

Teach in Chembakolli

Volunteer Profile

Role title	Volunteer Teacher, Vidyodaya School, India
Role purpose	To teach a range of subjects to children aged 5 to 14
Key contacts	<p>India Manoharan, Action for Community Organisation, Rehabilitation and Development (ACCORD), Post Box 20, Gudalur, Nilgiris District, Tamil Nadu</p> <p>UK Janet Convery, Schools Team, ActionAid UK, 33-39 Bowling Green Lane, London EC1R OBJ</p>
Start date	September 2011 and April 2012 (for at least six months)
Contract status	Full time volunteer
Financial support	Return Bangalore flights, visa, insurance, vaccinations, accommodation and local living allowance
Personal support	<p>Support and advice from ActionAid UK before you depart.</p> <p>ACCORD will meet you on arrival and organise a briefing and further training. Your most regular contact will be with ACCORD and they will act as your primary means of support.</p>

Key tasks	Key elements	% time
Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Teach a range of subjects to Adivasi (tribal) children aged 5 to 14 for a minimum of six months from 11 January 2010. . Create lesson plans and teaching and learning materials, often using local resources. . Promote participatory learning methodologies. . Support colleagues through team teaching and feedback. . Play an active role in school life; ensuring children enjoy a high quality education. 	70

Resource development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Coordinate Vidyodaya children’s contributions to ActionAid’s website and share your experiences. Chembakolli resources and website are an award-winning website used by over 1,000 UK primary schools. . Develop resources for ActionAid according to an agreed brief. 	30
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Role related knowledge, skills and experience
<p>Essential</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . PGCE (or equivalent) and at least two years teaching experience within UK schools. . A desire to learn and to help others learn. . Willing to work creatively and adapt to unfamiliar situations. . A flair for solving problems, as unexpected challenges are common in low-resource environments. . Sensitivity to cultural differences and needs of others. <p>Desirable</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Experience of teaching English as a foreign language would be an advantage. . Experience of teaching about Chembakolli in UK schools. . Knowledge of pedagogical methods leading to participatory learning. . Knowledge of the UK national curricula with reference to the global dimension and sustainable development.