



**JAMNALAL BAJAJ
FOUNDATION**

INTRODUCTION

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The late Shri Jamnalal Bajaj was a close associate of Mahatma Gandhi. Gandhi called Jamnalal his 'fifth son'. Jamnalal took active part in the freedom struggle and courted arrest on several occasions. However, constructive work was his main forte. He devoted himself to almost all activities included in the Constructive Programme propounded by Gandhi. Special mention must be made of Jamnalal's pioneering efforts in the fields of Go Seva (Cow protection), development of Dalits, propagation of Hindi, spread of Khadi and development of village industries.

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The Foundation was established in 1977 in memory of Jamnalal Bajaj with the object of serving the ideals for which he had dedicated his life and helping to promote the kind of constructive activities in which he himself was deeply involved during his life-time.

ACTIVITIES

Briefly, the activities of the Foundation are:

- (a) Rural Development Work - It has undertaken various projects of rural development in selected villages of Wardha in Maharashtra.
- (b) Awards - It gives 3 Awards annually to individuals in India for outstanding contribution in the fields of constructive work, application of science and technology for rural development and development and welfare of women and children; and one International Award to individual holding a foreign passport and nationality for promoting Gandhian values outside India. Each of the Awards carries a Citation, a Trophy and a sum of Rs. 10,00,000 or its equivalent in foreign currency.



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