# Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society

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## CASE HISTORY

**Name of child:** Tenzin Gazom
**Gender:** Female
**Mother's Name:** Pemla Bhutia
**Mother's Profession:** Teacher
**Place:** Ravangla
**Siblings:** 1

**Admission no:** 1083
**D.O.B:** 21/03/2018
**Father's Name:** Migmar Dhondup
**Father Profession:** Teacher
**Class:** I'24
**School:** STS Kalimpong

## 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 16th 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.

Tenzin Gazom comes from a small family of four members. She lives with her parents and her sister in Ravangla, which is a hill station in India. Both of her parents are teachers at exile Tibetan schools. As a refugee living on borrowed lands, with limited job options and the lack of the civic amenities that the actual citizens of host country enjoy, her parents earn a meager salary which is barely enough to support Gazom at present, let alone her future.
Her parents work diligently to educate and facilitate the younger generation and the future seeds of Tibet so that they will be able to serve the community and preserve the unique culture and tradition of Tibet. They are working hard to not only serve the community but also to pave way for a bright path for Gazom and her sister as well. They wish for Gazom and all other younger generation of Tibet to succeed in life and help the cause of Tibetan freedom struggle.

Gazom is a lovely girl with a friendly demeanor. She enjoys reading storybook during her leisure time as it helps her explore her creative and imaginative skills. Her favorite colors are pink and blue and her favorite foods are momo (Tibetan dumpling) and tsampa (traditional Tibetan food made of barley). She likes drawing class the most. She wishes to become kind and passionate teacher like her parents when she grows up.

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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