

# Objectif France Inde

Childhood and Education
Women Empowerment
Integrated Rural Development

Objectif France-Inde Towards a Sustainable Development



# Objectif France Inde - Who we are ?

- **Objectif France-Inde (OFI)** is a French non-profit, non-political, and non-confessional organization founded in 1998 under the 1901 law.
- OFI works in partnership with local NGOs on development projects in the states of Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and West Bengal.
- The local presence and network of OFI enable close collaboration with partners to promote quality projects.
- OFI and its partners pool their resources and expertise to assist the most vulnerable populations in urban and rural areas.

## Our expertise

- Project design, coordination monitoring and evaluation
- Fundraising
- Networking and training

# Our approach

- Holistic approach
- Integrated Development
- Localization, with active participation of the supported populations

# Our areas of expertise

## **Childhood and Education**



In India, many children do not have access to education and school facilities, leading to an increase in child labour every year. Lack of security can also lead to child abandonment, abuse and lack of emotional, physical and mental care.

<u>Our objective</u>: To provide future generations with quality education and teaching, especially for marginalised children.

<u>Children supported:</u> OFI partners care for street children in foster homes, others provide educational facilities for children with disabilities, destitute children living in rural areas, migrant children and children living with HIV., OFI also contributes in building infrastructure.

OFI and its partners have focused their efforts on implementing projects that have ensured access to education for a considerable number of children in both rural and urban areas.

OFI supports organisations providing protection, care and education to children at risk. When necessary, OFI has contributed to the construction, development or modernization of specific infrastructures.

Each year, OFI and its partners contribute to the development of more than 12,000 children.



#### Some of our recent projects:

- Small homes, big dreams, a foster home for street children in Bangalore (DIN);
- Adopt a teacher, financing salaries and school supplies for SEVAI schools (SEVAI);
- Back to school, renovation of St Ignatius school in Begur (Vonisha);
- Digital Lab, setting up a computer centre at the Meikandaar school in Tamil Nadu (HUT);
- Aqua Care, construction of a drinking water well for House of Hope, a home for children infected and affected by HIV/AIDS in Tamil Nadu (HUT).
- Providing nutrition for HIV children in Tamil Nadu (GRAMIUM).





#### Our activities:

- Foster homes for orphans/migrants/street children and children infected or affected by HIV;
- Support for schools (construction of classrooms, libraries, computer and science laboratories, toilets, renovations, school bus, etc);
- Teacher training (including Montessori);
- Support for teacher's salaries to ensure the education of children;
- School supplies (school uniforms, consumables, etc.)

# Women Empowerment



Tamil society is still very conservative, particularly when it comes to the role of women in society. They have few opportunities to develop outside the family environment.

<u>Our objective</u>: To give women a leading role in society in order to change their status by supporting them in their personal, social and economic development.

<u>Women supported</u>: OFI and its partners are making an ongoing effort to offer opportunities to rural women living below the poverty line through the creation of self—help or joint liability groups.

Women's empowerment is define as the promotion of women's sense of self-worth, their ability to determine their own choices and their right to influence social change for themselves and others.

Over **7,000 women** join our self-help groups each year with 3 NGO partners and have access to preferential micro-credit offered by the government..

Since the beginning of OFI, **170 000 women and girls** have seen their living conditions improve thanks to the various professional training courses and opportunities offered by OFI's partners.



#### Some of our recent projects:

- S.T.E.P For Women, creation of self-help groups composed of women that includes training, (development of personal and professional skills) enabling access to microcredit and enabling livelihood (SEVAI);
- Projet Sakhi, empowerment of women through community development among economically and socially disadvantaged people in Begur (Vonisha);
- ➤ De Fil en Aiguilles, construction of a training centre and textile unit for women in Dindigul (ISSAI).





#### Our activities:

- Creation of self-help groups and joint liability groups;
- Vocational training (tailoring, micro-enterprise creation and management, transformation of agri-products, finance);
- Personal training (health, hygiene, digital literacy, decision-making);
- Access to microfinance for the creation of income-generating activities;
- Community development training (joining a parents' association, village committee).

# Integrated Rural Development



Tamil Nadu suffers from droughts, which are exacerbated each year by climate change. This has serious consequences for the economy and the local population.

<u>Our objective</u>: To prevent economic migration by ensuring food security and the livelihoods of vulnerable rural populations, by improving the local economy and their living conditions.

<u>Population supported:</u> OFI's partners support isolated rural communities, mainly tribal and Dalit, by rehabilitating water tanks. They also encourage the efficient use of natural resources and land cultivation.

Climate change, environmental degradation and other factors are the main drivers of food crises and migration. Ensuring the food security and livelihoods of rural populations is an urgent priority.

To tackle these needs, OFI has carried out several projects with its partners, such as the development and rehabilitation of hydraulic infrastructures, combined with training of farmers in the preservation of natural resources. Somes projects have been dedicated to the preservation of rain/monsoon water for agriculture and access to drinking water for villages.

OFI and its partners have rehabilitated **100 water tanks** since the creation of OFI enabling **2 to 3 crops** to be harvested per year over **10,000 acres**.



#### Some of our recent projects:

- Let's Cultivate development, rehabilitation of 2 water tanks, tree planting and training of farmers in Tamil Nadu (SEVAI);
- Planting a forest, planting 2,600 trees to increase vegetation cover in Tamil Nadu (GRAMIUM);
- Eau source de vie, rehabilitation of hydraulic infrastructures and training of farmers in Tamil Nadu (SEVAI).





#### Our activities:

- Renovation of hydraulic and agricultural infrastructures (water tanks, wells, check dams etc);
- Installation of drinking water pumps;
- Creation of farmers' committees;
- Farmers' training (water and soil management, specific farming techniques, animal breeding, bio-agriculture, cultivation models);
- Tree nursery & Tree planting.
- > Production of organic input and bio-fertilizers
- Engaging farmers to move to sustainable agriculture (organic farming).

# Key figures of the past year

### Childhood and education – 12 000 children supported



25 foster homes welcoming **200 children** 



Creation of computer labs, libraries and science lab



Support of **15 primary and** secondary schools



Construction of **classrooms** and **tutoring centres** 



Purchase of school buses

# Integrated Rural Development – 14 000 population supported

# Women Empowerment – 5 000 women supported



10 water tanks rehabilitated



**4 500 women** trained in incomegenerating activities



500 farmers trained



600 self-help groups created



20 000 trees planted



**170 000 women** progressed above poverty line

# Our local partners















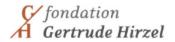






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1 NO POVERTY



2 ZERO HUNGER



GOOD HEALTH
AND WELL-BEING



4 QUALITY EDUCATION



5 GENDER EQUALITY



CLEAN WATER
AND SANITATION





8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES



RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



13 CLIMATE ACTION



15 LIFE ON LAND









## WATER TANK





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