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Dear Friends,

For many people in India, the job they have to do to earn a living is very tough. Imagine people working in the brick kilns. The area is totally dusty and hot. The hot sun will also add fuel to fire. How do people work in this environment for more than 12 hours a day? If you ask them, they compare themselves with so many others, who don't even have this job! They are happy that they somehow have something to earn and take care of their families. Can they have their own home made of the bricks, which they make? No, they live only in huts, as home made of bricks are out their reach! It is not a question of 12 hours, it is a matter of many generations – yes, they are so poor that they can't think of educating their children and they also land up as brick kiln labourers.

Take the case of a person who works as a 'coolie' and his job is to lift heavy material and load it onto trucks. How the man manages to carry 75 to 100 KG bags on his back and effortlessly load in onto the truck! As he does these jobs for years continuously, his back tends to develop a curvature, and he can never stand straight. Can his next generation, stand straight and tall?

L.Vijaya Kumar, who secured the 1st position in Sevalaya's 12th grade exams, is from a brick kiln labourer family. He came in the Anna University merit list for engineering college admissions and Sevalaya has raised the money and paid his fees and he is proudly attending college now. He got seat in St. Peters Engineering College, he also got the group which is in demand – the IT group! In four years time, his family can afford a house made of bricks!

S.Nithya who secured 2nd position in Sevalaya's 12th grade exams, is from a 'truck loader' family. She has come in the merit list and Sevalaya has admitted her, in Sriram Engineering College in EEE group. Very soon, she will be standing tall and that too, on her own legs.

Many others have got admission in various other arts and science colleges, some of them in B.Sc. Computer science group. Higher education is very expensive and thanks to all of you, we have put 37 kids in colleges, who are from very poor background. Very soon, Sevalaya should be running its own free university, open for the orphan, poor and destitute bright children.

Thanks & Regards
Murali

Sevalaya gets income tax exemption under Section 35 AC – 100% TAX BENEFIT !

We are very happy to inform you that Finance Ministry, Govt of India has notified Sevalaya's Mahakavi Bharathiyar Higher secondary school as a project under section 35 AC of Income Tax act. From now, Indian Tax Payers donating to Sevalaya school expenses or for school corpus will qualify for 100% tax benefit on the donations they have made.



The valedictory function of the annual science exhibition

Events

A programme on Freedom from Corruption was held 06/08/2007 at the service Centre. The chief guests on the occasion were Mr T.Rathina Pandiyan and Mr M.Vijay Anand of 5th Pillar, an organization devoted to the eradication of the social evil plaguing India -Corruption.

The Annual Science Exhibition with the theme Development of Science and Technology in 60 Years in India was organized from 09/08/2007 to 11/08/2007. The exhibition was inaugurated by Prof. N.Rajendra Naidu (Principal, D.R.B.C.C.C. Hindu College, Pattabiram) on 09/08/2007. The Chief Guest stressed on the importance of education in life and lauded the efforts of the management which helped promising students to complete their college studies by providing necessary assistance in all aspects.

The valedictory function of the annual science exhibition was on 11/8/2007. Mr P.Mohan Kumar (District Educational Officer, Thiruvallur) was the chief guest and Ms.Sujatha (Member National Knowledge Commission) was also present on the occasion.

A free General medical check up Camp was conducted by Sevalaya and M.M.Diagnosticks Centre, Villivakkam on 12th August 2007. Dr. N.G. Mothi Narayanan and his team of doctors conducted check ups for the children, senior citizens of



Sevalaya Students - 4 days tour to Hyderabad



'IPSOWA' – IPS officers wives association's Function

Sevalaya and people from nearby Villages. Nearly 450 people participated in this camp. ECG, Ultra sound scan machinery were brought by the team and tests were conducted. Blood tests to ascertain haemoglobin level and Random sugar level were also conducted.

The 60th Independence Day was celebrated on 15/08/2007. Y'sm.Anto, District Governor, Y's Men International-South India Region, Y'sm.Varghese Abraham- President, Y's Men Club of Anna Nagar West, Y'smt. Valsala Raja - President, Y's Menettes Club of Anna Nagar West, Y'slg.AnaghaJayakumar - Y's Menettes Club of Anna Nagar West were the chief guests on the occasion. A colourful cultural programme was presented by the students of Mahakavi Bharathiyar Higher Secondary School. Students and villagers participated in the celebration and paid their respect to the freedom fighters. A Blood donation camp was organized by the old students of Sevalaya and Indian Red Cross, Thiruvallur.

A film show about The Guru of "The Art of Living" Sri Sri. Ravi Sankarji – was arranged by Ms. S.M.Saroja of Palavedu for the residents of Sevalaya on 18/08/2007.

To celebrate of 20 years of fruitful service of Sevalaya a function was organized on 19/08/2007. Mr. Upendra J.Chivukula, Deputy Speaker, New



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