



# 10 YEARS ANNIVERSARY

Welcome to the Inle Trust Newsletter - March 2020

## ***Celebrating A decade of Service at the Phayataung Monastery in Burma***

*“Our thanks and thanks from the Children of the Phayataung monastery to so many who have donated to the Charity over the last 10 years. So very many kind and generous friends have helped that it is not possible to thank them all individually, and without which none of this would have been possible*



*My sincere thanks also to Phongyi and our team of collaborators Major (Khun Maung Ngwe), Tin Kyi Hlaing & Than Zin Oo, who have always delivered way beyond expectation”.*

**Feroze & MuMu Dada**  
Trustees

*Here are some of the main projects that have been carried out by The Inle Trust in the last decade:*

### **Computer Training Class. 2010.**

*This was our very first project. At that time there were no computers (and no electricity), actually most of the children had not even seen a computer! Paradoxically that made teaching actually easier.....*



#### Ko Yin Mineral Water Factory 2011-2014

***“One bottle sold feeds one child one meal”***

*To set up a modern water purification factory was a most challenging project and more so because we choose to produce mineral water rather than RO.*

*Clean nourishing water is now consumed by the Children and the Villagers and excess water is bottled and sold to the public and funds used to buy food for the children.*



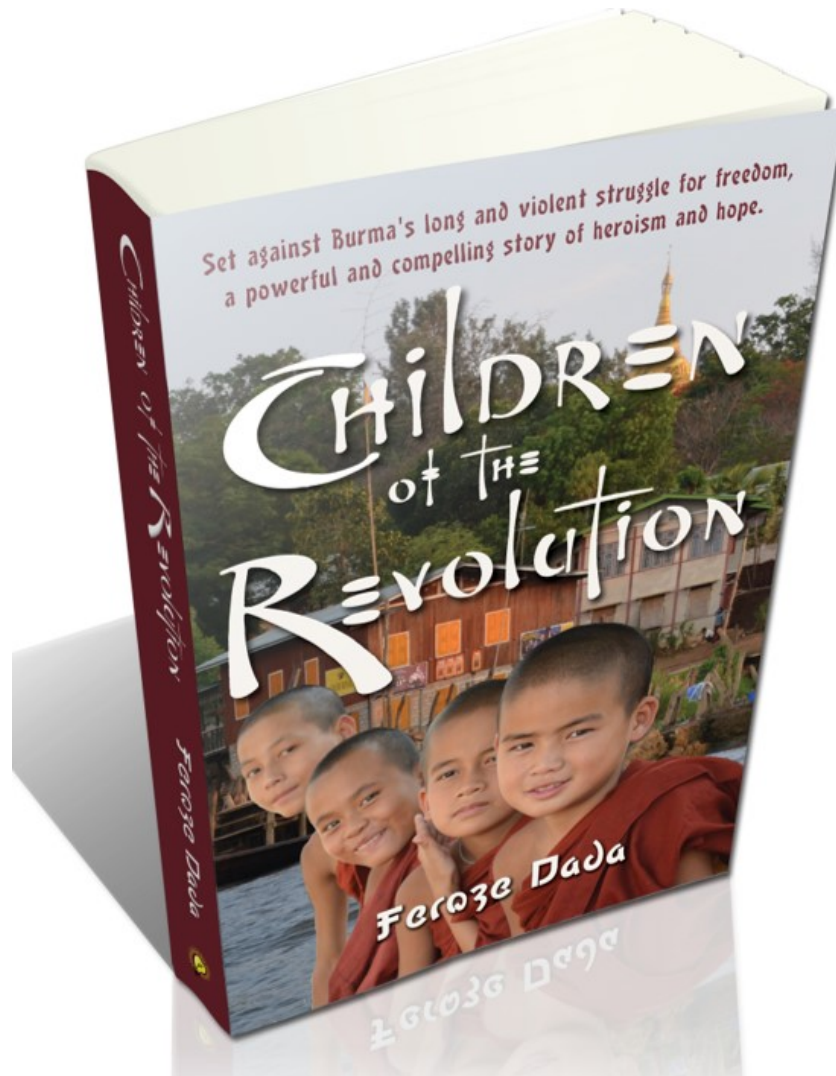
**Children of the Revolution. (Published by Filament 2014)**

***By Feroze Dada, photographs by MuMu Dada.***

***Edited by Andrew Thorman. Book design by Chris Day.***

*This book and the work of The Inle Trust is endorsed by His Holiness The Dalai Lama. Read about the freedom fighter "Major" and Phongyi (Monk) and the making of the Ko Yin Mineral Water Factory.....with amazing colour photographs.*

*Buy from: [www.inletrust.org.uk/our-book](http://www.inletrust.org.uk/our-book) Naturally, all proceeds go to Charity.*



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#### **24 Toilets & Bathing Area. 2015**

*This project speaks for itself. And saves the Lake from being even more polluted! The Inle Trust commissioned the building of 24 toilets, 10 showers and improvements in the girls bathing areas.*





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### Children's Health Clinic. 2016

*The children's medical clinic formally opened on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2015 with much pomp and ceremony with Doctors Dr Jane Dunbar & Dr Isabelle Salmona.*

*All the village elders were invited, and all the teachers and children also participated. Dressed in colourful ethnic costumes everyone danced and sang together to the local music. There were food stalls and Ko Yin mineral water was sold by the bucket full!*

*Children's medical clinic will be available to treat the 1300 children and also the 3000 or so villagers by Dr Jane Dunbar and her team from Scotland.*



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### Training 50 Nurse-aid Students. 2017

The Inle Trust launched the Healthcare Training course for the first batch of 50 students at the brand-new Training centre building. The children have been carefully chosen not just from the monastery school but also from the surrounding lake and mountain villages so that once they finish their training it is hoped that some of them will go back to their village and make a difference in the health of their community.



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### Training Centre Building & Equipment 2017

*Now used for vocational training; health & language training etc.*





**Children of The Revolution. A spiritual Journey to Burma & Buddhism. (Filament 2018).  
New Edition 2018. Fully updated and revised  
By Feroze Dada  
Edited by Duncan Baird & Andrew Thorman**

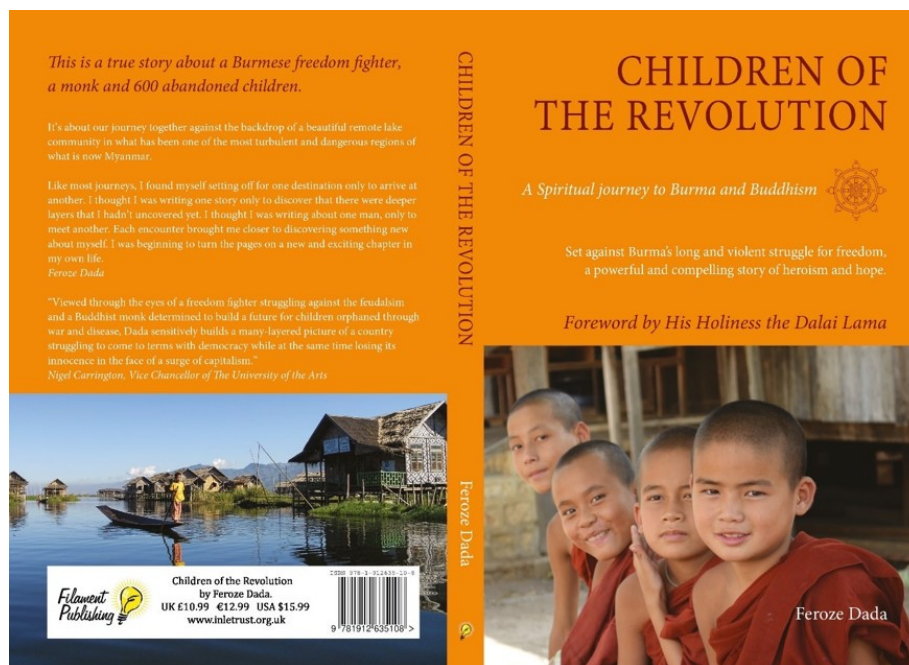
***“Peace comes from within. Do not seek it without” Buddha***

*“Children of the Revolution is a book of converging worlds. In it you discover the very human weave of courage, perseverance and vision, woven with a delightful touch of humour and surprise.*

*It also has the beguiling pattern of a journey unfolding. And as it unfolds, you learn. And you are inspired.*

*Children of the Revolution is both an inspiration and a teaching. It unfolds as a flower does. As you are taken along the twin tracks of a journey through a conflicted region, and a personal journey of reflection, gradually what remains with you is a story about Loving Kindness. Appropriately it starts with a family gathering and ends with the family at the monastery. These are the ripples across the lake, ever-widening patterns of mettā as the children are sheltered, fed, educated, and then go into the world”.*

*Preface by Duncan Baird. Buy from <https://www.book2look.com/book/yVpX172h1Q>*



## Teachers Training & High School Building 2018

*This project was funded by The Inle Trust from the funds raised from the Joseph Calleja Opera; in collaboration with The Samena Foundation and the volunteer teachers from The Charterhouse School of the UK.*

*The building is also used as a High School for the children and has some beautiful “Penthouse!” rooms on the top floor overlooking the Lake.*



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### Dental Clinic. 2019.

2019 comes to a beautiful end as we launch the Children's Dental Clinic at The Inle Trust Health Centre on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2019. Nuria Delgado-Colomo & Dr. Vassia Karpeta from England will be running the clinic.



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### Sewing Training Centre & Equipment 2020

The Inle Trust sponsored the construction of a "tailor-made!" building at Phaya Taung Monastery and provided the sewing equipment for 50 students. Training by local government commenced in February 2020.





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**And finally, for something completely different: TV Series**

The Inle Trust in collaboration with TVapex London produced the TV series: *Discovering Humanity & Our One World* which can be viewed on <http://www.inletrust.org.uk/tv-series/>  
Interviews with Phongyi (the Monk) Andrea Bocelli, Joseph Calleja and many humanitarian and Spiritual individuals.

Listen to the beautiful song “*Children of the Monastery*” composed and sung by rock star Charlie Freeman based on the book, *Children of the Revolution*.







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#### Meditation Workshops

And finally, the Inle Trust is running Spiritual Meditation workshops at various venues in London.

*Have you an open mind.....an open heart?*



For those interested in attending can contact me or wish to help in any way.

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Thank you once again. So many of you have helped and been on this wonderful journey together with us so it would be great if you wish to share your story.....email me at [feroze.dada@inletrust.org.uk](mailto:feroze.dada@inletrust.org.uk)

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**His Holiness,  
The Dalai Lama  
offers his prayers  
for the project**

From His Holiness the Dalai Lama

  
THE DALAI LAMA

Burma's internal conflict in the past several decades has had a drastic impact on the lives of its people. "Children of the Revolution" is an encouraging account of a Burmese monk's effort to alleviate their plight, especially that of the children.

The author, Feroze Dada, gives a moving account of the monk's work and talks about his own efforts to support a school and a care centre for destitute Burmese children started by the monk in his monastery. I offer my prayers for their success.



September 18, 2014

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