

Schedule: India Field Trip March - April 2009

Saturday 14 March 2009: Arrive in Mumbai, Maharashtra
Field Trip with Public Concern for Governance Trust (PCGT) - opening of Information Centre, Kalyan Rural Villages, 2 hours drive outside Mumbai.

Sunday 15 March: Rest day.

Monday 16 March: Mumbai, Maharashtra
Day in Office with PCGT. Talk to staff about work of PCGT and RTI movement in India

> Overnight train Mumbai: Ahmadabad, Gujarat

Tuesday 17 March: Ahmadabad, Gujarat
Meeting with Mahiti Adhikar Gujarat Pahal (MAGP).
Field trips in "RTI on Wheels": Civil Hospital complex (largest public hospital in India), Ahmadabad and Azaonager, Sarkhezarea, "slum" area of Ahmadabad.
Interview with journalist from DNA, National Newspaper.
Political Rally - demonstration including push for RTI to be included on agenda for political elections 2009.

Wednesday 18 March: Ahmadabad, Gujarat
Interview with Information Commissioner for Gujarat.
Interview with journalist from Time of India
Interview with SPIPA Director of Training

Thursday 19 March: Ahmadabad, Gujarat
Report writing and arranging future interviews/meetings/ presentations Train journey to Delhi.

Friday 20 March: Delhi, Delhi Province
2 Day RTI Symposium. Interview with Chief Information
NCPRI/MKSS Seminar: review of RTI in different parts of the country, presentations on RTI and collation of demands relating to RTI that must be put to electoral candidates in 2009 elections.

Sat 21 & Sun 22 March: Delhi, Delhi Province
2 Day RTI Symposium.
Interview with Chief Information Commissioner, CIC.

Monday 23 March: Free day.

Tuesday 24 March: Delhi, Delhi Province
Meeting with Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (CHRI) Meeting with National Campaign for the People's Right to Information (NCPRI).
Meeting with Parivartan.
Meeting with Kabir.

> Train to Jaipur, Rajasthan



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Wednesday 25 March: Jaipur, Rajasthan
Preparation for meetings in Jaipur, Rajasthan.

Thursday 26 March: Rural communities, Rajasthan
Field Trip - Rural community 5 hours drive outside Jaipur, Rajasthan.

Friday 27 & Saturday 28 March 2009: Jaipur, Rajasthan
Meeting with RTI Activists.

> Fly to Bangalore.

Sunday 30 March 2009: Free Day

Monday 31 March 2009: Bangalore, Karnataka
Interview with State Information Commissioner, Karnataka. Interview with PIO's. Presentation for RTI Activists, Bangalore.

Tuesday 1 - Friday 10 April: Free time

Saturday 11 April: Mumbai, Maharashtra
Presentation and meeting with RTI Activists, Mumbai.

Sunday 12 April: In transit

> Fly Mumbai - Johannesburg

