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## Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society

(Run by the Department of Education, CTA, Dharamsala)

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### CASE HISTORY

**Name of child:** Choezin Lhamo      **Admission no:**1050  
**Gender:** Female      **D.O.B:** 18/09/2014  
**Mother's Name:** Tsering Dolkar      **Father's Name:**Lobsang Tsering  
**Mother's Profession:** Housewife      **Father Profession:** Unemployed  
**Place:** Manali      **Class:** IV'24  
**Siblings:**1      **School:** STS Manali



### Life History of the child and the reason for sponsorship:

The 1959 occupation of Tibet was followed by the exodus of about 80,000 Tibetans along with their spiritual leader His Holiness The Dalai Lama to neighboring countries like India and Nepal etc., which is where a large part of the current Tibetan Diaspora exists. For a refugee community on a foreign land, education is of key essence, which is why under the guidance of His Holiness and against all odds, Tibetan schools were established to provide proper education to the children in order to make them self-reliant, to serve the Tibetan cause and to preserve the Tibetan culture and identity. The Department of Education (DoE), CTA is the apex body, responsible for administration of Tibetan schools in exile. On 16<sup>th</sup> May 1999, DoE formed an organization, namely; Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society (STSS), responsible for managing the schools which were erstwhile managed by DoE directly. STSS persist on providing a holistic education to the underprivileged children, residing at the remotest area, who are bereft of their basic rights.

Choezin Lhamo lives with her mother, brother and grandmother. Her parents went their separate ways and since then, her father has never been in contact with her or her family for years. Her mother has always been a housewife for long but now that she has to earn to provide for her mother and children, she has been working under other people to earn a meager amount of money. Despite her mother's constant effort to make ends meet, the family is struggling financially and emotionally as they are unable to even pay their monthly rent. Her mother feels hopeless as she is neither able to provide a decent life for her family, nor is she able to save their house. She earnestly wishes for her children to lead a decent life where they do not need to worry over whether they will have a roof above their head the next day or not.

Lhamo is a bright student who takes keen interest in all the co-curricular activities of the school. She enjoys reading books and dancing during her free time. Her favorite colors are red and purple and her favorite meal is a simple combination of rice and dal. She likes mathematics class the most. She is highly intrigued by various fields of education and therefore, wishes to explore it and learn as much as possible before deciding on a specific profession she wishes to choose.

On agreeing to the noble cause of sponsoring a child, Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society will keep the kind sponsor duly updated on the life and the progress of the child, twice a year. Your kind help will encourage and enable these underprivileged refugee kids in playing an instrumental role in the development of their community. We, Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society, are and will always remain indebted to our altruistic sponsors for their generosity in providing education and a decent living to the Tibetan refugee children.

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