

**We have received the following additional donations for the Gujarat Relief Fund and *Khush-haal* Kashmir Fund. The account of earlier donations was published in issue 132.**

Aleque Padamsee, Rs 20,000; G.Manohar, Rs 2000; J Sujata, Rs. 1000; Klara Brogli, Rs 16,000; Madhu Kishwar, Rs. 6,000; Rajiv Malhotra, Rs. 50,000; Tushita Mahayana Meditation Centre, Rs 50,000; Uma Iyer, Rs 11,000; Zena Sorabjee, Rs 6000; Another Rs 11,000 have been received from a person who wishes to remain anonymous

**We appeal to readers and friends of MANUSHI to pass the word around and encourage others to contribute generously.**

## **MANUSHI-UMEED Initiative for *Khush-haal* Kashmir**

Kashmir has a special place in the hearts of most Indians who cannot imagine the maps of India without J&K. And yet, very few of us have cared to pay heed to the suffering and anger of its people. It is time we show through concrete gestures that we care. We are working closely with Mehbooba Mufti to build bridges of concern and mutual understanding through the UMEED TRUST she has set up in collaboration with MANUSHI.

As a first step, we have committed ourselves to raise funds to support the education and pay for other essential needs of as many children as possible of families who have lost their earning member due to violence and are left without a source of income. The beneficiaries will include Hindus, Muslims and Sikhs. Investing in these children means investing in the future of India. Let's start with their education and help them get a fresh and hopeful perspective on their life, help keep them from sinking into despair. The careful screening of deserving families will be carried out by Mehbooba Mufti and her team. We would like to pay a monthly sum of **Rs 500 per month** for as many of these children as we can support.

**One year's support for one child will come to Rs 6000. However, we welcome even smaller donations.**

In order that this help reaches as large a number of families as possible, at the moment we will support only one child per family, spread across as many villages and towns as possible.

We appeal to MANUSHI readers and friends to join us in this effort and contribute generously to this fund .

### **Other ways you can help:**

- 1) If you are in the corporate sector or own a private business, make an effort to recruit people from J&K in your institution.
- 3) If you are in charge of a government or private institution, provide space for a Kashmir Food Corner and a handicraft cum dry-fruit stall in your institution.

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### **1) I would like to contribute:**

Rs.....as lumpsum for the education of children of families wrecked by terrorism related violence.

Rs.....per month/per year towards the education of one/two/.....children in J&K.

2) I would like to provide space for a Kashmir Food Corner in my institution / neighbourhood.

3) I would like to provide employment to.....Kashmiri youth in my organisation.

Name .....

Address.....

Email & Phone Number.....

All cheques to be sent in the name of MANUSHI TRUST at the following address: C 1/3 Sangam Estate, 1 Under Hill Road, Civil Lines, Delhi 110054  
For further information write to [manushi@nda.vsnl.net.in](mailto:manushi@nda.vsnl.net.in)

**Note: As usual, we will provide detailed accounting of all expenditures and the list of beneficiaries of MANUSHI-UMEED Fund.**