



## NEWS LETTER

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### From the Editorial Team:

October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008 will be 3 years since Sugun expired. As we remember Sugun, we are also thankful that the foundation in his name is keeping his spirit alive, and in the process giving all of us a purpose. This year three of our students have completed their 12<sup>th</sup> standard and are now well placed in good colleges. Two more students are writing their board exams this year.

### The students who entered colleges this year

#### J. Divya makes it to Engineering, Computer Science



J Divya

J. Divya has secured admission to an Anna University Engineering College at Kumbakonam, for the Computer Science course.

Divya was an English medium student of Ambattur Girls High School.

Her father Jayaprakash is a vegetable vendor and mother Vijayakumari works in a rubber company. They both are fairly old. Her sister is in class 10 in the same school.

She scored 94.6% in class 10 examinations and scored 91.75% in the subjects in the 12<sup>th</sup> standard examination. The Foundation has sponsored her education from the 11<sup>th</sup> standard and intends to continue supporting this budding engineer through her course. Congratulations Divya!

#### P. Lakshmipriya for B.Sc. Computer Science



P. Lakshmipriya

Lakshmipriya has obtained admission for the Computer Science course in the St. Thomas Arts and Science college.

The Foundation intends to provide her additional funding for a GNIIT course in parallel to her main degree.

Lakshmipriya studied in Ambattur Girls High School. She scored 91.8% in class 10 examinations and 87% for subjects in the 12<sup>th</sup> board examination. Her education has been largely in the Tamil medium.

Lakshmipriya lives with her mother and is supported by her elder sister who is working as a basic computer instructor. She received the Rajpurashkar award as a Girl Guide. Her hobbies are drawing and reading. All the best Lakshmipriya for your course!

#### Srinivas for Mechanical Engineering

Srinivas has joined the Mohammed Sathak Engineering College after having obtained 86% for subjects in the 12<sup>th</sup> standard exam. The Foundation had sponsored his course for the Computer Science course in Loyola college and he had started his course. However, his family wanted him to take up Engineering. In line with our policy of sponsoring students only in colleges which are considered 'good', we have decided not to continue with funding Srinivas for further studies. His uncle will take up the responsibility in future.

Srinivas was provided personal and financial support during his plus two course and has very positive memories of the Foundations support during the period.

**The students who are appearing this year****B Nirmala**

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B Nirmala is an English Medium student of the Presidency girls high school Egmore and lives in Maduravoyal. Nirmala has scored 89% in her 10<sup>th</sup> standard exam.

She has won prizes in sports and drawing and her favorite subjects are Maths and Science. She was the school pupil leader last year.

Her father R Balraj is blind and her mother is a packer in a soap company.

Sugun's mother is currently giving her special classes in English. In the last exam she scored 200/200 in Physics and we are hoping that she will show great results in 12<sup>th</sup> standard.

**C Hariprasad**

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C. Hariprasad is a 12<sup>th</sup> standard English medium student of the Pathippaga Chemmal K. Ganapathy Hr.Secondary School Kodambakkam.

He is the only child of V.C. Manjula who works as a staff in an export company. His father is a postman who went missing in 1996.

He scored 92% in class 10 examinations and his favorite subjects are Math and Tamil. He desires to get an engineering degree.

**An update on our students in college**

Reena and Sangeetha are doing very well in their courses in Guindy engineering college and Ethiraj college respectively. Both are in their second year, and have adjusted to college life very well.

We will have to start training them soon for job placement.

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The STF thanks its benefactors for their continued patronage. The approximate cost per sponsored student remains at around 2 lakhs. So please keep the funds coming in.

We have secured 80G clearance for Indian Rupee donations till 2010, which is a clear indication of the Governments confidence in our integrity. We are in the process of receiving clearance to accept foreign funds.

For those of you who are abroad and want to contribute, please contact us directly.

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