

Where has this idea come from?

The Greening India project is blossoming out of several years of collaboration and brainstorming among a number of Indian and international scholars, activists and grassroots leaders.

Who is involved?

The early stages of the GI project and website development were handled by Big Medicine, an Indo-American non-profit institute that guest edited the [Summer 2007 issue of India's respected international policy journal , World Affairs](#) . In addition to their publishing and broadcasting activities, Big Medicine directors have organized many international conferences, tours and workshops addressing our contemporary social and environmental crises and are currently also helping design the [Udaipur Shakti Works](#) performance school, healing center and eco-park.

In late 2009 Big Medicine formed the Big Medicine Charitable Trust (BMCT), a registered Indian NGO affiliate that is now handling the development of Greening India programs and the Udaipur Shakti Works project.

The initial 'Greening India Schools & Education' program is being spearheaded by BMCT managing director, [Premilla Dixit](#) who has spent the last two decades as an activist organizer, radio producer, and researcher/initiator of cutting edge media projects on progressive movement building, bicycles, organic farming and educational reform.

BMCT founder trustee and health/environment director, [Rita Dixit-Kubiak](#) has worked closely with pioneering green grassroots organizations like [Bija Vidyapeeth](#)

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[Jagran Jan Vikas](#)

[Samiti](#)

, and Ubeshwar Vikas Mandal as well as co-founding Japan's Metamedical Forum and the Indo-Japanese Citizen Diplomacy Association.

From Australia is the team of John Brisbin and Caroline Lieber, both of whom have active connections in India and organized the wildly successful Udaipur ["Ethical Feast" event series](#) in 2009. They are headed back to Udaipur for a sabbatical year in 2012 and will be helping design new project elements from their Queensland base til then. John and Caroline can be contacted through their homepage at [General Evolution Advocacy & Research \(GENEVAR\)](#)

How to get involved

We are currently seeking ecological expertise applicable to the Rajasthan region for our educational and demonstration programs as well as interns, advisors and sponsor/funders (of course ;-)

If you are interested in any of these forms of involvement, [please let us know](#) !