



# Experience Solidarity



This coming November and January discover India with

## Solidarity Tours in India

You want to experience a new culture, go off the beaten track and see how people go about their daily life in another country?

SOPAR's Solidarity Tours allow visitors to experience a reality of India which may not be easily accessible in traditional tours. In addition, it's an opportunity for travelers not only to have a wonderful trip, but also to contribute towards development initiatives that greatly improve the lives of the communities that they visit.

You can make this trip a meaningful experience that will forever enrich your life and help that of those you will visit!

## What can I expect?

SOPAR is an international development NGO that has worked in India for over 30 years. With us, you will visit small villages that we are working with in the State of Andhra Pradesh. You will be able to better understand the everyday life of people in India, their reality and how through development programs communities are working to improve their lives.

We want you to have an authentic cultural exchange based on mutual respect, sharing and learning. Our aim is to build bonds between people and cultures that go beyond the superficial meet and greet and that contribute towards increased international solidarity.

The group is made up of a maximum of 10 people and will be accompanied by a coordinator from SOPAR. There will be information sessions prior to departure so that you are well prepared to enjoy your trip!

Visit [www.sopar.ca](http://www.sopar.ca) to read what past visitors have to say of their experience in India!

## Some facts

**Population :** 1 198 000 000

**Currency :** Indian Rupee

India is the world's largest democracy and has 28 States and 7 territories.

According to the World Bank despite recent economic growth, India still holds the largest concentration of poor people in the world.

42% live below the poverty line (1.25\$/ day)

70% of the population lives in rural areas and 60% of the population is employed in the agricultural sector.



## To register

write at [sopar@sopar.ca](mailto:sopar@sopar.ca)  
or call 819-243-3616.

### **Solidarity Trip November 2011**

Approx. departure: Nov. 15th  
Deadline to register:  
September 1st & 500\$ deposit

### **Solidarity Trip January 2012**

Approx. departure: Jan. 15th  
Deadline to register:  
October 1st & 500\$ deposit



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