## Green news from the Dominican Republic (Spanish speaking Caribbean)

On his Caribbean tour, Francois Becher, Brahma Kumaris co-ordinator of France, visited the Dominican Republic to emphasize the impact of human consciousness on our environment. The aim of the visit was to raise awareness, to provide information and to stress the importance of education concerning this topic. The country with a 10 million population and neighboring to Haiti, has a variety of serious local environmental issues apart from what affects all of us no matter where we live in the world.

With a series of interviews on radio and on national television and lectures he brought the spiritual angle on the issues surrounding environment to the public.



15 Minutes on National Television









There was an enthusiastic meeting with the environmental commission of the faculty of Science of the University of Santo Domingo, the State University. The commission was impressed with the BK-India One project and there is the intention to enter into a collaboration with the Bks in terms of a project to create a solar cooker for the university (110.000 students) and to develop an educational program on 'How consciousness and self awareness impacts our environment'. The aim is that this program will be offered as part of the curriculum to the students of the faculty.





Francois also had a courtesy meeting with Mr Ernesto Abreu, Director of the Department of Education of the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, and some of his technical assistants. The director himself is very much aware of destructive impact on our environment of present economical and social models and systems and of the urgency of it all and he was very receptive to spirituality and to the idea of changing human consciousness.

