



## Lands for Auroville Unified

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### **ACRES FOR AUROVILLE – 24 April 2015**

April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1920 is the day when the Mother returned to Pondicherry for good. She wrote on the significance of her return: “**The anniversary of my return to Pondicherry which was the tangible sign of the sure victory over the adverse forces**”, or, as Sri Aurobindo put it poetically in Savitri:

***"In a new act of the drama of the world  
The united Two began a greater age." (Book V, Canto III)***

Auroville was founded to hasten the advent of “a greater age”. Within Auroville, the International Zone is envisaged to focus on and research the highest attributes and achievements of each nation of the world with a view to foster them and, thereby, further the march of human evolution. **The International Zone is one of the two target areas of Acres for Auroville**, and so we are pleased to share this message from **Friederike Mühlhans, Chairperson of Auroville International**:

*“For the first decades of its existence, Auroville had to concentrate on realizing its spiritual center, the Matrimandir, and on securing its essential physical base in three vital city zones: residential, industrial and cultural. Although not yet fully developed, these areas have become a reliable base for Auroville’s community life. This great progress now gives Auroville the opportunity to increasingly focus on “a living embodiment of an actual human unity”, as laid down in the Charter, by sharing its accumulated experience and achievements with its neighbors and the world at large.*

*The **International Zone**, the fourth central area, is envisaged to play a decisive role in these outreach activities. According to **the Mother’s vision**, the International Zone shall function as a gateway to the world, inviting people from all nations to engage in a quest for their nation’s soul. She also specifically wanted the governments of the world to engage, in one way or the other, in the development of Auroville “for their own good”, for the establishment of peace and harmony on earth. That is why she welcomed and very much appreciated the support and endorsement by UNESCO right from Auroville’s inception.*

*Several groups in Auroville and also within Auroville International are intensely engaged in working out concrete development strategies for the International Zone and have established contacts with different national and governmental agencies. It is in this context that Auroville International greatly welcomes and supports this call - this fourth auspicious occasion to affirm our goodwill through action and donation - by the Acres for Auroville Team and its drive for the acquisition of land in the International Zone. While most of the land in this vital area already belongs to Auroville, **crucial plots are still needed** for securing the zone to enable its full development.*

*We call on the vast family of Auroville’s friends and well-wishers around the world to make this fundraising appeal from the A4A team as big a success as the previous ones and to **help the Mother’s vision for the International Zone come true!***

The A4A Team thanks Friederike and Auroville International for this inspiring message to us all!

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