

3RD RESOLUTION ON AUROVILLE PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF UNESCO AT ITS PARIS SESSION HELD DURING OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 1970:

Resolution No. 3.32.1

The General Conference

Recalling resolutions 4.36 and 4.131 concerning Auroville which were adopted by the fourteenth and fifteenth sessions of the General Conference,

Noting that the Charter of Auroville aims inter alia at establishing "a place of unending education, of constant progress, of youth that never ages", and "living embodiment of an actual human unity",

Recognizing the progress made in Auroville since the foundation stone was laid on 28th February 1968,

Conscious of the new responsibilities cast on UNESCO in the wake of growing unrest among youth from almost every part of the world; and which has taken the form of an open dispute with the universities and society,

Aware of the urgent need to welcome the "newly vocal young as allies in the search for a better world", and in keeping up with the spirit of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, for the promotion among youth of ideas of peace, mutual respect and understanding between peoples, and in conformity with the Declaration of the Principles of International Cultural Co-operation,

Noting further that towards this end Auroville is already preparing and creating an instrument of education capable of meeting the formidable demands of our age, linking East and West in a new relationship,

Considering that Unesco's Major Project on the Mutual Appreciation of Eastern and Western Cultural Values gave a pioneering start, and recognizing that Auroville can be an effective and integrated follow-up of this Project,

Requests the Director-General to take such steps as may be feasible within the budgetary provisions, to promote the development of Auroville as an important international cultural programme.