



Press Release

Eighth Meeting of the Board of Trustees

India Development Foundation of Overseas Indians

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India Development Foundation of Overseas Indians (IDF-OI) is a not-for-profit Trust set up by the Government of India to facilitate contributions by the overseas Indian community to social and development projects in India. The Eighth Meeting of IDF-OI's Board of Trustees was chaired by the External Affairs Minister, Smt. Sushma Swaraj on May 12, 2017 in New Delhi in her capacity as Chairperson of IDF-OI.

The Chair welcomed IDF-OI's new members of Board of Trustees comprising eminent resident and overseas Indians: Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, Mr. Vara Prasad Rongala, Swami Chidanand Saraswati and Dr. Bharat Barai, Mr. Y Sudhir Shetty, Shri Yusuff Ali M.A. and Shri Joginder Pal. She sought their support and guidance in encouraging and enabling overseas Indians to contribute to IDF-OI.

In FY 2016-17, IDF-OI is partnering with State Governments to facilitate projects in the sectors of sanitation, education, healthcare and women and child development. It successfully completed three Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) projects in Amritsar, Punjab and Vijayawada and Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh, which are benefitting thousands of people. IDF-OI is currently implementing eight projects in Andhra Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Telangana and has several projects available for funding across the identified sectors.

Senior Officials from Ministries of Home Affairs, External Affairs, Finance, NITI Aayog and NMCG also participated in the meeting.

For detailed information on IDF OI and its activities, visit www.idfoi.nic.in.