# **Bharat Vikas Parishad**



# National Secretary General Report 2008-09

Bharat Vikas Parishad Prakashan

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# **Bharat Vikas Parishad**

# **NATIONAL SECRETARY GENERAL REPORT: 2008-09**

# A. OUR VISION, MISSION & SUTRAS

#### 1. Our Vision

1.1 Established in 1963, Bharat Vikas Parishad is a service-cum-sanskar oriented non-political socio-cultural family-based voluntary organisation. Our Vision is development and growth of Bharat, in all fields of human endeavour cultural, social, academic, moral, national and spiritual - culminating in **Swasth-Samarth-Sanskarit Bharat** i.e. physically, economically and morally strong India.

#### 2. Our Mission

2.1 Our Mission is to organise the elite, intellectuals and the well-to-do citizens and to motivate them to serve our poor, disabled, illiterate and ignorant brethren not as an act of charity but in the true spirit of our cultural tradition of service as duty.

#### 3. Our Sutras

3.1 The action plan for implementation of Parishad's policies and programmes is executed through the five sutras (maxims): Sampark (Fellowship), Sahyog (Cooperation), Sanskar (Moral Orientation), Sewa (Service) and Samarpan (Commitment). All these maxims are indispensable for proper grooming of our citizens and their family members towards the service of our motherland.

#### **B. ORGANISATION & FINANCE**

# 4. Meetings at National Level

- 4.1 Following National level meetings were held during the year 2008-09:
  - i. National Council (Rashtriya Parishad) held its meeting on 27th and 28th December, 2008 at Hastinapur (U.P.)
  - ii. National Governing Board (Rashtriya Karyakari Mandal) met on the 14th and 15th February, 2009 at Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh).
  - iii. National Executive (Rashtriya Karyakarni) met in June, 2008 at Delhi.
  - iv. National Office Bearers (Rashtriya Padadhikari) meeting was held in August, 2008 at Kanpur.

v. Apex Body (Sheersh Mandal) met on the 9th November, 2008 at Delhi.

# National Council: December, 2008

- 4.2 The Second meeting of the National Council of Bharat Vikas Parishad was held at Hastinapur (U.P.) on 27th and 28th December, 2008 which was attended by 1,500 delegates.
- 4.3 The meeting was spread over four sessions. In the **first session**, National President Shri R.P. Sharma delivered the inaugural address. He emphasised the role of all the office bearers in implementing the Sanskar and Sewa projects of the Parishad which are aimed at proper development of our Nation. Shri Varinder Sabharwal, National Secretary General, presented his report on various activities and programmes organised during the year 2007-08.
- 4.4 Maha Mundleshwar Geetamanishi Shri Swami Gyananand Ji Maharaj of Shrikrishna Kripa Dham Ashram, Vrindavan (U.P.) was the Chief Speaker in the inaugural session. He blessed the delegates in his inspiring address. Shri I.D. Ojha, National Working President introduced the newly enrolled Vikas Ratnas who were duly facilitated. A souvenir was issued on this occasion.
- 4.5 In the **second session**, Zonal Secretaries / Chairmen presented reports in respect of Prants in their Zones. Subsequently, one General Secretary (or President) from each of the 17 Zones presented Prantiya Report highlighting noteworthy and inspiring achievements in their Prants. In the evening there was a captivating cultural programme by Parishad's members and their families.
- 4.6 On the next day, the **third session** of the meeting was for "Mukt Chintan" wherein members sought clarifications and made suggestions. Shri R.P. Sharma, National President, replied to the questions. He assured that useful suggestions would be further considered.
- 4.7 Following Prants obtaining first three places in **"Best Prants"** contest were also felicitated: **First**: UP West; **Second**: Haryana South; **Third**: Delhi East.
- 4.8 In the concluding session, various Prants were felicitated for their best work as follows:
  - (a) Maximum Vikas Ratnas (2008-09 upto November)-Punjab East
  - (b) Maximum Vikas Mitras (upto November 08) Punjab East
  - (c) Guru Vandan Chhatra Abhinandan: Maharashtra Central
  - (d) Viklang Sahayata- Andhra Pradesh North
  - (e) Sanskriti Saptah Kaithal Branch, Haryana North
  - (f) Largest number of delegates Punjab East Prant

- 4.9 Shri L. Venkateshwar Lu, Commissioner Meerut Division, was the Chief Guest in the concluding session. He spoke about the role of NGO like Bharat Vikas Parishad in development of the Nation and the qualities which its members must embrace.
- 4.10 The Conference concluded with the address of Ganini Pramukha Ariyka Gyanmati Mata Ji of Hastinapur. She spoke about the importance of "Ahimsa" and blessed the delegates in their nation building work.

#### 5. Zones, Prants & Branches

5.1 At present there are 17 Zones and 52 Prants. Over the years there has been steady increase in the number of branches and membership of the Parishad. Based on Central Share actually received in the Central Office, the organisational growth during the year 2000-01 onwards is shown below:

| Year   | Branches<br>(excluding<br>Village Samitis)           | Membersh<br>(family units  | •                                     |
|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| 2001-02<br>2002-03<br>2003-04<br>2004-05<br>2005-06<br>2006-07<br>2007-08<br>2008-09 | 648<br>749<br>768<br>863<br>896<br>897<br>920<br>965 | 25,743<br>27,846<br>29,862<br>33,553 )<br>35,740 )<br>35,813 )<br>37,079 )<br>40,310 ) | 35% increase<br>over 5 year<br>period |

5.2 A statement showing number of branches and membership in various Prants as on 31.03.2008 and 31.03.2009 is at **Annexure 1.** 

# 6. National Workshops

- 6.1 For the first time, four workshops were held at different places to make them more effective and fruitful. These workshops were held as under:
  - (a) Northern Zones I to V at Chandigarh on April 19 & 20 2008
  - (b) Eastern Zones VI to IX at Paras Nath on May 10 & 11, 2008
  - (c) Western Zones X to XIV at Ahmedabad on May 3 & 4, 2008
  - (d) Southern Zones XV to XVII at Bangalore on May 31 & June 1,2008

#### 7. Central Share

7.1 Following table shows the Central Share received from the Prants annually during the period 2000-01 onwards:

| Year    | Central Share received | Percentage increase over the previous year |
|---------|------------------------|--|
| 2000-01 | 23,44,700              |  |
| 2001-02 | 25,74,300              | 09.8%                                      |
| 2002-03 | 27,77,250              | 07.9%                                      |
| 2003-04 | 29,62,500              | 06.7%                                      |
| 2004-05 | 33,11,900              | 11.8%                                      |
| 2005-06 | 34,72,100              | 4.8%                                       |
| 2006-07 | 48,81,661              | 40.6% *                                    |
| 2007-08 | 54,71,771              | 12.1%                                      |
| 2008-09 | 59,75,950              | 9.2%                                       |

<sup>\*</sup> Increase partly due to revision in the amount of Central Share payable per member

#### 8. Bharat Vikas Ratna and Bharat Vikas Mitra

8.1 Parishad has two schemes - "Bharat Vikas Ratna" and "Bharat Vikas Mitra" to provide funds for urgent relief works as well as for various service projects / programmes. While for "Bharat Vikas Mitra" the minimum contribution has been fixed at Rs. 5,100, a person can have the honour of being called Bharat Vikas Ratna if he pays a sum of Rs. One lakh by Cheque / Draft or Rupees One lakh fifty thousand in the shape of an advertisement to the Parishad. The investment of funds in FDRs, Bonds or Govt. Securities provides the much needed resources.

8.2 There has been encouraging response to the scheme. As on 31.03.2009, 36 Bharat Vikas Ratnas and 1,918 Vikas Mitras were enrolled. A statement showing geographical spread of the Bharat Vikas Mitras across various Prants is indicated in **Annexure 1**. List of Bharat Vikas Ratnas enrolled during 2008-09 is at **Annexure 2**.

#### 9. Accounts for 2008-09

9.1 Audited Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account of Bharat Vikas Parishad (Central Office) for the year 2008-09 are at **Annexures 3 & 4** respectively.

# C. PROJECTS & PROGRAMMES I. SANSKAR

10.1 The sanskar or educational programmes undertaken by the Parishad can be categorized as under:

- (i) Child & Youth Development
- (ii) Women & Family Development
- (iii) Senior Citizens' Development

# (i) Child & Youth Development

# 11. National Group Song Competition (N.G.S.C.)

11.1 Ever since the first National Group Song Competition of patriotic songs was held in 1967, such competitions have become an annual feature generating patriotic fervor. This is one of our oldest projects and has come to provide a measure of Bharat Vikas Parishad's popularity and identity among the student community, their family members and the teachers.

11.2 The competitions are held for students from class VIth to XIIth at Branch, Prant and All India levels. Teams selected at Branch level compete at Prant level and those selected at Prant level finally compete at All India level. In the competition at the national level, a team from each Prant sings one patriotic song each in Hindi and a regional language and the best teams are awarded prizes.

11.3 At branch level, the participation of students during 2008-09 has been as under:

| <ul> <li>No of branches organising the programme</li> </ul> | 614    |
|---|--------|
| <ul> <li>No. of schools who participated</li> </ul>         | 3,959  |
| <ul> <li>Total number of participants</li> </ul>            | 34,678 |

11.4 During the year 2008-09, 34th All India Competition was held at Ujjain (Madhya Bharat Prant) on the 15th-16th November 2008. Following teams won the first place in Hindi and Regional songs:

| Language | No. of Prant<br>Teams | ams         |                                   |
|----------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| Hindi    | 42                    | U.P.West    | Amety International School, Noida |
| Regional | 32                    | West Bengal | Haryana Vidya Mandir, Kolkata     |

11.5 The total participants numbered 827 in both Hindi and Regional songs teams (Students: 605, Instrumentalists: 222). Minster for Higher Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh, was the Chief Guest at the function.

# 12. National Sanskrit Group Song Competition (NSGSC)

12.1 This programme was initially started as a competition for singing full text of Vandemataram to instill patriotic feelings among the children. During the year 2005-06, it was decided to rename the Vandemataram Competition as National Sanskrit Group Song Competition. Accordingly in this competition, the first song is to be a patriotic song in Sanskrit, from among the songs prescribed by the Parishad, and the second is a folk song of any state. The competition is conducted at Branch, Prant and National levels.

12.2 At branch level, the participation of students during 2008-09 has been as under:

| <ul> <li>No. of branches organising the programme</li> </ul> | 409    |
|--|--------|
| <ul> <li>No. of schools who participated</li> </ul>          | 1,637  |
| <ul> <li>Total number participants</li> </ul>                | 13,546 |

12.3 During 2008-09, the **4th National Sanskrit Group-Song Competition** was held on the 6th and 7th December, 2008 at Roorkee. A record number of 35 Prants participated. The Hindu Senior Secondary School, Indiranagar, Chennai of Mylapore Branch, Tamilnadu Prant won the First Place in Sanskrit Song while the First Prize in Folk Song Competition was won by team from Haryana West Prant.

12.4 In Sanskrit Song, the Second, Third, and Fourth places were won by Karnataka South Prant, Haryana North Prant and Maharashtra II respectively. Similarly, In Folk Song Competition, the Second, Third, and Fourth places were won by Karnataka South Prant, Punjab North Prant and Rajasthan South East Prant respectively.

12.5 Shri Harbans Kapoor, Speaker in the Government of Uttarakhand inaugurated the function while Maj Gen (Retd) B.C. Khanduri, Chief Minister of Uttarakhand was the Chief Guest on the concluding day. Shri R.P. Sharma, National President, Shri I.D. Ojha, National Working President and Shri Varinder Sabharwal, National Secretary General graced the function.

12.6 The Chief Minister declared prizes of Rs.50,000, Rs. 25,000 and Rs.10,000 for teams standing First, Second and Third respectively.

12.7 The event was held at the world famous Yoga Centre at Patanjali Yog Peeth of Swami Ram Dev ji. Acharya Shri Bal Kishan ji, General Secretary of Patanjali Yog Peeth remained present all through the event and blessed the participants. The programme was recorded by the Astha TV Channel and subsequently screened on their network world wide.

# 13. Bharat Ko Jano

13.1 "Bharat Ko Jano" is a quiz programme for the school children to increase their awareness about the distinctive features of our country and culture. Since the year 2001-02, this competition is being held at branch, prant and national levels. This programme has generated great interest among the students.

13.2 In the first stage written test in General Knowledge is organised in each participating school for both junior (class 6 to 8) and senior (class 9 to 12) levels. Over one lakh Bharat Ko Jano books are distributed every year among the school students for this competition. Each Branch then conducts Quiz Competition among the students standing first, second and third in written test.

13.3 During 2008-09, the participation of children in Bhart Ko Jano Competition was as under:

| <ul> <li>No. of branches organising the programme</li> </ul>     | 624        |
|--|------------|
| <ul> <li>No. of schools who participated</li> </ul>              | 6,551      |
| <ul> <li>No. of students participated in written test</li> </ul> | 6.02 lakh: |

13.4 The teams which stand first in both the groups are selected for the competition at the Prant level. Similarly, the teams selected at Prant level compete at National level.

13.5 The **eighth All India Bharat Ko Jano Competition** was held at Fazilka (Punjab) on the 10th-11th January, 2009. A record number of **40 Prants** sent their teams for participation in this Competition - Senior: 37 teams and Junior: 34 teams.

13.6 Sardar Vikram Singh Majeethia, Information Minister, Government of Punjab was the Chief Guest at the function.

13.7 Results of the Competition were as under:

# **Junior Category:**

First: Saint Michael Higher Sec. School (Satna Branch, Mahakaushal) Second: B.B.Sarswati Shishu Mander, (Varun Branch, Kanshi Pradesh)

**Third:** C. K. Mehta Vidyalaya (Palanpur Branch, Gujarat North)

# Senior Category:

*First:* Varun Public Sr. Sec. School (Jodhpur Marwar Branch, Rajasthan West)

Second: Dashmesh Public School (Faridkot Branch, Punjab South)

Third: Guru Gobind Singh Pub School Chas (Bokaro South Br, Jharkhand)

13.8 Following Prants obtaining first three places in "Largest Participants of students" contest were also felicitated:

• First: Punjab North

Second: Rajasthan CentralThird: Avadh & Goraksh

Similarly, following Prants were facilitated for distributing maximum number of "Bharat Ko Jano" books: (1) Punjab East and (2) Rajasthan South.

#### 14. Guru Vandan - Chhatra Abhinandan

14.1 Guru Vandan - Chhatra Abhinandan programme aims to imbibe and reinforce in the minds of children their respect for their parents and teachers, whose blessings will enable them to be successful in life. Under this programme, the representatives of Bharat Vikas Parishad visit a number of schools in their areas to express thanks and gratitude to the teachers and congratulate the meritorious students.

14.2 Such functions are organised during the period from 1st April to 15th October every year. Ever since the programme was adopted at the national level in 2001-02, there has been a good response to this programme in which lakhs of students and teachers participate every year.

14.3 During 2008-09, about **15 lakhs** students participated in this programme as shown below:

No. of branches organising the programme
No. of schools who participated
Total number participants
14.85 lakhs

On the whole, 24,765 students and 14,724 teachers were honoured in various schools.

#### 15. Bal and Yuva Shivir

15.1 During the year 2008-09, 223 branches organised Sanskar Shivirs in which a total of 64,709 children and youth participated.

# 16. Guru Tegh Bahadur Balidan Diwas

16.1 Bharat Vikas Parishad has been observing the martyrdom day of Guru Teg Bahadur for many years. Public meetings, seminars and exhibitions are held to highlight the sacrifices of Sikh Gurus and pay respectful homage to the great patriot.

16.2 During 2008-09, **133 functions** were held in various parts of the country to pay homage to Guru Teg Bahadur.

# (ii) Women & Family Development

#### 17. Parivar Sanskar

17.1 During the year, sixth All India **Parivar Sanskar Shivir** was held on 24-26 January, 2009 at at Kanyakumari. It was attended by 458 delegates from the states of Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, Delhi, U.P. Bihar, Orissa, Goa, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamilnadu and Kerala.

17.2 The Chief Guest at the Shivir was Shri Balakrishnanji, Vice President of Vivekananda Kendra, who inaugurated it on the 24th January, 2009. The valedictory function was the most memorable programme of the shivir with the address by Shri P.Parameswaranji, the President of the Vivekanada Kendra.

# (iii) Senior Citizens' Development

#### 18. Praud Sanskar Yojana

18.1 Praud Sanskar Yojana project aims to prepare retired persons to lead active, purposeful and dedicated social life. So far 15 All India Shivirs have been organised to motivate senior citizens to engage in social work where over 2.500 Praudhs have been trained so far.

18.2 The participation in All India Praud Sanskar Shivirs over the years has been as under:

|     | Place       | Date            | No. of Participants |
|-----|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|
|     |             |                 |                     |
| 1.  | Haridwar    | May, 1995       | 35                  |
| 2.  | Kanyakumari | February, 1996  | 55                  |
| 3.  | Haridwar    | October, 1996   | 60                  |
| 4.  | Ujjain      | February, 1997  | 75                  |
| 5.  | Kurukshetra | October, 1997   | 100                 |
| 6.  | Dharamshala | March, 1998     | 100                 |
| 7.  | Ayodhya     | November, 1998  | 180                 |
| 8.  | Nashik      | March, 2000     | 225                 |
| 9.  | Chitrakoot  | April, 2001     | 300                 |
| 10. | Puri        | March, 2002     | 275                 |
| 11. | Pushpgiri   | February, 2003  | 160                 |
| 12. | Tirupati    | March, 2005     | 324                 |
| 13. | Bodh Gaya   | March, 2006     | 301                 |
| 14. | Mysore      | March, 2007     | 147                 |
| 15. | Jammu       | Feb-March, 2008 | 251                 |

### II. SEWA

19. Viklang Sahayata Project (Handicapped Welfare & Rehabilitation) 19.1 To help the handicapped persons to fully participate in social and national life of the country, Parishad has been implementing Viklang Sahayata and Punarvas Yojana. This is one of the important programmes of Bharat Vikas Parishad. Beginning with the establishment of its first Viklang Centre in Delhi in 1990, there are now following 13 Viklang Sahayata Kendras in various states, which provide artificial limbs free of cost to needy persons through their centres as well as by organising camps. Two of our centres have won President of India Award and one FICCI Award.

19.2 These centres provide free of cost artificial limbs, calipers, hearing aids, medicines, special shoes, and tri cycles. In addition, there are mobile workshops, which manufacture artificial limbs and provide service to the Viklang Camps organised by various Branches. Some of the centres have also taken up special programme for conducting operations for the polio victims.

19.3 During the year 2008-09, number of artificial limbs provided by the Viklang Kendras and branches is indicated below:

| (a) By BVP branches at Viklang camps         | 12,626 |
|--|--------|
| (b) By Viklang Kendras at their own centres  | 7,338  |
| (c) By Viklang Kendras at camps organized by | 1,776  |

organisations other than BVP

Total 21,740

19.4 In addition, our branches **rehabilitated 5,047 handicapped persons** by providing them training in various vocations, securing employment or in obtaining railway passes etc. during the year.

# 20. Villages / Urban Slums Development

20.1 Each branch is encouraged to adopt either a village or a slum area for its over-all development. During 2008-09, our branches took up **187 service projects in 124 villages**. The projects included health check-up camps, visit of mobile medical vans, vocational training centres, sanskar kendras and education of illiterate and neglected children. The centres also help in getting benefits of different schemes launched by the Government.

# 21. Integrated Development of Village through NRIs Assistance

21.1 Bharat Vikas Parishad, with financial assistance from Jindal Foundation Canada, has taken up Samagra Gram Vikas Project for all round development of villages in various parts of the country.

21.2 Work in the following ten villages has been substantially completed:

- 1. Khajjiar (H.P.)
- 2. Dunera (Punjab)
- 3. Sunder Nagar (Ú.P.)
- 4. Eklaspur (A.P.)
- 5. Mohabbatpur (Haryana)
- 6. Lohat Baddi (Punjab East)
- 7. Ilsoba (West Bengal)
- 8. Kaliwas (Rajasthan South)
- 9. Dunge (Maharashtra Coastal)
- 10. Kumbarakoppalu (Karnataka South)

21.3 Dr. Shiv Jindal and Smt. Sarita Jindal visited India during November-December, 2008 to apprise themselves of the progress of work in all the villages funded by Jindal Foundation. They appreciated the progress and quality of work being executed with the villagers' participation.

21.4 In continuation of their philanthropic work in India, Jindal Foundation, Canada agreed to assist in integrated development of additional four villages in various states of India. The MOU to this effect was signed between Jindal Foundation and Bharat Vikas Parishad on 11th December, 2008. Following new villages are being taken up for all round development:

- (1) Village Konothukunnu Thirchur (Kerala)
- (2) Village Rampur Gadwal (J&K)
- (3) Village Bornarkola-Abhyapuri (Assam)
- (4) Village Bangar Distt. Dewas (M.P.)

# 22. Vanvasi Sahayata Project (Tribal Development)

22.1 Bharat Vikas Parishad has been working for the welfare and uplift of the Vanvasis of the country in general and North Eastern states in particular since 1992. Presently, Parishad has adopted following projects in the North Eastern states:

 Bongaigaon Hospital construction of a room /operation theatre / Special ward

| 100111/0peration theatre / Special ward                     |    |
|---|----|
| <ul> <li>Centers provided with medical equipment</li> </ul> | 50 |
| Hostel- Boys & Girls  | 6  |
| <ul> <li>Ekal Vidyalayas</li> </ul>                         | 24 |
| Primary School  | 1  |
| Night School (non-formal)                                   | 1  |
| • Libraries   | 50 |
| <ul> <li>Vocational Training Centres</li> </ul>             | 2  |
| <ul> <li>Archery Training Centres</li> </ul>                | 5  |
| Khel Kud Kendras  |    |
| <ul> <li>Mandir Roof</li> </ul>                             | 2  |
| <ul> <li>Medical Centre: Allopathy</li> </ul>               | 1  |
| Arogya Rakshaks   | 12 |
|   |    |

22.2 During the year 2008-09, funds provided for financing projects in tribal areas of the country amounted to **Rs. 28.34 lakhs.** 

#### 23. Environment

23.1 Under this project, branches take up tree plantation, distribution of sacred plant e.g. Tulsi, and organise seminars on environment. During the year, our branches planted **1.14 lakhs plants** and distributed **31,092 Tulsi plants**.

# 24. Health (other than assistance to Handicapped)

24.1 Our branches regularly hold general health check-ups, blood donation camps and specialized medical camps e.g. dental care, eye care, T.B. camps, Hepatitis camps and camps for deaf etc. Facilities for registration of eye donation and surgery are also provided. Branches also regularly organise seminars on various aspects of health and conduct yoga camps. A number of hospitals and dispensaries set up the Parishad are also serving the society.

24.2 The number of beneficiaries in the health camps organised by the branches during the year were as under:

• No. of camps organised by branches

1.124

No. of beneficiaries

2,89,298

In addition, Parishad's members donated **13,432 units of blood** during the year.

24.3 **BVP Charitable Diagnostic Centre, Chandigarh:** During the year state-of-art facilities of the charitable diagnostic centre being run by Bharat Vikas Parishad at Chandigarh were augmented with commissioning of a new Eye Hospital, a new ultra sound machine and a digital X-Ray machine. The Centre provided its services to 1.30 lakhs patients during 2008-09.

24.4 **BVP Hospital & Research Centre, Kota (Rajasthan)** is now a 220 bedded hospital with an ICU, Private Wards and a number of specialties. During 2008-09, it provided services to 2.10 lakhs patients (including Cardiac and Neuro patients) involving expenditure of Rs.6.98 crores. Similarly, **BVP Charitable Trust Hospital, Ludhiana (Punjab)** provided treatment to 50,137 patients during 2008-09 at its Clinic as well in nine slum areas and villages adopted by it.

#### 25. Samuhik Saral Vivah

25.1 Parishad has been organising Samuhik Saral Vivah of poor and needy young girls and boys as an important programme every year.

25.2 During the year 2008-09, Parishad helped in organising marriages of 529 couples belonging to weaker sections of the society.

# 26. Legal Aid to Needy Women and Children

26.1 To assist poor, neglected and exploited women segment of our society, Bharat Vikas Parishad provides them counseling services. To begin with, one family-counseling centre is being set up in each zone of the country.

#### 27. Relief Work

27.1 States of Bihar and Assam have been badly affected by floods this year. The flood situation in Bihar during the year had been the worst in the living memory with the Government of India declaring Kosi floods a "national calamity". Similarly, in Assam 16 of the state's 27 districts were hit by the floods.

27.2 Our branches in Bihar and Assam swung into action to provide medicines, food, clothing and shelter to the victims of the flood by organising relief camps. Funds were also released by the Central Office to supplement the efforts of the Prants for providing relief and rehabilitation to the affected brethren.

#### **III. PERMANENT PROJECTS**

28.1 There are now 1,176 permanent projects run by various branches of Bharat Vikas Parishad whose activities are conducted on daily or weekly basis for the benefit of the society. These projects include Hospitals, Clinics, Physiotherapy Centres, Mobile Vans, Pathology Labs, Ultrasound Centres, Blood Banks, Educational Institutions, Training Centres, Libraries, Reading Rooms, Yoga Training Centres, Sanskar Kendra, Senior Citizens Welfare Centres, Mukti Dhams & Legal Aid Cells etc.

28.2 The permanent projects can be broadly categorized in following areas:

| Total                              | 1,176 |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| d) Other Activities of Social Need | 536   |
| c) Aid to Needy                    | 99    |
| b) Medical Care                    | 375   |
| a) Educational                     | 166   |
|                                    |       |

#### IV. SAMPARK

# 29. Sanskriti Saptah

29.1 This annual programme of Vikas Week / Sanskriti Saptah is conducted during the months of July and August. It enables the members to work together in numerous programmes and helps create awareness about the work of the Parishad among the citizens. The main emphasis under this programme is on Sampark and Sahyog.

29.2 During the year 2008-09, **463 branches** organised **3,608 programmes** during the Sanskriti Saptah.

#### 30. Seminars

30.1 This project has been taken up as a central project from this year itself. Reports from Prants indicate great enthusiasm for this project. Topics covered in the seminars conducted during the year included: Living Traditions of Tribes, Terrorism, Mumbai Incident, Awareness about Health and Environment, Under Ground Water and Water Harvesting, India's Space Programme, Eternal Message of Ramayana, etc. Speakers of the eminence such as Padamshree Dr. V.S. Sethi, Shri K.N. Govindacharya, Col.(Retd) P.K.Panda, etc. addressed the seminars.

#### 31. Publications

31.1 During the year following publications were produced:

- Bharat Ko Jano (Hindi) (Edition: 2008
- Bharat Ko Jano (English) (Edition: 2008)
- Chetna Ke Swar (Edition: 2008)
- Parishad's Constitution (as effective from 1.4.2008)
- Parishad's Permanent Projects
- NGB Directory: 2008-09
- Annual Report: 2007-08
- Calendars: 2009-10
- Diaries: 2009-10
- Pamphlets: Samuhik Saral Vivah (bilingual), Vanvasi Sahayata Yojana (English), Gram / Basti Vikas Yojana (bilingual)
- 31.2 Bharat Vikas Parishad is also regularly bringing out its bilingual monthly journal "Niti" (circulation: 41,000 copies) in Hindi and English.
- 32.3 "**Gyan Prabha**" (circulation: 1,500) is now being published quarterly to supplement our news magazine "Niti" with thought provoking articles. Efforts are being made to enroll its Life Members.

#### 33. Parishad's Website

33.1 Parishad's website (www.bvpindia.com) has continued to add newer features to be a useful tool kit for conducting our programmes as well as an effective vehicle to disseminate information about the activities of the Bharat Vikas Parishad among the internet users.

#### 34. Utkrishtata Samman Award

- 34.1 Bharat Vikas Parishad has instituted Utkrishtata Samman Award in the memory of Parishad's Founder Secretary General Dr. Suraj Prakash.
- 34.2 In the second year of the Award, field of selection was "Sewa". Nominations received from all over the country were considered by the Selection Committee headed by former Chief Justice Ramesh Chand Lahoti. The Committee selected "Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation of India" for the award for their excellent work in empowering tribal and rural India.
- 34.3 During the annual National Governing Board meeting held at Hyderabad on the 14th February, 2009, Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation of India was honoured with the Parishad's prestigious Utkrishtata Samman 2007-08. Shri Vijay Maroo, President of the Foundation accepted the Samman. Shri Subhash Gupta, President of U.S. Chapter of Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation was also present.
- 35. I take the opportunity to thank each one of my colleagues at all levels for their cooperation in our endeavour to serve the Nation.

15 November, 2009

Varinder Sabharwal National Secretary General

# **Another Milestone Achieved!!**

# **BVP Membership List Now on the Website**

All India list of members of Bharat Vikas Parishad is now available on Parishad's website (<a href="http://bvpindia.com/prant.htm">http://bvpindia.com/prant.htm</a>). Prants / Branches may kindly provide updates only on computerized lists obtained from the Central Office.

#### Annexure-1

# Bharat Vikas Parishad Branches and Membership in various Prants During 2007-08 and 2008-09

| S. ZONES / PRANTS<br>No.  | Bran<br>as                               |  |  | bership<br>ly Unit)<br>s on                      | Vikas<br>Mitra<br>as on                    | Permanent<br>Projects<br>as on           |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|   | March                                    | March                                    | March  | March  | March                                      | March                                    |
|   | 2008                                     | 2009                                     | 2008   | 2009   | 2009                                       | 2009                                     |
|   |  | AREA                                     | I  |  |  |  |
| Zone - I 1 Jammu & Kashmir 2 Himachal Pradesh 3 Punjab North 4 Punjab South 5 Punjab East Total - I | 10                                       | 11                                       | 447  | 564  | 6  | 7  |
|   | 10                                       | 13                                       | 364  | 447  | 1  | 17                                       |
|   | 47                                       | 50                                       | 2012   | 2182   | 67   | 117                                      |
|   | 36                                       | 35                                       | 1537   | 1602   | 59   | 60                                       |
|   | 50                                       | 50                                       | 2042   | 2154   | 247  | 60                                       |
|   | <b>153</b>                               | <b>159</b>                               | <b>6402</b>                                      | <b>6949</b>                                      | <b>380</b>                                 | <b>261</b>                               |
| Zone - II  Haryana North Haryana South Haryana West   | 31                                       | 31                                       | 1070   | 1000   | 31   | 45                                       |
|   | 21                                       | 20                                       | 910  | 738  | 100  | 43                                       |
|   | 28                                       | 24                                       | 952  | 800  | 22   | 36                                       |
|   | <b>80</b>                                | <b>75</b>                                | <b>2932</b>                                      | <b>2538</b>                                      | <b>153</b>                                 | <b>124</b>                               |
| Zone - III 9 Delhi North 10 Delhi South 11 Delhi East   | 23                                       | 23                                       | 1525   | 1850   | 33   | 41                                       |
|   | 19                                       | 19                                       | 1076   | 1124   | 18   | 10                                       |
|   | 20                                       | 23                                       | 607  | 814  | 28   | 18                                       |
|   | <b>62</b>                                | <b>65</b>                                | <b>3208</b>                                      | <b>3788</b>                                      | <b>79</b>                                  | <b>69</b>                                |
| Zone - IV 12 Uttranchal West 13 Uttranchal East 14 U.P. West 15 Rohilkhand Total - IV               | 12                                       | 16                                       | 334  | 658  | 56   | 3  |
|   | 6  | 6  | 194  | 226  | 10   | 0  |
|   | 45                                       | 56                                       | 2056   | 2311   | 194  | 99                                       |
|   | 16                                       | 20                                       | 600  | 650  | 49   | 22                                       |
|   | <b>79</b>                                | <b>98</b>                                | <b>3184</b>                                      | <b>3845</b>                                      | <b>309</b>                                 | <b>124</b>                               |
| Zone - V 16 Braj Pradesh 17 Bundelkhand 18 Brahmavart Total - V                                     | 32                                       | 32                                       | 772  | 1194   | 44   | 42                                       |
|   | 8  | 13                                       | 298  | 443  | 20   | 0  |
|   | 14                                       | 19                                       | 586  | 743  | 42   | 20                                       |
|   | <b>54</b>                                | <b>64</b>                                | <b>1656</b>                                      | <b>2380</b>                                      | <b>106</b>                                 | <b>62</b>                                |
| Zone - Vi<br>19 Avadh & Goraksh<br>20 Kashi Pradesh<br>21 Prayag<br>Total - VI<br>Total - Area I    | 16<br>17<br>6<br><b>39</b><br><b>467</b> | 16<br>17<br>6<br><b>39</b><br><b>500</b> | 713<br>714<br>197<br><b>1624</b><br><b>19006</b> | 829<br>777<br>203<br><b>1809</b><br><b>21309</b> | 99<br>29<br>7<br><b>135</b><br><b>1162</b> | 17<br>11<br>8<br><b>36</b><br><b>676</b> |

| S. ZONES / PRANTS<br>No.   | Branches<br>as on                |                                   | Membership<br>(Family Unit)<br>as on    |  | Vikas<br>Mitra<br>as on           | Permanent<br>Projects<br>as on     |  |  |  |  |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|  | March<br>2008                    | March<br>2009                     | March<br>2008                           | March<br>2009                            | March<br>2009                     | March<br>2009                      |  |  |  |  |
| AREA II  |                                  |                                   |   |  |                                   |                                    |  |  |  |  |
| Zone -VII 22 North Bihar 23 Magadh Bihar 24 South Bihar 25 Jharkhand Total - VII   | 22<br>6<br>15<br>12<br><b>55</b> | 19<br>6<br>13<br>14<br><b>52</b>  | 439<br>156<br>558<br>526<br><b>1679</b> | 532<br>157<br>522<br>521<br><b>1732</b>  | 7<br>9<br>5<br>15<br><b>36</b>    | 18<br>2<br>0<br>17<br><b>37</b>    |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Zone - VII</b><br>26 Orissa<br>27 West Bengal, Silkkim,<br>Andaman & Nicobar  | 12<br>13                         | 14<br>14                          | 338<br>496                              | 472<br>490                               | 14<br>26                          | 21<br>17                           |  |  |  |  |
| Total - VIII   | 25                               | 28                                | 834                                     | 962                                      | 40                                | 38                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Zone - IX 28 Assam (W), Meghalaya & Mizoram 29 Assam(E) Arunachal Nagaland & Manipur 30 Tripura Total - IX Total - Area II | 12<br>4                          | 15<br>4                           | 484<br>117                              | 534<br>120                               | 6<br>1                            | 13<br>0                            |  |  |  |  |
|  | 4<br>20<br>100                   | 4<br>23<br>103                    | 83<br><b>684</b><br><b>3197</b>         | 91<br><b>745</b><br><b>3439</b>          | 1<br>8<br>84                      | 0<br><b>13</b><br><b>88</b>        |  |  |  |  |
|  |                                  | AREA I                            | II                                      |  |                                   |                                    |  |  |  |  |
| Zone - X 31 Rajasthan North 32 Rajasthan North East 33 Rajasthan East 34 Rajasthan South East Total - X                    | 18<br>26<br>36<br><b>80</b>      | 15<br>13<br>16<br>31<br><b>75</b> | 669<br>1253<br>1454<br><b>3376</b>      | 500<br>661<br>745<br>1394<br><b>3300</b> | 9<br>44<br>46<br>34<br><b>133</b> | 15<br>18<br>12<br>90<br><b>135</b> |  |  |  |  |
| Zone - XI 35 Rajasthan West 36 Rajasthan Central 37 Rajasthan South Total - XI   | 19<br>3234<br>34<br><b>85</b>    | 22<br>1379<br>33<br><b>89</b>     | 831<br>1434<br>1233<br><b>3443</b>      | 967<br>110<br>1257<br><b>3658</b>        | 99<br>80<br>62<br><b>271</b>      | 31<br>89<br><b>200</b>             |  |  |  |  |
| Zone - XII 38 Madhya Bharat West & South 39 Madhya Bharat East   | 18<br>20                         | 16<br>18                          | 761<br>807                              | 628<br>784                               | 15<br>54                          | 10<br>9                            |  |  |  |  |

# Bharat Vikas Parishad BHARAT VIKAS RATNA (Contribution during 2008-09)

| S.<br>No | Name  | Place        | Prant             |
|----------|---|--------------|-------------------|
| 1.       | Shri Ishwar Lal Sahu &<br>Shri Subhash Jain | Asind        | Rajasthan Central |
| 2.       | Dr. K. L. Passi                             | Chandigarh   | Punjab East       |
| 3.       | Shri Moti Lal Birawat                       | Bhilwara     | Rajasthan Central |
| 4.       | Shri Harish Jindal                          | Ghaziabad    | Western U.P.      |
| 5.       | Shri Sampat Khurdia                         | Mumbai       | Maharashtra-I     |
| 6.       | Shri Mahavir Prasad Luhariwala              | Mumbai       | Maharashtra - I   |
| 7.       | Shri Satish Kumar Aggarwal                  | Chandigarh   | Punjab East       |
| 8.       | Dr. Tejendra Singh Kaushal                  | Chandigarh   | Punjab East       |
| 9.       | Shri Durga Parshad                          | Malerkotla   | Punjab East       |
| 10.      | Shri V. Shankar                             | Chennai      | Tamil Nadu        |
| 11.      | Shri Thontadarya                            | Mysore       | Karnataka South   |
| 12.      | Shri R.K. Agarwal                           | Sahibabad    | Western U.P.      |
| 13.      | Shri Rajendra Kumar Gupta                   | Meerut       | Western U.P.      |
| 14.      | Shri S.S. Jain                              | Yojana Vihar | Delhi East        |
| 15.      | Shri Ravindra Kumar Agarwal                 | Meerut       | Western U.P.      |
| 16.      | Shri Tara Chand Jatol                       | Barmer       | Rajasthan West    |
| 17.      | Shri Daulat Mal Bhandari                    | Jodhpur      | Rajasthan West    |
| 18.      | Shri Gajanand Palriwala                     | Kolkata      | West Bengal       |

| S. ZONES / PRANTS<br>No. |   | Branches as on                      |                                     | Membership<br>(Family Unit)<br>as on       |  | Vikas<br>Mitra<br>as on          | Permanent<br>Projects<br>as on     |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
|                          |   | March<br>2008                       | March<br>2009                       | March<br>2008                              | March<br>2009                              | March<br>2009                    | March<br>2009                      |  |  |  |
| 40<br>41                 | Mahakaushal<br>Chattisgarh<br><b>Total - XII</b>                                  | 6<br>2<br><b>46</b>                 | 7<br>2<br><b>43</b>                 | 225<br>59<br><b>1852</b>                   | 254<br>55<br><b>1721</b>                   | 3<br>0<br><b>72</b>              | 0<br>0<br><b>19</b>                |  |  |  |
| <b>Zon</b> 42 43         | ne - XIII<br>Gujarat North<br>Gujarat Central<br>Total - XIII<br>Total - Area III | 12<br>25<br><b>37</b><br><b>248</b> | 13<br>29<br><b>42</b><br><b>249</b> | 692<br>1812<br><b>2504</b><br><b>11175</b> | 1804<br>823<br><b>2627</b><br><b>11306</b> | 7<br>1<br><b>8</b><br><b>484</b> | 3<br>13<br><b>16</b><br><b>370</b> |  |  |  |
|                          | AREA IV   |                                     |                                     |  |  |                                  |                                    |  |  |  |
| 44                       | Zone - XIV<br>Maharashtra<br>Coastal- I   | 14                                  | 15                                  | 637  | 810  | 62                               | 7                                  |  |  |  |
| 45<br>46                 | Maharashtra - II<br>Goa<br><b>Total - XIV</b>                                     | 10<br>7<br><b>31</b>                | 11<br>7<br><b>33</b>                | 327<br>220<br><b>1184</b>                  | 353<br>243<br><b>1406</b>                  | 16<br><b>78</b>                  | 2<br>0<br><b>9</b>                 |  |  |  |
| 47                       | Zone - XV<br>Andhra Pradesh<br>West   | 14                                  | 9                                   | 416  | 363  | 12                               | 7                                  |  |  |  |
| 48                       | Andhra Pradesh<br>North & East  | 14                                  | 11                                  | 428  | 376  | 13                               | 3                                  |  |  |  |
|                          | Total - XV  | 28                                  | 20                                  | 844  | 739  | 25                               | 10                                 |  |  |  |
| 49<br>50                 | Zone - XVI<br>Karnataka North<br>Karnataka South<br>Total - XVI                   | 9<br>27<br><b>36</b>                | 14<br>30<br><b>44</b>               | 304<br>1096<br><b>1400</b>                 | 422<br>1281<br><b>1703</b>                 | 27<br>41<br><b>68</b>            | 0<br>5<br><b>5</b>                 |  |  |  |
| 51                       | <b>Zone - XVII</b><br>Kerala &<br>Lakshadweep                                     | 5                                   | 9                                   | 173  | 228  | 4                                | 15                                 |  |  |  |
| 52                       | Tamil Nadu & Pondicherry  | 5                                   | 7                                   | 130  | 180  | 13                               | 3                                  |  |  |  |
|                          | Total- XVII   | 10                                  | 16                                  | 303  | 408  | 17                               | 18                                 |  |  |  |
|                          | Total- Area IV  Grand Total   | 105<br>920                          | 113<br>965                          | 3731<br>37109                              | 4256<br>40310                              | 188<br>1918                      | 42<br>1176                         |  |  |  |

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