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## VISION

To improve quality of life

## MISSION

To conserve environment resources and enhance livelihood

## APPROACH

Build awareness, impart information and educate and implement conservation practices to create impact

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## ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

Advit Foundation is a 'not for profit development organization' established in 2004, working for conservation of environment resources and livelihood enhancement. Advit is the managing partner of National Solar Energy Institute running the Solar Information Centre for Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, GoI. Advit is the state nodal partner managing the Rajiv Gandhi Renewable Energy Park in Gurgaon for Haryana Government. Since inception, Advit has sought to conserve environment and empower communities through viable options of environment conservation and sustainable development.

With a vision of promoting approaches to sustainable development, Advit's work focuses on improving living/working space through

improved environment conditions, promoting environment education and conservation practices. This is undertaken using information and communication systems tools and providing environment education and conservation services.

The prime areas of field implementation work include – water conservation, occupational health and safety, energy efficiency, renewable energy promotion and skill development.

Forward linkages are sought through outreach programmes, capacity building and entrepreneurship development. Conservation work is undertaken by identifying local needs, selecting, improving, adopting and developing appropriate implementation plans.



**ADVIT OPERATES THROUGH THE FOLLOWING PROJECT AREAS:**

**Awareness**

Advit strives to generate awareness on the need to educate, provide a platform for learning to all and impart the importance of conserving environment and conserving resources in our everyday life. Activities focus on all sections of the society.

**Education**

The vision is to create and nurture a learning culture that believes in and breathes change through education. Through change we look towards the infinite possibilities that can be created for the positive development of children and adults. Advit designs and implements environmental training programmes pertinent to:

- Skill development and undertaking village development models that help in livelihood enhancement among communities.
- Environment education in schools and other educational institutes.

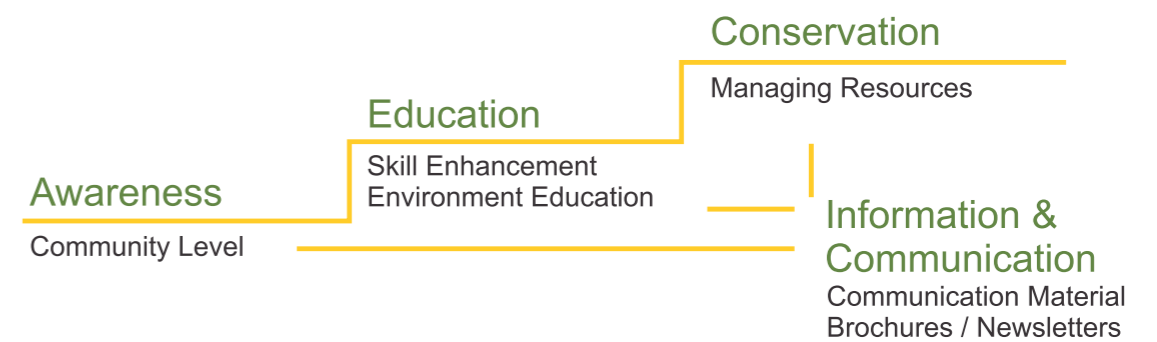
- Facilitating environment compliance in industries - trainings on occupational health and safety, safe chemical handling and disposal, implementation of water conservation models, undertaking energy audits, industry production process documentation and resource conservation in processes.

- Information dissemination and entrepreneurship development on energy efficiency, solar installations and waste management.

**Conservation**

The programme highlights and suggests alternatives that can help address the challenges of resource conservation. The need for intervention and the alternatives that would improve resource management and development activities are sought. These include design and implementation of projects in water conservation, waste management and energy efficiency.

**OUR APPROACH**



# PROGRAMME CENTRES

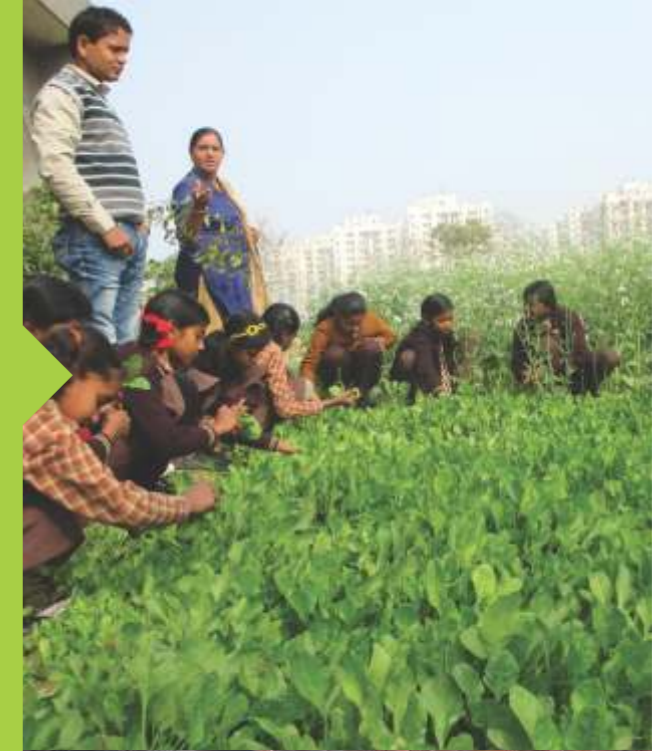
## Energy Centre

- Renewable Energy Information Centre
- Rajiv Gandhi Renewable Energy Park, HAREDA
- National Institute of Solar Energy (NISE), MNRE
- Renewable Energy Awareness Programmes
- Resource efficiency in industries
- Technology demonstration and dissemination



## Eco Initiatives

- Environment education programmes
- Green space development
- Waste management



## Water Centre

- Watershed development
- Village development through watershed approach
- Community mobilization and capacity building
- Roof top water harvesting



## Centre for Learning

- Occupational health and safety training
- Safe chemical handling training
- Solar electrical training
- Project baseline and impact assessment studies



# ENERGY CENTRE



## Centre for Excellence on Solar Electronics, NISE

Advit Foundation has been designated as the managing partner to operate the Centre of Excellence (CoE) on Solar Electronics by Electronics Sector Skills Council of India (ESSCI). This is located at the National Institute of Solar Energy (NISE), MNRE.

Working towards the National Solar Mission, training of trainers programme is undertaken at the CoE. A laboratory is set up where hands on training is organized parallel to the class room trainings. Advit has also been designated as training partner with the ESSCI to impart engineering level, vocational level at the CoE.



## Rajiv Gandhi Renewable Energy Park - Information Centre

The Rajiv Gandhi Renewable Energy Park (RGREP) is an energy information centre situated in Leisure valley, sector 29 Gurgaon. This centre is being managed by Advit for the Haryana Renewable Energy Development Agency (HAREDA).

Advit Foundation, at the Energy Centre brings together communities, industries and government. Through various activities – workshops, training programmes and awareness drives the Energy Centre promotes energy efficiency, renewable energy, climate mitigation (carbon neutral options) and environment friendly technologies for benefit of civil society as well as business establishments through activities initiated at the Center. The target of this Centre is promoting carbon neutrality among corporates as well as individuals in Gurgaon region.

## Activities and Initiatives of the Energy Centre

- Capacity building, awareness building and educating citizens/ RWAs & students on energy efficiency, climate mitigation including demonstration of various clean technologies, gadgets and training on impacts of climate change and necessity to contribute to climate mitigation. A few examples include promoting solar cooking in rural and urban areas, rural electrification through solar and technician trainings.
- Work with industry to enable them adopt newer and cleaner technologies, gain energy efficiencies and designing and implementing a sustainable development strategy.
- Enable corporate houses to become climate and environment responsible by helping them devise CSR strategies focused on renewable energy areas and help implement the same.
- Create a market place to bring together Indian industries based in

Gurgaon and also other parts of India and international technology and solution providers.

- Provide a platform for technology innovators to find market, investors and support from national and international agencies.
- Promote low carbon food options

The following are the activities conducted at RGREP in 2014-15

- **School visits:** More than 2000 school students visited RGREP in FY 2014-15. Awareness sessions on energy efficiency and resource management were conducted along with hands on sessions on solar cooking and solar product making.

### Impact

1. Reached out to more than 30 local schools.

2. More than 2000 students have directly been imparted awareness on energy efficiency, renewable energy, and sustainable practices. Each student has the potential to influence at least 4 more students taking the total of direct and indirect beneficiaries to around 8000.

### ■ Solar energy workshop for school children

A summer workshop on Solar and energy efficiency was conducted for school children. They learnt the basics of photovoltaics and home energy auditing. At the end of the 3 day workshop, each child built a solar powered toy car.

### Impact

1. The three day workshop had around 25 children participating from 6th to 8th standard.
2. The children have been taught concepts like photovoltaic effect and energy efficiency.

3. They have also been trained to use multi-meters and soldering irons which makes them better prepared to be future engineers and scientists.

### ■ Events for community awareness

Two Organic food markets were organized at the Rajiv Gandhi Renewable Energy Centre to encourage energy efficiency in food. The community is encouraged to buy fresh, unpackaged local produce.

Solar cooking workshops are organized every month along with solar technology update.

Solar manufacturers are encouraged to put up their solar and energy efficiency products for sale and showcase every month.





# ECO-INITIATIVES

## Prakriti Eco-School

This is an environment awareness education programme for children. Children from all sections of society and from both formal and informal schools participate in this programme.

There are awareness sessions on resource conservation, e-waste management and energy efficiency followed by implementation and assessment by the children themselves.

Implementation includes undertaking tree plantation, growing your own food, setting up of plant nursery, segregation and composting of waste, reusing and recycling waste products.

Till now more than 150 schools have participated in this programme. The project has had more than 50,000 direct beneficiaries.

This year, Advit worked with two government schools with direct beneficiaries of more than 300 students. The total area brought under green space development both for trees and vegetables is about 1 acre where more than 5 varieties of vegetables were planted and harvested every 3 months and about 170 trees planted.

Trees were planted in rows in the schools. Various fruiting trees like Guava, Pomegranate and Lemon were planted along with flowering trees like Bougainvillea, Champa and Amaltas with 100% survival rate. In the vegetable gardens bottle gourd, cauliflower, spinach, fenugreek, radishes and brinjal were planted and harvested.

Electronic waste drives were conducted in various schools across Gurgaon. RWAs and a few corporates were also interested in the electronic waste awareness and collection drive. A total of 500 kg of electronic waste was collected and sent for recycling in 2014-15.







# CENTRE FOR LEARNING

This programme focuses on creating and grooming leaders for the future. Over the years more than 100 trainings have been undertaken. The training have been for all sections of people – creating rural entrepreneurs, students in college, vocational institutes, self employed peri urban masses, shop floor workers, corporate co workers and the like.

Offering around 20 programmes a year, conducted by in-house faculty, supported by experts from the best of Indian and international experience. Every year, more than 2,000 participants go through the training programmes.

**The following programmes are conducted**

- Three solar electrical training sessions. It includes class room, hands-on practical sessions and field visit / industrial exposure.

- Safe chemical training for shop floor workers.
- Open trainings and customized trainings on energy efficiency for resource management in industries and solar PV installations.

**The trainings of 2014 -15 include:**

- Training of 300 candidates from engineering as well as vocational background in the basics of solar photovoltaic technology, its installation and maintenance.
- E-training on solar. About 50 candidates undertook training through the online mode.
- Safe chemical handling trainings were conducted in apparel and metal finishing industry.

- 150 shop floor workers trained in apparel industry
- 50 shop floor workers trained for metal processing industry
- An energy efficiency guidebook for apparel industries was developed for GIZ.
- Solar technology for institutes and industries
- Open sessions for 45 industry participants to understand solar PV installation and their economies

# MEDIA UPDATE

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**ADVIT FOUNDATION**  
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2015

	NOTE	As at March 31, 2015	As at March 31, 2014
<b>SOURCES OF FUND</b>			
CORPUS FUND	1	3,512,082.15	3,502,424.15
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3,512,082.15</b>	<b>3,502,424.15</b>
<b>APPLICATION OF FUNDS</b>			
<b>Non Current Assets</b>			
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Gross Block	2	540,215.00	925,040.00
Less - Accumulated Depreciation		280,006.00	537,302.00
Net Block		260,209.00	406,438.00
<b>CURRENT ASSETS, LOANS &amp; ADVANCES</b>			
Receivables	3	679,614.00	558,185.00
Cash and Bank Balances	4	1,234,533.15	1,871,000.15
Short Term Loans & Advances	8	639,064.00	474,800.00
		2,552,411.15	2,905,574.15
<b>LESS - CURRENT LIABILITIES &amp; PROVISIONS</b>			
Current Liabilities	5	291,329.00	229,568.00
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>2,261,082.15</b>	<b>2,675,986.15</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3,512,082.15</b>	<b>3,502,424.15</b>

Significant Accounting Policies  
Notes on Financial Statements 1 to 18

This is the Balance Sheet referred to in our report.  
For B.K.Sood & Co  
Chartered Accountants  
Firm Regn. No. : 0039428

For Advit Foundation  
Trustee  
Sanjit Jain

For Advit Foundation  
Trustee  
Chandu Jain

Place : New Delhi  
Date : 28<sup>th</sup> Sep. 2015

**ADVIT FOUNDATION**  
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2015

	NOTE	2014-2015	2013-2014
<b>INCOME</b>			
Grants / Donations Received	7	3,502,248.00	7,174,800.00
Other Income	8	109,138.00	132,250.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>3,778,434.00</b>	<b>7,307,050.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Direct Programme Cost	9	1,805,160.00	4,300,507.00
Programme Support Cost	10	1,190,910.00	1,031,218.00
Administrative Costs	11	1,119,895.00	235,521.00
Depreciation		45,730.00	118,607.00
Loss on Sale of Fixed Assets		134,014.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>4,395,778.00</b>	<b>5,685,953.00</b>
<b>Excess of income over expenditure for the year</b>		<b>(617,344.00)</b>	<b>1,621,097.00</b>

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