in the US since 2010; 3 each in Washington, and San Jose and two in Houston**
- **Organized Regional Conferences in Jaipur and Hyderabad.**
- **Have organized forums on education, water, Healthcare, Livelihoods, and Climate change in Chicago since 2005.**
- **Hosted Visiting NGO leaders for seminars in Chicago**
- **Supported a Rural Solar Lighting project in 44 Villages in UP and MP with DRI, TERI and Rotary**
- **Organized the 12th International Conference on October 18-19, 2014 in Chicago.**
- **Organizing 11th International Conference on January 12-13, 2015 at the Center for Environment Education in Ahmedabad.**
- **Assisted members in raising funds in the US for their projects in India.**