

FICCI Shraddhanjali Jawan Trust

March 19, 2010: A meeting of the Shraddhanjali Jawan Trust Board Members was organised in New Delhi. A sum of Rs.9, 87,000 (Rupees nine lakh eighty seven thousand only), was disbursed to the families of armed forces personnel of all the three forces, in accordance to the ratios specified and as recommended by the forces.

Following the Kargil war in July 1999, FICCI in partnership with its member companies organized a major fund raising event named "Shardhanjali". This event was graced by the Hon'ble President, the Prime Minister, the three Chiefs of Staff and several Union Ministers and Secretaries to Government of India. [Please click here to view the film/song on Shradhanjali.](#)

The total expenses for organizing the Shraddhanjali Concert were met by FICCI and its member-companies. FICCI's leadership always felt the need for an institution, which could provide some help to the affected armed forces personnel and their families on a continuing basis. Therefore, Rs. 1.10 Crore was raised by way of souvenir advertising, ticket sale and sponsorships and was used to set up a corpus for the FICCI-Sharddhanjali Jawan Trust.

The interest earnings of the corpus fund have since been used to provide financial assistance to the persons recommended by Army Central Welfare Fund, IAF Central Welfare Fund, and Indian Naval Benevolent Association. The financial help is important in the sense that it goes mostly to those families who need. The administrators of these funds, who are also members of the Trust, distribute the actual benefit to the selected families.