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U.S. dollars go a long way in India....for example:

Adopt A Family: \$ 32
Donation of one water filter to a needy family who is unable to purchase a filter.

Adopt A Village Partnership: \$ 3,000
Provides up to 90 filters to needy households in a village. Each family (i.e. partner) must pay a small portion of the cost of each household filter (approx. \$5.00); the remaining cost is paid by the sponsor. Soap and educational program for village children, donated water filters for schools and child care centers, community steward for one year period. Sponsor name is painted on the side of each filter.

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BIO-SAND FILTER



“Helping People One Drop at a Time”

South Asia Pure Water Initiative, Inc.

the big picture:

We are in a Worldwide
Water Crisis!

In South Asia, including India, more than half of the population consumes unsafe, contaminated and polluted drinking water. Due to poor water quality the occurrences of intestinal diseases are wide spread and households spend substantial portions of their income every year to cope with the diseases.

Kolar District is one of the poorest areas in south India. Potable water is simply not available. There are no water treatment facilities in the area and bottled water is too expensive for most people to afford.



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A Canadian scientist has developed a Bio-Sand Water Filter that is low cost and effective in the removal of dissolved particles and pathogens from contaminated water. The Bio-Sand Filter is a type of slow sand water filter specifically designed for removing disease causing organisms with intermittent operations.

The bio-sand technology has been introduced in more than 40 countries and is widely in use. The filter has been tested by various government, research, and health institutions, as well as by non-governmental agencies across the world and found to be effective in water purification. The filters can be built on a small scale at low cost. There is no electricity required, no chemicals used, and no replaceable parts, therefore no ongoing costs for the user.

South Asia Pure Water Initiative, Inc. was started by a husband and wife team with Peace Corps and Rotary backgrounds who want to make a difference in the lives of people living in South Asia. A startup grant was obtained from a foundation in Connecticut which allowed the organizers of South Asia Pure Water Initiative to start a small factory in Kolar, Karnataka, India in November 2005 to manufacture the Bio-Sand Filters.

The filters have had an overwhelming initial acceptance in Kolar district. The short-term goal is to place 15,000 filters in South India, supplying a potential of 225,000 people with clean drinking water. At the same time the organization will be looking for ways to expand this water filtering technique into other regions of South Asia.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP TO
PROVIDE CLEAN WATER
TO THOSE IN NEED!**