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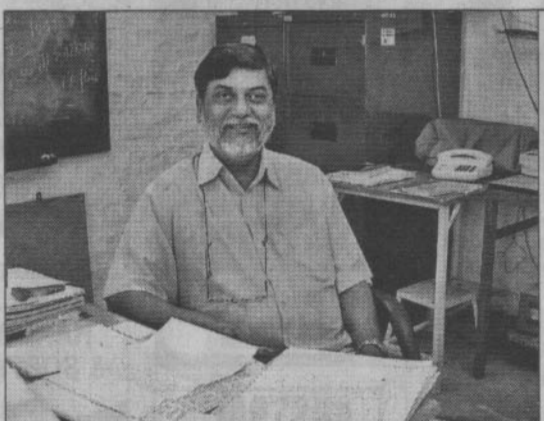
Anil Rajvanshi did in real life 25 years ago what Shah Rukh Khan tried to do in Ashutosh Gowariker's now classic movie, 'Swades.'

An alumni of IIT-Kanpur, with an engineering degree from the University of Florida in the US, Rajvanshi gave up a lucrative job there for the uplift of Phaltan, a small town in Satara district.

Rajvanshi returned to India in 1981 and set up base in Phaltan to run his NGO - Nimbkar Agricultural Research Institute (NARI). After doing pioneering work in electric cycle rickshaws, efficient kerosene lanterns, biomass gasification system, low concentration ethanol stoves and lanterns, he's all set to release his book, '1970s America - An Indian Student's Journey,' based on his life, about revamping Phaltan and his decision to come back to India.

Says Rajvanshi, "When I took the decision, people said I was making a mistake. My bosses in the US tried to dissuade me, saying, "When everybody in the world is coming to the US, it's strange that you are going back." But I told them, India is my own country and I would like to go back and try to do something worthwhile with the knowledge I have gained here."

The basic philosophy of NARI was to solve



Anil Rajvanshi, who returned from the US about 25 years ago, applied science and technology to solve basic problems of the rural populace in Phaltan, a town in Satara district. The enigmatic engineer has now written of his experiences in a book titled '1970s America - An Indian Student's Journey', to be released on May 5

the age-old problems of rural population using modern technology in a sustainable manner. With various technological changes like collecting water from soil and a multi-fuel lantern called 'Noorie' which produces light equivalent to that of a 100 watt light bulb and can run on diesel and kerosene, Rajvanshi has indeed changed the face of Phaltan.

He has received a number of prestigious awards, such as the Jammalal Bajaj award, in-

duction into the US-based solar hall of fame, the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industries (FICCI) annual award and the Energy Globe award among others.

The book will be released on May 5 by Baba Kalyani, chairman, Kalyani Group, in the presence of Madhur Bajaj, president of the Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Agriculture and Rakesh Sharma, chief commissioner of customs and excise, Pune division.

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