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Major Missions:

**IGNITING MINDS**

**EMPOWERING BILLIONS**

## **Application for Recognition of Exemption**

### **Under IRC Section 501 (c) (3)**

#### **PART - VIII**

#### **Specific Activities**

#### **Line 12 a, b, c & d: Operations in Foreign Countries:**

**[1] Recipient selection:** The Foundation works with local volunteer teams in India to identify schools and colleges that enroll majority poor students and identify those that will get the most benefit from the Virtual Classrooms under the IGNITING MINDS Mission. Every one of them selected so far run by the Village Panchayat / Town or City Municipality / State Govt / Central Government / or Charitable organizations for the poor.

**[2] Not registered in the US:** Most are poorly staffed and poorly equipped and cannot afford to provide modern high quality education. None of these are for-profit and each caters to well over 95 % of the poor whose annual income is far below the national poverty limit. None of these educational institutions in India are registered with or recognized by the US-IRS. All are considered by the local, state and central governments in India as non-profit educational centers.

**[3] 3 Billion poor:** The INTERNATIONAL 'We Serve' Foundation aims to empower billions of the poor and less fortunate citizens in any part of the world and empower them to get out of poverty, eliminate illiteracy, obtain affordable and adequate healthcare and live happy, prosperous and peaceful lives. By eliminating poverty, ignorance and illiteracy and evolving tolerant societies, many of the societal ills seen today will vanish benefiting all of humanity.

**[4] Poverty is global:** Even in developed countries there are significant pockets of poverty and poor citizens and wherever there are poor, the Foundation shall collaborate with others – individuals and organizations to help the poor and the needy and empower them to be self-sufficient and using their core competence and naturally available resources, overcome their hardships with their improved skills and knowledge.

**[5] Prohibited Countries:** The Foundation, being US based and formed under the laws of the US does not plan to launch any programs in or register any volunteers from any of the countries / entities / individuals in the prohibited list issued by the US State Department. The Foundation shall update its website on an ongoing basis to inform the public fully of all its projects.

**Line 12a:** Yes, the Foundation operates in foreign countries

The **Igniting Minds** Mission has been launched in southern part of India and will be offered in other parts of that country – as there are well over 300 million who live way below the poverty level, especially in rural parts of the country. The economic prosperity and the growth noted in major urban areas has not yet reached these rural populations – again widening the gap even further. Once suitable volunteers are ready to be trained and adequate funding is available, the various projects and missions to empower the poor will be launched in many more countries.

**Line 12b:**

- I. **USA:** Have volunteers from many parts of US. Contacting reputable leaders to offer free online Knowledge connectivity and employment generation. Looking at parts of eastern KY, native American Tribes in several states, and poor sections in many states in the US.
- II. **India:** > 1.2 Billion population and 73 % living in 600,000 villages in rural India; 54 % (600 millions) youth seeking quality education and employment opportunities. Have started to work with the rural and urban poor in TN and will expand to other poor areas of the country gradually, when adequate funds are available. Many registered volunteers are from India.
- III. **Kenya:** Interacting with people in Kenya (villages away from Nairobi) who seek employment opportunity and better quality of life.

**Line 12c:**

- Currently in Tamil Nadu, India with the generosity of sponsors, Virtual Classrooms are being set up. This has been well described in other parts of this application.
- The Foundation plans to expand the IGNITING MINDS Mission in other parts of India by setting up more Virtual Classrooms and tele-education network.
- People in Kenya have shown interest to work with the Foundation to help their poor; reduce their high unemployment problems and seek better quality of life.

**Line 12d:**

Gradually the Foundation will expand its Empowerment activities for the poor in many countries. This expansion shall depend on funds availability, recruiting a team of regular staff, applying for grants and managing them properly, cooperation from local populations and their leaders; the ability to train volunteers in each country to manage their own matters better, etc. All of the people covered by these activities in any part of the world shall receive Knowledge Connectivity from the Foundation volunteers.

**Under PART-IV:** The Foundation activities in every place and country to help the poor reinforces the tax exempt purpose in many ways. Please refer to the explanations given on Pages 1 & 2 – Para 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12.

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