

## Infosys and Microsoft enter second phase of "Computers@Classrooms" program

December 28, 1999 -- Bangalore, India -- Infosys today announced the second phase of activities under the "Computers@Classrooms" program that was launched in January this year. Under this initiative Infosys donates used PCs installed with Microsoft software to educational institutions.

Infosys today handed over 195 computers to schools in Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and New Delhi. Students of 68 schools will benefit from these PCs. Microsoft has provided Microsoft Works and Microsoft Encarta software for this program. In the first round of donations 133 computers with Microsoft software were donated to institutions in Bangalore and Mangalore.

Mr. Narayana Murthy, Chairman and CEO of Infosys Technologies Limited, presided over the function held at Infosys' Corporate Headquarters in Electronics City, Bangalore.

Mr. Ashutosh Vaidya, Director (Business Development) Microsoft, India, Mr. Millind Gawai, Deputy Commissioner of Customs and Mr. Mahesh, Joint Director, Software Technology Parks of India were present at the function.

"Infosys is committed to raising the quality of education. This program aims to improve the computer facilities in schools. In the next millennium computer skills will be as important as literacy and we hope Computers@Classrooms will enable children to acquire these skills," commented Mr. S. Gopalakrishnan, Deputy Managing Director, Infosys Technologies Ltd.

"Though Information Technology has touched virtually every aspect of life, it is still confined to the urban areas. If we are to become a truly IT driven country, the benefits of Information Technology should reach the rural populace. It is our aim to spread computer literacy across all sections of society," said Mr. Rajiv Nair, President, Microsoft Corporation India Ltd. "We at Microsoft are committed to support this commendable initiative and will continue to support this in the future."

This PC donation program is part of Infosys' efforts to spread computer literacy in India. Computer demonstrations at rural schools and play-and-learn workshops for children are some other related activities.

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