



Dear Volunteers and well-wishers of the 'We Serve' Foundation,

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Hope you are enjoying the lovely spring weather in the US. In India and other tropical countries, summer has started. The schools in India are getting ready for their summer break until the end of May.

OPERATION: IGNITING MINDS: Aims to establish a Tele-Ed network to cover 50,000 poor children by Dec. 2012 and over 50 million within five years, Dec. 2016. Delighted to inform you the **very first Virtual Classroom** under the IGNITING MINDS mission was inaugurated on **Apr. 17, 2012** at the **Thonugal Govt School** in Thonugal village, in TN. Similar Virtual Classrooms shall be installed in more schools in other parts of India.



Several schools (especially in TN, India) have desk top computers issued by the state govt. Most are not used due to lack of a qualified IT staff to install and maintain them. Under the 'IGNITING MINDS' initiative, the Foundation has directed '**i-Grandee**' / '**Grandskills Pvt Ltd**' to employ qualified IT staff to resolve this and help the schools. The dedicated staff shall activate the computers, train the teachers & students, and link them with the Virtual Tele-Ed network. This would allow the Foundation Tele-Volunteers to help deserving students online.

<http://www.textbookonline.tn.nic.in/> provides the digital text books currently in use in the schools (English and Tamil versions); giving a general idea of the syllabus at each grade level. The Foundation seeks more volunteers fluent in several languages (including English), to help children in India and other countries.

Our IT Directors Raj / Mani will contact the Tele-Volunteers to provide a brief demo of the Virtual Tele-Ed program. May the Almighty God bless you for helping the poor and less fortunate of the world.

With best regards. Yours truly,

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