

## **GANDHI**

Gandhi was one of the most respected spiritual and political leaders of the 1900; he helped the Indian people to get freedom from the British rule throughout non-violent resistance, and for this reason he is honoured by his people :the Indian people called Gandhi Mahatma that means Great Soul.

He studied law in London and come back to India in 1991 to practice. He accepted a one year contract to do legal work in south Africa. At that time south Africa was controlled by the British. Gandhi hated and developed a method of direct social action based on the principles of courage, non-violence and truth called Satyagraha. With this in south Africa the rights of the people were defended. In 1915 he returned to India. In 15 years he became the leader of the Indian Nationalist Movement, using Satyagraha he lead the campaign for Indian independence. Gandhi was arrested many times by the British for his activities in south Africa and India. In 1947 India was granted independence after one year of non-violence war. Gandhi was assassinated by a fanatic Hindu. So he died, one of the biggest heroes of the 1900 that took in all the world his means of non-violence.