

news letter

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FRENCH CHARITY FÊTE: ASK FOR THE PROGRAMME!

On Saturday 26 November, it's happening at the French school. Our teams have been busy for the past few weeks, working hard to prepare the French Charity Fête: a day of festivity at the Lycée Français in Delhi. Main Tendue Charity Trust's aim is to collect funds to sustain our projects with the 11 NGOs we support in the Delhi region.

It's the place to go for your Christmas shopping, and to taste delicious French products in a friendly, musical and festive atmosphere. There are lots of activities for the children too: bouncy castle, fishing, a coconut shy, creative activities, treats... And for the adults, there's a petanque competition just like in the South of France, a percussion marathon, and of course our tombola with numerous prizes to be won: we're sure you won't go home empty-handed. We hope to see lots of you at the event, come as a family, tell your friends, bring everyone to share some fun and support a worthwhile cause!



The Main Tendue Team

FRENCH CHARITY FETE
SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2016
FROM 10H TO 18H
LYCEE FRANÇAIS DE DELHI
2 APJ ABDUL KALAM ROAD (FORMERLY
AURANGZEB ROAD)
NEW DELHI, 11001.
NEXT TO THE TAJ MANSINGH HOTEL.



We hope the withdrawal of 500 and 1000 rupee notes won't dampen your generosity on November 26! In case you don't have much cash on D-day, don't worry. You can pay by CHEQUE, PAYTM and FUND TRANSFER but also CARD on different stands.



Anomaly - Aurufhy - Dhora - Green Hill - May in Delhi - Milk Teeth - Neon Store - N°3 Clive Road - RAin and Peacock - Safomasi - Shades of Art - The Shop

A CHRISTMAS MARKET IN THE HEART OF DELHI

There will be about 100 stalls this year, with about thirty new ones to make it even more varied than last year. Our talented creative team's selection presents a combination of craftsmanship, good taste and modernity: carpets, jewellery, tea, lanterns, Christmas decorations, furniture, crockery, shawls, plaids, adults and children's clothing, accessories, bags, belts, shoes, beauty products, gastronomic delights, sweets and cupcake, books, works of art, paintings, photographs and old silkscreen prints, suggestions for trips and of course the NGOs whose creativity is enhanced when it comes to supporting their projects. Lots of ideas to redo your home and a profusion of great suggestions for Christmas gifts for every budget!

French Charity Fête

CHILDREN'S CORNER

The team has designed a lovely family programme for the 26 November! For the children, small and bigger, there are several play spaces in the Institut Français garden:

- bouncy castles,
- make-up stalls,
- creative activities organized by Oxford Bookstore,
- small train,
- fishing
- and a coconut-shy.



WHAT WOULD THE FRENCH CHARITY FÊTE BE WITHOUT ITS GASTRONOMY?

Enjoy a variety of food stalls to taste the different French and Mediterranean food on offer, provided by the French Embassy kitchen, Amour Bistro, Opera, The French Farm, Coup de Food, as well as Red Moon Bakery and Raw Leaf, for an American touch! Some of the specialities: hot-dog, French fries, cheese platters, crepes, cakes, pastries, and of course French wine.

And this year, some Asian delights: sushis by Sushi Junction and momos!



100% FOR MAIN TENDUE

Several stalls are giving all their profits to Main Tendue. At our stall, located at the entrance to the school, you can find out more about our activities, become a yearly member, or buy one of our products: costume jewellery necklaces and earrings, mugs, key chains and badge holders, Purple Jungle products and, with the support of the Delhi Accueil photo club, calendars for 2017, animal and face memory games, postcards, framed art photos...

At the book corner you'll find all kinds of second-hand books in French. And for the little gourmets, there's a sweet stall: but hurry as the sweets go very, very quickly.

MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE OLDER CHILDREN

From 11 a.m. onwards, come and have a glass of good wine and lunch while you enjoy the music. French and Indian musicians, a show by the young girls from the NGO Tara Girls... and this year's addition, a "music jam" with ODC, our favourite percussionists: musical improvisation open to anyone who would like to beat out the rhythm and share a fun, intense experience!



News from our NGOs

MOTIA KHAN – Health and education centre for children and production centre for women in need

The women at the sewing workshop, just next to the Samarpan - Motia Khan school, have made some beautiful bags for the French Charity Fete 2016. You'll see them on 26 November at their stall! The profits will help pay a part of their regular electricity and water costs.



THE SHELTER - Reception centre, education and health care for abandoned children

Since Sandra left us, Kim and Sylvia have been doing a wonderful job of maintaining the centre despite the numerous educational, medical and school related challenges they have to face. Main Tendue continues to help by paying the driver and providing a monthly basket of groceries... and if possible, finding volunteers, to participate occasionally.

MOTHER TERESA – Home for handicapped children

After Céline G. had to withdraw, as she was deeply committed to other activities, Caroline is looking after coordination between the home and Main Tendue again, for the time being. One morning a week, our volunteers do their best to contribute to the children's psychomotor and emotional development. A Christmas party is planned for December.

TORCH – Reception centre and educational support for street children

3 French and one Swiss lady participate once a week. Soon, thanks to Main Tendue, the children will receive new tracksuits for the winter.

KAMALINI – Professional training centre for women in need



The cookery classes are doing well and the production centre is very busy filling numerous private orders as well as preparing for the French Charity Fête. The idea of bringing out a book to present the production process could encourage the international community to place their orders!

MUSKAAN – Centre for handicapped adults

Main Tendue visited them recently along with representatives from the British High Commission. We hope they will contribute to the costs of a generator for the residence. Muskaan will be at the French Charity Fête with candles, paper bags, envelopes, biscuits, dry spices and lots of other lovely products!

SHAKTI SHALINI – A reception and training centre for women who are victims of domestic violence

The faces have changed again recently as new families have been moved in. There is still a strong demand for computer classes.

SALAAM BALAK TRUST - Shelter, education and health care for abandoned children

The team now has three more volunteers, Magali F., Magali D., Lise, Sarah and Gérard: all the better for the sixty children at the centre who are always looking forward to the fun-filled activities our volunteers propose!

JAGRITI - Shelter, education and health care for abandoned girls

Main Tendue voted in favour of providing funds for a new washing machine and a new stove for the home.

TARA HOMES - Shelter, education and health care for abandoned children

The young people from the three Tara homes are enthusiastically awaiting a visit from the Lycée Français students. As the trainees have left, Tara Tots really needs volunteers, particularly in the afternoons and on weekends.

SEVA OASIS - Reception centre and educational support for street children

Main Tendue recently decided to increase its financial involvement for a few months, by paying the rent for an extra room. This will allow the women's sewing project to get off to a good start, in the best possible conditions.

Our association

LOYAL CORPORATE PARTNERS

- We would like to thank **Thales** who has renewed their sponsorship recently with a nice financial donation, which will pay a part of the school fees for 9 of the 22 girls at the home.
- We would like to thank **Genesis Jewellery**, a family enterprise specialising in made to measure jewellery, for their cheque honouring their commitment to contribute 3% of their turnover from clients sent to them by Main Tendue. They will be present at the French Charity Fete.
- We would like to thank **Egis** who has just renewed their sponsorship of the Aasra centre boys' breakfast for a period of 12 months. This is wonderful news.

Thanks to your indispensable financial aid, we can envisage extending our actions for the underprivileged in the Delhi region.

TOMBOLA IN SUPPORT OF MAIN TENDUE: TRY YOUR LUCK!

Lovely prizes to be won again at this year's tombola. Buy your tickets before 4:00pm at the ticket stands and from the mobile ticket sellers. His Excellency, Mr. Ziegler, French Ambassador to India will pick the winners at 4:30pm at the animations stage!

1st prize :

One voucher for a 2 nights-stay at Champakali Villas in Goa, offered by RARE Travel.

Value : 40,000 INR.

2nd prize :

One voucher for a night stay in the Presidential suite of Tijara Fort-Palace, offered by Neemrana Hotels.

Value : 35,000 INR

3rd prize :

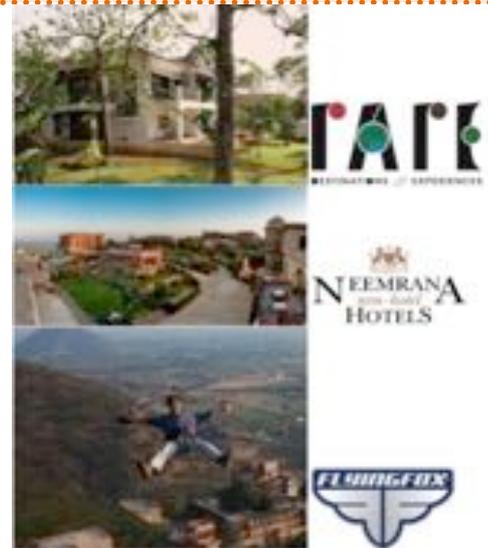
6 vouchers for ziplining adventure offered by Flying Fox Asia

Value : 18,000 INR.

And also...

- A champagne Sunday brunch for two at PULLMAN, Delhi : value 10 000 inr
- A voucher for a lunch or dinner for two at PLUCK, PULLMAN, Delhi : value 7 000 inr
- A voucher for a lunch or dinner for two at HONK, PULLMAN, Delhi : value 7 000 inr
- A voucher for a one hour Aroma Therapy at Woo Wellness & Spa, PULLMAN, Delhi : value 4 000 inr
- One voucher for a 2 night stay at Ibis Style Goa
- One voucher for a 2 night stay at Ibis Chennai City Centre
- One voucher for a 2 night stay at Ibis Bangalore City Centre
- One ring offered by Diane Singh jewels : value 10,000 inr
- One gold and pearls bracelet from Mogha Jewellry : value 10 000 inr
- One silver and saphir necklace from Samdaria Jewellers : value 5500 inr
- One designer dress offered by Radhika Jain
- One Voucher for Essential Cotton Shirdress offered by ANOMALY
- One voucher for a lunch for 2 at Olive offered by Olive restaurant
- One voucher for a lunch for 2 at Ek Bar offered by Olive restaurant
- One voucher for a lunch for 2 at Guppy by Ai offered by Olive restaurant
- One voucher for a lunch for 2 at Soda offered by Olive restaurant
- 2 rings, 2 bracelets and a necklace from Delhilou
- 2 beauty boxes and 2 wellness boxes offered by Pahadi Local
- Beauty Hampers from Blossom Kochhar Aroma Magic Spa&Salon
- Fashion accessories offered by Forever Zoe
- Home gifts offered by Tupperware
- One carpet offered by Soul blend

... and many more surprises !



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