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Profiles of Top FC Donors (13-25)

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The yearly MHA (Ministry of Home Affairs) report on foreign contribution gives a list of the top 25 donors. It also gives the amounts donated by them in India. If you combine these lists for last four years (96-97 to 99-00), then of 39 such names emerge.

Who are these people? What kind of work do they support? The MHA report does not say anything on this. Therefore, a brief profile of each agency has been prepared from various sources. We have already covered the first 12 of these 39 organisations in AccountAble 68. The rest are covered here¹.

The problem of double counting

In some cases, the amounts disbursed by parent Agency, do not apparently match those reported by the Indian branch. What could be the reason for this? We believe that some of the NGO partners show the grant as 'first receiver' in their FC-3. The Indian branch also reports this amount independently in its FC-3. This results in double counting. This problem can be solved if the NGO partners report these amounts as 'second or subsequent receiver'.

Please also read the fine print at the end. It provides a summary of the limitations on this analysis.

¹ See AccountAble 75 also

13. Oxfam (India) Trust

- Based in Oxford, UK
- Registered with Charity Commission for England & Wales
- Grants to Indian program: Rs.20.30 crores, 20.38 crores, 18.72 crores, 39.17 crores in 96-97, 97-98, 98-99, 99-00 respectively
- Annual growth in India disbursement: 24.5%
- www.oneworld.org/oxfam

Oxfam (India) Trust is a secular grant-making agency. It is working in India for several decades. Basic objective is to provide relief from poverty, sickness and distress, primarily in India.

14. Christian Aid

- Based in London, UK
- Founded in 1945
- Registered with Charity Commission for England and Wales
- Grants to Indian NGOs: Rs.20.33 crores, 19.47 crores, 22.31 crores, 35.41 crores in 96-97, 97-98, 98-99, 99-00 respectively
- Annual growth in India disbursement: 20.32%
- www.Christian-aid.org.uk

Christian Aid started in 1945 as 'Christian Reconciliation in Europe'. In 1949 it became an integral part of the British Council



of Churches. In 1964 the organisation changed its name to Christian Aid after its best-known source of income, Christian Aid Week, which began in 1957.

Since the re-organisation of the Council of Churches in 1991, Christian Aid has been a separate legal entity, but remains in close relationship with the Council.

It is mainly funded by churches and government agencies of UK and Ireland. Total donation income in 1999-2000 came to £4.14 Crore. It operates in 60 countries through 16 overseas offices including India. Main emphasis is on empowering people and eradication of poverty.

15. Age of Enlightenment Trust

- Based in UK •Grants to Indian NGOs: Rs.27.68 crores, 40.43 crores, 26.46 crores in 97-98, 98-99, 99-00 respectively. Figure for 96-97 not available
- Annual growth in India disbursement: – 2.23%

No definite information found on the internet.



16. IPPF

- Based in London, UK •Founded in Bombay in 1952 • Registered with Charity Commission for England and Wales
- Grants to Indian NGOs: Rs.22.13 crores, 21.45 crores, 20.98 crores, 18.07 crores in 96-97, 97-98, 98-99, 99-00 respectively
- Annual growth in India disbursement: – 6.53%
- www.ippf.org

IPPF (International Planned Parenthood Federation) was founded by the volunteer leaders of national family planning associations of eight countries - India, Germany, Hong Kong, the Netherlands, Singapore, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

IPPF now links national autonomous Family Planning Associations (FPAs) in over 180 countries worldwide. These associations are committed to promoting the family planning and reproductive health, irrespec-

tive of race, creed, political belief, gender, or age.

IPPF also campaigns locally, regionally and internationally, through policy makers, opinion leaders, professionals and the media to increase support for above.

Indian counterpart – Family Planning Association of India (FPAI) is registered in Mumbai, Maharashtra and Indian disbursement is mainly routed through this.

17. Foundation Vincent Ferrer

- Based in Spain •Grants to Indian NGOs: Rs.34.60 and 45.54 crores in 98-99, 99-00 respectively. Figures for 96-97 and 97-98 not available

No specific information found on the internet.

18. Bilance

- Based in Netherlands •Grants to Indian NGOs: Rs.15.23 crores, 18.77 crores, 23.46 crores, 20.96 crores in 96-97, 97-98, 98-99, 99-00 respectively
- Annual growth in India disbursement: 11.23%
- http://antenna.nl/bilance
- www.cordaid.nl

A Catholic development organisation. It was earlier called Cebemo and was renamed in 1996 as Bilance. Main source of funds is the government of Netherlands, the European Union and private fundraising in Netherlands. Bilance has supported communities in more than forty countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America and Central and Eastern Europe.

In January 2000, Bilance, Memisa, Caritas – Netherlands and Vastenactie merged into 'Cordaid', which would bring all aspects of development cooperation under one roof. Major areas where Cordaid plans to work are emergency aid, poverty alleviation and health care in developing countries.

19. USAID

- Based in USA •Founded in 1961
- Grants to Indian NGOs: Rs.42.79 crores, 27.21 crores in 97-98, 98-99 re-

spectively. Figures for 96-97 and 99-00 not available •www.usaid.gov

USAID is an acronym for The U.S. Agency for International Development. This is an independent US Federal Government Agency that handles foreign assistance and humanitarian aid to advance the political and economic interests of United States. Programmes include environmental and sustainable economic growth in developing countries.

In 99-00, USAID received 6,720 million US\$ in budget support and donations. This is equivalent to around Rs.30,250 crores.

20. Christoffel Blinden Mission

- Based in Bensheim, Germany
- Grants to India program: Rs.21.62 crores, 20.53 crores, 18.91 crores in 96-97, 97-98, 99-00 respectively. Figures for 98-99 not available
- Annual growth in India disbursement: – 4.37%
- www.cbmi.de

Christoffel Blinden Mission has completed 90 years of services and is now called CBM International. Its member associations are in Austria, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Germany, Switzerland, UK, and USA.

It is working mainly for blind, eye patients and otherwise disabled people in 109 developing countries through 1095 projects. Total international project budget in 1998 was DM 7.22 Cr. Of this, India received DM 91 lakhs.

Indian counterpart – Christoffel Blinden Mission is registered in Karnataka and Indian disbursement is mainly routed through this.

21. Gospel for Asia

- Based in USA
- Grants to India program: Rs.26.93 crores, 32.62 crores in 96-97, 99-00 respectively. Figures for 97-98 and 98-99 not available
- Annual growth in India disbursement: 6.6%
- www.gfa.org

Gospel for Asia is a Christian missionary organisation registered in USA. The mis-

sion of Gospel for Asia is “to reach the unreached of Asia with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and fulfill the Great Commission through recruiting, training, sending and assisting qualified laborers to win the lost and to plant local churches in partnership with the body of Christ”.

Indian counterpart – Gospel for Asia is registered in Kerala and Indian disbursement is mainly routed through this.



22. Opere Don Bosco

- Based in Italy
- Grants to Indian NGOs: Rs.19.02 crores, 19.91 crores, 19.22 crores in 96-97, 97-98, 99-00 respectively. Figures for 98-99 not available
- Annual growth in India disbursement: 0.35%
- www.donbosco.de

John Bosco (1815-88) from Italy, commonly known as "Don Bosco", is a Christian saint and founder. He made young people the psychological, spiritual and organizational center of his life and activity. Don Bosco's example and educative method has inspired a gospel lifestyle among many.

The organisation supports various schools, oratories and youth centers, technical and professional training centers, parishes, foreign missions, and activities in the realm of mass media and social communications.

23. Missio Prokur

- Based in Germany
- Grants to Indian NGOs: Rs.15.33 crores, 17.19 crores, 20.36 crores in 97-98, 98-99, 99-00 respectively. Figures for 96-97 not available
- Annual growth in India disbursement: 15.24%

No specific information available on the internet.

24. The Leprosy Mission

- Based in UK •Grants to India program: Rs.22.19 crores, 28.28 crores in 98-99, 99-00 respectively. Figures for 96-97 and 97-98 not available
- www.leprosymission.org

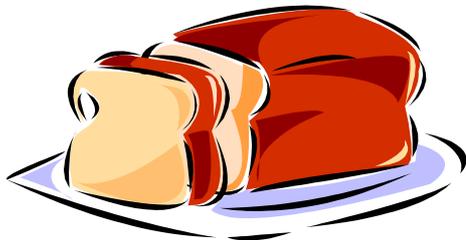
The Leprosy Mission is a part of International Christian Charity, UK. It runs clinics, hospitals and community based programs.

Indian counterpart – Leprosy Mission Trust is registered in New Delhi and Indian disbursement is mainly routed through this.

25. Bread for the World

- Based in Germany •Grants to Indian NGOs: Rs.18.45 crores, 16.04 crores, 13.57 crores in 96-97, 97-98, 99-00 respectively. Figures for 98-99 not available
- Annual growth in India disbursement: – 9.73%
- www.breadworld.com
- www.brotfuerdiewelt.de

Bread for the World is a Christian organisation, and is legally a part of the “Diakonisches Werk der EKD” in Germany. Bread



for the World supports church-related and non-confessional NGOs in poor countries. It also serves as their advocate in Germany and other industrialised countries.

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There are also limitations on the analysis. Foreign contribution in kind (material) is sometimes not valued or reported by receiving NGOs. The figures and analysis will be distorted accordingly.

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