Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society

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

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CASE HISTORY

Name of child: Samten Chodon **Admission no: 1062**
Gender: Female **D.O.B: 26/06/2010**
Mother's Name: Tsering Tsomo **Father's Name: Dhondup Dorjee**
Mother's Profession: Housewife **Father Profession: Farmer**
Place: Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh **Class: IX'24**
Siblings: 3 **School: STS Petoen School**

Life History of the child and the reason for sponsorship:

Since the occupation of Tibet, thousands of Tibetan fled Tibet and embarked on an arduous and perilous journey into exile. Subsequently, they took refuge in India, Nepal, and Bhutan. Inherently, the life of refugees is that of struggle, plagued by impoverishment and an uncertain future. Nevertheless, under the guidance and aegis of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama, it was decided that "Education" holds the key to preserving and sustaining the Tibetan struggle for a longer time. Therefore, separate schools for Tibetan children were established under the administration of the Department of Education, CTA. The DoE is the apex body that has the mandate to give guidance and oversee the education of the entire Tibetan community in exile. On 16th May 1999, DoE started a new organization (Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society) that would manage the schools which were erstwhile managed directly by the DoE. Sambhota primarily provides education in far-flung areas, providing wholesome education to those less privileged.

Samten Chodon hails from a far flung region named Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh. Currently she is studying at our sister school STS Petoen, Dharamsala, Himachal Pradesh. It is our pioneer school which follows our "Basic Education Policy (BEP)" where primary focus is on our mother language Tibetan. Additionally, English is also teach but only from Class IV onwards. It has classes from I to X. Moreover, the primary livelihood of the family over here is either farmers, army or winter sweater sellers. Her father is the sole breadwinner of their family, he is a farmer by profession while her mother is a housewife. The amount generated by him just suffices to meet their basic necessities, let alone bearing Samten's school fee. They want their daughter to study well and achieve her dream unlike themselves.

Samten is an introverted and simple girl who likes reading and dancing. Physically, she is a well-developed child and likes to spend time with her friends. Additionally, her favourite food is rice and lentils while purple is her favourite colour. She wishes to become a doctor and her favourite subject is Mathematics. Her humble parent has a huge expectation from her and wishes to see her succeed unlike themselves. They want her to become a contributing member of not only our exile Tibetan community but the world at large.

We assure you that, we will keep you posted and updated about the child twice a year, covering her progress in academic and co-curricular activities. We the entire staff members and the children would like to thank you for your unwavering support till now, we have made good progress till now, but we are also aware that there are still more grounds to cover, so to achieve that we continually require your both physical and moral support.

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