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**ANNUAL REPORT**

## INDIAN ADULT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

The Association, founded in 1939, aims at improving the quality of life through education visualized as a continuous and lifelong process. It directs its efforts towards accelerating adult education as a process, a programme and a movement.

The Association co-ordinates the activities of various agencies-- Governmental and voluntary, national and international--engaged in similar pursuits. It organises conferences and seminars and undertakes surveys and research projects; it endeavours to update and sharpen the awareness of its members by bringing to them from all over the world expert views on, and experiences in, adult education. In pursuit of the policy, the Association has instituted the Nehru Literacy Award and Tagore Literacy Award for Women's Literacy, for outstanding contribution to the promotion of adult education in the country. It has also instituted the Dr. Zakir Hussain Memorial Lecture, which is delivered every year by an educationist of eminence.

The Association has brought out many publications on themes relating to adult education, including the Hindi editions of several UNESCO publications. It brings out the *Indian Journal of Adult Education*, *Proudh Shiksha*, *Jago aur Jagao* and *IAEA Newsletter*. The Association's Documentation Centre on Literacy and Population also brings out *Indian Journal of Population Education* (quarterly) and *Newsletter -- Literacy and Population* (bi-monthly).

The Association acts as the Indian arm of the International Council for Adult Education, International Federation of Workers' Education Associations and the Asian-South Pacific Bureau of Adult Education. Its membership is open to all individuals and institutions who believe in the aims and objectives of the Association.

Its headquarters are located in the Shafiq Memorial at 17-B, Indraprastha Estate, New Delhi - 110 002.

# INDIAN ADULT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

## Annual Report 2000 & 2001

I am immensely happy to welcome you to the General Body Meeting and to place before you the Annual Report of the Association for the years 2000 and 2001.

### The National Literacy Scenario

The Association, as in the past, has, during the year, continued to function in close collaboration with National Literacy Mission (NLM) of the Government of India to help NLM attain full literacy, *i.e.* sustainable threshold level of 75 per cent literacy by 2005. The NLM seeks to achieve this goal by imparting functional literacy to non-literates in the 15-35 age group. The Mission also takes into its fold children in the 9-14 age group, in areas not covered by non-formal education programmes, to reach benefits of literacy to out-of-school children as well. The NLM used Total Literacy Campaigns (TLC) as the main strategy to reach out the target non-literate group throughout the length and breadth of the country. It may be mentioned that the campaign phase is by now almost over. Although the TLCs, as mass campaigns, were spread throughout the country, yet in many cases a number of such campaigns stagnated due to various factors, such as natural calamities, lack of political will, frequent transfers of Collectors, lack of resource support, etc. However, despite that, the outcome of literacy campaigns during the last decade showed significantly higher literacy rate than that during the earlier decades.

'Right to Education' has been a cherished dream of independent India. As early as in 1948, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (Article 26) of 1948 envisaged, "Everyone has the right to education. Education shall be free at least in the elementary and fundamental stages. Elementary education shall be compulsory". However, it remained an empty promise for millions of children, women and men, particularly in the less developed and

developing countries. Therefore, World Conference on Education for All held at Jomtien in March 1990, drew attention of the nations to the importance and impact of basic education and to forge a global consensus and commitment to provide basic education for all by 2000. The Conference came out with a World Declaration on Education for All and suggested a Framework for Action to meet basic learning needs of all people. Nine high population developing countries, including India, together having 50 per cent of the world population, met in Delhi in 1993 and reaffirmed their commitment to pursue with utmost zeal and determination the goals set by Jomtien Conference on Education for All and World Summit on Children to meet the basic learning needs of all by universalisation of primary education and by expanding learning opportunities for children, youth and adults. However, the Fifth International Conference on Adult Education (1999) held in Germany felt that adult learning had undergone substantial changes and experienced enormous growth in its scope and scale. The Conference, therefore, decided to explore the potential and the future of adult learning, broadly conceived in a dynamic manner as a necessary skill in itself and one of the foundations of other life-skills within a framework of life-long learning. The Conference identified the challenge of enabling the millions, majority of whom were women, to assert their right to learning and acquiring skills. The provision of learning opportunities for all, including the unreached and the excluded, was considered as the most urgent concern.

Despite all these resolutions of the 'nineties, the World Education Forum, which met in Dakar in April 2001, expressed that they were dismayed that a decade after Jomtien, adult women and men in under-privileged groups -- persons with disabilities, ethnic and linguistic minorities, street working children, rural and urban poor, migrants, and refugees -- were still

struggling for opportunities, access, equity and adequate resources for quality literacy, adult basic education, and life-long learning. World population is estimated to have risen to 6090 million by 2000. The adult literacy rate is estimated to have risen to 79.4 per cent. Despite this, the number of non-literates in the 15+ age group is estimated at 876 million, comprising 313 million (35.7%) males and 563 million (64.3%) females.

Provisional results of Census 2001 have shown that the total population of the country has grown to 1027 millions by 2001, with a slightly lower growth rate during 1991-2001 (21.34%) as compared to that of 1981-91 (23.86%). Literacy rate has improved by 13.2 per cent points during 1991-2001 as compared to an increase of 8.6 per cent during 1981-91. Number of literates in the age group of 7 years and above, has increased from about 359 millions in 1991 to about 567 millions in 2001. As a result of substantial increase in the number of literates (207 million), the literacy rate of all persons has improved from 52.21% in 1991 to 65.38% in 2001. It is for the first time that the absolute growth of literates (207 million) during 1991-2001 has taken over the absolute growth in the population of the age group of 7 years and over (178.7 millions), thereby resulting in reversing the trend of increase in the absolute number of illiterates during the earlier decades. Number of illiterates in the age group of 7 and over had gone up from 246.6 millions in 1951 to 328.9 millions in 1991. It has now started declining and has come to about 300 millions in 2001. This shows that the educational efforts have now grown to a level which can take care of the growth in population and has also attacked the problem of illiteracy which had persisted over the decades. It is heartening to know that the literacy rates have improved substantially in many of the low-literacy states. The highest increase in literacy rate, in terms of percentage points, was observed in case of Rajasthan (22.48) which increased from a meagre 38.55 per cent in 1991 to 61.03 per cent in 2001 followed by Chhatisgarh (22.27) from 42.91 per cent in 1991 to 65.18 per cent in 2001. Literacy rates of Madhya Pradesh and

Uttar Pradesh increased by more than 19 percentage points and 16 percentage points respectively. Another important trend indicated by the 2001 Census is that the female literacy rate increased at a much faster rate as compared to male literacy rate. While the increase in female literacy rate was 14.87 percentage points from 39.29 percent in 1991 to 54.16 per cent in 2001, it rose by 11.72 percentage points from 64.13 per cent in 1991 to 75-85 per cent in 2001 in case of males. The Census results indicate that priority given to low-literacy states and female illiterates by the NLM in the literacy campaign has succeeded in improving the literacy rates of these priority groups.

The NLM launched Continuing Education Programme in 92 districts of 17 states by March 2000. In all, 64,424 Continuing Education Centres (CECs) were sanctioned and 37,025 CECs were set up. Further, to facilitate functioning of CECs, 8,184 nodal CECs were sanctioned out of which 4,828 were set up by that time. CE programme is being extended to other states and districts. A CEC is set up for a population of 2000-2500 so that it caters to the needs of at least 500-1000 neo-literates. A nodal CEC is set up for a cluster of 10-15 CECs. Literacy and post-literacy campaigns are estimated to have made around 90 million people literate since the inception of NLM. The NLM aims at ensuring that the TLC and PLC phases successfully move on to continuing education which provides opportunities to neo-literates for life-long learning in India. The CE programme also takes care of the residual non-literates and provides them the facility of acquiring the basic literacy skills. The social mobilization, which formed part of the literacy movement, has had significant impact on mobilizing the community efforts for their development. Cultural processions (*Kalajathas*), street plays, local theatre, puppetry, folk songs and the modern media -- all contributed to creating social awareness and importance of education of their children and that of the adults themselves. The CE programme will strengthen and build on the positive outcomes of TLC and PLC. Important

core activities will comprise organising literacy classes to make non-literates literate and upgrade the level of literacy and numeracy of neo-literates/semi-literates, and providing library and reading room facility and *charcha mandals* (Discussion Groups). Besides, target-specific activities will also be organized. Equivalency programmes will provide the neo-literates an opportunity to continue their education. Quality of Life Improvement programmes are meant to provide essential knowledge, attitude, skills and values in different areas of concern to the neo-literates and the community to improve their quality of life. Income-generating programmes will help neo-literates and the community to acquire or upgrade vocational skills to enable them to conduct income-generating activities. Individual interest programmes are meant to provide opportunities for individuals to participate and learn about their chosen social, cultural, spiritual, health and physical interests. During the Tenth Plan period, many more districts in the country, particularly the districts with low literacy rates, will be covered under the CE programme.

*Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan* (SSA) (Education for All) aims at providing useful and quality elementary education to all children in the 6-14 age-group by 2010. The main objectives of SSA are: (1) to bring all children in schools, education guarantee centres, alternative schools, etc., by the year 2003; (2) all children complete five years of primary schooling by 2007 and (3) to attain universal retention of children in schools by 2010. The programme is being extended and is likely to reach out to all districts of the country by March 2002. The number of primary schools in the country has increased from 2.15 lakh in 1951 to 6.42 lakh in 2000, indicating almost three-fold increase. Enrolment in classes I-V has risen from 19.2 million in 1951 to 113.6 million in 2000. Growth rate of enrolment during the last 50 years has gone up nearly six times. Gross enrolment ratio at primary stage, which was 42.6 per cent during 1950-51, has gone up to 94.9 per cent in 2000. Efforts are now being made through SSA programme to bring all the left-out children to some type of educational institution/centre. Focus is also

being laid on bridging the gender and social category gaps.

Social mobilization generated by literacy campaigns has had an enormous impact on empowerment of women. Evaluation studies have indicated that women not only participated in acquiring literacy skills during the literacy campaign, but the self confidence that they have acquired in participating in different activities affecting their life has also been tremendous. Literacy campaigns have enthused leadership among many women functionaries who are now devoted to the cause of women empowerment. *Mahila Mandals* in villages have become functional. Women groups have taken up several types of activities leading to their social, cultural and economic development.

### The IAEA

Founded 61 years ago and Registered under Indian Societies Registration Act, 1860, the IAEA is a premier national-level voluntary organisation, with a network of 16 state-level branches and more than 400 affiliated organisations spread across the country, dedicated to promote adult/non-formal/continuing and life-long education aimed at improving quality of human life.

Major activities of IAEA comprise policy research and advocacy, consultancy, education, training, orientation and dissemination of information.

IAEA carries out surveys, research and evaluation studies on adult education and its allied areas. It also awards each year Dr. Mohan Sinha Mehta Research Fellowship in the field of adult education.

In the field of education and training, IAEA organises courses on: research methodology, collective bargaining and trade unions under workers education programme for the benefit of workers in unorganised sector, farmers education, and functional literacy projects. It organises intra-state and inter-state training programmes for functionaries in the fields of adult education, social education, trade unions,

government departments, NGOs, universities, colleges, etc. In addition, IAEA's Documentation Centre on Literacy and Population Education (set up under UNFPA assisted project) also conducts courses on various aspects of information technique pertaining to population. IAEA also runs computer (hands-on) vocational education programmes for Central Social Welfare Board and Makhanlal Chaturvedi Rashtriya Patrakarita Vishwavidyalaya, Bhopal.

As a major catalytic agent, it advises Union/ State Governments/member institutions/ other organisations on adult education and discharges the role of a clearing house in the field of adult education and allied areas through: (a) bringing out monographs/publications from time to time (it has over 150 such publications to its credit; and (b) regularly bringing out following periodicals: (i) *Indian Journal of Adult Education* (quarterly), (ii) *IAEA Newsletter* (monthly), (iii) *Proudh Shiksha* (Hindi monthly), and (iv) *Jago Aur Jagao* (Hindi monthly). Its Documentation Centre on Literacy and Population Education also brings out *Indian Journal on Population Education* (quarterly) and *Newsletter -- Literacy and Population Education* (bi-monthly) to disseminate information to policy-makers, adult educators, field workers, neo-literates, etc. IAEA has a well-stocked library at the headquarters known as Amarnath Jha Library (established in 1957).

IAEA also organises conferences (annual/zonal), seminars, symposia, round tables, workshops, group discussions, etc., on different aspects of adult education in different parts of the country on a regular basis.

IAEA has also instituted two prestigious national literacy awards -- *Nehru Literacy Award* (since 1968) for outstanding contribution in promoting adult education in the country, and *Tagore Literacy Award* (since 1987) for outstanding contribution in promoting literacy among women -- awarded each year.

IAEA also organises Dr. Zakir Hussain Memorial Lecture to be delivered annually on

adult education by an eminent educationist at the time of its annual conference. So far 24 such lectures have been delivered.

### Activities of IAEA During 2000

Following activities were organised during the year 2000:

1. 49th All India Adult Education Conference;
2. National Seminar on Role of Research Institutions in Promotion of Research in Adult Education;
3. South Zone Conference ;
4. Central Zone Conference;
5. Course on Research Methodology;
6. Jan Shikshan Sansthan at Noida;
7. National Documentation Centre on Literacy and Population Education;
8. Nehru and Tagore Literacy Awards;
9. Computer Education;
10. Vocational Training for Women;
11. State Branches of IAEA;
12. Evaluation Projects for TLC/PLPs;
13. Documentation Centre on Materials Produced by SRCs;
14. Periodicals and other publications of IAEA;
15. Library;
16. Building Maintenance;
17. Golden Jubilee Celebrations;
18. Visitors;
19. Grant-in-aid;
20. Participation of office-bearers in meetings/ events;
21. Felicitations/Awards received by office-bearers; and
22. Acknowledgements.

Necessary details of all these activities are given in the following paras.

#### 1. 49th All India Adult Education Conference

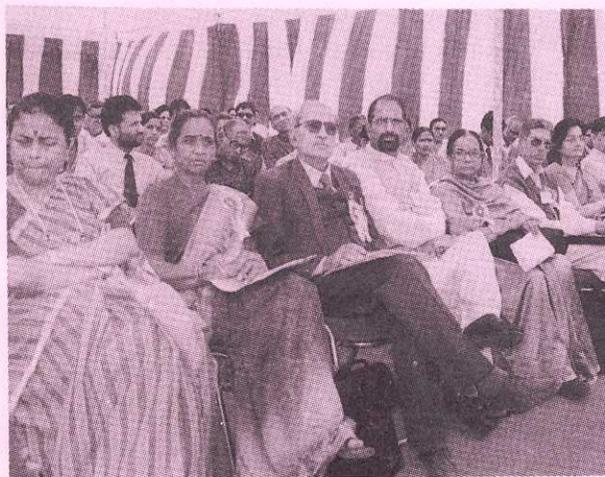
The 49th All India Adult Education Conference was held at Literacy House, Lucknow, from March 11-13, 2000. It was organized in collaboration with Literacy House, Lucknow. Besides a large number of guests, media persons and others, it was attended by over 260 delegates from different parts of the country.

Shri R Ramani, IAS, Principal Secretary, Education, Government of UP, inaugurated the conference with an address on March 11-13 and Hon'ble Justice BL Loomba, Chairman, Literacy House, welcomed the guests.



Prof. BS Garg, Shri S Ramani and Justice BL Loomba at the 49th AIAE Conference

Shri KC Choudhary, General Secretary, gave an account of the activities of the Association and described the objects of the Conference.



A Section of audience with office-bearers of IAEA (with yellow flowers) (L to R front row) Smt. Indira Purohit, Shri RN Mahlawat, Shri Susheel Kumar, Smt. Kamala Rana, and Shri AH Khan

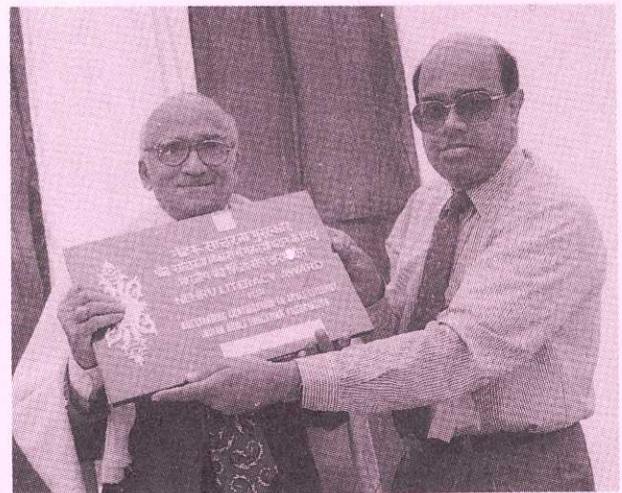
The Diamond Jubilee Award was presented to Prof. James A Draper of Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto, for his significant and substantial

contribution to the Adult Education Programme in Indian Universities.



Shri R Ramani presenting the Award to Prof. James A Draper

The Nehru Literacy Award 1998 was presented to Padmashri Dr. DP Patnaik for his contribution in producing primers and course material in 85 different languages/dialects for adults and neo-literates.



Shri Ramani presenting the Award to Padmashri D.P. Patnaik

The Tagore Literacy Award, presented to writer Padmashri Ms Mahashweta Devi for her life-time services and outstanding contribution in imparting literacy among tribal women, which was received by Ms Rajshri Biswas on behalf

of the veteran author as she was unwell. Later, the Award was formally presented to her by the West Bengal State Branch in a function organized on June 24, 2000.

In addition, a shawl, *srifal*, citation, plaque and a cheque for Rs.11,000/- were presented by Shri Ramani, Principal Secretary, Education, Government of UP to each of the three awardees.

In his presidential address, Prof. BS Garg observed that education is the Fundamental Right of every citizen as it constitutes the axis of alround development of human beings. According to him poverty, illiteracy, terrorism, social inequalities and various socio-economic problems are the challenges of 21st century which we have to meet. In all these spheres, Adult Education has a vital role to play.

Shri BL Parakh, Vice-President, IAEA, proposed a vote of thanks.

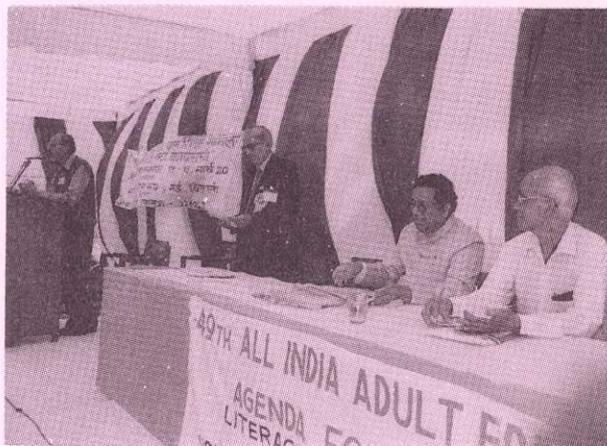
Prof. BB Mohanty, Vice-President, IAEA, presented the Working Paper on the theme of the conference, i.e. "Agenda for the New Millennium".

Following a general discussion on the theme, the participants were divided into five groups for group discussion on different aspects of the theme as specified in the working paper. During the Conference, 12 concurrent workshops on the following thrust areas were organized in three sessions:

- (1) Environment Issues and Workers Education;
- (2) Leadership Development and Capacity Building;
- (3) New Information Technology for Literacy;
- (4) Adult Education for Tomorrow: Basic Education;
- (5) Innovations in Literacy;
- (6) Education for Women Empowerment;
- (7) Literacy, Skill Development and Vocational Education;
- (8) Universities and Future of Adult Education;
- (9) Integrating Health & Population Education;

- (10) Human Rights and Legal Literacy;
- (11) Adult Learning for the Aged; and
- (12) Basic Learning Competencies Among Youth and Young Adults.

The Zakir Husain Memorial Lecture was delivered by Prof. NK Ambasht, Chairman, National Open School and veteran educationist. The theme of the Lecture was "Adult Education: The Future Vision in the New Millennium". Dr. KS Pillai, Vice-President, IAEA, presided.



Zakir Hussain Memorial Lecture -- Shri RN Mahlawat,  
Prof. NK Ambasht and Dr. KS Pillai on the dias

The valedictory session of the Conference was held in the afternoon of 13th March, 2000. The Chief Guest was Justice BL Loomba. Prof. BS Garg, President, IAEA presided over the session.

Vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Madan Singh, Chairman, State Branch & Director, SRC, Literacy House, on behalf of Literacy House; and by General Secretary on behalf of the IAEA.

## **2. National Seminar on Role of Universities and Research Institutions in Promotion of Research in Adult Education**

A National Seminar on "Role of Universities and Research Institutions on Promotion of Research in Adult Education" was organized as a part of the Diamond Jubilee celebrations of IAEA. IAEA has been promoting networking of research in adult education and taking up most of the programme in collaboration with different organizations. As such, the Seminar

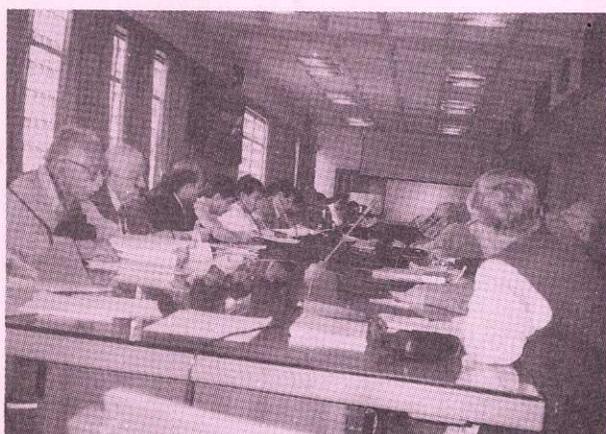
was planned as a joint activity of IAEA and the Group of Adult Education of Jawaharlal Nehru University with assistance from NLM. The main purpose of the Seminar was to review research and evaluation studies in the field of Adult Education undertaken during the last decade.



*Seminar on Research in Adult Education -- L to R Prof. BS Garg, Prof. CL Kundu, Prof. SY Shah, Shri BN Kamble and Shri BL Parakh*

The Seminar was attended by 45 participants from different parts of the country, representing universities, NGOs and SRCs.

The Opening Session began with Welcome Address by the President of IAEA, Prof. BS Garg, who gave a lucid exposition on the status of adult education research in India.



*A view of Seminar participants*

The Seminar was inaugurated by Prof. CJ Daswani, Consultant, UNESCO India Office,

New Delhi, who spoke in detail on the status of the University Departments of Adult Education and their role in promotion of research.

Prof. SY Shah, Seminar Director, presented the background paper on "Promotion of Adult Education Research in India: Prospects and Issues", in which, he briefly focused on various researches undertaken by the Universities, NGOs and State Resource Centres in India during the last 50 years.

Ms Ira Joshi, Director, representing the Director General, NLM, gave a brief presentation on the current policy and programmes of Continuing Education in India.

Subsequently, General Secretary, proposed a vote of thanks. He greatly appreciated the cooperation extended by the NLM and Group of Adult Education of Jawaharlal Nehru University and Seminar Director Dr. SY Shah in planning and organizing the national seminar.

Apart from the background paper by Dr. SY Shah, eleven research papers were also presented by the participants. One of the highlights of the National Seminar was the special lecture delivered by an eminent educationist Prof. CL Kundu on "Future Vision of Adult Education Research in India".

### **3. South Zone Conference**

The IAEA, in collaboration with the Department of Adult Education, S.V. University, Tirupati, organised the South Zone Conference on Adult Education on July 29-30, 2000 in the Senate Hall of the University.

Shri Satyanarayan Moorthi, District Collector, inaugurated the conference. Prof. BS Garg, President, IAEA and Prof. Niranjan Reddy, were the chief guests. Principal Chandra Shekhar presided over the inaugural function. Shri KC Choudhary, General Secretary, IAEA, introduced the theme and object of the conference. Prof. Sudhakar Reddy welcomed the guests and delegates. More than

70 delegates from the States of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and UT of Pondicherry participated. Among the participants -- apart from Secretary of Karnataka State Adult Education Council, representatives of ZSSs, JSSs and Universities and other organizations in the region -- there were District Collectors and two District Officials.

Shri Prem Chand, on behalf of the IAEA, prepared the Working Paper of the conference. The following papers were presented by the participants in the Conference:

1. "Influence of Training Materials and Community Support on Performance of *Preraks* Organizing CECs" by Dr. T Kumaraswamy, KG Bharti and V Robert Dere Doss;
2. "Continuing Education -- Problems and Prospects" -- by Prof. Janardan Reddy; and
3. "Problems Faced by Neo-literates in Attending Continuing Education Centres" by Dr. P Vasanta Kumari, Dr. K Sudha Rani and Dr. Uma Devi.

Following issues, in three separate groups, were discussed in the conference:

**Group I** : The Role of Jan Shikshan Sansthan and Training of CE Personnel — Contents, Methods and Materials.  
*Chairperson* : Dr. Janardan Reddy; and  
*Rapporteur* : MC Redappa Reddy.

**Group II** : Learning Opportunities — Creation, Facility and Materials.  
*Chairperson* : Dr. Mahendra Reddy Sarsani; and  
*Rapporteur* : Dr. T Kumaraswamy.

**Group III** : Income Generating Activities  
*Chairperson* : Shri Dhruwa Narain; and  
*Rapporteur* : Dr. Shyam.

Group reports, presented in the plenary session, were discussed at length and several recommendations were made.

Valedictory address was delivered by Prof. BS Garg, President, IAEA. Dr. P Niranjan Reddy presided, and Dr. Adinarayana Reddy proposed a vote of thanks.

#### 4. Central Zone Conference

IAEA, in collaboration with its Rajasthan State Branch, Udaipur, organised the Central Zone Conference on Adult Education on November 10-11, 2000 in the Conference Hall of RMV at Udaipur.

Prof. BS Garg, President, IAEA and Chancellor, Rajasthan Vidyapeeth, Udaipur, inaugurated the Conference and delivered the inaugural address. Shri BL Parakh, Vice-President, IAEA and Chairman of the Central Zone, presided over the inaugural function. Shri SC Purohit, Director, State Council for Educational Research and Training was the chief guest. Bhai Bhagwan, Chairman of the Rajasthan branch of IAEA, welcomed the guests and delegates. Shri KC Choudhary, General Secretary, IAEA, welcomed the guests and delegates on behalf of IAEA and introduced the theme and objects of the Conference. More than 100 delegates from the States of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and the new States of Uttranchal, Jharkhand and Chattisgarh participated. Shri AL Bhargava, Associate Secretary, IAEA, presented a vote of thanks.

Working Paper of the Conference, prepared by Sarvshri KC Choudhary and Prem Chand on behalf of IAEA, was presented by Shri Prem Chand. Dr. Lalit Mohan Tewari of ZSS, Udaipur, presented a paper on "Adult Education in the Twenty First Century — Status and Possibilities". The session was presided over by Dr. Om Srivastava, Chairman, ASTHA, Udaipur.

For detailed discussion, the delegates were divided into three groups as follows:

**Group I - Chairperson** : Smt. Hem Lata Talshra; and *Rapporteur* : Smt. Pushpa Sindhi;

**Group II - Chairperson** : Shri Sushil Kumar; and *Rapporteur* : Shri Sanatan Jha;

**Group III - Chairperson** : Shri Arun Mishra; and *Rapporteur* : Shri Radha Krishan Lot.

The group reports were presented in the plenary session of Conference, which was presided over by Shri RN Mahlawat, Treasurer, IAEA. Dr. Om Shrivastava directed the proceedings and presented a summary of the presentations.

The valedictory session was presided over by Prof. BS Garg, President, IAEA. Shri BP Bhatnagar, Vice-Chancellor, Rajasthan Vidyapeeth, was the chief guest. Shri Prem Chand briefly summarized the recommendations of the conference.

Shri NC Pant, Joint Secretary, IAEA presented a vote of thanks. Shri SS Parakh, Secretary, RMV presented a vote of thanks on behalf of the host organization.

#### **5. Course on Research Methodology**

IAEA organised a ten-day course on Research Methodology in collaboration with the Group of Adult Education of JNU on 28th August- 5th September 2000.

The course covered selected topics on life-long learning, participatory methodology, REFLECT approach, use of computers, relevant website on literacy, recent policy changes in Indian adult education, brief details of training Preraks for Continuing Education Centres, writing for neo-literates, etc.

Key resource persons for the course were drawn from JNU, Delhi University, IGNOU, NIEPA, SRC Jamia, NCAER, etc. The participants were provided a set of reading material and the latest literature from NLM.

Although the intake of the course was limited to 20, yet 28 participants attended the course. Dr. SY Shah of JNU, directed the Course.

Shri Vishnu Kumar, Director, DAE was Chief Guest in valedictory function. He also distributed certificates to the participants.

#### **6. Jan Shikshan Sansthan at NOIDA**

IAEA has applied for Jan Shikshan Sansthan to be opened at NOIDA.

#### **7. National Documentation Centre on Literacy and Population**

(a) The National Documentation Centre on Literacy and Population Education of IAEA organized on April 17-18, 2000, a two-day inter-sectoral orientation workshop to orient Documentation Officers working in Documentation Centres funded by UNFPA (India Mission). The key resource support was provided by Ms C Villanueva, Chief PROAP Information Programme and Services, UNESCO, Bangkok, and Dr. Mridula Seth, UNFPA, India.

Apart from Mr. Michael Vlassof, Country Representative UNFPA; and Mrs. Christina Arismendy, Deputy Representative, UNFPA; Shri Vishnu Kumar, Director, Directorate of Adult Education, Government of India, attended the valedictory function of the seminar.

Documentation Officers from Jaipur, Hyderabad and NCERT attended the programme. Shri V Mohan Kumar, Additional Director, DAE; Dr. JL Pandey, National Coordination, PDE, Higher Education; and Shri SC Gupta, Assistant Director, attended the inaugural and valedictory sessions.

(b) During July-December 2000, the Documentation Centre documented activities of observance of Day of Six Billion and International Population Day by SRCs and has brought out a report on it. The report has been shared with Population Education Resource Centres at various universities and SRCs, DAE, UNFPA and some other important agencies working in the field of population education.

(c) Under the 'Repackaging of Information Service' of Documentation Centre, the following materials pertaining to various subjects of PDE were collected, zoxed and distributed to the SRCs and PERCs:

1. Lives Together Worlds Apart : Men and Women in a Time of Change -- The State of World Population Report 2000;
2. Communication and Advocacy Strategies : Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health. Booklet 1 - Demographic Profile;
3. Advocacy and IEC Programmes and Strategies;
4. Lesson Learned and Guidelines;
5. Communication and Advocacy Strategies : Case Study of Srilanka;
6. Communication and Advocacy Strategies : Case Study of Thailand;
7. Population Education - Annotated Bibliography, December 2000; and
8. A volume of articles written by SRC coordinators (PDE) (under preparation).

(d) One issue each of *Indian Journal of Population Education* and *Newsletter--Literacy and Population* was published during this period.

(e) A Bibliography on Population Education was also prepared.

(f) The Centre has been keeping a close contact with SRCs and collecting documents which are dealing with the issues of population, women empowerment, HIV/AIDS, etc.

(g) Ms Narina B Perea, Deputy to the Director, Chief South and South West Asia, Asia and Pacific Division, UNFPA, New York, also visited the Documentation Centre in April 2000. Ms Christina Arismendy, Deputy Representative, UNFPA, India; Dr. Mridula Seth, Technical Support Unit of UNFPA, India; Dr. Geeta Kataria, National Coordinator PDE, UGC, Dr. V Mohan Kumar, Additional Director, and Shri SC Gupta of Directorate of Adult Education, Government of India, were also present during her visit and discussions.

(h) Shri SC Dua, Documentation Officer, IAEA, attended the Zonal Workshop on population education held at Chandigarh, Chennai, Pune and Bhubaneswar during the year. He also attended the PPR meeting at Bhopal.

(i) The Centre has acquired a high-speed copy printer from Gestetner.

(j) *Inter-Sectoral Review of Materials*: The Directorate of Health Education and UNFPA undertook a massive review of the materials produced by various SRCs, Population Resource Centres at University levels and SCERTS.

Shri S.C. Dua, Documentation Officer, also attended the Inter-Sectoral Coordination Meeting of Population Education Projects organized by UNFPA, Delhi on 11th December 2000.

#### 8. Nehru and Tagore Literacy Awards

On 8th September, IAEA announced awarding of the Nehru and Tagore Literacy Awards 2000. Dr. L. Mishra, former Director General of NLM, and now working as Senior Advisor, Fundamental Principles and Rights in the Regional Office for Asia, ILO, Bangkok, was chosen for Nehru Literacy Award, while veteran social worker and adult educator Smt. Shanta Trivedi, Chairperson, Rajasthan Mahila Parishad, was chosen for Tagore Literacy Award.

#### 9. Computer Education

The Makhanlal Chaturvedi National University of Journalism, Bhopal (MP) has given recognition to IAEA as its study centre for DAC and PGDCA courses. In addition, the University has asked whether IAEA can run BCA course? However, it was felt that this year IAEA should confine to DCA and PGDCA courses only and after reviewing the success we can start BCA in 2001 after thorough preparation.

In all, 43 students are studying at IAEA Centre which is being run on no-profit-no-loss basis.

IAEA has acquired seven new Computers for the Centre.

#### **10. Vocational Training for women**

IAEA has completed tenth course of Vocational Training in Computer Education for Adult Women with assistance from Central and Delhi State Social Welfare Board. So far, IAEA has conducted eight courses during the past five years. The examinations were conducted by the Shramik Vidyapeeth, Delhi.

We have applied for continuation as well as fresh sanction of grant under NORAD Scheme by Central Social Welfare Board. Earlier, two computers were purchased by IAEA which have now become obsolete and useless. Therefore, IAEA has requested the Board for sanction of additional computers.

#### **11. State Branches of IAEA**

IAEA has so far constituted nine State Branches and elections for these were held earlier which were valid for two calendar years. Elections of all these branches are due. Elections could not be organized in Orissa due to natural calamities. However, it is proposed to extend the term of all the branches up to 30th June 2001. In the meanwhile, all the branches have been requested to send their reports, and audited accounts for the year ending 31st March 2000 by 30th December 2000 and up to 30th April 2001 for the year ending 31st March 2001.

#### **12. Evaluation Projects for TLC/PLP Completed**

The Association has completed external evaluation work of TLC Etawa District (UP); TLC Mungher District (Bihar); and TLC Rewari District (Haryana). Reports of these projects have already been sent. The Association has also completed the evaluation of the PLC work in Nagaur District (Rajasthan), and Jodhpur District (Rajasthan).

#### **13. National Documentation Centre on Materials produced by SRCs**

The Centre continued to acquire the materials produced by SRCs and catalogued.

The facility of using the material was provided to students, research scholars and adult educators.

#### **14. Publications**

Following periodicals of the Association continued to be brought out regularly:

- (i) *Indian Journal of Adult Education* (quarterly);
- (ii) *Proudh Shiksha* (Hindi monthly);
- (iii) *IAEA Newsletter* (monthly); and
- (iv) *Jago Aur Jagao* (Hindi monthly).

A special number (July-September, 2000) of the *Indian Journal of Adult Education* was brought out on "Continuing Education in India" to mark the International Literacy Day. In addition, periodicals/publications by Association's Documentation Centre on Literacy and Population Education were also brought out.

#### **15. Library**

The Amarnath Jha Library of the Association has obtained Library Software from Softlink Asia with the assistance from the NLM, Ministry of HRD, Government of India.

#### **16. Building Maintenance**

The entire floor work of the external area of the building, including raising the height of boundary wall along with fixing security steel grill thereon has been completed. However, the building still needs huge repairs.

#### **17. Diamond Jubilee Celebrations**

Honourable Shri Suresh Prabhu, Union Minister for Power, has accepted to be the Chairman of the Reception Committee, which has been constituted for the forthcoming Diamond Jubilee Celebrations of IAEA.

#### **18. Visitors**

Shri Vishnukumar, Director, Adult Education; Dr. Mohan Kumar, Additional Director, Adult Education; Smt. Kusum Vir, Joint Director; Smt. Vandana Jena, Director DFID, British Council; Shri Mathew, Fellow IIAE; Shri Bhaskar Chatterji, DGNLM; and Shri JC Pant IAS (Retd) Chairman, India Literacy Board, Prof.

James Draper were among the prominent persons who paid a visit to the Association.

### 19. Grant-in-aid

UNFPA-GOI-DAE assisted the Association's Documentation Centre for Literacy and Population Education during the year 2000.

The National Literacy Mission, Ministry of HRD, Department of Elementary Education and Literacy provided partial assistance for following activities during the year:

- (a) Publication of *Indian Journal of Adult Education*,
- (b) Publication of *IAEA Newsletter*,
- (c) Publication of *Proudh Shiksha*,
- (d) Organisation of Conference,
- (e) Amarnath Jha Library, and
- (f) Organisation of two Seminars under Diamond Jubilee Celebrations

### 20. Participation of Office-bearers in Meetings/Events

The President of IAEA, Prof. BS Garg attended and addressed different meetings in connection with TLC/PLC and adult education work in Udaipur, Sitamau, Neemuch and other places.

Shri KC Choudhary, General Secretary, participated in the National Workshop on "Future Directions for Lifelong Learning in India" organised by the Asian South Pacific Bureau of Adult Education at Hyderabad on June 21-23, 2000.

He also attended the Seminar on "Launching a Course on Writing of Literature for Neo-Literates" organised by National Open School at New Delhi on August 25, 2000.

Shri Choudhary also participated in the Seminar on Urban Literacy organized by Council for Social Development on 13th September 13, 2000.

Shri RN Mehlawat, Treasurer, participated in the International Conference on "Quality Issues in the Delivery of Education for All",

organised by the National Open School and COL, at Hyderabad during 16-19 January 2001. He also participated in a Seminar on "Basic Education" organised by the National Open School.

### 21. Felicitations

Prof. BS Garg, President, IAEA was honoured with Maneeshi Janardhan Rai Nagar Award by the Gujarat Sahitya Sangam in a Grand Millennium function held on May 14, 2000 at Ahmedabad.

He was also awarded Ramlal Preekh Community Education Award by the Commonwealth Association for Education and Training of Adults (CAETA) at a function organised on the occasion of Gujarat Day, i.e. May 1, 2000 at Khand Bhavan, Gandhinagar, Ahmedabad.

Prof. Garg has also been elected as President of Rajasthan Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Udaipur.

Prof. BL Parakh, Prof. BB Mohanty and Mrs. Kamala Rana, Vice-Presidents of IAEA, were also awarded Sardar Patel Literacy Awards. These awards were presented by Hon'ble Shri SS Bhandari, Governor of Gujarat State.

### 22. Acknowledgements

Shri BN Kamble, Vice-President, has been instrumental in the preparation of Diamond Jubilee valedictory programme. He took initiative to request Shri Suresh Prabhu, Minister for Power; Hon'ble Justice, PB Sawant, Chairman, Press Council of India; Shri Krishan Kantji, Vice President of India and other dignitaries. Shri Kamble's effort deserves appreciation.

Prof. SY Shah of JNU has also contributed in different programmes. The Association is grateful for the contribution made by Dr. Shah and cooperation of Group of Adult Education, Jawarharlal Nehru University.

The Association also received valuable co-operation of Rajasthan Mahila Mahavidyalaya in the organization of Central

Zone Conference and expresses its gratefulness to the RMV and its Executives Committee and Rajasthan State Branch.

The Association expresses its gratitude to the following for their generous help and support during the year:

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- Shri Mohan Kumar, Addl. Director, DAE
- Smt. Kusum Vir, DAE
- Ms Rameshwari Handa, Director, VA
- Smt. Ira Joshi, Director
- Smt. Sonani Kumar, Director, VA
- Prof. James Draper
- Shri MP Tiwari, Under Secretary
- Prof. NK Ambasht, Chairman, NOS
- International Council for Adult Education (ICAE)
- Asian South Pacific Bureau of Adult Education (ASPBAE)
- International Federation for Workers' Educational Association (IFWEA)
- UNFPA
- UNESCO (PROAP)
- DELNET
- India International Centre

## Activities of 2001

The Association carried out the following activities during 2001:

1. 50th All India Adult Education Conference;
2. Zakir Hussain Memorial Lecture;
3. Seminar on Role of Media in Adult Education;
4. Diamond Jubilee Celebrations;
5. Jan Shikshan Sansthan;
6. Nehru and Tagore Literacy Awards;
7. Computer Education -- Study Centre of MCNUJ;
8. Vocational Training Programme (CWSB);
9. IGNOU Study Centre Proposed;
10. Roby Kidd Lecture 2001;
11. Evaluation Studies;

12. National Documentation Centre on Literacy and Population Education;
13. Publications;
14. Amarnath Jha Library;
15. State Branches;
16. Award of Research Fellowship;
17. Membership
18. Participation of Office-bearers;
19. Audit;
20. Appointment of Auditors;
21. Grant-in-aid;
22. Economy;
23. Building Repairs;
24. Honours and Recognitions;
25. Visitors;
26. Internet/Website;
27. Video Film on IAEA;
28. Services Rendered;
29. Thrust Areas of IAEA;
30. Relationship with National Organisations;
31. International Relations;
32. Obituraries; and
33. Acknowledgements

### 1. 50th All India Adult Education Conference

The 50th All India Adult Education Conference is scheduled to be held in Shegaon (Maharashtra) from December 19-22, 2001 in collaboration with Sri Gajanand Trust Engineering College, Shegaon.

The theme of the conference is "A Decade of Literacy 1991-2001: Role of State and Civil Society".

### 2. Zakir Hussain Memorial Lecture

The Zakir Hussain Memorial Lecture 2001 is scheduled to be delivered by Prof. Madhu Dandavate, eminent economist and former Union Minister for Finance and Railways, and former Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission on "Social Roots of Gender Injustice" on December 20, 2001 at Shegaon (Maharashtra).

### 3. Seminar on the Role of Media in Adult Education

The Seminar was organised at India International Centre on February 6-8, 2001.



*Prof. SY Shah, Shri KC Choudhary, Shri BL Parakh,  
Justice PB Sawant and Prof. CJ Daswani  
in the inaugural session*

Hon'ble Justice PB Sawant, Chairman, Press Council of India, inaugurated the Seminar. Sixtyfive participants from different universities, SRCs, Media and NGOs participated. Shri BL Parekh, Vice-President, presided over the function. Prof. CJ Daswani, Consultant, UNESCO Office, New Delhi, was the guest of honour. Shri NC Pant, Joint Secretary, IAEA, welcomed the guests. In all, twenty papers were presented in four thematic sessions covering the role of press, NGOs, universities and SRCs.



*Participants in the Seminar on Role of Media in Adult Education*

#### **4. Diamond Jubilee Celebrations**

A special session on "Six Decades of Adult Education in India" was convened on 8th February, 2001 at India International Centre. It was chaired by Shri JC Pant, IAS (Retd.), Chairman, India Literacy Board. Shri Bhaskar

Chatterjee, former Director General of National Literacy Mission was the guest of honour. Introducing the Chairman, Shri KC Choudhary said that due to the earthquake in Gujarat, the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations had to be scaled down. However, the IAEA decided to go ahead in a rather subdued manner and chalk out future directions.

Shri NC Pant, Joint Secretary, IAEA read out the messages of greetings on the occasion of Diamond Jubilee from the President of India, the Prime Minister, Union Minister for Human Resource Development and other dignitaries. The guest of honour, Shri Bhaskar Chatterjee, gave a lucid and scholarly overview of the activities of National Literacy Mission since its inception in 1988.

Shri VS Mathur, one of the former Presidents of IAEA, revealed his past experiences of working in the field of adult education.

Several state level reports were presented by Smt. Kamala Rana (Delhi), Dr. Manju Lohumi (Himachal Pradesh), Shri. RN Mahlawat (Haryana), Dr. Madan Singh (Uttar Pradesh), and Smt. Indira Purohit (Rajasthan).

The chief guest of the valedictory session was Prof. NK Ambasht, Chairman, National Open School. The session was chaired by Prof. SY Shah. Shri BN Kamble, Vice-President, IAEA, welcomed the guests. Most of the participants suggested that IAEA should set up a committee to examine the recommendations of three groups of the Seminar and prepare an Action Plan for effectively deploying the media for promotion of adult education programmes in the country. Prof. Ambasht, however, observed that conceptual clarity has yet to come in this regard. He felt that there is dearth of researches in the field and there is also a need to educate policy planners regarding the importance of literacy. In this, IAEA should take the lead.

#### **5. Jan Shikshan Sansthan**

Association's application for a JSS in NOIDA (UP) is under consideration of the

Ministry. The Association has also applied for a JSS in Faridabad (Haryana).

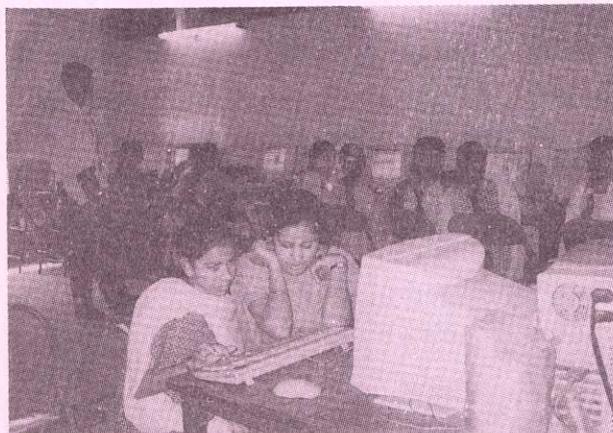
#### 6. Nehru and Tagore Literacy Awards

Prof. NK Ambasht, eminent educationist and Chairman, National Open School, was chosen for 2001 Nehru Literacy Award for his outstanding contribution to the cause of adult education in the country.

Shri Dayal Chand Soni, veteran Adult Educator and Writer was awarded Tagore Literacy Award 2001 for his life-time services in the field of adult education for tribal women.

#### 7. Computer Education -- Study Centre of MLCNUJ

The Association has been running Computer Education programme as Study



*Computer Class in Session*

Centre of the Makhn Lal Chaturvedi National University of Journalism. Last year 40 students were admitted. 40 appeared in the examination out of which 15 passed in DCA and 12 in PGDCA.

This year 71 students are admitted in DCA and PGDCA.

The University has increased fees for DCA and PGDCA from Rs.1500/- to Rs.4000/- which has discouraged poor students for both the courses.

#### 8. Vocational Training Programme (CSWB)

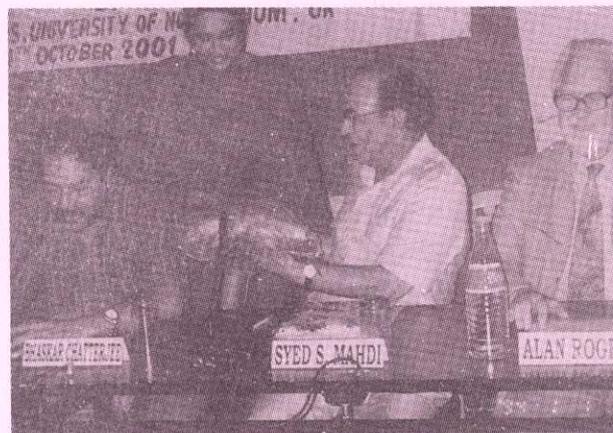
After completing 10 six-monthly computer education programmes, Central Social Welfare Board has given us sanction to start a one-year computer education programme under NORAD pattern. For this, 60 women have been selected and the course has started from 12th June, 2001. All women selected for the course are registered for the DCA course.

#### 9. IGNOU Study Centre

The Association has applied for a study centre of IGNOU for Delhi East area. The IGNOU officials have inspected the institution and we hope to receive the recognition from January 2002.

#### 10. Roby Kidd Lecture 2001

Roby Kidd Lecture 2001 was delivered on October 4, 2001 at India International Centre, New Delhi by Prof. Alan Rogers, Professor Emeritus, University of Nottingham, UK, on "Recent Developments in Literacy and Post Literacy".



*Roby Kidd Lecture*

It was organised jointly with Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi.

Dr. SY Shah introduced the Guest, theme and objectives of the Lecture. Shri Bhaskar Chatterjee, IAS, Member-Secretary welcomed the guests.

## 11. Evaluation Studies

### (a) PLP/TLC

The Association has completed Evaluation work of PLP in Jodhpur District (Rajasthan) and has submitted the final report to concerned authorities.

The evaluation of TLC Bareilly has been awarded to the Association. The field work for the study has already started.

Association is empanelled for evaluation work of TLCs of the following districts:

- (i) Viluppuram (Tamil Nadu)
- (ii) Kandhamal (Orissa), and
- (iii) Khorda (Orissa)

### (b) Evaluation of PDE Cells of SRCs

Association has been awarded evaluation work of "Population Development and Education Cells" of following SRCs:

- (i) Rohtak (Haryana),
- (ii) Deepayatan, Patna (Bihar),
- (iii) ADRI, Patna (Bihar),
- (iv) RRC, Chandigarh,
- (v) SRC, Ahmedabad (Gujarat), and
- (vi) SRC, Jaipur (Rajasthan).

The evaluation studies of Rohtak, Deepayatan and ADRI have already been completed and reports sent to the concerned agencies.

### (c) Evaluation of development work in Bihar

Government of Bihar has selected the Association from the panel constituted by it for evaluation of different development programmes in Bihar.

#### d) Rohtak SRC Study

The Association has been assigned an impact evaluation study by SRC Rohtak on the effects of literacy programmes in some selected districts of Haryana. The work on the study is in progress.

## 12. National Documentation Centre on Literacy & Population Education

1. The Centre continued to publish: (i) *The Indian Journal of Population Education*, (quarterly), and (ii) *Newsletter -- Literacy and Population* (bi-monthly). During 2001 four issues of the *Journal* and four issues of the *Newsletter* have been published.

2. The Centre compiled a volume on survey of researches carried out by various organisations on various aspects of population education during 1990-2000. The volume contains 70 annotations on such researches.

3. The Centre vigorously pursued its activity of repackaging latest information and materials on programmes and policies of Population Education to the SRCs, PERCs and other NGOs engaged in population related activities.

4. The Centre was the first to provide data on Census Reports for 2001 brought out by IAEA to SRCs and PERCs which was highly appreciated in the Project Review meeting held at Mysore in June 2001.

5. A new indexing publication undertaken by the Centre is entitled "Population and Development Education Index". One issue containing Newspaper clippings, listing of articles, book notes, and notes on book reviews has so far been prepared.

6. The Directorate of Adult Education (DAE), Government of India has entrusted to the Centre the responsibility of analysing and compiling recommendations, observations, etc., of the review reports of the IIIrd Phase of Population Education being implemented by the SRCs. These reviews have been conducted by various evaluating agencies.

7. Another responsibility entrusted to the Centre by DAE pertains to compiling of success stories of Population Education Programme.

8. During the period under review, the Centre has brought out an annotated bibliography of various publications on Population Education.

The current phase of this UNFPA assisted project will come to an end on 31st December 2001 but the Centre will continue to run in collaboration with the DAE, Government of India.

### 13. Publications

During the period under report, Association published following periodicals:

1. *Indian Journal of Adult Education* (quarterly),
2. *Proudh Shiksha* (monthly),
3. *IAEA Newsletter* (monthly), and
4. *Jago Aur Jagao* (monthly).

The theme of the special number of Indian Journal of Adult Education brought out to mark International Literacy Day was "Role of Media in Adult Education".

Except *Jago Aur Jagao* all the periodicals have been brought out on schedule.

A book entitled *Statistical Database for Literacy: Provisional Population and Literacy - 2001* authored by Shri Prem Chand, with financial assistance of NLM, was published by the Association.

In addition, the two periodicals brought out by Association's National Documentation Centre on Literacy and Population Education were also brought out

Shri MK Gaur, formerly Joint Editor of *Indian Journal of Public Administration* and *IIPA Newsletter* took over as Consultant Publications of English and Hindi periodicals.

### 14. Amarnath Jha Library

During the year, the Library continued to provide services to the students, research scholars, academicians and others.

The Library is being computerised. It is also a member of DELNET network of India International Centre.

### 15. State Branches

Association has 10 State Branches in Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

In addition to the above, the Executive Committee has taken a decision to open eight new Branches in Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Uttaranchal, Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir.

Branches in Andhra Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Uttaranchal have been opened, but in the remaining four States, the process is continuing.

The previous 10 branches were recognised for 1999 and 2000 but their term was extended by six months. These branches were asked to submit Statement of Accounts and hold fresh elections. Accordingly, elections were held in Haryana, Kerala, M.P., Maharashtra, Rajasthan and West Bengal branches. The Andhra Pradesh Branch has also completed its election. Other branches are in the process of holding elections.

With limited funds and resources, the performance of the Branches has been commendable. IAEA is trying to strengthen the Branches and has also advised them to seek assistance from respective State Governments.

The Branches took following special activities in addition to their routine work:

#### 1. Andhra Pradesh

Organised a workshop on "Reading Interests of Neo-literates in May 2001. Elections were held on 22.10.2001.

#### 2. Bihar

Observed National Youth Week from 12-19 January 2001 in collaboration with Nehru Yuvak Kendra. Organised Essay and Debate competitions on population issues.

Organised a seminar on "Role of Youth in National Construction".

Organised a programme in collaboration with International Buddhist Council.

### 3. Gujarat

Organised various programmes on Gujarat Day. Awarded Sardar Patel Literacy Awards to eligible recipients.

### 4. Kerala

Organised a seminar on "Emerging Trends in the Field of Continuing Education".

Organised Essay competition on "Continuing Education in 21st Century". Observed Anti Tobacco day. The Branch Elected new Executive Committee on 25.1.2001.

### 5. Madhya Pradesh

Organised a NGO Conference in Indore. More than 100 NGOs participated. President, IAEA presided over the session. Shri Mahesh Joshi inaugurated the conference. Shri. Manoj Shrivastava, IAS, delivered the valedictory address.

Smt. Vibha Agrawal, Chairman, MP State Social Welfare Board was the Guest of Honour.

Elected new Executive Committee on 25.2.2001.

### 6. Maharashtra

Observed International Literacy Day on September 8, 2001. Organised different competitions. Organised Medical Check-ups in slums. Elected new Executive Committee on 10.11.2001.

### 7. Rajasthan

Supported different programmes of TLC/PLP/CE throughout the State. Office-bearers of the branch participated in various training programmes as resource persons.

Held elections on 28.10.2001.

### 8. Uttar Pradesh

Continued to publish bulletin "Upay". President of IAEA participated in its State-level

meeting on 25.7.2001. Papers on "Women Empowerment" were produced and published. Took up a programme on removal of Parthenium.

### 9. West Bengal

Organised East Zone Conference on November 3-4, 2001. Supported literacy work in various districts. Continued to publish Bulletin "Vayask Shiksha Samvad".

### 10. Tamil Nadu

Branch started functioning from August 2001. Proposes to organise programme from 1st January 2002.

### 16. Award of Research Fellowship

Dr. Mohan Sinha Mehta Research Fellowship was awarded by the Association to Shri Shiv Prakash Katiyar of Kanpur. The topic of Research is "The Role of Adult Continuing Education and Extension in the Promotion of Science & Technology Among Community People -- A Case Study".

### 17. Membership

In 2001, 37 individual life members and two institutional members were admitted.

### 18. Participation of Office-bearers

President Prof. BS Garg delivered six talks on All India Radio, Udaipur.

Shri KC Choudhary, General Secretary, also delivered a talk on 'Child Labour and Social Responsibility' on All India Radio, Indore centre.

Shri Choudhary also participated in a telecast on Doordarshan with Shri Jagan Mathews, IAS, Director General, National Literacy Mission on the eve of International literacy day 2001.

He also participated in a Brain Storming meeting organised by ASPBAE at YMCA, New Delhi on December 7, 2001.

## 19. Audit

The accounts of Association for the year 2000-2001 were Audited by M/s Jain R, Gupta & Associates, Chartered Accountants.

## 20. Appointment of Auditors

M/s Jain R Gupta and Associates were appointed as Auditors for the year 2000-2001 and 2001-2002.

## 21. Grant-in-aid

UNFPA-GOI-DAE assisted the Documentation Centre for Population Education and Literacy for the years 2001.

The National Literacy Mission, Ministry of HRD, Department of Elementary Education and Literacy provided partial assistance for following activities during the year:

- (a) Publication of *Indian Journal of Adult Education*,
- (b) Publication of *IAEA Newsletter*,
- (c) Publication of *Proudh Shiksha*,
- (d) Organisation of Conference
- (e) Analysis of census 2001 datas, and
- (e) Amarnath Jha Library

## 22. Economy

The economic situation of the Association has been very alarming. We could not get sanctions and release of the Grant-in-aid in time and even now more than Rs.10 lakh are due from the Government. We have refunded a sum of Rs.93,000 to the Ministry of Agriculture out of the grant sanctioned for the Natural Disaster Management awareness programmes.

The Income Tax authorities have gone in appeal in the income-tax case which was decided in Association's favour.

## 23. Building Repairs

Despite financial stringency, efforts are on to generate resources for maintenance, repairs and renovation of building.

But, even then, the south side of the building and basements have been repaired and replastered.

## 24. Honours and Recognitions

The India Literacy Board, Lucknow has awarded first "Welthy Fisher Literacy Award" to the Association for its outstanding contribution in the field of Adult Education.

President Prof. BS Garg has been elected as Vice-Chairman, India Literacy Board for 2002-2004. Prof. Garg and Shri KC Choudhary, General Secretary, remained as members of the 'Committee of Five' of the Board and its Executive for the term 1999-2001.

Shri KC Choudhary, General Secretary was re-appointed as Chairman of the Regional Advisory Committee of the Central Board of Workers Education, Indore Centre.

Shri RN Mahlawat, Treasurer of the Association, served as Member of the Faridabad Committee.

President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer attended various workshops, meetings and seminars organised by various agencies during the year.

## 25. Visitors

Prof. Alan Rogers, Professor Emeritus, University of Nottingham (UK) visited the Association on October 4, 2001 and held detailed discussion with office-bearers and senior staff of the Association on various aspects of adult education programme in India.

## 26. Internet/Website

The Association has acquired an Internet connection and is now planning to have its own website.

## 27. Video Film

A 15-minute video film on IAEA has been brought out by the Association.

## 28. Services Rendered

IAEA is providing services to all its members; Jan Shikshan Sansthan; SRCs; University departments of Adult, Continuing Education and Extension; ZSSs; State Departments of Adult Education and many other NGOs.

## 29. Thrust Areas of IAEA

IAEA has been working in the following thrust areas:

1. Literacy, post literacy and universalisation of elementary education;
2. Education for Women's Empowerment;
3. Environmental Education for sustainable development & Human Rights;
4. Workers' Education for occupation health and safety;
5. Migrant's education;
6. Indigenous education;
7. Older people and adult learning;
8. HIV/AIDS Education, Adolscnt Education;
9. Vocational Education and Training;
10. Information Technologies;
11. Policy Research and Advocacy;
12. Leadership Development; and
13. Science for masses.

## 30. Relationship with national organisations

We are members of Indian Association of Social Science Research (IASSR), Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), National Institute of Public Co-operation & Child Development (NIPCID), AICEIW and many other National and Regional professional organisations.

In addition to these national level organisations, we have been working closely

with the National Literacy Mission, National Open School, Central Board of Workers Education and Central Social Welfare Board in implementation of various programmes.

## 31. International Relations

Association is Founder-member of the International Council of Adult Education (ICAE), Asian South Pacific Bureau of Adult Education (ASPBAE) and is in close contact with these.

The Association is a member of International Federation of Workers Educational Associations (IFWEA), Norway. We have been participating in International Study Circle and other activities.

We are also closely connected with International Literacy Institute (ILI) Philadelphia, UNESCO - Principal Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (PROAP), NGO forum, United Nations Information Service, PRIA etc. etc.

## 32. Obituaries

The Association condoles the deaths of following members:

Smt. Kanaka Rao, A.P.  
Shri PK Dhamdhare, Maharashtra  
Smt. Shailja Kulkarni, Maharashtra  
Smt. Nalini Ilapate, Maharashtra  
Shri JG Bodda, Maharashtra  
Shri HN Shrivastava, Mhow  
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- Shri Bhaskar Chatterjee, Member-Secretary, ICSSR

- Shri Vishnu Kumar, Director, DAE
- Dr. Mohan Kumar, Addl. Director, DAE
- Smt. Kusum Vir, Addl. Director, DAE
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