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Project Proposal Submission Form

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Project Name: NICE (Needy Illiterate Children Education)

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Part I: Information about your group/organization

Please feel free to attach any additional sheets and/or information such as brochures, press reports etc.

1. Name of the group/organization requesting funds.

NICE (Needy Illiterate Children Education)

2. When was the group established?

15 Aug 2003 (Started Classes), Registered as a society on 6th May 2002.

3. Briefly describe the motivation for starting this group.

Purnachandra Rao, himself hails from a family which was financially stressed and pursued education with great difficulty for the same reason. With his hardworking spirit and education, he believed that it would be great to extend service to the society by educating poor children and further developing them into local entrepreneurs.

Purnachandra Rao - Principal Founder of NICE. A student of Mr. VB Chary, worked in one of the best corporate pharma/bulk drug companies in Hyderabad and is the full time serving member of NICE.

VB Chary (President) - A teacher from Bollapalli Village, he has helped hundreds of students realize their dreams. His understanding of the rural education in Andhra Pradesh is most valued.

G.Anjaneyulu (Jt Secretary) - An agriculturalist respected in and around Mynampadu village.

List of other executive members, please visit: <http://www.nice-india.org>

4. Briefly describe the aims of your group.

To motivate parents of children subjected to child labor, to liberate their children, impart vocational based training, and help them become entrepreneurs within their communities.

5. Does your group have any religious or political affiliation? If yes, please describe the type of affiliation and the reason for it.

We do not have any Religious or Political affiliation.

6. What non education-related community development activities is your group involved in?

None.

Part II: Details about your educational project/s

7. List the school/s run by your group, and their locations. If you are requesting funds for only a few of several schools, please specify which one/s.

NICE (Needy Illiterate Children Education). The school is owned by the society itself.
<http://www.niceindia.org/reports/certofregn.pdf>. Schooling until 10th grade.

8. Location of school/s Urban Rural Other _____

9. Specify the type of education provided (e.g. basic literacy, vocational training etc.).

Conventional (CBSE Syllabus) till 10th Std, and vocational training depending on students interest. We have realized that there are small trades like milk farming, candle making, etc, and seems to need some huge investment to start with and need marketing strategy, which we lack. But for now, we are trying to give training our children in BSRB and RRB for joining in Indian Army and Navy.

10. Please tell us about your teaching techniques (conventional vs. alternative).

Conventional (CBSE Syllabus)

11. What is the literacy rate in the local community?

The literacy rate is almost zero in the first generation community (currently 30-50 yrs age group).

12. Describe the socio-economic background of the children and their parents (e.g. education, occupational). If any of your students are employed, please tell us about that as well.

Most of the children are orphans some are single parent children and working on a daily-wage labour.

13. In addition to education, does your group provide any other services to the children in your schools (e.g. food, health care, clothing, etc.)?

It is a boarding school. Education, Food, Clothing, healthcare and Stay are all FREE.

14. How do you perceive that education will improve the lives of the children in your village?

We believe that educated citizens can make wise decisions in their life, treat fellow human beings with respect and dignity, earn a decent living effectively and act more responsibly towards their community and the country as a whole.

15. What is the admission criterion for the students to join your school?

Surveying in nearby villages and districts.

Have you ever turned away students? If so, why?

There were one or two incidents, since our school got popular and provides good food and education for free, few parents tried to cheat us saying that their children are orphans. When we found out the fact, we had to send them back.

How many children attend your school currently?

115 presently in 2009-10 academic year.

How many teachers do you have? How many full time students?

10 teachers (full time), 115 full time children (class 5th to 10th) + four 10+1 students

How many part time teachers?

0 (None). All are full time teachers.

How much is the fees? Is there an admission one time fee?

No fees or admission fee is collected from the students.

Do you have parent teacher meetings (parent involvement)?

No. Most of the parents are not educated. Some parents don't even exist or left their children. So, we do not involve them in running of our organization. Some of them do visit their children, but not so often.

16. Does your school have:

Its own building(s): Yes No Number 2
Number and type of classrooms (e.g. Pukka): Pukka (concrete) 15+

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
Toilets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Playground	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Toys	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Chairs & Tables	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blackboard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Library	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drinking water	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Electricity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Computers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laboratory	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Teaching aids (e.g. books/slates)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

17. How many children are currently enrolled in your school(s)?

Male 115 Female 0

Age Range 10-15

18. How many staff are employed at your schools?

Teachers 1 Minimum Qualifications 10th
Other staff 1

19. Average distance the children travel to attend your school 0 km

20. Please answer this if your school has existed for atleast 5 years. How many children have gone through your program in the past five years and what are they doing currently? Please tell us about their future education possibilities. How would you visualize their future employment possibilities? Please tell us about their future education and employment possibilities.

The first batch of 9, who had written 10th std exam (CBSE), all of them got 1st division, 5 of them got distinction (>75%). We are continuing to sponsor 4 children's higher education in different private collages and 5 others are admitted in to govt colleges which have free boarding and lodging facilities. We plan to keep in touch with them in a regular basis and help them with their employment also in near future if needed.

21. Do you help your students with their future education efforts after they have passed out of your school?

Yes, we intend to. Please refer to the above for more details. For those students who wish to pursue higher education, we will also try to have them tagged with a donor.

22. Do the students who have studies or graduated get involved in the school afterwards and help the next batch?

Haven't reached to that stage yet.

23. Are there any other schools (Kindergarten/Balwadi, Elementary school, High school) in the area? If so, please list the schools and the range of classes each of them offers.

Govt. Elementary School: Until 5th Class, Telugu Medium
Muslim Minority School: Until 5th Class, Telugu Medium
Christian Minority School: Until 5th Class, Telugu Medium

24. Is your program different from that provided at these schools? Please explain.

Yes. We believe that teaching kids with English as a medium of instruction gives them an edge in pursuing higher education and also with the given prevalence of English as a medium of communication in various aspects of life.

25. Why are the children in your school/s not attending government/other schools in the local area?

The Government School runs classes in Telugu Medium and only until 5th Grade which is again far away from our school.

26. Do you try to involve the parents of the children in the running of the school (e.g. in setting the syllabus etc.)? Please specify.

No. Most of the parents are not educated. Some parents don't even exist or left their children. So, we do not involve them in running of our organization. Some of them do visit their children, but not so often.

27. What are your expansion plans for the future (e.g. adding more classes or schools)? How do you see your school impacting the village five years from now?

We do not have any specific plans of expansion for the boys school at this time, other than improving on the current infrastructure, like adding more books to library, computers etc. We do have plan of construction a school for girls by 2010 in the close vicinity, so that the same teachers, cook, and food for boys could be made for the girls school as well. There are prospective donors identified for land and start constructing the school.

28. Do you have any suggestions on how Asha can be a positive influence in changing the education scenario in India?

None

29. If possible, please provide us with the contact information of two individuals from your community who can describe the impact of your program.

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30. Asha for Education requires reports from its projects every six months to continue funding. Please provide the contact information for the person from your group who will be responsible for these reports.

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Part III: Financial Details

Please feel free to attach any information such as annual reports, budgets etc.

31. What sources fund your group's activities at present? List the sources and the current and future funding from each of them. If these funds are meant for a specific part of your group's activities, please describe those restrictions.

Individual Donors and few corporate companies, mostly for infrastructure development.

32. Please provide us with details of your projected budget for the next 3 years:

Same as current year + 10% raise (Maximum every year) – Rs. 8,28,000 Annual (2009-10 academic year)

33. Salary expenditure details:

Please see below for more details of their salaries etc.

	Number	Salary Range
Teachers	10	Rs. 3500 to Rs. 8000 per month
Paid Staff	4	Rs. 2000 to Rs. 4000 per month
Volunteer Staff	1	0

34. Please provide details of the fixed costs of your school/s for the next three years.

N/A

35. How many of your students pay school fees? Please provide details.

We do not collect fees from any of our children.

36. What amount are you requesting from Asha, and for what specific purpose?

Items	Amount	One time / Annual
Teacher's salaries	Rs. 6,84,000	Annual
Non-teaching staff salaries	Rs. 1,44,000	Annual
Total Budget	Rs. 8,28,000	Annual

Breakup of the budget details:**Teaching Staff of NICE and their salaries**

Name	Designation in NICE	Qualification	Experience in NICE (Yrs)	Subjects Taught	Salary (Monthly)
B. Sridevi	Head Mistress	M.Sc, B.Ed	4	English, Biology	8000
Sk. Adamouli	Academic Head	M.Sc, B.Ed	6	Math, Physics	8000
G. Ravi	Teacher	M.A English	3	English	6000
Eswari	Teacher	B.A, B.Ed	3	Social Studies	6000
Jaya Prakash	Teacher	Telugu Pandit	4	Telugu	5500
Vasanth Rao	Teacher	M.Sc	2	Sciences	5500
L. Rajyalakshmi	Teacher	B.A, B.Ed	2		4500
Sunitha	Teacher	B.Sc, B.Ed			4500
Sri Lakshmi	Computer teacher	B.Sc			3500
Ashok	Teacher	B.A, B.Ed			5500

Total **57,000**
Annual Total **684000**

Non-Teaching Staff of NICE and their salaries

Name	Salary
G. Sheshadri	4000
Padma Kumari	3500
Cook	2500
Cleaner	2000
Total	12000
Annual Total	144000