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**AUSTRALIA-INDIA COUNCIL**

Program Report 2006-2007

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**Australian Government**



The Honourable Stephen Smith MP  
Minister for Foreign Affairs  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

It is my pleasure to provide to you the program report of the Australia-India Council, covering the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Darren Gribble'.

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## INTRODUCTION

*The Australia-India Council (AIC) was established on 21 May 1992, in response to a recommendation by the Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade, following an inquiry into Australia's relations with India.*

The Council's purpose is to broaden the relationship between Australia and India by encouraging and supporting contacts and increasing levels of knowledge and understanding between the peoples and institutions of the two countries. The Council initiates or supports a range of activities designed to promote a greater awareness of Australia in India and a greater awareness of India in Australia, including visits and exchanges between the two countries, development of institutional links, and support of studies in each country of the other. The Council offers support, in the form of funding, for projects likely to contribute to the development of the relationship, within the context of AIC objectives and guidelines.

By initiating and supporting a range of activities, the Council has played a recognised and respected role in promoting the relationship between Australia and India. It has informed and educated Indians about Australia, and it has informed persons already interested in the bilateral relationship about its development. It has furthered the Government's foreign policy and trade objectives and added value to Australia-India relations.

The Council comprises a board of members with interests in the relationship, drawn from a cross-section of the Australian community. Mr Darren Gribble was appointed as the Chairman of the Council in 2005.

The Council is supported by a secretariat located in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in Canberra and in New Delhi. The Australian High Commission in New Delhi also promotes the Council's activities in India.

## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



As Chairman, I am pleased to report that the Australia-India Council initiated and funded a range of activities during 2006-07 that have substantially contributed to making Australia better known and understood in India, and India better known and understood in Australia.

This is due in no small part to the quality of the Council's members, all of whom have outstanding expertise in their respective professions and are committed to strengthening the Australia-India relationship. The capabilities of the Board Members correspond to the core program areas of the Council's work, and Australia has benefited from the many projects and programs that Council Members have personally initiated.

The Council reserves a majority of its annual budget for a public grants program, which continues to bring exciting new partners and activities to the Council. The Board goes to considerable lengths to ensure fairness and consistency in its funding decisions, which is an essential consideration when dealing with public funding.

The Activities section of this report provides details of specific Council-supported projects during 2006-07. The AIC sought and achieved a balance between projects initiated by the Council and those initiated by others; between large and small projects; and between projects covering different aspects of the Australia-India relationship.

The Council's work is also dependent on a range of key stakeholder organisations in both Australia and India. Many of the Council's outstanding partner organisations are mentioned in the Activities section of this report, and I would like to gratefully acknowledge the contribution of each. These partners are crucial to the identification, design, and implementation of some of the Council's most successful activities.

The Council continues to work closely with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, which provides secretariat services and other support to the Council, to ensure that the AIC's activities support the Australian Government's broader engagement with India. The Council also works closely with the Australian High Commission in New Delhi, and is very appreciative of the contribution of the High Commissioner and his staff to the Council's work.

I believe 2006-07 was another outstanding year for the AIC, and I would like to thank all my colleagues on the Council. I would also like to thank the secretariat, and in particular Carol Robertson, who departed the AIC after more than five very successful years as its Director.

## BOARD MEMBERS

The Order-in-Council establishing the Australia-India Council provides that the Council's board comprises of a Chairman and not fewer than four, nor more than fourteen, other members. The chairman and members are appointed by the Governor General on the recommendation of the Minister for Foreign Affairs and serve on a part-time basis, receiving sitting fees and travelling allowances in accordance with Remuneration Tribunal determinations. The Chairman and members are appointed for three year terms. The board may appoint a Deputy Chairman from among its members.

The membership of the board during 2006 – 2007 is listed below, showing the respective dates of appointment and brief personal details as at the close of the reporting period.

### CHAIRMAN

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#### **Mr Darren Gribble**

Business consultant and former Australian High Commissioner to India; resident in Canberra.

*Member since 1997, appointed Chairman 2005. Term expires: 7/7/07*

### DEPUTY CHAIR

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#### **Professor Suzanne Crowe**

Department of Medicine, Monash University and Director of the AIDS Pathogenesis Research Unit at the Macfarlane Burnet Centre for Medical Research; resident in Melbourne.

*Member since 1999. Term expires: 14/6/08*

## MEMBERS

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### **Emeritus Professor Bruce Bennett AO**

Professor of English, University of New South Wales, Australian Defence Force Academy; resident in Canberra.

*Member since 2002. Term expires: 14/6/08*



### **Mr Vinod Daniel**

Chairman of AusHeritage and Head of Materials Conservation and the Built Environment at the Australian Museum; resident in Sydney.

*Appointed 2005. Term expires: 14/6/08*



### **Ms Suzanne Davies**

Director and Chief Curator of RMIT Gallery in Melbourne and past President of Museums Australia (Victoria); resident in Melbourne.

*Appointed 2004. Term expires: 7/7/07*



### **Mr Sandy Hollway AO**

Business consultant and special interest in promoting Australian capabilities as demonstrated in the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games; resident in Sydney.

*Member since 2002. Term expires: 31/10/09*



### **Mr David J Ritchie AO**

Deputy Secretary, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

*Appointed 2006. Term expires: 31/10/09*

## MISSION STATEMENT, FUNCTIONS AND OBJECTIVES

***The Australia-India Council advances Australia's interests concerning India by initiating and supporting activities designed to enhance awareness and understanding between the peoples and institutions of Australia and India.***

### Functions of the Australia-India Council

The **functions** of the Australia-India Council (AIC) are to make recommendations to the Australian Government, through the Minister for Foreign Affairs, for the broadening and deepening of the relationship between Australia and India, with particular emphasis on:

- raising awareness of Australia in India, and of India in Australia;
- promoting visits and exchanges between the two countries of individuals and groups for the purpose of broadening relations in a number of areas, including the arts, commerce, education, the news media, science and technology, and sport;
- encouraging the development of Australia-India institutional links between universities, museums, libraries, technical colleges, research institutes, professional bodies and appropriate non-government organisations; and
- supporting Australian studies in India, and Indian studies in Australia.

### Australia-India Council Funding and Objectives

In carrying out these functions, the AIC provides funding for innovative proposals which will, in the Council's assessment, advance the Council's objectives, which are:

- to initiate and support, among influential persons and groups in Australia and India, activities that encourage a greater interest in the development of relations between the two countries, including economic relations;
- to initiate and support exchanges that demonstrate to Indians Australian excellence in the arts, commerce, education, the news media, science and technology, and sport, and that give Indians an opportunity to learn more about the nature of Australian society;
- to encourage Australians to take a greater interest in developments in India, by supporting activities that increase the level and quality of public awareness, and broaden community knowledge and understanding, of India in Australia;
- to initiate, monitor and publicise important developments in the various fields of Australia-India relations;
- to seek targeted, effective publicity for the Council's activities as a means of encouraging wider public appreciation of and support for the Council's role; and
- to seek community involvement in and private sector support for the Council's activities.

## ACTIVITIES

The Australia-India Council receives its program funding from the Australian Government in the form of the annual grant-in-trust administered by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The Council received new program funding in 2006-2007 of \$742,000.

During 2006-2007 the AIC spent \$627,129.21 on a range of projects either initiated by the Council, or initiated by individuals or organisations who sought and obtained funding under the Council's competitive funding application process.

The Council considered 57 applications for funding during 2006-2007 and provided funding for 29 of the projects represented by these applications. The amounts provided for specific projects ranged from \$307.27 to \$135,000.

### **Funding Application Process**

The Australia-India Council's competitive funding application process enables the initiative and enthusiasm of a wide range of individuals and organisations to be encouraged and supported in furthering the Council's objectives of broadening and deepening the Australia-India relationship. The funding application process has also helped to identify areas worthy of more systematic or long-term Council involvement.

The AIC funding application process is designed to provide seed funding for innovative projects that will continue to advance the aims and objectives of the Council beyond the term of Council funding, providing significant continuing benefits from what is often a modest initial outlay.

All applications are made using standard documents and are assessed by a standard appraisal procedure, helping to ensure consistency and equity in Council funding decisions.

The Council attaches a number of conditions to its funding, including that all applications be assessed against the following guidelines:

- Individuals or organisations applying for funding should have a substantial record of achievement in the proposed field of activity;
- The activity should be a worthwhile initiative that will contribute to the AIC's objectives of promoting a broader and deeper relationship between Australia and India;
- The activity should have clearly defined objectives consistent with the AIC's objectives;

- Where possible, support requested from the AIC should constitute seed funding to encourage financial assistance from other sources, including corporate sponsors. The AIC may decide to award funding conditional on supplementary funds being raised from other sources;
- Preference will be given to activities that offer prospects of future independent activity as a result of initial AIC funding;
- Where an activity for which AIC support is sought is dependent upon the support of other organisations either in Australia or in India, evidence of the willingness of each such organisation to provide support, either financially or in kind, should be provided. In-kind support may include accommodation and other services provided without charge in either country;
- Where an activity contains an international airfare component, this should be costed as the applicable economy class excursion fare. The AIC will not reimburse applicants for additional expenses incurred because of late bookings or other problems requiring tickets to be paid for at a higher rate;
- AIC funding is normally awarded for a specific financial year. If funding cannot be taken up within the specified period it may be withdrawn. Any delay should be reported in good time with, if required, a request for extension to allow the AIC to consider the circumstances and to take any appropriate action; and
- Provision should be made in the application for publicity for and promotion of the proposed activity.

The Council generally meets three or four times each year to consider applications for AIC funding. It is the responsibility of funding applicants to ensure, by consultation with the AIC Secretariat, that applications are received by the council at least four weeks prior to the Council meeting at which they will be considered.

A summary of the principal AIC-funded activities, both Council-initiated and in response to funding applications from individuals and other organisations working to advance the Australia-India relationship, follows in respect of each Council funding program.

## **Performance**

The five core program areas for the AIC during 2006-07 included: the arts (including literature and film); education; society/social (including health and sport); science, technology and environment (including heritage); and public policy (including media links).

## Outcome I: The Arts (including literature & film)

### **Objectives:**

To encourage understanding between Australia and India by developing in each country an appreciation of the quality, diversity and sophistication of each other's arts and culture (including film and literature).

### **Key Achievements:**

**AusArts India:** The AIC partnered the Australia International Cultural Council (AICC) for the second and final year of *AusArts India*. The two-year *AusArts India* program showcased the diversity of Australian culture through major events in India focusing on art exhibitions, design, film, literature and other art and cultural events across India.



*Indigenous performer at AusArts.*

Over 120,000 people attended Australian performances, film festivals and visual art exhibitions in eight of India's largest cities: New Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Jaipur, Chennai, Goa, Pune and Bangalore. The program attracted consistently positive coverage in the national and regional press within India.

**Artist in Residency Program:** Managed by Asialink (Melbourne University) and part-funded by the AIC, the residency program enables Australian artists, writers and arts managers to work in India for up to four months. The opportunity contributes to developing networks, future exchanges and enhanced collaborations. The program also enhances the profile of Australia as a sophisticated, contemporary culture and encourages further intellectual and cultural exchanges.

**The 5th Asia-Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art:** The AIC supported the participation of several Indian artists in the Queensland Art Gallery's flagship international contemporary art event, including Anish Kapoor, Nasreen Mohamedi, Bharti Kher, Jitish Kallat and filmmaker Kumar Shahani.



*Potters at work in India.*

Several small grants were also approved to showcase and promote Australian talent in India and to expose high quality Indian artists and arts managers to Australia. Such grants included: Sarah Mandie's participation in the Jaipur Festival; the participation of Indian writer Vikram Chandra at the Sydney Writers Festival; and the participation of Indian Arts expert Dr Alka Pande at RMIT's 'King Power: Designing Masculinities Symposium'.

A full list of grants is included in the program expenditure statement.

## Outcome 2: Education

### **Objectives:**

Increase knowledge and understanding in Australia of India, and in India of Australia, through the education sectors in each country. Forge and enhance relations between specialists in Australian Studies in both countries. Demonstrate Australian excellence in all fields of endeavour.

### **Key Achievements:**

**AIC Australian Studies Fellowships:** The AIC initiated the Australian Studies Fellowships in 2003 to complement the Australian Government's commitment to strengthening educational links between Australia and India. The Fellowships are aimed at established Indian academics and postgraduate students from Indian tertiary institutions with a strong interest in Australian studies. They allow successful awardees to travel to Australia to undertake special projects drawing on the resources of Australian universities. The fellowships are administered by a consortium of universities, led by Curtin University and supported by Monash University, Queensland University, ANU, University of NSW and University of Adelaide. Up to six of these prestigious fellowships (maximum of ten weeks in Australia) have been awarded annually in areas such as Australian literature, politics and history, environment and health, tourism, film, media communication, gender issues, multiculturalism and indigenous issues. The research and development of contacts carried out by the awardees' help deepen India's understanding of Australia's vibrant and diverse society. The fellowships have added a significant new dimension to the education and research relationship between the two countries.

**AIC Fellowships Alumni Meeting:** In June 2007, the AIC supported a two day meeting of the AIC Fellowships alumni in New Delhi, organised by the Indian Association for the Study of Australia (IASA). The purpose of the meeting was to facilitate interaction amongst the alumni, harness the experiences of past recipients, and to further promote Australian studies in India.



*AIC Fellowship Alumni Meeting.*

**Australia India Teacher Exchange:** The Australia-India teacher exchange program, managed by the Asia Education Foundation and part-funded by the AIC, is designed to give Australian teachers and educational administrators a working familiarity with India while providing Indian teachers and administrators with a better understanding of Australia. The exchange also contributes to the long-term positioning of Australian education in India. A key outcome of the program is that both Indian and Australian teachers return to their home country with a greater interest and understanding of each others contemporary society and culture.

Several small grants were also given to assist Indian tertiary institutions that have Australian studies programs to purchase resource materials. One of the barriers to the study of Australia in India is the high cost and limited availability of Australian books, journals and other resource materials.

A full list of grants is included in the program expenditure statement.

### Outcome 3: Society/social, including health and sport

#### **Objectives:**

Develop collaboration between Australia and India in public health and social issues, and to demonstrate to India the quality and innovation of Australian health services. Encourage relations between Australian and Indian sports people and organisations, and to demonstrate and promote Australian expertise in sports services and products.

#### **Key Achievements:**

**HIV/AIDS Train the Trainer:** The AIC continued its support for the HIV/AIDS 'Train the Trainer' program, undertaken in conjunction with the Burnet Institute and the Alfred Hospital. The program sends Australian doctors and other healthcare professionals to India to train their counterparts in best practice in HIV/AIDS clinical management, with a particular focus on the appropriate use of antiretroviral drugs. The program is delivered in partnership with the India-Australia Council, the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and the National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO) of India. Over 36 programs have been conducted since it commenced, training over 1,300 individuals. In 2006-07, training programs for doctors were conducted in Haldia, Chandigarh, Ahmedabad, Bhopal and Pune, and training programs for nurses and laboratory technicians were held in Cochin and Shimla.



*Professor Suzanne Crowe presenting.*

**Border-Gavaskar Cricket Scholarships:** The Border-Gavaskar Cricket Scholarship program allows promising young Indian cricketers to receive at least four weeks of specialist coaching at the Cricket Centre of Excellence in Brisbane. This is funded in partnership with the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), which also responsible for the selection of the cricketers. Many past recipients of the Scholarships have gone on to achieve selection in the international team. In 2006-07, Border-Gavaskar recipients were Piyush Chawla (all rounder), Cheteshwar Pujara (batsman), and Vijaykumar Yo Mahesh (bowler).

**Disability Friendly Development:** There are by some estimates almost 100 million Indians with a disability, but development programs can inadvertently exclude the disabled. This collaborative project between the Australian International Health Institute (AIHI) and the Christian Medical Association of India was aimed at skills building, resource development and professional interchange between Disabled Peoples' Organisations (DPOs) and NGOs working in development in both Australia and India, to assist both to understand and incorporate the needs and objectives of the other in designing their programs. AIC funding supported a forum in India for program managers from DPOs and NGOs, and the visit to Australia of a leading Indian disability advocate.

A full list of grants is included in the program expenditure statement.



*Course participants on field visit to Delhi.*

## Outcome 4: Science, Technology & Environment

### **Objectives:**

Demonstrate in India the quality, sophistication and diversity of Australian research and development, products and services and to promote professional and institutional links in these fields between Australia and India.

### **Key Achievements:**

**AIC Biomedical Fellowship:** In 2003-04, the AIC instituted a Biotechnology/ Biomedical Fellowship on the recommendation of Sir Gustav Nossal. In 2006-07, the Fellowship exchange was between the University of Western Australia and the All India Institute of Medical Sciences in New Delhi. The exchange focussed on the interaction between HIV and tuberculosis (TB), which is the most commonly fatal secondary infection of HIV patients in the developing world. The objective of the exchange was to investigate the interaction between therapies for TB and for HIV on the natural immune responses to TB.

**Global Communities for Sustainability:** The AIC provided financial support to the Centre for Environment Education (CEE) for a pilot of an innovative program aimed at creating people-to-people linkages between school children in Australia and India, whilst raising awareness of a vital global issue. The 'Global Communities for Sustainability' program invited schools from New South Wales in Australia and from Gujarat in India to address a key sustainability issue affecting their community. Each school researched and developed an action plan on their chosen issue in consultation with a working group that included community stakeholders and a local council member. The participating schools in each country then selected the best presentation, and delegates from the winning schools in Australia and India participated in exchange visits.

A full list of grants is included in the program expenditure statement.

## Outcome 5: Public Policy Activities, including media links

### **Objectives:**

Strengthen links between key institutions in Australia and India, such as research and think tank institutes, professional organisations and appropriate non-government organisations, particularly in strategic, economic and international relations, with a view to promoting the long-term bilateral relationship. Increase public awareness and understanding of Australia in India, and of India in Australia, through the print media, radio and television. Promote the AIC's role in increasing the mutual awareness in Australia and India.

## Key Achievements:



*Professor Raja Mohan*

**Australia-India Strategic Lecture:** In February 2007, the AIC in partnership with the Lowy Institute for International Policy hosted the inaugural Australia-India Strategic Lecture. The Lecture was delivered by Professor Raja Mohan, Strategic Affairs Editor of the Indian Express, and one of India's most influential commentators on India's foreign and strategic policy. Professor Mohan spoke on "India in East Asia". The Lecture will be an annual event featuring eminent Indians in the fields of regional and international politics and security.

**2007 KR Narayanan Oration:** The AIC continued its support of the KR Narayanan Oration, an annual lecture hosted by the Australia South Asia Research Centre at the Australian National University. The 11th Oration was delivered by Dr Rajendra Pachauri, Director-General of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) and Chairman of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which went on to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in October 2007. Dr Pachauri's oration was entitled "Coping with Climate Change: Is Development in India and the World Sustainable?"

In addition to the Lectures, both Professor Mohan and Dr Pachauri undertook extended programs whilst in Australia, encompassing government, industry, academic and media appointments. These programs exponentially expand the people-to-people linkages made during the visit, and increase the possibility of future collaboration.



*Dr Rajendra Pachauri*

*Photo by Neal McCracken, ANU Photography*

**Australia-India Media Seminar:** The AIC contributed funding to the second Australia-India Media Seminar, a public diplomacy initiative of the Australian High Commission in India. The seminar was held in Chennai in September 2006, and organised in close cooperation with one of India’s most respected newspaper groups, “The Hindu”. Participants included 18 senior media practitioners and academics from Australia, India, and from the Southeast and East Asia regions, including many of India’s most senior print and electronic media figures.

**Australia-India Security Roundtable:** The 5th Australia-India Security Roundtable was held in New Delhi on 5-6 December 2006. It brings together Australian and Indian foreign policy and security experts to exchange views on a range of bilateral and global issues of common concern, providing participants with an opportunity to explore avenues to expand the bilateral relationship. The 5th Roundtable was hosted by the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), with Australian participants from the Australian Strategic Policy Institute (ASPI), the Australian National University and the University of Wollongong.

A full list of grants is included in the program expenditure statement.



*Australia India Security Roundtable.*

## ADMINISTRATIVE OVERVIEW

### Establishment

The Australia-India Council was established on 21 May 1992, in response to a recommendation by the Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade, following an inquiry into Australia's relations with India.

### Annual Report

The Council reports to the Minister for Foreign Affairs. The Council has elected to submit a program report on its activities over the previous 12 month period to the Minister.

### Auditors Report

The Australian National Audit Office, as part of its examination of the accounts of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, examines the financial affairs of the Council.

### Membership

Article 2(1) of the Order-in-Council establishing the Council provides for the membership of a Chairperson, the Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade or their representative, and not less than four and not more than 14 other members. On 30 June 2007, the Council consisted of a Chairperson, five members and one ex-officio member. All Members are appointed by the Governor-General on the recommendation of the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

### Meetings

The Australia-India Council met on four occasions during 2006-07:

53rd meeting in Canberra, 22 August 2006

54th meeting in Melbourne, 15 November 2006

55th meeting in Canberra, 23 February 2007

56th meeting in Canberra, 16 May 2007

## **Remuneration**

Members receive sitting fees for attendance at Council meetings and for other agreed Council business, at rates determined under the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973*, as amended, for part-time members of non-statutory bodies. Members are also eligible for travel allowances at rates determined under the Act and for reimbursement of travel costs incurred on Council business.

## **Secretariat and staffing**

The principal functions of the Australia-India Council secretariat are to make recommendations to the Council's board on program expenditure and other matters, to implement board decisions and to provide administrative support. This support includes project development, implementation and assessment.

During 2006-07, the secretariat was located in the South and West Asia, Middle East and Africa Division in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Staff members who served in the secretariat during the reporting period are listed below:

Ms Carol Roberston, Director (July to December 2006)

Ms Jayne Williams, Project Officer (July 2006 to May 2007)

Mr Grahame Niemann, Director (January to March 2007)

Mr John Fisher, Director (March to June 2007)

Ms Leeanne Keogh, Project Officer (April to June 2007)

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## **Industrial Democracy and Equal Employment Opportunity**

Secretariat staff members are covered under the industrial democracy and workplace Diversity provisions of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade as well as the Department's Certified Agreement.

## **Freedom of Information**

In the reporting period the Council did not receive any applications under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*.

Members of the public seeking access to documents that may be held by the Australia-India Council should seek further guidance on how to lodge a Freedom of Information application at the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade website ([www.dfat.gov.au](http://www.dfat.gov.au)).

# AUSTRALIA-INDIA COUNCIL FINANCIAL EXPENDITURE

## PROGRAM STATEMENTS 2006–2007

### THE ARTS, INCLUDING PERFORMING ARTS, VISUAL ARTS, ARTS MANAGEMENT, FILM and LITERATURE (\$)

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| <b>Australian International Cultural Council:</b><br>Contribution to <i>AusArts India</i>   | <b>135,000.00</b> |
| <b>Sarah Mandie:</b><br>“Heartland” Jaipur Festival, December 2006 – February 2007  | <b>2,500.00</b>   |
| <b>Poetry Australia Foundation:</b><br>Poets tour to Bengal and the Kolkata Book Fair, Jan - Feb 2007   | <b>6,000.00</b>   |
| <b>Queensland Art Gallery:</b><br>The Asia-Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art 2006   | <b>10,000.00</b>  |
| <b>Asialink:</b><br>Artist in Residency India Program 2007  | <b>30,000.00</b>  |
| <b>Tapestry Foundation of Victoria:</b><br>Embassy Tapestry project for New Delhi, 2006-2007  | <b>10,000.00</b>  |
| <b>Sydney Writers Festival:</b><br>Participation of Indian writer, Vikram Chandra, May - June 2007  | <b>5,000.00</b>   |
| <b>AusHeritage:</b><br>Managing and conserving Cultural Heritage, a joint AusHeritage & INTACH Symposium, New Delhi, 2-4 April 2007           | <b>5,000.00</b>   |
| <b>The Pacific Film and TV Commission Pty Ltd:</b><br>16th Brisbane International Film Festival, August 2007                                  | <b>3,660.00</b>   |
| <b>Sandra Bowkett:</b><br>To attend the Nek Chand Rock Garden Foundation Diamond Jubilee and Conference Celebration, Chandiarth, October 2007 | <b>2,703.00</b>   |
| <b>Alka Pande Visit:</b><br>Indian Arts Expert to present at an Arts Seminar held in Melbourne, August 2007                                   | <b>6,499.70</b>   |
| <b>Dr Anurag Sharma:</b><br>Publication of Hindi translation of select poems of four living Canberra poets, 2007                              | <b>1,999.91</b>   |
| <b>Australian Film Commission:</b><br>Vincent & Cactus films for the Ability Film Festival 2005   | <b>372.73</b>     |
| <b>TOTAL ARTS EXPENDITURE</b>   | <b>218,735.34</b> |

**EDUCATION, INCLUDING AUSTRALIAN STUDIES AND  
INDIAN STUDIES**

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| <b>Curtin University: Australian Studies Fellowships:</b><br>Additional funding for 2005 fellows. Professor Paranjape                    | <b>1,999.99</b>   |
| <b>Curtin University:</b><br>Australian Studies Fellowships, 2007  | <b>65,000.00</b>  |
| <b>Monash University:</b><br>Collaboration with Pune University - Inclusive and Special Education,<br>February - August 2007             | <b>12,000.00</b>  |
| <b>Asia Education Foundation:</b><br>Australia-India Teacher Exchange Program, 2007  | <b>15,000.00</b>  |
| <b>IASA (Indian Association for the Study of Australia):</b><br>Grant towards Inaugural AIC Fellowship Alumni Meeting, June 2007         | <b>6,499.70</b>   |
| <b>Australian Studies Program:</b><br>Resource Material and Outreach 2006 - 2007   | <b>9,336.56</b>   |
| <b>Austlit Subscription:</b><br>for Jawaharlal Nehru University May 2007 - 2009  | <b>3,310.00</b>   |
| <b>Austlit Subscription:</b><br>for Burdwan University Jan 2006 - Jan 2008   | <b>3,310.00</b>   |
| <b>IGNOU (Indira Gandhi National Open University):</b><br>Cultural Diversity, Governance and Policy Seminar,<br>New Delhi, February 2007 | <b>4,493.09</b>   |
| <b>Monash University:</b><br>Bollywood Conference - Dr Naga Mallika, Manipul, November 2006  | <b>1,000.00</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL EDUCATION EXPENDITURE</b>   | <b>121,949.34</b> |

**SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT** (\$)

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| <b>Tata Energy Research Institute (TERI):</b><br>Vice Chancellor, Dr.Vibha Dhawan, Ph.D, Agricultural<br>Biotechnology International Conference, August 2006   | <b>3,991.68</b>  |
| <b>University of NSW:</b><br>Ceramic Engineering: Technological collaboration visit by<br>Dr OM Prakash, July 2006   | <b>3,000.00</b>  |
| <b>University of Sydney:</b><br>Collaboration with University of Bangalore – joint honey bee<br>research, January – December 2007  | <b>7,000.00</b>  |
| <b>James Cook University:</b><br>Rising Demand for Livestock Products on India - Scoping Study,<br>October - November 2006   | <b>8,000.00</b>  |
| <b>AIC Biomedical Fellowship:</b><br>University of WA and All India Institute of Medical Sciences:<br>Interaction between therapy for Tuberculosis and HIV on the<br>natural immune responses to tuberculosis, January - December 2007 | <b>15,000.00</b> |
| <b>Centre for Environmental Education Australia:</b><br>Global Communities for Sustainability (GCS), November 2007   | <b>10,000.00</b> |
| <b>Toowoomba Landcare Group:</b><br>Landcare Links, Toowoomba and Bhopal, India Sister Catchments,<br>March 2007 - April 2008  | <b>6,000.00</b>  |
| <b>OzGreen Youth Ambassador:</b><br>Zac Gazzard, to participate in The Sankat Monchan Foundation's<br>Clean Ganges Campaign, January 2007  | <b>1,500.00</b>  |
| <b>Australian Sustainable Industry Research Centre (ASIRC):</b><br>Improved management of Hazardous Waste through Hazard Reduction<br>and Waste Avoidance Training: Train the Trainer Workshops for APPCB,<br>November 2007            | <b>12,000.00</b> |
| <b>TOTAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY &amp; ENVIRONMENT<br/>EXPENDITURE</b>   | <b>66,491.68</b> |

**SOCIETY/SOCIAL, INCLUDING HEALTH, SPORT, LAW,  
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS** (\$)

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| <b>University of Melbourne:</b><br>Improving the diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis and multi-drug resistant tuberculosis, in Nagpur, Central India<br>Professor Beverly-Anne Biggs, September 2006 - 2007         | <b>11,000.00</b>              |
| <b>The Macfarlane Burnet Institute for Medical Research &amp; Confederation on Indian Industry (CII):</b><br>HIV Train the Trainer program for Healthcare professionals, India, 2007                                    | <b>30,000.00</b>              |
| <b>Brisbane Institute for Strength Based Practice:</b><br>Strength based strategies 2006 International Conference, India, November 2006   | <b>4,230.00</b>               |
| <b>Volunteering Australia:</b><br>19th IAVE World Volunteer Conference (New Delhi), November 2006   | <b>3,600.00</b>               |
| <b>Queensland Institute of Medical Research and Christian Medical College, Vellore:</b><br>Development and testing of an advanced rapid diagnostic test for group B streptococcus, July 2006 – June 2007                | <b>7,500.00</b>               |
| <b>Hawke Research Institute for Sustainable Societies:</b><br>Researcher exchange focusing on rural and Women's health issues in Australia and India, January – November 2007   | <b>5,000.00</b>               |
| <b>Australian International Health Institute:</b><br>Building partnerships for disability friendly development practice in India. Forum in India, visit of Disability Activist George Abraham. February - November 2007 | <b>11,020.00</b>              |
| <b>Cricket Australia:</b><br>Centre for Excellence, Border-Gavaskar Scholarships, June 2007   | <b>25,000.00</b>              |
| <b>National Serology Reference Laboratory Australia:</b><br>Quality Assurance (QA) Programmes for HIV Clinical Monitoring. July 2007 - June 2008  | <b>4,000.00</b>               |
| <b>Megan Ponsford:</b><br>Exploring cricket in 1935/36. Australia tour to India, August 2007  | <b>4,000.00</b>               |
| <b>TOTAL SOCIETY/SOCIAL EXPENDITURE</b>   | <hr/> <b>105,350.00</b> <hr/> |

| <b>PUBLIC POLICY/AWARENESS</b>  | <b>(\$)</b>      |
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| <b>Australian National University:</b><br>India Forum, Professor Bhagwati, July 2006  | <b>1,500.00</b>  |
| <b>ABC Radio Australia:</b><br>Radio Linkages Exchange, July 2006 - June 2007   | <b>15,000.00</b> |
| <b>Australia India Media Seminar:</b><br>"Australia, India and East Asia", Chennai, September 2006  | <b>10,000.00</b> |
| <b>Australia India Business Council (AIBC) Newsletter:</b><br>Australia India Focus electronic Newsletter, a joint initiative between AIC and the AIBC  | <b>7,362.27</b>  |
| <b>Australian Strategic Policy Institute:</b><br>The 5th Australia-India Security Roundtable, December 2006   | <b>25,000.00</b> |
| <b>Lowy Institute: Inaugural Australia-India Strategic Lecture:</b><br>Presented by Dr C Raja Mohan, February 2007  | <b>12,068.48</b> |
| <b>Australian National University:</b><br>2006 Narayanan Oration: Melbourne Accommodation for Dr Kasturirangan  | <b>307.27</b>    |
| <b>Australian National University:</b><br>2007 Narayanan Oration, Dr Pachauri, Canberra, August 2007  | <b>16,000.00</b> |
| <b>Sitesh Bhojani:</b><br>to attend the "Political Economy Constraints in Developing Countries Research Symposium", CUTS International Conference (Consumer Unity & Trust Society) , March 2007 | <b>1,853.47</b>  |
| <b>Australian National University:</b><br>Indian economist Bibek Debroy visit, May 2007   | <b>1,601.81</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL PUBLIC POLICY EXPENDITURE</b>  | <b>90,693.30</b> |

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| <b>NEW DELHI</b>   | <b>(\$)</b>       |
| <b>Australian High Commission New Delhi:</b><br>Discretionary funding for support for AIC programs,<br>July 2006 - June 2007 | <b>23,908.56</b>  |
| <b>Subtotal</b>  | <b>23,908.56</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENDITURE</b>   | <b>627,128.22</b> |

**MEETINGS AND ADMINISTRATION EXPENDITURE 2006-07** **(\$)**

Meeting costs and general expenses  
(including Board and Secretariat travel) **69,376.55**

**NEW DELHI** **(\$)**

Australian High Commission New Delhi: salary and associated  
costs for locally engaged staff, July 2006-June 2007 **50,662.25**

**TOTAL ADMINISTRATION EXPENDITURE** **120,038.80**

**TOTAL EXPENDITURE** **747,167.02**