



Assam Foundation of North America

Annual Progress Report

2017 General Body Meeting

July 1, 2017

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President: Pallav Saikia Secretary: Dr Lipika Deka Treasurer: Sarfaraz Taher

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Agenda

1. Last year in review
 - a. Projects Updates
 - b. Operations
 - c. Finance
2. Nomination and Election
 - a. Board of Directors
3. Roadmap
 - a. 2017 Budget
4. Getting Involved



Project Updates

Focus area: Education

Support A Child (SAC):

- Supported ~80 at-risk students
- Primarily in PKGHS, SHED & Tapoban
- Working with other schools like Pragyalaya, Snehalaya & Parijat Academy

Nowgong Mission School:

- Raising fund to help setup AV in the school auditorium of this historic school



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Project Updates

Focus area: Education

AKADAMICS:

- 4th successful year
- 37 AKADAMICS awardees have successfully graduated so far
- 20 new scholarships awarded 2016
- 11 scholarships renewed for existing students
- **In 2017 increase the number of scholarships to from 20 to 30**
- Continued partnership with Xomidhan for mentoring
- Scholarship amount:
 - ◆ Professional degree student: INR 30,000/Year
 - ◆ Non professional : INR 10,000/Year

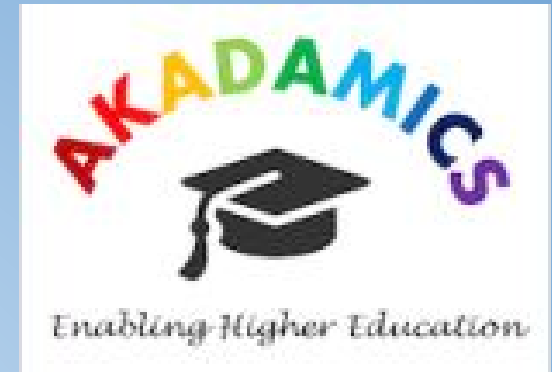
Himanjyoti Das (pursuing MBBS at F A Ahmed College, Barpeta) – ***“....You have inspired me and I have made my mind that when I will start getting salary I will help others needy like you have always done and help me in my last 6 months.....”***



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Project Updates

Focus area: Employment Generation

Atma Nirbhar ek Challenge - Support A Disabled Worker

- AFNA partnership continues to thrive
- Providing meaningful employments to ~40 people with disabilities
- Providing full benefits with salaries like Provident Fund contributions



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Project Updates

Focus area: Employment Generation

Swabalambi - Supporting Disabled Artisans

- Conducted 2 training camps in 2016 with AFNA's funding
- Last camp was in Fall, 2016
 - 3 months long
 - Tailoring training to 20 person with hearing impairments
 - Trainer herself a person with special needs, engaged with Swabalambi
 - On completion a local club donated sewing machine to 10 female trainees to set up own business



Swabalambi

Society for Rehabilitation & Training of persons with Multiple Disabilities in Rural Areas



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Project Updates

Eco projects & Community work in USA

★ Tree4All in Bridgewater Township, NJ

- Annual celebration in partnership of the Bridgewater Shade Tree Board (Team Arbor) & AFNA
- Multiple initiative taken by AFNA over the years
- Plaque inaugurated to honor Padmashree Jadav Payeng, the Forest man of India in 2015
- Tree planting & cultural celebration

**** 2017 celebration on Oct 14th, Chimney Rock Park in Martinsville, NJ ****



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Project Updates

Focus area: General

Seneh - Support-A-Grandma

- Seneh provides a home to destitute woman, free of cost
- Runs on a house and compound donated by the founder
- Manages its normal expense through material donations ie food, clothes
- Capacity of 20 boarders, mostly over 55yrs
- Boarders have history of illness
- **Medical expense is high and needs help**
- AFNA launched Support A Grandma to
 - ◆ Provide financial relief to Seneh for medical expenses: \$6000/Yr
 - ◆ Adopt a Grandma at \$300/Yr

****New initiative,
needs funding & donations****



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Project Updates

Upcoming discussions:

→ Pragyalaya, Titabor

- ◆ K-10 School with hostel for the needy
- ◆ Previously part of Support A Child Drive
- ◆ AFNA restarting discussion with school on ways to help

→ Snehalaya, Guwahati

- ◆ Orphanage home in Guwahati
- ◆ Needs help in providing education to boarders after Class 10
- ◆ AFNA evaluating sponsoring 3 students for Higher Secondary education



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Other Campaigns

★ AFNA Annual Calendar

- Created out of volunteer contribution of pictures
- 600 copies distributed across North America & India in 2017
- **Contact calendar@assamfoundation.net**

★ AFNA Essay Contest

- Topics focussed on Assam and our connection to Assam
- Open for students from 8th Grade to 12th

**2ND ANNUAL
ESSAY CONTEST**

CONTEST TOPIC

“What part of Assamese culture/traditions are you proud of and would love to tell your non-Assamese friends?”

2016			www.assamfoundation.net			Feb								
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Finance



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Income Statement - 2016

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Income Statement - YTD 2017

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Nomination



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Election of Directors - Nominees



Niren Choudhury, NJ
Chairman of Board



Debojit Borah, CA



Ankur Bora, TX



Sarfaraz Taher, MN



Enakshi Baruah, IL



Debabrata Sarma, WA



Binoy Bordoloi, NJ



Roadmap



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2017 Focus Areas & Needs

- **Education** of underprivileged students
 - AKADAMICS (support 50 students \$10,000)
 - Support A Child (support 90 students: \$9,000)
 - Snehalaya (\$1,000)
 - Nowgong Mission School (One time grant \$3000)
- **Employment-generation** programs for the poor
 - Support a Disabled Worker at ANeC (support 10 disabled worker: \$5000)
 - Support Disabled Artisans at Swabalambi (8 trainers : \$4800)
- **General**
 - **Support A Grandma** with Seneh (\$6000 / Year)
- **Volunteering in local communities** in USA
 - Tree4All - in Partnership with Bridgewater Township, NJ

Total funds needed in 2017 ~ \$40,000

Funds raised so far ~\$18,000



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Please take a moment to donate

Project fund need for 2017: \$40,000 Shortfall: \$23,000

Donate now :

- Seneh: Support A Grandma : \$300 / year**
- SAC: Support a School Student: \$100 / year**
- AKADAMICS: Support a College Student : \$150 / year**
- Nowgong Mission School**
- Donate to General Fund for utilization in any deserving project**

Pledge by AFNA Directors:

We will personally match all donations in AC 2017 upto \$1500



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Vote of Thanks



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Thank you..

Donors

Trusting us with
your money

Volunteers

Investing your
time and dreams

Partner NGOs

Helping us execute
our dream

Members

Being part of the
journey



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Q&A



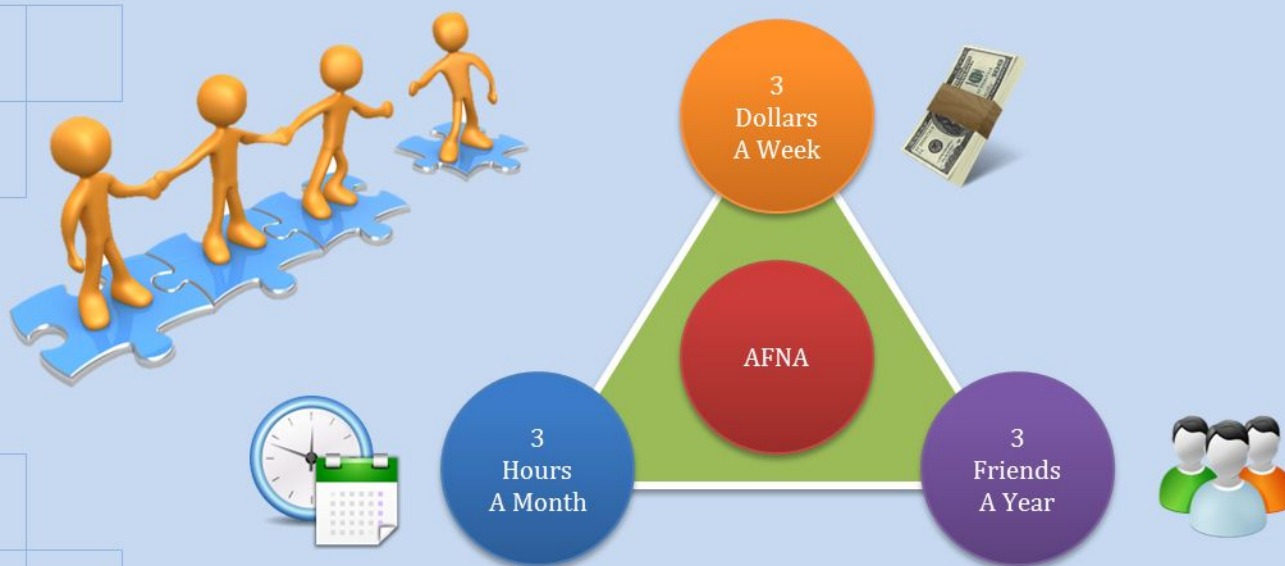
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Thank you!

Questions / comments / stay in touch?

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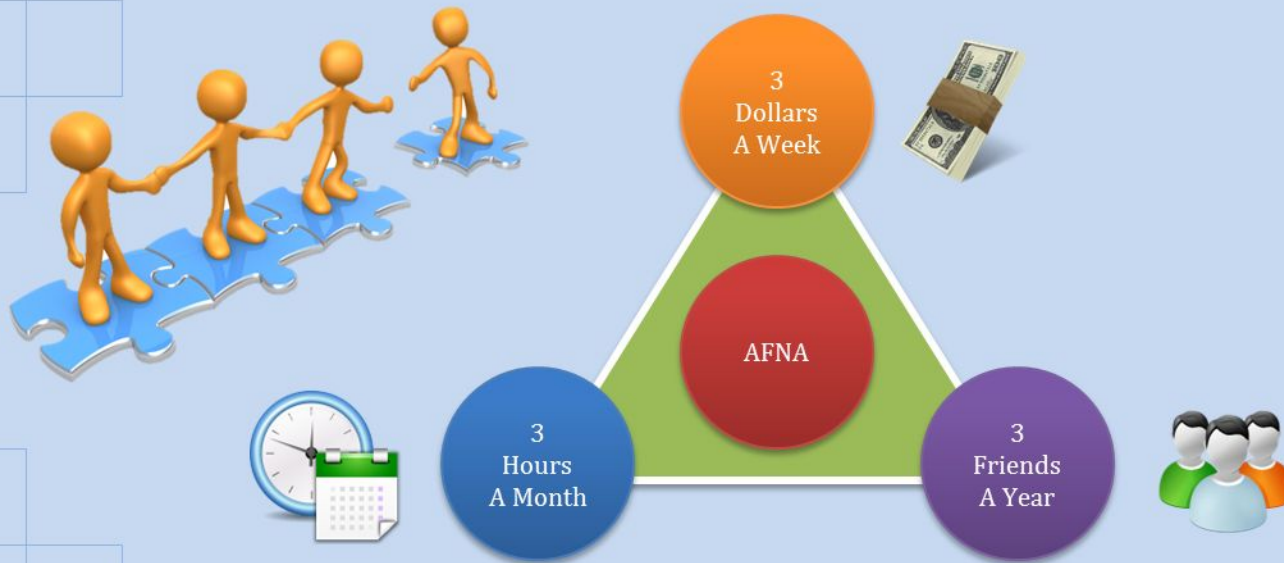


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Power of Three



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- \$3 a week => \$150 a year (covers a student scholarship or more)
- 3 hours a month of volunteering
- Sign up 3 new friends a year for the above



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Volunteer for AFNA

First step:

- Join the monthly volunteer calls : 1st Sunday every month, 1 hour
- Join the volunteer mailing list: afna-vols@freelists.org

Next step:

- ❖ Steward a particular project Or, just volunteer in any upcoming opportunity:
 - Work with our partners in Assam & USA to analyse needs and execute the project
 - Fund raising activities
- ❖ Share your experience, bring in expertise and opportunities
- ❖ Run awareness building & fundraising campaigns
- ❖ Help with operations
 - Website maintenance
 - Bookkeeping, donor management
 - Newsletter publishing



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Be a Member

- Membership is \$25 every year, Calendar year
- Keeps our organizational structure in fair standing
- **Helps meet our administrative expenses so that we can pass on 100% of our donations to projects**

Help with fundraising

- **Always explore employer matching grants:** We have many successfully going: GE, Boston Scientific, Salesforce.com, Qualcomm, Microsoft to name a few
- **Explore retailer programs:** Buy using smile.amazon.com instead of normal amazon.com . When you choose AFNA, we get 0.5% of the sale at no cost to you eScripts
- **Explore Corporate grants**
- **FYI:** Donor receipts are sent out quarterly



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3
Hours
A Month

3
Dollars
A Week



3
Friends
A Year



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