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Hope & Help for Orphans in India

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Kavita and Ratna 2013

Two HA Girls Join Software Company!

We love to brag about "our kids", especially when they work hard and take advantage of the opportunities in their lives. Recently two of our older girls (above left Kavita, right Ratna) graduated from university and joined the work force with a company based in the US that works in the field of Healthcare Analytics. Ratna and Kavita started work May 1st.

Their childhood was rough as they both lost their mothers very early. Their fathers were very poor and unable to provide them basic needs. Education was out of reach.

Ratna joined our partner orphanage Sphoorti in 2006 after she completed STD II at a government school. Kavita joined Sphoorti in 2007 after completing STD III.

Both were studying in Telugu (local language) medium and had to be put in STD I in a local school English medium school. After skipping a few grades, they completed STD X at 16 years of age. It was a very tough journey for them in a new academic environment.

With the help of some generous souls, Sphoorti was able to give them an education at good quality Junior Colleges to complete STD XI and STD XII. Both worked very hard during those two years. Sphoorti promised undergrad education in top colleges if they did well in STD XI and XII.

During the two years, although they did well, they were branded as 'Hostel Girls' and treated with some disdain. But the girls stood up against that treatment and completed their studies with good scores.

As they did well, Sphoorti kept its promise and secured them admission in Bhavan's Degree College, Hyderabad in Bachelors Program with Math, Statistics and Computer Science as the major subjects. Sensing their potential, a friend of Sphoorti Foundation sponsored the education of the girls in college and spent more than \$3,000 to help them reach their goal in three years. (con't to the right)

Aum Pranava Ashram Children

Our Tamil Nadu partner, Aum Pranava Ashram (APA), has several children in need of sponsors. One young boy, Gokula, is six years old. His mother died, but he is unaware of this fact. He was brought up by his aunt who he believes to be his mother. His family lives in extreme poverty which is why they had to leave him in the care of the ashram.

We have a total of five APA children, ages 5 through 14, currently posted on our website. If you would like to consider supporting Gokula, or another APA or Sphoorti child, click [here](#) to go to our sponsorship page.

To remove your name from our mailing list, please click [here](#).

Hope Abides is a U.S. based multi-faith organization whose mission is to provide help and hope to orphaned and destitute children in India. We help children regardless of their gender, caste or religious background and seek participation from all.

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The sponsor was impressed with the progress of these girls and offered them a job in his company. The company is based in the US and works in the field of Healthcare Analytics.

Hope Abides is proud to be a supporter of Sphoorti since 2011 and to have been part of Kavita and Ratna's journey having sponsored their education in the 2013/2014 school year.

If more students from Sphoorti do well in their studies, the company will accept a few more children in the future.

The progress of Ratna and Kavita will inspire other Sphoorti children to take up studies more seriously and work harder. This year, at least 5 Sphoorti children are hoping to enter Engineering Courses. We are so proud!