

## Gandhi Informations Zentrum (Centre) *u/* in Berlin

**Mr.** Peter Ruhi informs : "We are a small but open-minded group of people who are interested in the life and work of the 'Mahatma'. We have been in existence since the middle of 1983 and we want to help making Gandhi's message better known in our part of the world. To this end we organized an exhibition called 'My Life is my Message' and showed it first in the 'UPF—Fabrik', a cultural centre in Berlin-Tempelhof, at the beginning of 1984. The Gandhi Exhibition aroused great interest in Berlin (West) and many different groups from West Germany wanted to take this exhibition.

"We try to collect material (such as books, films, etc.) concerning Gandhi at our Gandhi Information-Zentrum (G-I-Z), and make it available for groups, schools, researchers, etc. In addition to this we sometimes prepare and organize exhibitions on special topics. Finally, we have a library in which there are books, journals and a collection of recordings, photos, studies on Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi. It is not our intention to present Gandhi as a new 'guru' but we try to give help in finding an answer to the following question, 'What significance have Gandhi's life and work for us today?' So we give information about him and his background. To this end we work together with many experts and try to know about the activities of Gandhi groups in other places. *o/*

"For the future, an Arabic-Hebrew Gandhi exhibition will be exhibited in Jerusalem and we are also planning the first Gandhi Museum outside India. This will be in Berlin-Tempelhof at the UFA—Fabrik.

"We are willing to give information to anyone who is interested in our work; we are thankful for criticism and praise and we are looking for donations as the whole project is still underfunded."

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