

Fifty YEARS OF

Achievements

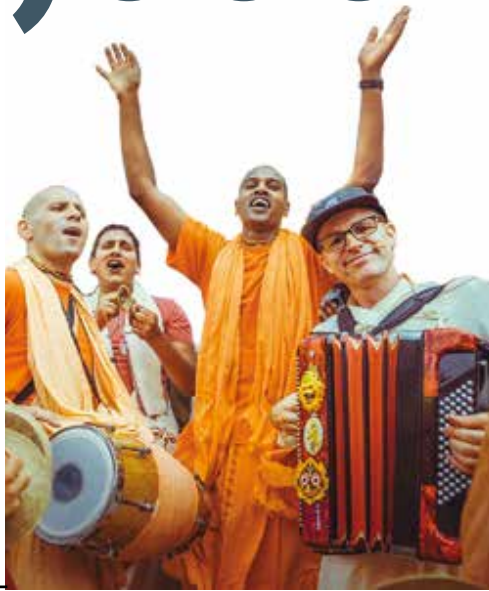
The number of ISKCON centers, temples, schools and colleges worldwide

650



95,000

Since 1966, around 95,000 devotees have taken formal spiritual initiation (clerical vows).

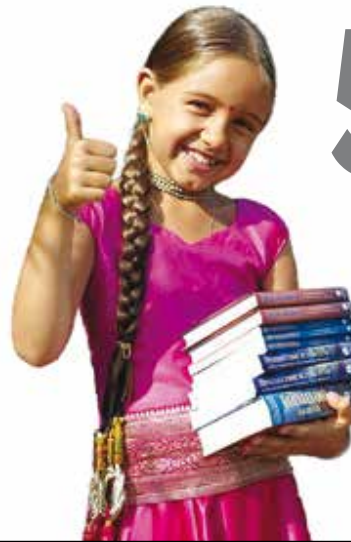


3600

There are 3600 home study/ worship (Bhakti Vriksha) groups worldwide that meet weekly.

516m

The number of books and magazines published by the Bhaktivedanta Book Trust (BBT), and distributed worldwide since 1966.



110

There are 110 Hare Krishna vegetarian restaurants worldwide.



9m

It is estimated that more than nine million people worship at ISKCON temples each year.





3 billion

More than three billion meals of sanctified vegetarian food (*prasadam*) have been distributed globally since 1966.



1.2m

1.2 million meals of sanctified vegetarian food (*prasadam*) are served daily to children in India as part of the ISKCON Food Relief

Foundation's 'Midday Meal' or 'Annamrita' program.

65

There are sixty-five ISKCON farms/eco villages globally.



212,992



Bhaktivedanta Hospital in Mumbai, India, one of nine ISKCON affiliated hospitals, medical clinics, eye clinics, and hospices in India, treated 212,992 patients last year.



6000

There are more than 6000 Krishna festivals held around the world every year in ISKCON.

260,000

Padayatra teams have walked 260,000km (161,000 miles) worldwide visiting 52,000 towns and villages in 110 countries.

Padayatra is a Sanskrit word meaning 'festival or pilgrimage on foot.' ISKCON's Founder-Acharya, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada introduced the first ISKCON *padayatra* with bullock carts in 1976, in India. Many more followed on all continents, lasting from a few days to several years.

A *padayatra's* purpose is to spread the holy names of God, distribute spiritual literature, promote simple living, high thinking and

cow protection, hold cultural festivals and make friends with all kinds of people at the grassroots level.

One hundred and fifty *padayatra* teams, with approximately 10,000 participants, have walked 260,000km (161,000 miles).

This is almost 6.5 times the Earth's circumference. *Padayatra* Worldwide has visited 52,000 towns and villages in 110 countries since its inception in 1976.

