The path we journeyed



OUR INDIA FOUNDATION TRANSFORMING LIVES





PHASE I



Our India Foundation is a collective attempt by a group of well educated and professionally successful people working in different voluntary organisations of Kerala venturing on a path breaking attempt with the objective to bring about a change in the pathetic life conditions of the people of the community in the northern terrain of India with well thought out plans and time bound actions and projects.

Our India Foundation (OIF) chose one of the most backward areas of the state of Uttar Pradesh in India namely Kandhla town specifically and the district Shamli in general as the area of operation.

Incorporated in 2014, OIF started its journey by establishing a school named Our India International School. The school functions in its own building with a handsome strength. The school is affiliated to CBSE.

The Foundation is presently engaged in the fields of education, human resources development, health clinics, vocational training, field studies, humanitarian activities like distribution of food materials, woollen clothing and blankets, providing drinking water infrastructure, medical aid, and construction of houses for the poor and under privileged etc.

The following pages will give you a brief picture about the projects of the Foundation, the activities in which it is engaged, the service it renders, its priority, style of functioning etc.





One of the main characteristics of north India villages is child labour. In a way, the economy itself is child labour centric.

Children at the very tender age are also forced to work due to the lower wage structure and unemployment. This helpless situation leads to lack of enrolment and absolute illiteracy.



Our India Foundation has been struggling hard to increase enrolment rate by supporting the students with fee waiver and mid day meals.

The Foundation plan to conduct bridge schooling to bring back the dropped out children to school.







As it is famously said "The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step"

A field study conducted in June 2014 revealed that the enrolment rate of children at the age of six was as low as 28 percent and the dropout rate was as high as 92 percent.

On this context OIF decided to first start a school and then gradually engage in other areas.



EDUCATION

CENTRAL SCHOOL

Our India International School:

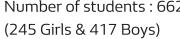
Year of establishment: 2014 with LKG class

Affiliated to CBSE

At present, classes from LKG to 9th Grade

Affiliation by CBSE up to Grade 12th

Number of students: 662









The idea is to have a Central School at Kandhla with a capacity of 2000 students and to promote Feeder schools providing primary education in the nearby villages. The feeder schools will ensure the younger children accessibility to education as they are located in areas closer to their home.



FEEDER SCHOOLS

MOULANA KAMIL PUBLIC SCHOOL OR GIRLS, GARHI DAULATH

Year of establishment: 2021 Classes: LKG to 4th standard Number of students: 289

HUDA PUBLIC SCHOOL, KANDHLA

Year of establishment: 2021 Classes: LKG to 3rd standard Number of students: 143







"School is like the lap of mother where a child is shaped, groomed and formed. School is also like the soil where a seed germinate into plant and then become a big tree stretching its branches around to shade, to nest the birds, to feed and to give birth many generations".



THE SCHOOL IN ITS OWN CAMPUS

Our India International School first started functioning in the campus of Madrasa Sulaimania, Kandhla in the year 2014 as a temporary manner. The school had been working in the Madrasa campus till February 2022. By the Grace of Allah, from March 2022, functioning of the school has been shifted to the new campus, fully owned by Our India Foundation.







"If you educate a man, you educate an individual If you educate a woman,

you educate a woman, you educate generations to come"



GIRLS EDUCATION AND HIGH CHANCES OF DROPOUT

High rate of dropout is one of the major features of school education in northern India. It is unbelievably grave among Muslims. With regards to the girls, the problem is even worse. Many parents have a stigma towards coeducation once the girls get puberty. It has been a matter of disappointment that even some brilliant girls in OIIS stop coming to the school when they reach Grade VI or VII. Taking into consideration of the cultural sensitivities, the management is planning to initiate special batches for girls above Grade VI.







"Green energy is not about fashion.
It's about the very survival of the planet".

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GREEN CAMPUS

OIF visualizes the school as a place where the vision of the student are shaped with an outlook of harmonious coexistence with fellow beings and nature as a whole.
OIIS wants to be part of the green energy mission and minimize the use of fossil energy. The school is a hundred percent solar energy campus. The School promotes use of bicycle by elder students for daily commuting to the school. OIF launched a scheme named "Mission Mobility" by distributing bicycles to seventy students and there by substituting two school buses.







"Allah, the Exalted and Glorious will say on the Day of Resurrection. "Oh son of Adam, I asked you to give me to drink and you gave me not to drink". He will say: Oh Lord, how should I give you to drink when you are the Lord of the worlds? He will say: "My servant so-and-so asked you to give him to drink and you gave him not to drink. Had you given him to drink you would have surely found that with me" (Hadith reported by Muslim)

The first bore well was provided in the year 2016 when the matter came to the notice of the Foundation that there was only a single bore well for 168 families in a thickly populated housing colony.



DRINKING WATER

Project Name: AAB

Number of bore wells constructed: 125
Number of families benefitted: 4,680
Number of People benefitted: 28,600
Area Covered: Villages of Kandhla, Jidana,
Malakpur, Jinjhana, Gengeru, Budhana,
Thanabhavan, Kairana, Jahanpura, Mevat,
Jannat colony, Hamza colony, Idreesbeig colony,
Mohammedi, Lakhimpur, Thana Bhavan.







"But he has made no effort to pass on the path that is steep. And what will make you know the path that is steep? It is freeing a neck (slave, etc.). Or giving food in a day of hunger (famine)" (Holy Quran 90: 11-14) Allah, the Exalted and Glorious will say on the Day of Resurrection. "Oh son of Adam, I asked you for food and you fed me not" He will say: Oh Lord, and how should I feed you when you are the Lord if the worlds? He will say: Did you not know that My servant so-and-so asked you for food and you fed him not? Did you not know that had you fed him you would surely have found that (the reward for doing so) with Me?" (Hadith reported by Muslim)





FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Project Name: **RAHATH**

Year started: 2016

Number of families benefitted: 10500 Number of people benefitted: 73500







WIDOW & ORPHAN MONTHLY FOOD PROGRAM

Monthly subsistence allowance for widows, orphans and paraplegic patients. It is very unfortunate that a few people try to take advantage of the helplessness of widows to feed their children at least one square meals a day. OIF initiated this scheme to support these helpless women.

Year started: 2018

Number families benefitted at present : Eight





Even though toilet is basic necessity, for many people live here it is a luxury. Defecation in the open area is the only option for many including women. It all begun when it came to our notice that sometimes the womenfolk face horrific experiences of molestation and other form of violence as they are forced to go out for this basic need. Our India Foundation started providing toilet since 2015 till the government came up with solid project in year 2018.

TOILET CONSTRUCTED

Project name: ISMATH

Number of units completed: 79 Number of people benefitted: 390













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It all begun when our project coordinator saw an old lady cutting grass for the cattle was shivering hard in the bone chilling winter. He approached the old lady and learnt that she had no woolen clothes to wear because of extreme poverty. As an immediate response, the Foundation decided to distribute winter clothing and blankets for the deserved.



WINTER CLOTHING, ASSISTANCE FOR WEDDING AND MEDICAL AID

Project Name : **INAYATH**

Year started: 2017

Number of families benefitted: 5560 Number of people benefitted: 10680









One will wonder if the space many of the people live their life could be called a house. You will not believe it until you see it with your own eyes. One cannot imagine the horrible condition of it. 'Houses' are with tore old plastic sheet as its walls and roof. OIF opted to provide houses to the most deserving categories like widows, bed ridden patients, people with no one to take care of, etc.



HOUSES CONSTRUCTED

Project name: ASHIYANA

Number of units Completed : 26 Number of people benefited : 180

Area Covered: Kandhla, Mevat, Jidana,

Malakpur.Kairana.Ambeta







"Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime"

You always cannot support people with food, clothing and other assistance. The best way of support is to capacitate them to be self reliant by providing them with some income generating trade or enterprises. In many families where the male members are either not alive or not in a position to work due to health issues and where the women find it hard to meet two ends of life. Our India Foundation initiated a project to provide livelihood means to such families.



INCOME GENERATING AND LIVELIHOOD INITIATIVES

Project Name: SAHARA

Year started: 2017

a) Thirteen sewing machine handed over Beneficiaries include widows, orphans, abandoned families and poor.

b) Cattles for animal husbandry 9 deserving families benefitted from this project







As technology and innovations rule the world, even for a dignified survival it is very important to always get updated with the new changes in the domain. For OIF, providing Skill Development has been defined as an important pillar of interventions. As a beginning the Foundation started cutting, designing and stitching training in the year 2017. It was mainly aimed to make the womenfolk get capacitated to be self reliant for the daily bread of the family. In August 2021, OIF started Mobile Technology Centre.

Our India Foundation plans to initiate more units such as CCTV and Security systems, Solar energy units installation and maintenance, computer hardware etc.



SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Project NAME: FARAZ

a) Cutting and stitching training unit(4 months training programme)Number of people benefitted: 120

b) Centre for Mobile technology (started: Aug 4 2021) (4 months training programme) 16 students are getting training of Mobile Phone Technician Course.







It is very crucial for any interventions that you should have a proper picture about the people where you have chosen to intervene. Studies conducted by the Foundation have helped to get a clear idea about the issues on the ground and planning proper remedial measures to address the problems.

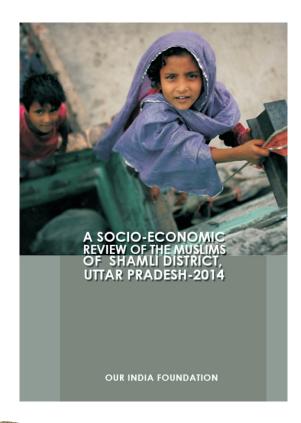


HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

FIELD STUDIES

Five studies conducted so far.

- Socio economic status of Muslims in Kandhla (2014)
- Field study on health situation (2016).
- Comparative study of social, economic, education and vocational status of Muslims and Dalits in Kandhla (2018).
- Status on the Quality and effectiveness of Madrasa education (2021).
- Survey of Participation, Quality and Enrolment in education (2021).







Moulding the future generation with proper vision and planning is key to any society to progress. OIF gives much importance to create a new breed of leaders with vision, commitment and qualifications.

ASSISTANCE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Project Name: RAHBAR

- Rahbar is a project to support brilliant students with poor financial background to study in reputed National Institute. At present, four students from Kandhla completed their Post Graduate Degree in Social Work in Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai.
- Five teachers from the local area were sent to Delhi for Modern Montessori Course and they completed the same successfully.
- 3. Scholarship granted to poor student from Kandhla, who completed B-Tech from JamiaMillia, New Delhi.



is estimated that there are over three thousand madrasas functioning in Western Uttar Pradesh. It is also estimated that about twelve hundred thousand students are enrolled in these madrasas. The factor to be worried about is that curriculum of most of the above madrasas impart only religious related subjects and no mainstream syllabus is provided with. Our India Foundation has already completed the structure of HRD Center with an area of about 1400 M2. Once came into existence, the Center will formulate plans and schemes to incorporate mainstream subjects along with religious subjects, The Centre will make special curriculum and, provide continuous training to teachers and also form at teachers resource bank.

MADRASA INTERVENTION PROGRAMME

Project Name: UROOJ

The project is to incorporate modern education in traditional Madrasa stream. OIF will set up permanent training program in the proposed HRD center. Trained teachers' Bank will be formed to ensure sufficient number of faculties to Madrasa and monitoring and supervision mechanism.



TRAINING PROGRAMS

Training has been the policy of OIF since its inception in 2014. The Foundation has given much emphasis in ensuring that all the people working in the institutions of Our India Foundation get proper and continuous training. Here are some of the major training programs initiated by OIF.

- 1. One year Montessori training for teachers in Delhi during 2014 and 2015. Number of trainees: Five
- 2. One week training program for eight teaching and non teaching staff under the Department of Education in Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi in the year 2015, 2016 and 2017. Number of trainees: Ten
- 3. Two weeks indoor and outdoor training program at Kerala for teaching and no teaching staff to introduce the Kerala model of social development during 2016 and 2022. Number of trainees: Eighteen
- 4. Special training program for subject teachers in Pune during 2022. Number of trainees: Ten
- 5. Ongoing assessment and remedial training program for science and mathematics teachers by Margins to Mainstream from Delhi started in September 2022. Number of trainees: Six
- 6. Vision sharing workshop lead by Rashid Gazzali during November 2022. Number of trainees: Twenty nine
- 7. Team building workshop lead by Nizam during November 2022 Number of trainees: Twenty five
- 8. One day training on Communicative Skills by Irfan Habeeb during October 2022. Number of trainees: Twenty five



SPONSORSHIP FOR UNDER PRIVILEGE STUDENTS

Project Name: **QADAM**

Two third of the 662 students in Our India International School are from the marginalized social segment.

The only way to empower these groups is to give them access to quality education.

As they come from very poor financial background, it's difficult for them to remain in the school rolls without financial support.

The findings of study conducted by OIF during 2014 shockingly revealed that dropout rate among the Muslim community in Kandhla were as high as 92%. Qadam is scheme to effectively address the menace of dropout.





HEALTHCARE

People from Kerala could never imagine the plight of healthcare sector in north India, especially in Uttar Pradesh. There's not a single qualified healthcare practitioner in the whole municipality with a population of more than sixty thousand. High numbers of paraplegic and bedridden patients thanks to poor healthcare ecosystem, perennial health issues due to lack of proper diagnosis, excess number of orphans in the society due to premature death of parents due to the fragile healthcare system, high rate of infant mortality etc are the face of the healthcare system. From September 2022, Our India Foundation started OIF Community Clinic in a humble way. The Foundation aims to transform the clinic to a dispensary so that thousands of people will be benefitted.



OIF COMMUNITY CLINIC

Average number of patients per day: Eighteen

Number of doctor: One

Allied health professionals: Two

Facilities to be incorporated immediately:

Pharmacy, Laboratory, X Ray and Scanning

MEDICAL CAMPS

Three community medical camps conducted during November and December 2022 in Malakpur, Kairana and Kandhla. Specialist doctors from Kerala attended the camps. Hundreds of patients of different ages and diseases were benefitted.

OIF looking for a mobile clinic system to reach out to more patients in rural areas where proper healthcare facilities are not available.







PROJECT OF MID DAY MEAL TO STUDENTS

It is observed that majority of the students are coming to the school with empty stomach. It was found that it affects their studies and performance. Tharas provides milk with boiled egg / banana to students of Our India International School.

The project was started to ensure that all the students attending the classes are free from hunger. It helped to improve attendance level, class room participation and overall performance of students.

Project Name: THARAS, Year started: 2018



AND MILES TO GO...

- Feeders schools to ensure educational opportunity for children residing in farther area.
- HRD Centre to address specific areas in Education, Literacy, Continuous Education, Adult Education, Women, Law, Health and Hygiene, Rehabilitation etc.
- Permanent Teachers Training Institute to enrich the capacity and quality of teachers.
- Schemes to improve quality of government schools.
- Schemes to improve the quality of Madrasa system in management, curriculum, teaching and approaches.
- Arts and Science College to create opportunities for students interest to pursue higher education.
- Hostels for girls and boys to facilitate basic education to children from selected backward
 areas of different parts of North India so as to develop a new generation of ambassadors of
 Education and Empowerment in their respective areas in future.



APPEAL

Our India Foundation is humble attempt by a group of committed and determined people to initiate plans, programs and projects to empower our brothers and sister in North India which is almost three thousand kilometers away from Calicut. During the last eight years, it has proved that determination is enough to withstand all the odds. Vision and proper planning supported by committed human resources can make wonders. This is a humble and earnest request to be with us. Please support this meaningful cause so that thousand of helpless people can lead a life with pride and dignity tomorrow.



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