

To,

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**Respected Sir,**

### **Utilization Report**

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude for your contribution of **INR 2, 50,000** towards supporting Samarthanam's **Educational Initiatives**. Your association in helping our active children belonging to disabled and economically weaker sections of the society is highly admired.

**The valuable bequest from your end has** helped us in taking care of the expenses of education of students. The grant has been exclusively utilized for purchasing of books and stationary, school uniforms, bags and shoes and even food and accommodation for the students who enroll in Samarthanam's educational initiative program.

### **Samarthanam's Educational Programmes**

#### **Introduction:**

Indian Asian News Service (IANS) states according to a survey almost 95 percent of India's disabled population has no access to education, employment opportunities and health care services. Lack of disabled-friendly infrastructure and tardy approach towards an inclusive education system forces India's disabled children stay out of school. A World Bank study points out that they are more vulnerable than those hailing from backward castes due to negative mindsets. Despite the compulsory norms stated in the Persons with Disabilities Act, 1995, most government school buildings yet do not have full-fledged barrier-free architecture for the physically disabled.

#### **Samarthanam Experience and Current Operations:**

By considering above factors Samarthanam plans to set up a disabled friendly school which will help the disabled to access the education without any barrier. The school will be completely user friendly building for people with disabilities providing accessibility and flexibility in infrastructure. In this regard, Samarthanam has various educational programmes being run with the motto to provide easy access to special children. Organization provides a place to stay and study, this residential programme also provides nutritious food, vocational training courses, and placement based rehabilitation.

**Objectives of the Project:**

- To promote primary and higher education of the Visually Impaired, disabled and underprivileged children
- To increase the educational and employment accessibility of the people with disabilities by using assistive aids and comprehensive vocational training
- To reduce malnutrition related disability through nutritional supplements
- To promote and spread art, sports and games of the people with disabilities especially the Visually Impaired

**Impact of the Programme:**

- Promoting school participation
- Increasing the educational and employment accessibility of Person With Disability (PWD)
- Fostering social equality
- Enhancing gender equity

**Targeted Population:**

The project provides educational service to with visual impairment, physical disability and underprivileged children.

**Socio Economic profile of the target group:**

The programme caters to the under privileged children of Factory workers, Construction labors, manual workers of garments, coolies and other under privileged and marginalized sections of the society, such as, disabled, girl child, children of broken family and other socially disadvantaged. The services under this project are offered without any fee and without any discrimination on the grounds of caste, creed, color, race, religion, gender etc.

**Geographical Coverage:**

The disabled friendly school will be built in HSR lay out, Bangalore. It provides residential school facility to the disabled and underprivileged children from Karnataka and its surrounding states.

## **Case Studies:**

### **Case Study: 1**

#### **Name: Mani R**

Mani is ailing from an economically poor family, from outskirts of Bangalore. He is 11 year old boy studying in Grade IV, in Samarthanam's School, in HSR Layout. Earlier he was studying in Sri Sharada Vidya Mandir and due to financial reasons he discontinued there and came to know about Samarthanam free school in Bangalore. He is only child of his parents.

Later his parents enquired about the school and enrolled Mani into Grade 5 and they were really contented because, the school provided free education, food and accommodation facilities for their child. Mani is able to pursue his education without any defaults in paying fees and not giving trouble to his parents for fees and other things. His parents are no more and he stays in Samarthanam Hostel.



### **Case Study: 2**

#### **Name: Muniyamma**



Muniyamma, youngest daughter of Venkatesh and Dodakka, Bidadi. She is a young spirited girl with all the dreams to achieve big. She is studying in class III in Samarthanam School in HSR Layout. Muniyamma, is from an poor economic background. She performs well in academics and she has many other talents. She dances well and she is interested in other extracurricular activities.

She is staying in Samarthanam's hostel and all her educational, food and accommodation expenses are being borne by Samarthanam. She is given full freedom to study and she feels that she is learning many things about the outer world than before. Muniyamma, now is confident about herself and will be able to face the competitive world in short period of time.

Her parents are proud about their daughter's progress in education and positive changes in her personality too.

### **Case Study: 3**

**Name: Suvarna N**



Suvarna, a 13 year old girl from Gulbarga District. She is ailing from poor economic family background and she is the youngest in the family of 6 members. Her parents Ningappa and Hampamma are daily wage labourers in Gulbarga District. Suvarana's parents were informed about Samarthanam's educational initiatives from their relatives.

Suvarana's father enrolled Suvarana in Samarthanam High School in Hulimavu. Now she is pursuing her schooling with ease in acquiring plenty knowledge. She is studying in Grade VIII. She is dreaming to become a doctor and serve her people to make their lives better.

Samarthanam is polishing her skills. Organization has indentified her talents in cultural performances and helping her to shape up her hidden skills and talents in dance and theater art. She is grateful to Samarthanam for providing a wonderful platform to polish her skills and help her to pursue her education career further.

We are grateful, for your generous contribution towards the educational expenses of the students who are tomorrow's leaders. We look forward for your support and cooperation in further course of action.

**Thanking you,**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MGK'.

**Mahantesh G.K**  
**Founder Managing Trustee**