



Amroha International Society

This biennial newsletter provides information about the latest activities of the Amroha International Society and shares the stories and news of its members.

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Editors Notes

We produced numerous regular newsletters to members from 2009 to 2017. Unfortunately I had to stop it because my daughter, Yasmin was unable to do it because of her very busy schedule. Many members have asked me to start the newsletter again. Due to this demand I have decided to commence a shorter version of biennial newsletter. I would like to thank donors to our urgent appeal to feed starving people. Although the lock down has ceased poor people are still going hungry because the business is almost dead. You can donate by PayPal on www.amrohainternationalsociety.com.

This newsletter will only succeed if the members send happy or sad news. Let's have marriages, engagements, scholarly achievements etc. You can join the [AIS facebook group here](#).

Cataract Camps

We had 38 cataract camps from April 2008 and January, 2020. Ten thousand people were examined by the doctors of the Vinu Eye Institute (VEI) from New Delhi. Of these 2000 were taken to New Delhi for cataract operation in the VEI hospital. Unfortunately we had to cancel cataract camp on 16 April due to corona virus lock-down. Another camp will be planned soon.

Scholarships

We gave 124 scholarships for between 2009 and 2018 mostly for Tertiary education. Most of our scholarship holders have done well. I hope to put few stories in future. Unfortunately we had to stop due to lack of funds.

Computer Courses

We provided eight courses between 2013 and 2017. Due to unsatisfactory teaching arrangement we could not continue.

Blankets

We have continued to distribute blankets in very cold winter in Amroha.

Clean Amroha

We have done Drawing competitions in schools and Clean Amroha Day a few times. We also have put dustbins all over Amroha.

Rehber Naqvi of London died suddenly few weeks ago. Condolences to his family. He was a delightful person.

Press

Ike Naqvi appeared in the Mercury newspaper raising the current plight of Amroha residents. The newspaper website is subscriber only access, so the article is reproduced here.

IKE Naqvi said the deaths in his hometown from starvation are outweighing the deaths from COVID-19 as the ongoing lockdown leaves Indian families without food for days.

The former Oxfam, Save the Children and Freedom for Hunger worker said his work for his charity Amroha International Society during the pandemic was impacting him more deeply than ever before.



Amroha International Society founder Ike Naqvi has donated money and food supplies that have been sent to starving Indian families during the COVID-19 lockdown. Picture: ZAK SIMMONDS

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“The unfortunate part about this virus is it’s the poor paying the price. They’ve got no food, they can’t get any work – it’s a really diabolical situation.”

He said his trusted volunteer contacts in India were telling him stories of families going days without food.

Feeling he “couldn’t live” with himself unless he did something to help, Mr Naqvi said he had been raising funds for essential food bag delivery to those in dire need.

He said one \$10 bag of items including oil, sugar, rice and potatoes would feed one family for a week.

“People have been very generous,” he said.

To help feed the hungry in Amroha, India, visit amrohainternationalsociety.com



✚ ‘It’s personal’: Charity founder sends food to India’s starving

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