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We are supporters of **350.org** which is an international campaign dedicated to uniting the world around solutions to the climate crisis.

Their mission is to inspire the world to rise to the challenge of the climate crisis - to create a new sense of urgency and of possibility for our planet.

Their focus is on the number 350 - as in parts per million, the level scientists have identified as the safe upper limit for CO2 in our atmosphere.



Alphonse Raj talking to reporters at the start of the climate change parade in Ooty which was one of the events that took place in 180 countries on October 24th 2009.

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What Will We Be Doing?

We will be raising awareness so that people will know more about the causes and effects of climate change. We will be working with schools on educational projects and setting up events with communities, even in the remotest areas. Once we have established what changes are taking place in South India we will be looking at ways of adapting to them.

Different drought-resistant crops could be tested. Irrigation and water harvesting will be considered. Solar energy might be a possibility. Indeed, anything that will help people to adjust to a new life with a different climate

We will be filming and photographing all our activities so that people will learn from what we are doing and will want to take similar actions. We will also be working with politicians and policy-makers, in India and elsewhere, so that they are aware of the effect that climate change is having in rural areas and how they could help communities to adjust.



The Project Partners

Tamwed (Tamil Nadu/West Devon) was set up by people in South West England to link with and support communities in rural South India. We have worked with locally-based NGOs on health, education, sanitation and other projects.

Gawdesy (Gandhian Welfare and Development Society) is based in Thanjavur in Tamil Nadu. The organisation supports over 2,500 Women's Self Help Groups and has set up health, education and other projects.

The Island Trust (Indo-Sri Lankan Development Trust) is based in the Nilgiri Hills and works with Repatriates from Sri Lanka, Dalits and Tribal people on projects that improve their quality of life and their environment.

Project Funders

This project is funded by Tamwed's supporters in the UK and grants from Osborne Samuel and the RH Southern Trust.



Tamwed arranges talks and events to share inform people about our work and to raise funds.

How To Get Involved

We want to involve as many people as possible in this project. If you live near one of the partner organisations and you want to take part in activities, please get in touch with them. If you have a particular skill that would benefit the project or you can help inform others, we would like to hear from you.



The Island Trust organised a parade through Ooty to mark International Climate Change Day.

Gawdesy provided 2,500 trees to be planted by their Self Help Groups.

