

Suresh is a student at Kalleda Rural School. Though times are hard and funds scarce, his father wants to give his children the one thing he knows will change their lives for the better— education. Suresh dreams of becoming a teacher when he grows up. India Rural Development Fund (IRDF) makes quality education accessible to all, and children like Suresh have a chance to make their dreams become realities.



THE IRDF STORY...

Founded in California in 1996, India Rural Development



Fund is a not-for-profit organization promoting education and community welfare in some of the most impoverished regions of rural India. IRDF benefits rural education through its sister organization, Rural Development Foundation, India.

Glenn Davis Stone, Prof. of anthropology, Washington University, St Louis - ***“I have been working in developing countries for a 25 years and have never before encountered an organization so deserving of support. The commitment they bring to building and running their schools is remarkable”***

WHAT MAKES US EFFECTIVE?

- **Quality of education**
 - Student centered education
 - On-going professional development for teachers (CfBT, AMS, NIMH, international teacher exchange, and teacher mentorship program)
- Computer labs with Internet access
- Unique extracurricular programs:
 - Student photo & video blog project
 - International champions in Archery
 - Winner of many science fair projects
- Mid-day meals, books, school uniforms
- Girls comprise 50% of the classes
- Facilitation of National Science Foundation funded research projects on agricultural practices in India
- Eco-friendly pest management projects



WHY SHOULD I GIVE?

- India Rural is run by volunteer staff as a result its overhead costs are zero!
- Partnership with Washington University, St Louis and volunteer teachers (US) have helped formulate a comprehensive education program in all its schools.
- Successfully implemented an aggressive growth plan. Program has expanded from serving 80 children in one school to 1600 children in 6 rural schools over the past ten years.
- A proven track record – 100% pass rate in state board exams for all past graduating classes.
- Plans to start employment focused vocational schools and rural secondary schools.
- Successful student archery program produced a silver and bronze winner at the 2006 world Archery competition, Mexico City, Mexico & in the Asian Archery competition in Beijing, China.



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