INTACH

The Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH) was founded in 1984 in New Delhi with the vision to create a membership organization to stimulate and spearhead heritage awareness and conservation in India. INTACH has pioneered the conservation and protection of India's natural and cultural heritage and is today the largest membership organization in the country dedicated to conservation. Apart from a core professional staff at the headquarters in Delhi, who look after the Divisions, INTACH has enthusiastic volunteers across the country, who are responsible for the spread of the heritage movement.

OUR DIVISIONS
INTACH functions from its Divisions at the headquarters in New Delhi:
- Architectural Heritage
- Natural Heritage
- CI – Material Heritage
- Heritage Education and Communication Service
- Intangible Cultural Heritage
- INTACH Heritage Academy
- Heritage Tourism
- Chapters
- Publications
- INTACH Documentation Centre
- Craft Community and Heritage

HERITAGE EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION SERVICE (HECS)
Heritage awareness and people's involvement in heritage issues is one of INTACH's primary mandates. The Heritage Education and Communication Service (HECS) of INTACH was set up in 1998 to promote heritage education and spread awareness about India's natural, built, cultural and living heritage to all people, particularly the youth.

OBJECTIVES
- Develop, conduct and monitor heritage awareness workshops
- Set up Heritage Clubs in schools
- Organize national level awareness programmes
- Develop heritage educational resources and publications
- Promote the use of multimedia as a heritage sensitization resource
- Strengthen our heritage volunteer base

TARGET GROUPS
- Schools and colleges
- Professional groups
- Policymakers
- Local development authorities
- Public at large

HERITAGE AWARENESS WORKSHOPS

Teacher Training Programme
The HECS team in collaboration with INTACH Chapter Convenors through the funding from the Government of India conducts workshops on heritage awareness for teachers in different parts of the country. Till date, over 150 workshops have been conducted successfully. Teachers are trained to organise and develop:
- Set-up Heritage clubs
- Museum visits
- Activity sheets
- Clean-up drives

College Heritage Volunteer Training Programme
One teacher - Many students - Whole community

INTACH HERITAGE CLUBS IN SCHOOLS

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- What is Heritage
- What is Heritage Education
- How to set up a Heritage Club
- Heritage Club Pledge
- 1 Heritage Club Badge
- 1 Heritage Club Passport
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- Activity sheets on natural, built and living heritage
- Days That Matter – a heritage calendar
- Nine stars – a heritage report

INHERITAGE CLUB ACTIVITY

Heritage Club Activity, Kolkata

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Clean-up drives at Hauz Khas, Delhi

Teacher Training Workshop, Kolkata

Teacher Training Group Activity, Kolkata

MONUMENT SPEAK CONTEST

Route to Roots Poster Competition

HISTORICAL SAVIOURS

HERITAGE AWARENESS WORKSHOPS

Teacher Training Programme

HERITAGE CLUB ACTIVITY

Clean-up drive at Hauz Khas, Delhi

Monument Speak Competition, Delhi

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**ELECTRONIC MEDIA FOR HERITAGE**

**INTACH Young website**

HECS has initiated the design and development of an interactive website for teachers, parents, enthusiasts and students. Register at www.youngintach.org

HECS runs the Heritage e-group newsletter that provides a monthly update of our latest projects, activities, worksheets, programmes etc. to all registered on our website.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Membership at a Glance

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Membership Form can be downloaded from the website www.intach.org

**PUBLICATIONS**

- A Capital Story: A small booklet on the making of the New Delhi.
- Adopt a Monument: A handbook for teachers, students and enthusiasts who want to learn how to conserve India’s magnificent built heritage.
- Adopt a Tree: A handbook for teachers, students, and enthusiasts committed to conserving our natural heritage.
- Adopt a Craft: A handbook for teachers, students and enthusiasts who want to learn, care and explore the different crafts of India.
- Care for Heritage: A handbook for teachers, students and enthusiasts explaining steps for restoration and conservation of art objects or artifacts.
- Hands for Heritage – A Heritage Volunteer Kit (3 issues): The kit offers an introduction, action plan and steps for engaging with heritage and becoming a college heritage volunteer.
- IndiaDa. – INTACH India: Heritage Quizbook: A unique collection of facts, general knowledge and trivia on India. Compiled by ‘Apressamindz Enchantment’ with the support of INTACH (published by Cobish India).
- JAGO – Heritage and Citizenship: Presents ways of becoming more active and informed citizens through constructive civic engagement with heritage and support good citizenship initiatives.
- Teachers Training Kit: A valuable and informative resource received upon completion of a school teacher training workshop.
- The Hornbill Warrior: An interactive colouring storybook on Nagaland, for primary school students, focusing on personal heritage.
- Young INTACH Newsletter: A quarterly newsletter for Heritage Club student members on various aspects of India’s tangible and intangible heritage.
- Young INTACH Anniversary Issue: Is a compilation of newsletters (issues 2004 – 14) featuring the best articles, activities and maps that highlight India’s incredible heritage.

**NATIONAL LEVEL PROGRAMMES**

Some of our national programmes are:

- National Heritage Quiz (2014 – 18): It aims to increase awareness about the heritage and culture of our country among school children. It is organized annually. The programme is conducted in English, Hindi and various regional languages.
- My City My History (2009-11): A collaborative pan – India programme with Fox History and Entertainment, involving school children to explore India’s rich historical and cultural heritage.
- Tagore at 150 (2011-12): To commemorate the 150th birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore, we with our network of heritage clubs, undertakes an initiative “Power of the Pen”.
- My Living Icon (2013-14): All India essay and painting competition focused on acknowledging any one individual, from the student’s city/town, noted for his/her work in the field of art, culture or heritage.
- My City My Heritage (2015-16): All India essay competition, highlighting any unique heritage feature of their city.
- Route to Routes (2016-17): All India poster competition, focusing on unique family or community identity.

**MASS MEDIA FOR HERITAGE**

F ilmIt India project (2008 onwards)

FilmIt is an exciting multi-cultural project that helps students to make short films on their city’s heritage. The project is funded by the Helen Hamlyn Trust (UK) and is part of the Open Futures Film programme. Over 3000, 2-3 minute short films have been prepared by Ao students across the country. These films on culture are later shared with the students in the United Kingdom. Currently the FilmIt project has spread out to cities like Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, Goa, Hyderabad, Chennai, Chandigarh, Jaipur, Ahmedabad, Varanasi and Kochi. The films have won awards in international children’s film festivals and have been showcased at the Almeida International Film Festival for Children and Youth (SIFCY) and the Tel Aviv International Children’s Film Festival.

**CREATIVE CAPACITY BUILDING**

HECS initiated a skill development programme for women and children in Kajuraho. Other programmes are:

- Volunteer Training For Colleges
- The programme emphasizes on volunteering and role of a Heritage Volunteer; highlighting various aspects of heritage and its importance in the heritage of their city as well as creating a sense of appreciation for the heritage that surrounds them.

**NATIONAL HERITAGE AWARENESS PROGRAMMES**

Strengthening of INTACH chapters by supporting them on specialized workshops in schools and colleges, skill development programmes, rural programme and citizenship training.