



NEWSLETTER NO. 10: JANUARY 2022

Sadly Covid 19 has continued to prevent us from visiting project areas this year, and although we have a trip to India planned in February at the time of writing it is once again shrouded in doubt. Thankfully our associated charities in India have continued to implement and pursue many schemes with great success. The 2021 annual total of Round Table Freedom thro Education classrooms to which Saffi have contributed now stands at the grand figure of **74**. The new classrooms at i-India have also been completed within the last three months, and the construction work on the new Care Home for Bal Basera is continuing to progress well.

BAL BASERA AND BACHPAN HIV CARE HOME, JODHPUR

The New Home construction is progressing well and is now 60% completed.



I-INDIA

In October the 10 classrooms, 9 toilets and a water station known as Shwetaark Pathshala School in Jaipur (to which Saffi contributed £35,500 in funding) were completed and shown in the photographs below. This school provides education and vocational training to slum and street children, and children of migrant workers – a total of 307 pupils.



I-India Covid news: The government functionary in partnership with the i-India health centre has just started a Covid vaccination camp exclusively for I-India children, who are of the age group 15-18 years.

ROUND TABLE INDIA – FREEDOM THROUGH EDUCATION

2021 brought the annual total of the new classroom projects with which Saffi became involved to 74 classrooms over 18 schools including one Special Needs school, plus numerous old classroom renovations, furniture provisions and playground facilities. Of these 18 projects, 10 are already completed. An article in The Times of India newspaper on 5 January 2022 stated that “Rajasthan had recorded their highest ever enrolment of students in the 2021-22 year. The total number of pupils in Government schools (providing free education) in the state has risen from 8.75 million to almost 10 million. This rise is attributed toenrolment of children from migrant families and improvement in quality education”.

Examples of Saffi funded schools include:

SUKHER SCHOOL, UDAIPUR

The “before” picture:



The “after” picture:



BAGRU SCHOOL, JAIPUR – completed December 2021



BAYANA SCHOOL, JAIPUR – commenced in June, on-going



KAILASHPURI SCHOOL, UDAIPUR – commenced in November, on-going



Total Round Table project contributions during 2021 amounted to £148,000.

FUNDING

£50,000 was received from Hurlingham Estates Ltd in October 2021, and a further £50,000 in November 2021.

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