

## NEW STAFF & Intern

From left...

Nida Kafil	Development & Research
Shweta Shukla	General Affair
Bhagirathi	Farm Intern
Nitin Kumar	Income Generation
Shubh Narayan	Income Generation
Manjeet Kumar	General Affair



## Recruitment of training Course

< **Special Course on Sustainable Agriculture ( 10 month course )** >

"Training future grassroots leaders through sustainable organic agriculture"

July 2010 - April 2011 Applications have closed for the course

except female applications who can submit by 15<sup>th</sup> of June, 2010

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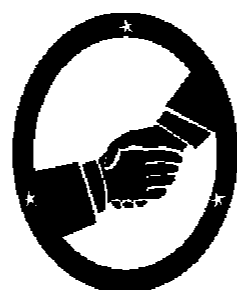
## VISITORS from Nov 2009 - Apr 2010

### Supporters

Goki Inada	Embassy of JAPAN in INDIA
Yumiko Asakuma	JICA-INDIA
Kiyoshi Ishihara / Kazuhiko Takamaru	Expert for Food Processing project
Takako Miura / Shoko Okumura	Expert for Health project
Koji Sato	ASHA
Kazuho Makino / Yukiko Makino	Founder of MSCNE, ASHA chairman

### Visitors

Rakuno Gakuen Univ. Workcamp Group  
Kathy Froede / Sinji Okuda / Yuji Okuda /Hitoshi Shimizu / Life study tour group



## To All Graduates Let's share knowledge

We are waiting for news of present activities from SCSA & Short Course graduates.

All of our Graduates are welcome to visit us and stay with us and share your experiences with our staff and students. MSCNE can introduce to you our new development methods and new SCSA participants .

If you are interested, please inform us in advance and we will adjust our activity schedule for your convenience. Please contact :

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### More Nurturing Rural Population

Dr. Teruo Miura, Dean



**Vice Chancellor's message on the opening of Sustainable Development Training Center at Makino's School**

It has been recognized that economic liberation has generated rapid economic growth, which has brought about a great change in all corners of rural India. Rough, rural roads have been paved. Communication facilities, especially mobile phones, are much developed in recent years. In fact, speed of the communication is dramatically getting faster and faster. It is much easier for us to have access to rural community by vehicles and to people by telephones.

However, it is found that both human and social capital are still very poor in our rural communities even though it is regarded as foundational for rural development. Without this foundation, it is almost impossible to facilitate sustainable development effort toward self-reliance of rural population. Therefore, it is necessary for us to nurture and train rural people.

Whenever we visit the villages, we find many of the children are roaming around without going to school. I wonder how they are going to cope with this changing society. Their resources and useful networks are so limited. Probably such children would be likely to live on in the same manner as their parents did, even having more difficult time.

In order to cope with such rural settings, we have focused on nurturing rural people, especially rural youth leaders of both men and women. Furthermore, we have made much great effort to establish and nurture rural organizations such as youth clubs, small self-help groups (SHGs), mini agricultural cooperatives (MCs), and village health volunteers (VHVs). Our School assists to organize 40 SHGs and youth clubs, 14 VHVs, and 2 MCs in rural Allahabad. We do hope that such activities are helpful and effective to empower the people and improve their socio-economic conditions, reducing poverty, malnutrition, infant mortality, increasing educational attainment, and so on.

Our work has to be both continued and expanded as it has been demanded by more rural residents who are experiencing hard times trying to determine their future direction.

On the 6<sup>th</sup> of March, 2010, our School opened "Sustainable Development Training Center" on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our building. We do hope that it will foster our training programs for rural people and for our development activities.

May God be always with you.