# THE BAREFOOT COLLEGE PRESENTS

## THE BAREFOOT PROFESSIONALS OF TILONIA

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#### WHY BAREFOOT?

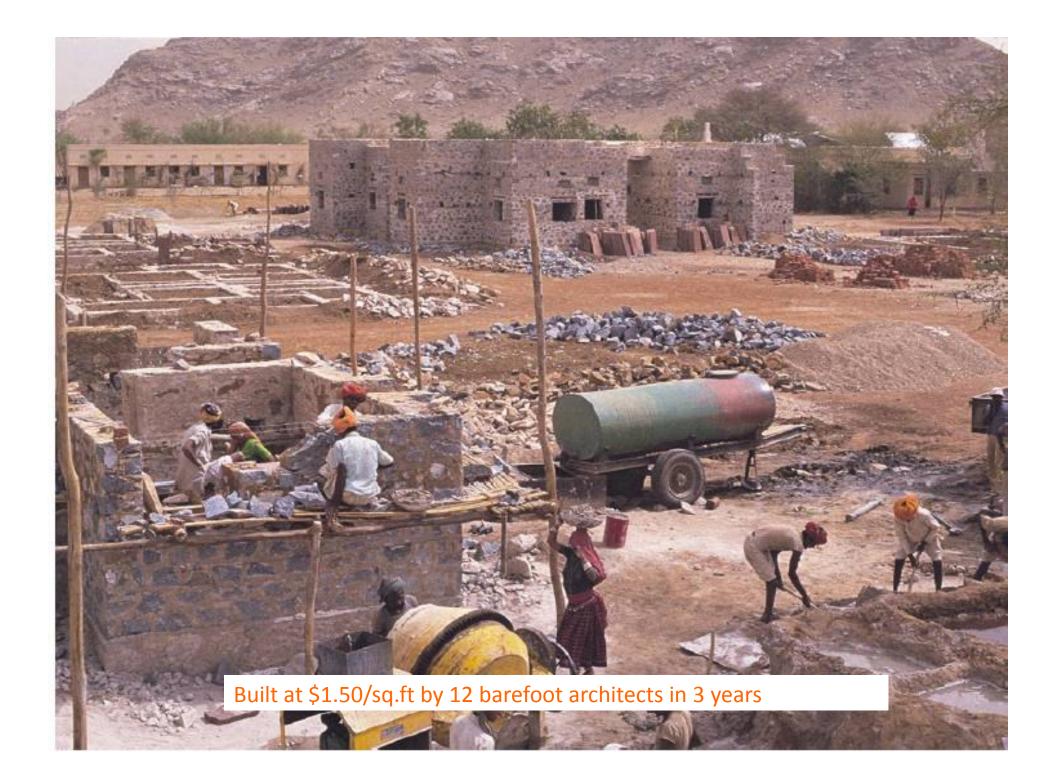
- Because millions of poor people in India who carry the knowledge, skills and wisdom of their forefathers live and work barefoot. They sit and work on the floor.
- It is symbolic of the recognition, respect and importance we give to the collective knowledge and skill that the poor have.
- By calling it 'barefoot' we want to give its application a unique category of its own that is superior, sophisticated and enduring. Far more valuable than any paper qualification.

#### WHY COLLEGE?

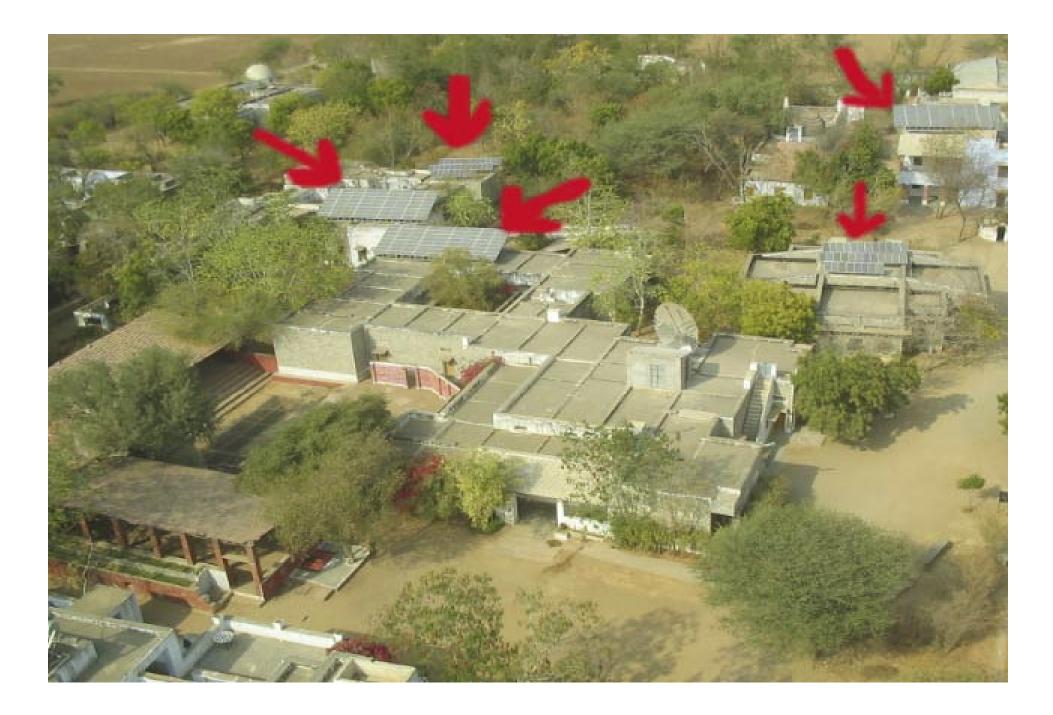
### Because it is a centre with a difference

- a centre of learning and unlearning
- where the teacher is the learner and the learner the teacher
- where everyone is expected to keep an open mind, try new and crazy ideas make mistakes and try
  again
- · where only those are welcome who have no paper degree to hide behind
- where only those are considered who are NOT eligible for the lowest government job
- where tremendous value is placed on the dignity of labour, of sharing and to those who are willing to work with their hands
- where no certificates, degrees or diplomas are given

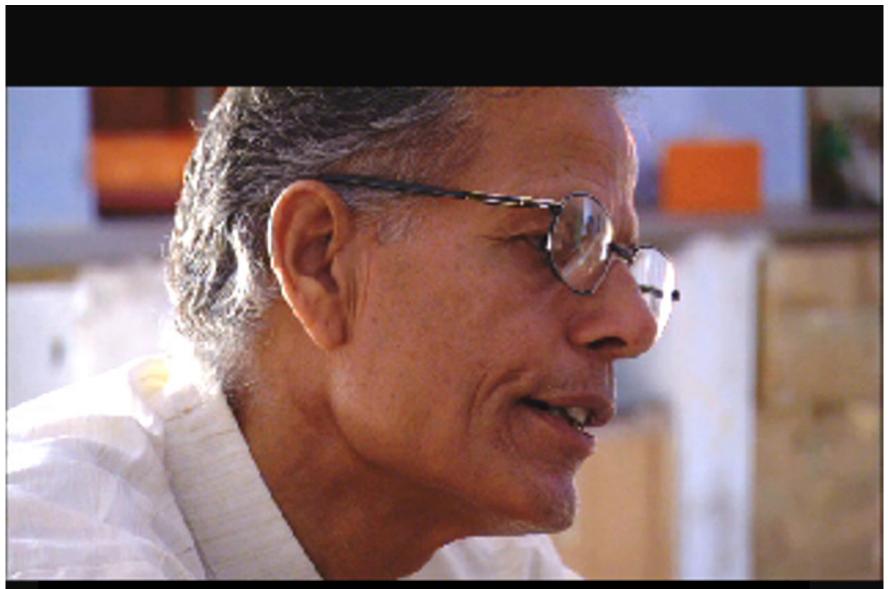
## THE BAREFOOT ARCHITECTS











The first barefoot solar engineer of India: fully solar electrified the campus between 1986 and 2000



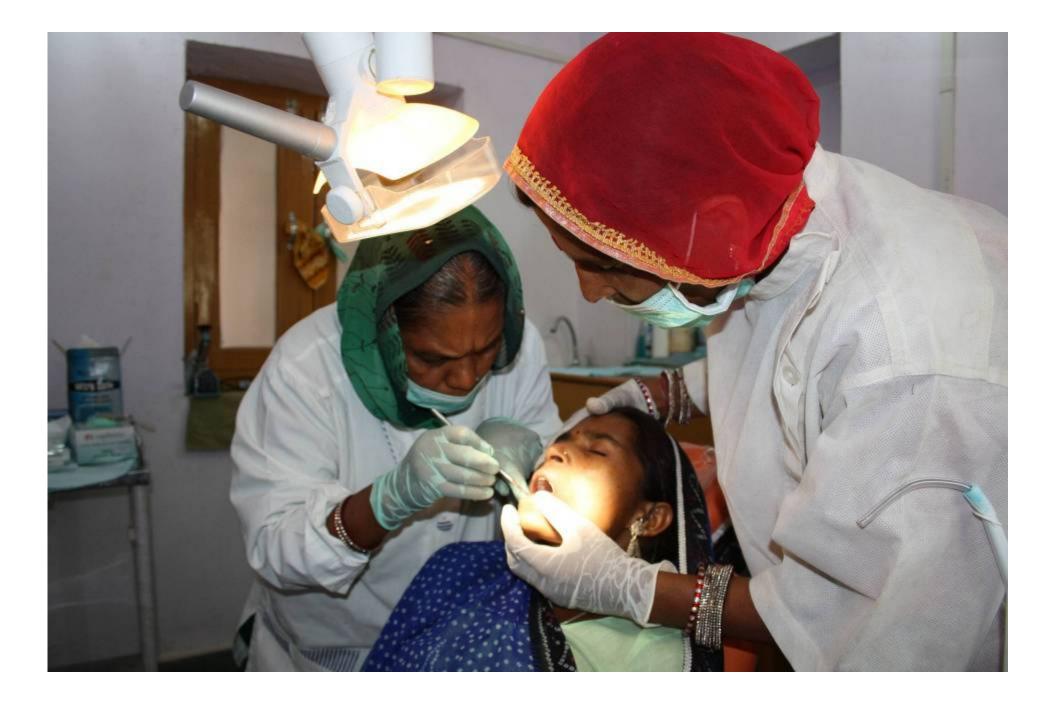














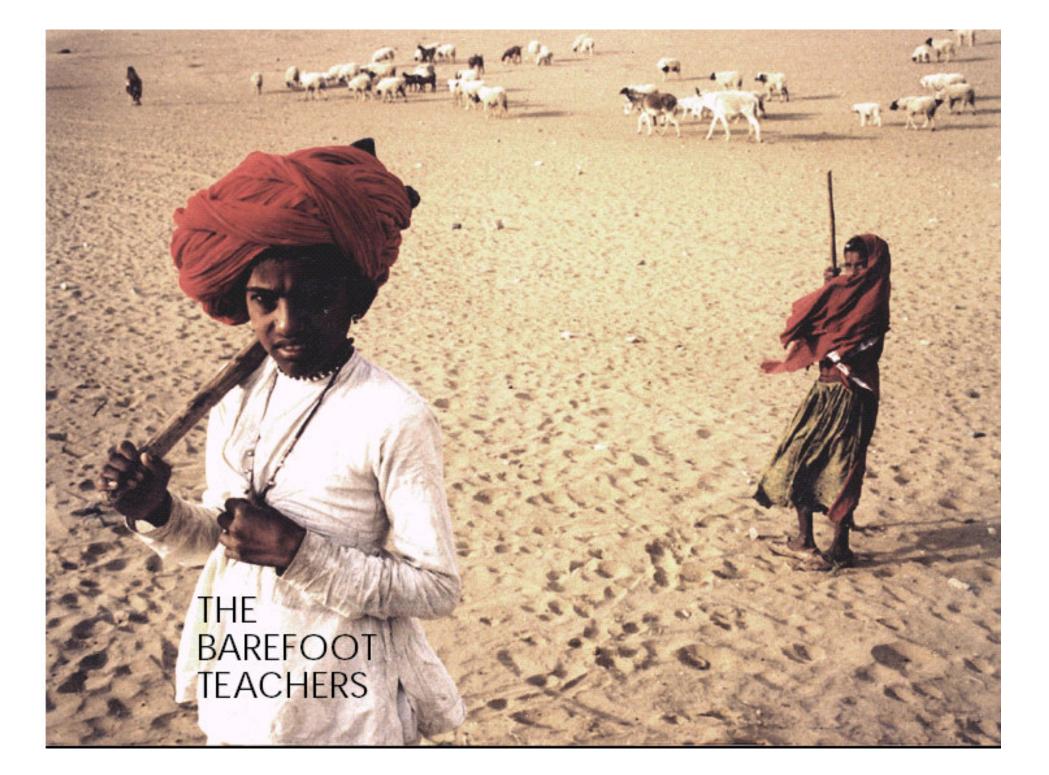








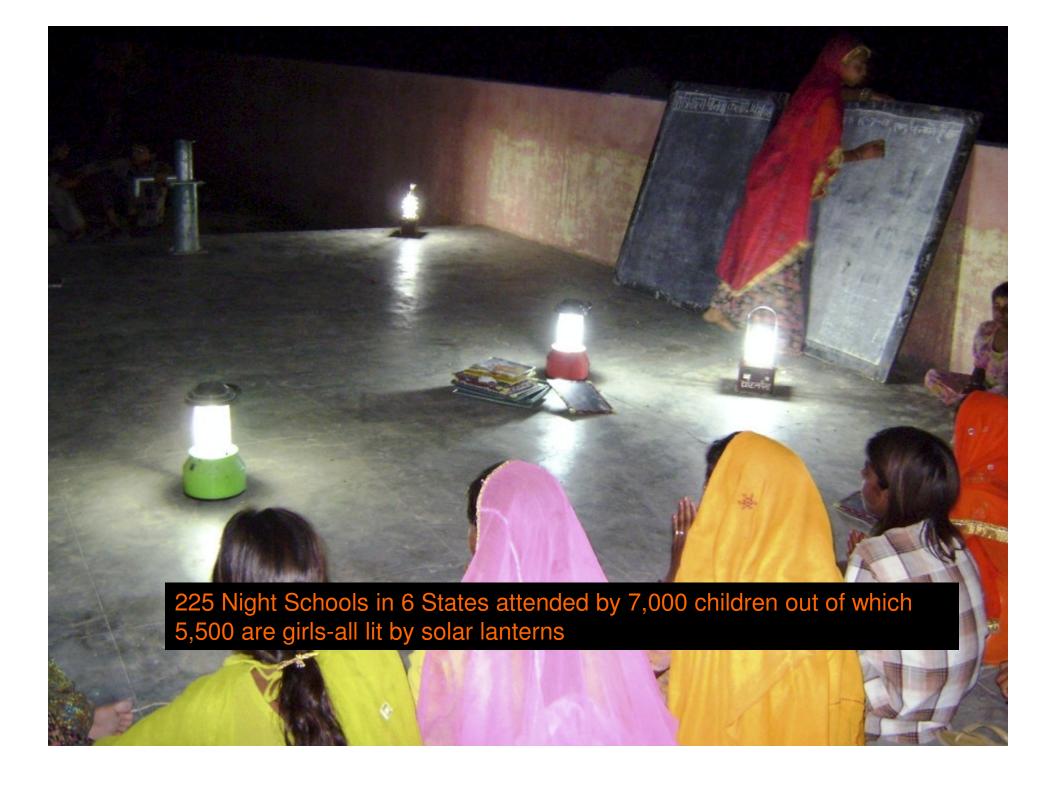


















## Location of Dam



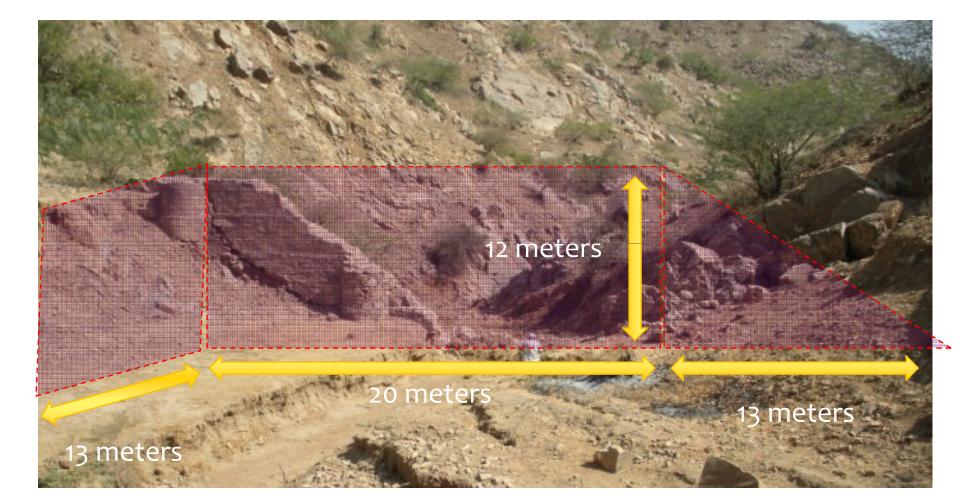
The 300 hectare Korseena Hill in the Aravalli Hill Range provided an ideal location.

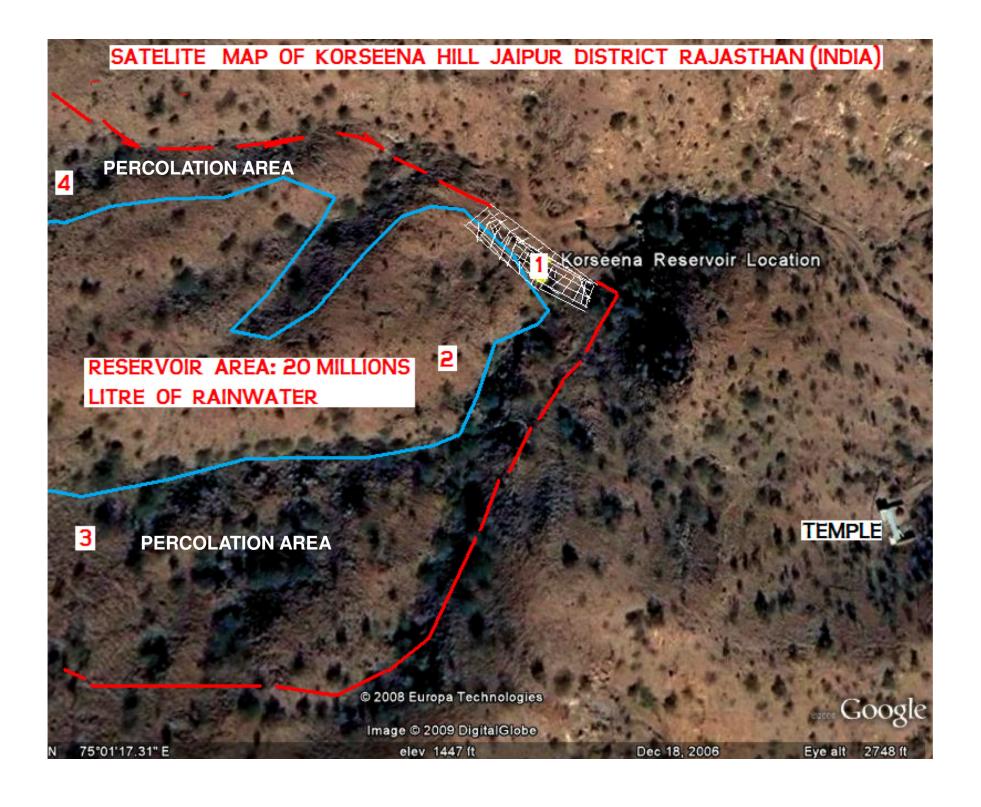
# In the Mughal time, a dam had been built in the same location out of lime and stone, local materials.



The dam is estimated to be over 300 years old and would have been the only freshwater source in the area.

# Dam





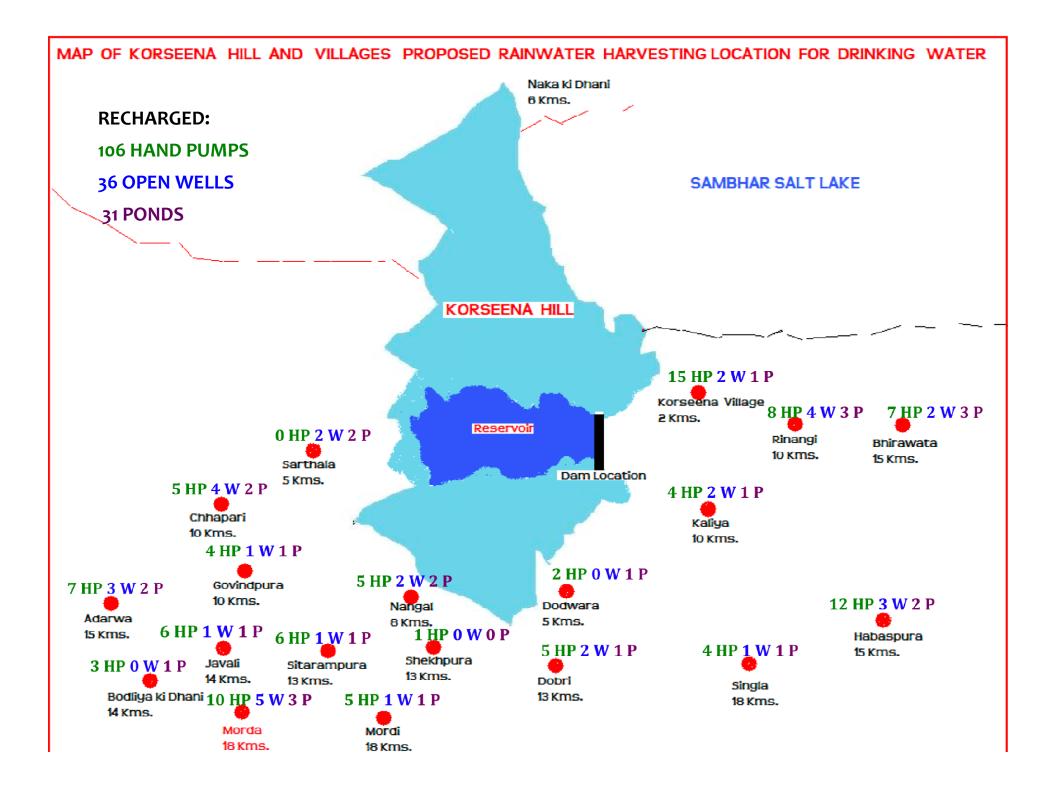
## **Construction of Dam**



View January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009



Water Level: 19 ft. Liters: 16.84 million Liters





As of July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010, 14 ft of water (11.67 million Liters) had percolated into the soil, recharging the many hand pumps, open wells and ponds in the area.

## Impact of Dam

Duration of construction: 14 months

Days of labour generated: 2,899

Days of skilled labour generated: 297





Directly benefits: 20 villages, 13,874 people and 79,850 livestock. Indirectly benefits: over 100,000 people and 200,000

livestock.

## Additionally, 106 hand pumps, 36 open wells and 31 ponds were recharged in the 20 villages.





Between 2004 and 2009 the barefoot approach has reached almost all the Least Developed Countries in the Continent of Africa



The very poor in Africa use these wick lamps called by many names in different countries



Tadoba(Uganda): Kibatari(Tanzania): Mesreya(Sudan): Fanos(Djibouti): Percolo(Chad): Fetila (Niger)







