

## Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society

(Run by the Department of Education, CTA, Dharamsala) (Registered under the Societies Registration Act, 2006 (Act No.25 of 2006) Registration No. 470/2006

Name of child: Tenzin Kunkyi Gender: F Mother's Name: Choney Dolma Mother's Profession: Housewife Place: Chauntra Siblings: Nil Admission no: 1376 D.O.B: 19-01-2018 Father's Name: Tsering Gompo Father Profession: Business Class: I'24 School: STS Chauntra



## 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 preserve and sustain 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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.

Tenzin Kunkyi studies at our sister school STS Chauntra, Dharamsala, Himachal Pradesh. It has classes from pre-primary to class V. Her parent is illiterate by nature, hence they don't have much choice when it's comes to job prospects. Her father is the lone member of their small family who has a job. He sells winter garment in metropolitan cities. Most Tibetan population livelihood depend upon winter sweater businesses. Sadly, his business is seasonal and remains unemployed during the summer. The income he generates barely covers their daily necessities, let alone paying the school fee of their children. Hence, they want their childrens to study well and has a high hope from them to change the grim lifestyle of the family. They want their children to study well and become self-reliant, unlike themselves.

Kunkyi is an studious little girl and is introverted by nature. Although she don't speak much she has many friends at her school. Her hobbies includes reading, singing and playing outdoor games. She is fond of attending school daily and learning new things and growing as a person. Additionally, she likes participating in school sports activities and is quite good in her academic field as well. Her favorite color is pink and orange while momo (Tibetan meat dumpling), rice and lentil is her favourite food. Her favourite subject to learn is Tibetan and English. Additionally, she is an ambitious child and wishes to become a doctor. Also, she is fond of spending time with her friends.

Once into the sponsorship program, the academic progress of the child will be updated to the kind sponsor through a letter written by the child herself twice a year. Your kind support to Tibetan refugee children will surely enable our underprivileged children to become a contributing members of our society. Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society, Dharamsala will remain forever grateful to our generous sponsors for their support in education of Tibetan refugee children.

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