



Schoolgirls at the transitional centre in Hamirpur – one of the villages shown in the exhibition

## "Children's right to education in India"

Exhibition on the joint aid project run by *terre des hommes* and Dachser

It is a question which preoccupies a large number of people: is there a real danger that the globalized world will spin out of control completely? And if so, what can we do about it? In an exhibition being held under the title "Children's right to education in India – Responsibility in a spirit of partnership in a globalized world", Dachser explores this issue from a business point of view. An extensive series of photographs and graphics portrays the situation that prevails in the Indian region of Uttar Pradesh. Working alongside *terre des hommes*, Dachser has been supporting people living in the region for two years now.

The display forms part of a major *terre des hommes* exhibition which is to be held in the "Hofgartensaal" in Kempten in October. Under the title "Child labour then and now", the exhibition focuses on the social, economic and emotional exploitation of children – not just in the past, but also in the present day.

The major part of the event, a travelling exhibition organized by *terre des hommes* and the Museum of Industrial Culture in Osnabrück, deals with the causes and consequences of child labour.

Photos, texts and exhibits show the extent of child labour through the ages, from pre-industrial days, through the industrial era, and right into the present.

Another part of the event focuses on a more local issue. Organized by the Kempten cultural office, this display deals with the life of farm labourer children – both boys and girls – in the Allgäu region in days gone by.

### Dachser's contribution to the exhibition

Dachser's contribution to the exhibition focuses on the interrelationship between child labour and globalization. A series of graphics provides visitors with information on the advantages and disadvantages of the processes of widespread globalization. India is used as a specific and localized example of this issue. For example, a map showing India's federal states illustrates the regions in which *terre des hommes* is running projects. The information highlights the social responsibility facing companies today.

Information from the project region shows what companies can actually do on a concrete level. The focus is on small villages in the Indian region of Uttar

Pradesh. Pictures show children, adults from the village and project staff all working together to fulfil the goal of the project – to improve people's living conditions and long-term prospects for the future in that part of the world on a long-term basis. The key to this is education. A large number of photos showing everyday situations underline the activities run under the project: a group of young girls working hard at school, an old man drawing a map of his village's main road in the sand, and a little boy writing something on the board.

Visitors can watch short videos from the project region on a PC, bringing events in Uttar Pradesh to life in Kempten.

### The exhibition

The exhibition will be open between 30 September and 28 October from 12 pm to 5 pm on Monday to Friday, and from 11 am to 4 pm on Saturday and Sunday. School classes are welcome to visit the exhibition between 9 am and 12 pm after prior notification. Guided tours are available on request. Admission is free. For further details, phone: +49 (0) 15 22 / 401 32 30.

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In the project region, Dachser and *terre des hommes* are cooperating in a spirit of equal partnership to help the local inhabitants.



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