Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society

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

Name of child: Ngawang Rabsal
Gender: Male
Mother's Name: Sonam Chodon
Mother's Profession: Housewife
Place: Bhandara Norgyeling
Siblings: 1

Admission no: 1309
D.O.B: 16/11/2015
Father's Name: Thupten Namdol
Father's Profession: Tibetan Medical Practitioner
Class: V'26
School: STS Herbertpur

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 in a foreign land, education is of key importance, which is why, under the guidance of His Holiness and against all odds, Tibetan schools were established to provide proper education to the children 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 the administration of Tibetan schools in exile. STS Gothangaon is an exile Tibetan school, which was established in the year 1972 soon after the establishment of the Tibetan Norgyeling Settlement. 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 persists in providing a holistic education to the underprivileged children residing in the remotest areas who are bereft of their basic rights.

Ngawang Rabsal lives in a joint family, and the whole family is entirely dependent on the meager salary of his father, who works as a Tibetan Medical Practitioner at the Tibetan Medical and Astrology Institute. Considering that his workplace is a charitable institution that promotes Tibetan medicine, and despite working incessantly, he does not earn enough to sustain the family's livelihood. Ngawang's family is facing financial issues, and the parents are all very fearful of what the future holds for him. The father being the sole earner of the family and the only pillar of support also leads to a potentially volatile future, especially if something were to happen to him. The dreams, aspirations, and future of little Ngawang seem very bleak.

Ngawang is a sweet and loving boy who enjoys dancing a lot. His favorite color is orange, and his favorite food is momo (Tibetan dumpling). His favorite subject is Environmental Studies (EVS), and he aspires to become a teacher who can facilitate little kids like himself.

Upon agreeing to the noble cause of sponsoring a child, Sambhota Tibetan Schools Society will keep the kind sponsor duly updated on the life and progress of the child twice a year. Your kind help will encourage and enable these underprivileged refugee kids to play 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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