## Overview of India trip by Rivers of the World (ROW) Foundation Team – Jan – Feb 2017

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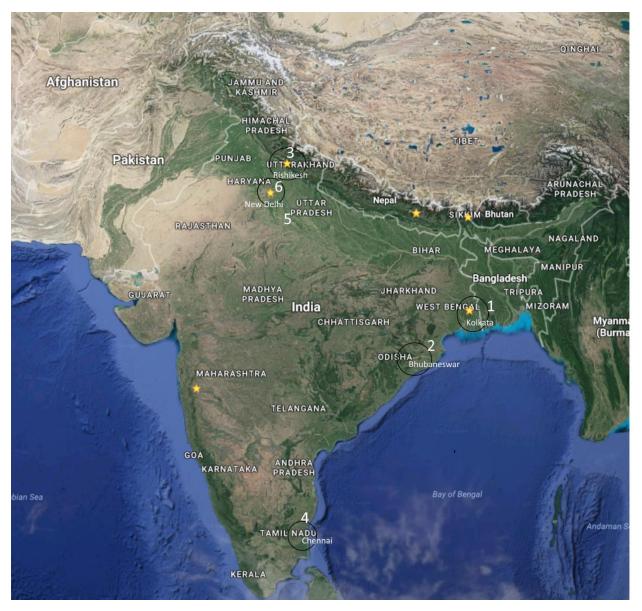
## Team Members -

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The locations visited are marked with corresponding numbers in this overview report. Only a few relevant pictures are shown below.



- 1. Kolkata (January 30<sup>th</sup> February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017) Subijoy Dutta
  - a. Arranged for Water testing and Monitoring program by local School students.
  - b. Discussed with Richard Design Services (Kolkata branch of a US company) about getting Engineering Design/Drawing support from them.



- 2. Bhubaneswar (February 7<sup>th</sup> February 9<sup>th</sup>) Subi Subramanian, Subijoy Dutta, Prafulla Dhal, and Prof. Anup Samantaray, Siksha O Anusandhan(SOA) University.
  - a. Provided 2-day training to Research Scholars, Students and Local NGOs at an International Workshop.
  - b. Discussed with Prof. Samantaray and others at SOA University about setting up the Environmental Research and Training Institute (EnTRI) collaborative efforts with SOA University.
  - c. Visited Daya River and its Tributaries



- Rishikesh, Uttarakhand (Feb 10<sup>th</sup> Feb 12<sup>th</sup>) Subijoy Dutta, Sudhir Nautiyal, and Swamini, Parmarth Niketan.
  - a. Meeting/Discussion with the Rishikesh Rotary Club
  - b. Water Testing/Monitoring discussion and Demonstration by the Himalayan English School along with 7 local Schools, represented by a Teacher and 3 students from each Schools.

- c. Discussed with the Municipal Chairman on Municipal Solid Waste Management
- d. Visited sites with local entrepreneurs (Vinod and Mohit Johar) for possible waste remediation project.



- 4. Chennai, Tamil Nadu (Feb 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 15<sup>th</sup> ) Subijoy Dutta, Subi Subramanian and N. Krishnan
  - a. Water Treatment and Renewable Energy Seminar arranged by Water systems India (WSI <u>www.watersystemsindia.com</u>)
  - b. Discussed with Dr. Kusuma Cunningham, visited from Bangalore
  - c. Visited Nellore Drinking water plant using RO systems by WSI and a Wastewater treatment plant there.
  - d. Short meeting at the Chennai Airport with Dr. Prabhakar Puth, Founder and CEO, Society for Rural Improvements (<u>http://sriprojects.org</u>), Kollengode, Kerala.
     Provided Dr. Prabhakar with water education guides and slides for his new School "Sri Vidyalaya"





- 5. Gokul and Vrindaban, UP (February 16<sup>th</sup>) Subijoy Dutta, and Chandresh Singh (ROW member in Delhi/Jaipur area, India)
  - a. In Gokul met with Pawan Sardar and making arrangements for proper collection and composting of flowers, and 'Samagri' etc. Temple wastes.
  - b. Met with Dr. Swami Vidyananda ji (PhD in Sanskrit) and discussed about composting Temple wastes. Swamiji provided land for starting the composting work, and committed to fund the project for collecting, composting the organic Temple waste.





6. New Delhi (February 17<sup>th</sup> – February 19<sup>th</sup>) – Subijoy Dutta, and Chandresh Singh
a. Visited the ill-fated Yamuna River, which is turning into a superbly mad river.

