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## Editor's Column

# हम बोले दुनिया सुने...

### दोस्तो

तीन टाइम का खाना, प्यार भरा माहौल और देखभाल-- जिंदगी की सबसे अहम, सबसे बड़ी चीजें हैं रेनबो में रहने वाले बच्चों के लिए। इस बात को सामान्य घरों में रहने वाला कोई भी बच्चा समझ ही नहीं सकता है। शायद यही वजह है कि उन्हें इन तमाम बातों की इतनी परवाह नहीं होती। उनके लिए ये तमाम चीजें टेकन फॉर ग्रांटेड है। इसकी वजह है कि वे इन तमाम सुखों से कभी महरूम यानी वंचित नहीं होते। यही वजह है जिंदगी के सभी रंगों को दिल खोलकर जीते हैं रेनबो होम्स के बच्चे। जहां जाते हैं, छ जाते हैं। उन्हें बस मौका मिलना चाहिए— एक अवसर और वे झोंक देते हैं उसमें अपना सौ फीसद।

रेनबो साथी के इस अंक में हमने ऐसे ही भाव को समेटा है। इसमें तमाम बच्चों-युवाओं ने अपने हौंसले, अपने आगे बढ़ने, उड़ान भरने की कहानी साझा की है। यह बहुत ही मार्मिक और प्रेरणादायक है। इससे इस बात की अहमियत एक बार फिर साबित होती है कि रेनबो होम्स जैसी संस्था की इस समाज में कितनी सख्त जरूरत है। पुणे के नारवीर तानाजी वाडी स्कूल की प्रिंसिपल प्रादन्या निवानकर ने भी रेनबो साथी जर्नलिस्ट को दिये इंटरव्यू में इस बात को मजबूती से रखा है। कई बच्चियों ने इसे सुख का धरोहरा कहा तो कई ने खुलकर बताया कि बिना शिक्षा उनका जीवन कितना सूना था। आंखों में सपने तब जगो जब शिक्षा का जजियारा फैला।

बात यहां सिर्फ सपनों को देखने की नहीं, उन्हें अमली जामा

## We speak world listens

### FRIENDS

Three meals a day, caring environment, love—these are the most important, most essential things in life of the Rainbow Children. How much they aspire for it, reflects in their writings. Children who grow up in well to do families don't even consider them as precious. They tend to take these things for granted, as they are generally never deprived of them. This basic difference makes Rainbow Children Special in every sense. They enjoy life to their fullest, where ever they go, they outsmart the rest. All they need is a chance to prove themselves and give their 100 percent.

In this issue of Rainbow Sathi we have gathered this palette of emotions. Children and youngsters have narrated in depth about their struggles to get education, to get safe environment and then to fly with the wings of their dreams. All write-ups are very heart touching, moving and inspirational. They shine light upon the extreme need of an institution like RAINBOW HOMES. In the present world RAINBOW HOMES are indispensable. Ms Pradnaya Nivankar, the Principal of Narveer Tanaji Wadi School, Pune, also stressed



पहनाने की है। यह कवायद रेनबो होम्स में बड़े होते बच्चों के साथ प्रोफेशनल समझदारी और विशेषज्ञता के साथ पूरी की जा रही है। आखिरकार बच्चों को बड़ी दुनिया में उतरना ही है, जो लगातार हिंसक और क्रूर होती जा रही है। भेदभाव, गैरबराबरी, नाइंसाफी से वहीं लड़ते-भिड़ते, मोर्चा फतह करना है।

ये हौंसला जिंदाबाद है और इस मिशन में लगी टीम को भी जिंदाबाद है। सुनो हम बेखौफ होकर गहरे समंदर में उतरने को तैयार अमेरिकी लेखक जॉन ए. शेड के शब्दों में कहें तो...

जब तक जहाज बंदरगाह पर है, सुरक्षित है, लेकिन जहाज इसके लिए बने नहीं है।

**हम लड़ेंगे, हम जीतेंगे !!!**

upon the necessity of Rainbow Homes in her interview with Rainbow Sathi Journalists. Many girls call Homes their loving nests and many even openly admit how different their lives would have been without the support of Rainbow Homes. We are not just talking about dreams, we are also emphasizing on making plans to execute and to transform them into reality. For this, we are providing special professional guidance, specialized consultancy-counseling to the growing children. At last, they have to fly independently in this vast world. Not forgetting how the world around us is becoming a more difficult place to live—full of hatred, revenge and violence, we are fighting. Fighting to find our space in the society, fighting against discrimination, inequality, injustice and we will win.

Salute to this fighting spirit and to all the people who have put their heart and soul to contribute to this mission. We are ready and determined to sail our ships in the deep waters as the world renowned American writer, **John A. Shedd** said

“A ship in harbor is safe — but that is not what ships are built for.”

**WE SHALL FIGHT,  
WE SHALL WIN!!!**

*John A. Shedd*

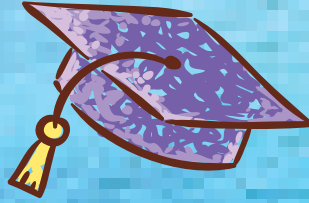




# NOW SKY IS THE LIMIT



**Sathya A**  
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**Divya P**  
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St, Aloysius, Bengaluru

**M**y name is Sathya, I joined Rainbow Home in 2013 before that I was in a different place, my family condition was very bad. I lost my Dad. My mother was working as a sweeper.

So Me and my sister joined ANC Rainbow home when i was in 7th std till 2nd PUC. Being in Rainbow home i have learnt a lot- life skills, Computer classes, Spoken English classes and many other activities. During my tenth class i received lot of support from Rainbow homes for special Coaching classes and I scored 78% in tenth . And i got scholarship. While i was in high school i found my interest in singing, so i joined music class and Rainbow homes supported me. I joined a music class and i won prizes through it. I used to get counseling to come out of stress. And during holidays we were taken for outing . I am thankful for this opportunity. if I was at my house i would have missed the real feel of life. Really Rainbow homes changed my Life.

**I** am Divya. It's been 8 years since i joined Rainbow homes, i lost my dad at a very young age and my mother was left without any job , we do not even have any relatives . My mother was working as a domestic worker with very less wage. I have a younger sister and brother and i also started working to earn a little. After a year i was contacted by the sisters of Navajeevana and from then i have better life. Through this even my sister and brother are being helped.

Being in Rainbow home it has been like my own family. I don't think i would have got

the so much love and care anywhere in the world. And education was almost impossible. I was able to score 79 percentage in my 12th ,right now i am successfully doing my 1st year degree in a reputed college in Bangalore, St, Aloysius. Only through the help of Rainbow homes, my life changed, improved so much.





**Anuradha. P**  
Std: 1st BCOM  
St. Aloysious college,  
Bengaluru

I am Anuradha P. I am from ANC Rainbow home. I have only my granny Sr Ancy, as I dont have parents. I was working in a domestic worker with granny. One day, when I was going toKR market then I saw children standing in the hostel. I went and I was left alone, I wanted to join. I used to get only 500rs for washing vessels, Cleaning house and mopping house. I was pained. Biggest change which I felt after I joined Rainbow home in 2010, I started getting

three meals in a day. It was bit difficult and I was not not very comfortable with it as earlier I used to just eat one meal when I was living on the street. Later on I got used to the environment, I used to fall sick very frequently and I used to get treated very well which made me so cheerful and happy.



Right now I am doing my Degree first year in St. Aloysious college. When I was in my 12th class I used to wonder and feel very bad about my future and how to take care of my future and my younger sisters . Then I was given the opportunity to join in the group living .Right now I am living with 5 girls who are staying with me. I feel proud and I cannot believe myself that I have reached so far facing the difficulties in my life.I will always be indebted to rainbow homes and will support Rainbow homes once I get a good job.



My name is Nagamma, I was 6 years and MI came to ANC I don't remember my childhood very clearly. I vaguely remember my parents, I was in Andhra Pradesh.I used to get tortured by my parents as they were always use to fight and beat me and my sister . I decided to run away, I came to Bangalore in a train. I do not remember much how I joined ANC. After that I was given bridge course, and joined school. I enjoyed in Rainbow home.I searched for my lost family with help of Rainbow home staffs then learnt that my Parents were no more.



**Nagamma**  
Std: 2nd Bcom.  
St. Aloysious College  
Bengaluru

Currently I am studying in 2nd year degree ,BCom in St.Aloysious College.I am very happy and living with 5 more girls who has a similar story in the group living, it is challenging to live in the group living. All these days we had a person who was responsible for our expense, and now we are independently handling the expenses and finance, we learnt to cook , pay bills, save money to buy things and manage time.We are able to learn all this and also I was teaching as a tuition teacher in a apartment near my house, during my semester break.





# जब दिल ने दिल से बात की



पटना घरोंदा रेनबो होम की **आशा कुमारी** और रिवलरिवलाहट अमन रेनबो होम की **अमिता कुमारी** ने आपस में बातचीत करके एक-दूसरे को अपने अनुभव बताए।

## जब आशा ने अमिता से पूछा...

➤ **आशा:** रेनबो होम में आने से पहले तुम अपने घर पर क्या करती थी?

**अमिता:** मैं कूड़ा-कचरा चुनती थी। मेरे माता-पिता शराब बनाते थे और बेचते थे, मैं भी शराब बेचने में मदद करती थी और जूटी प्लेटें साफ करती थी। मैंने रामजी चक नहर के पास एक कमरे वाले विद्यालय में नाम लिखवाया था लेकिन पढ़ने नहीं गई।

➤ **आशा:** तुम कैसे रेनबो होम में आईं?

**अमिता:** मेरी मौसी की बेटी रेनबो होम में रह रही थी। उसने हमें रेनबो होम के बारे में बताया। मैंने अपनी मम्मी से कहा कि मैं भी रेनबो होम में रहकर पढ़ना चाहती हूँ। पहले वह तैयार नहीं थी। होम से सोशल मोबीलाइजर ने आकर मेरी मम्मी को समझाया। उसके बाद मेरे माता-पिता ने मुझे रेनबो होम में भेज दिया।

➤ **आशा:** घर में कौन-कौन है?

**अमिता:** मेरे परिवार में चार भाई-बहन हैं (तीन बहनें और एक भाई), मेरी दो बहनें रेनबो होम में रहती हैं। मम्मी-पापा दिहाड़ी मजदूर हैं।

➤ **आशा:** रेनबो होम में पढ़ाई कैसे करती हो और वहां रहकर कैसा लगता है?

**अमिता:** रेनबो होम में अलग-अलग तरह की गतिविधियों के माध्यम से पढ़ाई कराई जाती है। पहले मेरी बेसलाइन शिक्षा हुई। फिर मुझे ब्रिज कोर्स क्लास में रखा गया इसके बाद रेगुलर स्कूल में मेरा नाम लिखा गया, जिन विषयों में मैं कमजोर थी उसमें विशेष ध्यान दिया गया। रेनबो होम में रहकर मुझे अपने घर जैसा लगता है और सभी लोग मुझे बहुत प्यार करते हैं।

➤ **आशा:** पढ़ाई करके क्या बनना चाहती हो?

**अमिता:** मैं आईएएस अधिकारी बनना चाहती हूँ। लेकिन इससे पहले मैं मास कम्युनिकेशन की पढ़ाई करके एक सफल पत्रकार बनना चाहती हूँ।

## जब अमिता ने आशा से बात की...

➤ **अमिता:** तुम रेनबो होम में कैसे आईं?

**आशा:** जब मैं 6 साल की थी तो मेरे पापा गुजर गए। बड़ी होने पर मैं पढ़ना चाहती थी पर घर पर पढ़ाई का कोई माहौल नहीं था, न ही मां के पास इतने पैसे थे कि वह मुझे पढ़ा सके, फिर एक दिन मेरे एक रिश्तेदार ने बताया कि एक ऐसी संस्था है जो गरीब बच्चों को पढ़ाने के साथ रहने की भी अच्छी व्यवस्था करती है, फिर रेनबो होम के कर्मचारी कई बार मेरे घर आए और मैं रेनबो होम आ गई।

➤ **अमिता:** घर में कौन-कौन है?

**आशा:** मेरे घर में मेरी मां के अलावा मेरे दो बहनें और दो भाई हैं, जब मैं घर पर थी तब पढ़ाई नहीं करती थी।

➤ **अमिता:** रेनबो होम आकर तुमने स्कूल जाना कैसे शुरू किया?

**आशा:** जब मैं रेनबो होम में आई तब मुझे पढ़ना भी ठीक से नहीं आता था, यहां पर मुझे अलग से पढ़ाया जाता था, ब्रिज कोर्स के जरिये से मुझे कक्षा के लेवल पर लाया गया और मेरा स्कूल में दाखिला हुआ, मैंने स्कूल में अच्छा किया और क्लास मॉनिटर भी बनी।

➤ **अमिता:** रेनबो होम में शिक्षा की क्या व्यवस्था है? तुम्हें पढ़ाई में क्या दिक्कतें आती हैं?

**आशा:** पढ़ाई को लेकर रेनबो होम में काफी मदद मिली है। पढ़ाई करने के लिए मुझे रेनबो होम के स्टाफ, शिक्षकों और पार्ट टाइम शिक्षकों सभी की मदद मिली, अब मैं कक्षा आठवीं में पढ़ रही हूँ, हालांकि संस्कृत जैसे कुछ विषयों में थोड़ी कठिनाई होती है।

➤ **अमिता:** कौन सा विषय पसंद है, क्या बनना चाहती हो?

**आशा:** मेरा पसंदीदा विषय अंग्रेजी है और मैं पढ़ाई कर के नर्स बनना चाहती हूँ।





## Asha Kumari from Patna Gharounda Rainbow Home and Amita Kumari from Khilkhilahat Aman Rainbow Home spoke to each other & shared experiences



### When Asha asked...

#### 👉 Asha: What were you doing before?

**Amita:** I was ragpicking before coming to Rainbow Home. My parents were making and selling liquor. I used to help them in selling liquor and use to clean used plates. I was enrolled in a school near Ramji Chak Nahar, but never gone to study there.

#### 👉 Asha: How did you come to Rainbow Home?

**Amita:** My cousin was staying in Rainbow Home. She told us about it. I told my mother that I want to go there and study. Earlier, my mother was not convinced but after Rainbow Social Mobilizer visited us, my parents sent me to Rainbow Home.

#### 👉 Asha: Your family?

**Amita:** I have three sisters and one brother.

#### 👉 Asha: How do you study in Rainbow Home?

**Amita:** Children in Rainbow Home are taught through various activities. When I first came there, baseline of my education was done, then I was put in bridge course and after that I was enrolled in the school. I was helped and specially tutored in the subjects in which I was weak. Everybody in Rainbow Home loves me and I feel very good .

#### 👉 Asha: What is your aim?

**Amita:** I want to become an IAS officer but before that I want to study mass communication and want to become a successful journalist.



### When Amita asked...

#### 👉 Amita: How you come to Rainbow Home?

**Aasha:** My father died when I was 6 years old. When I grew up I wanted to study but my mother did not have money. One day a relative told us that there is an organisation that provides residential care for poor children along with education. Later, Rainbow Home staff visited us many times and I came to Rainbow Home.

#### 👉 Amita: What about your family?

**Asha:** I have two sisters and two brothers apart from my mother. I was not studying before coming to Rainbow Home.

#### 👉 Amita: How did you start going to school?

**Aasha:** When I came to the Rainbow home, I did not even know how to read properly. I was taught separately here and was given special attention and time. Through the Bridge course, I was brought to class level and enrolled in my school. I did well at school and became class monitor in my class.

#### 👉 Amita: What problems do you face in the studies?

**Asha:** I am studying in 8th class, though there is little difficulty in some subjects like Sanskrit. There has been a lot of help in the Rainbow home for studying; I got an opportunity to study only after coming here. I got help from all the staff, teachers and part time teachers of Rainbow Home.

#### 👉 Amita: What is your favourite subject and what do you want to be?

**Asha:** My favourite subject is English and I want to become a nurse.





# Rainbow Homes are really required in today's world

In an extra ordinary move Rainbow Home Sneh Ghar, Pune children went to take interview of Narveer Tanaji Wadi School's Principal **Pradnaya Nivankar**. These children are studying in the same school.

Interview was taken by: **Somnath Suresh Chavhan**, (Class 8th), **Kumar G R Govindam**, (Class 5th) and **Harikrsihna Chiranjeevi Tumma** (Class 7th)



*Thank you for allowing us to ask few questions from you, and discuss our overall growth in education.*

I am happy that you all come together and wants to know about your education status and how you are doing in your studies.

*what is the total strength of the school and how many children are from Rainbow Homes.*

The total strength of Narveer Tanaji Wadi School have the total strength of almost 146 children and out of total, 62 children are from our Rainbow homes.

*As for now it's almost been a year, we have been admitted to your school, what growth you have seen in all of us and how we are doing academically?*

(Smiled) Initially when Rainbow home children were enrolled in school, their level of education, health and discipline was poor, but now with in short span of time, there is great improvement. They come to school in a very disciplined manner with neat and clean school

uniform. All Children look fresh when they enter school, there are no health issue also, because of the daily diet schedule, which is being followed at Rainbow Home.

*what you want to say about our academic growth, how we all are doing in studies?*

Some children are very active and intelligent like Kumar, Ganesh, Rajesh and Harkrishna. They actively participated in extracurricular activities conducted at school level. There was a CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN conducted at school level and children from Rainbow Home energetically participated in it. Rainbow Children are the students on whose performance the school academic growth depends. As parents of other non-rainbow children do not have the required skills and resources to guide their children. School is very happy to see the improvement in Rainbow Home children.

*Some of our friends have been selected for Scholarship Exam, how you see this development?*

Yes, only 3 children have been selected from 5th std. for Annual Scholarship Exam and all of







these children belong to Rainbow Homes. These children are very curious to learn new things, they have good leadership skill and are punctual. There is a great scope of improvement among these children, if continuous care and support are extended to these children, they can do wonders.

***What you want to say over the contribution of Rainbow Homes for the growth and upliftment of children like us.***

I really appreciate the work of Rainbow homes, this organization is doing excellent work for street children, giving them opportunity for education and personal development. Many more organizations like Rainbow Home are really required in today's world.

***What we have to do for improving ourselves***

You all need to work on improving your concentration, Reading and Writing skills, Storytelling and you all should participate in different activities. Right now Lack of concentration is the main problem for some of the children, which we really need to work on.

## UNDER THE STARS

I went to visit my friends who live in the streets for many years. I noticed that there were many who did not have a house. There were people who were very old. I asked them whether they have eaten? Some said they have eaten and some said they had some snacks. And many said they have not eaten. For a day they will get only one meal and that too only if someone donates them food. So I gave some cake and mixture to them. I saw so many vehicles going up and down in those streets almost all the time. They sleep without bed sheets during winter and rainy season.



I was empathizing in their situation. Under the star programme gave me an opportunity to understand their lives. They are living under difficult circumstances every day. I was given an opportunity to experience this and I want to thank everyone who made this possible. It has impacted my life very much. And last but not the least I want to thank my family and prayers to them.

**Keerthana**

**VII Std., ARUN Rainbow Home.  
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## HYDERABAD

### Rainbow Girls In Baatein Aman Ki Yatra

Baatein Aman Ki , a national yatra for peace and harmony led by women made a history. In the Yatra many Rainbow Homes girls participated in it. On Oct 29 a public event connected with Baatein Aman Ki Yatra was held in Hyderabad. Here all the Rainbow Homes network staff and children attended the meeting along

with members and activists of other groups. Preamble of the Constitution was recited by the children of Rainbow homes and repeated by all the participants in the event, emphasising the importance of the principles and values envisaged by makers of the constitution. Fighting spirit of those who swam against the tide was celebrated and those women were presented mementoes by the Yatris. One of them was our Rainbow Home girl, Nagasri, who braved many odds and crossed

many bridges and is now pursuing a graduate course in hotel management. Other brave women—farmers, domestic workers and transgender women spoke about their struggles and called upon the audience to never give up and to always stand for justice. One of the Rainbow Homegirls, Premalatha, got a chance to join the Yatra from Hyderabad onwards to Delhi. Two other Rainbow Home girls, Sarvani and Rajni, participated in the North West and North Yatras respectively.

### A Night with homeless

Under the stars is an annual event organised by a coalition of civil society organisations and those working for homeless people. It is celebrated on 1st – 2nd Oct night, on the eve of Gandhi jayanthi in solidarity with the homeless. Everyone is invited to spend 'Under The Stars' night with the homeless people to get an idea of sleeping on the street. This year, UTS was celebrated on 29th Oct night, at Nampalli Railway station from 10 pm to 5 pm, coinciding with a meeting of Baten Aman Ki, a national yatra for

peace, harmony, and upholding of Indian Constitution. Prominent women leaders participated and addressed the public, which included homeless people as well as the activists working on people's issues.

Around 200 children from various Rainbow Homes and Sneha Ghars in Hyderabad, and nearly 150 residents from shelter homes took part and performed songs, skits and mimicry. Some spoke about how shelter homes are bringing about positive changes and transformation in their lives by making them self-sufficient and reuniting them with their families.





## बातें अमन की यात्रा के संग

देश भर में प्रेम और शांति फैलाने के मकसद से महिलाओं के नेतृत्व में एक अनूठी यात्रा निकली-बातें अमन की यात्रा इसमें रेनबो होम की छात्राओं ने शिरकत की इसी क्रम में 29 अक्टूबर की शाम को आयोजित एक कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया जिसमें रेनबो होम्स नेटवर्क स्टाफ और बच्चों तथा दूसरे ग्रुप के सदस्यों और एक्टिविस्टों ने हिस्सा लिया। उन्होंने संविधान निर्मातओं द्वारा निर्धारित सिद्धांतों और मूल्यों के महत्व को रेखांकित किया। विपरीत परिस्थितियों से जूझने वाले लोगों को सराहा गया और अमन यात्रियों ने ऐसी जुझारू महिलाओं को स्मृति चिन्ह भेंट किए। सम्मानित होने वालों में हमारे रेनबो होम की लड़की नागश्री भी थीं जो कठिन हालात से जूझने के बाद अब होटल मैनेजमेंट में ग्रेजुएट कोर्स कर रही हैं। अन्य बहादुर महिलाओं ने अपने संघर्ष की कहानियां सुनाई। इनमें किसान महिलाएं, डोमस्टिक वर्कर और किन्नर शामिल थीं। रेनबो होम की प्रेमलता को हैदराबाद से दिल्ली तक की यात्रा में शामिल होने का मौका मिला। रेनबो होम की दो अन्य लड़कियों सर्वनी और रजनी ने उत्तर पश्चिम और उत्तर यात्राओं में भाग लिया।

## CHENNAI

## It was a special Day

I want to share about children's day 2018. The day started with the greetings of the staff members of home. After the morning session we went to school, we had a great interaction with teachers and students regarding children's day. I was very much inspired and motivated by the gifts provided by my teachers. In the evening, the staff members from the home gave refreshments and provided good new dresses for every children in the home. The celebration had a twist for excitement which was cake cutting. And also we played pet name games in that each one of them and their characteristics were identified in the smiley badges provided. We were served with the delicious dinner with the different varieties of rice and fruit desserts. It was overall joyful day for me and all of us.



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## तारों की छांव में एक रात

अंडर द स्टार्स एक वार्षिक कार्यक्रम है जिसका आयोजन सिविल सोसाइटी संगठनों के संघ और बेघरों के लिए काम करने वाले लोगों द्वारा गांधी जयंती की पूर्व संध्या को 1-2 अक्टूबर को किया जाता है। इसका उद्देश्य बेघर लोगों के साथ एकजुटता प्रदर्शित करना है तथा लोगों को इस बात का अहसास कराना है कि बेघर लोग किन हालात में रहते हैं। इसमें सभी बेघर लोगों के साथ तारों के नीचे रात बिताते हैं। इस साल यह कार्यक्रम 29 अक्टूबर को नामपल्ली रेलवे स्टेशन पर आयोजित किया गया। इसके साथ ही बातें अमन की यात्रा का आयोजन किया गया हैदराबाद के विभिन्न रेनबो होम्स और स्नेहघरों के करीब 200 बच्चों और आश्रय गृहों के 150 निवासियों ने इस अवसर पर गीत गाए और मिमिक्री जैसे कार्यक्रमों हिस्सा लिया। कुछ बच्चों ने बताया कि आश्रय गृह किस प्रकार उन्हें आत्मनिर्भर करने और परिवारों को फिर से मिलाने में मदद कर रहे हैं।





# They came to hear from us

**PUNE**



## Children shared their journey with Shefali Bajaj

On the 10th Oct 2018, Shefali Bajaj, wife of Sanjeev Bajaj, Managing Director of the Bajaj Finserv visited Rainbow Home for Girls, Shivaji Nagar Pune. Bajaj Finserv has been supporting Rainbow Homes programme in Pune. This was her first visit to Rainbow Homes & She interacted with the children of Shivaji Nagar home and touched by listening to the tough & vulnerable conditions from where these children are coming from. Children of Shivaji Nagar home shared their daily activities in the home. They happily shared their talent mentoring activities such as Karate, boxing, & dance. She appreciated the various educational, health & care related activities taken up at Rainbow Home.

Children shared about their experience in Rainbow Home and their life before coming to rainbow Home. Pragati, Sanjana Chavhan and many others shared their journey. Shefali Bajaj was moved. The girls did dance performance on the theme of Independence Day and demonstrated an act on child marriage and a mime on street children's issues. Shubham Mittal (DGM -CSR, Bajaj Finserv) Leena Rajan (Program Manager - CSR (Bajaj Finserv) also accompanied Shefali Bajaj during this visit. From Rainbow Homes National office, Anuradha K. (Executive Director- Rainbow Foundation India) was also a part of this program.

## शोफाली बजाज से अपना सफर साझा किया बच्चों ने

बजाज फिनसर्व के प्रबंध निदेशक संजीव बजाज की पत्नी शोफाली बजाज 10 अक्टूबर 2018 को पुणे के शिवाजीनगर स्थित लड़कियों के रेनबो होम में आईं। रेनबो होम में यह उनका पहला दौरा था। उन्हें विस्तार से रेनबो होम की गतिविधियों के बारे में बताया गया। शोफाली बजाज ने शिवाजीनगर होम के बच्चों से बात की और जाना कि होम में आने से पहले बच्चे कितनी विषम परिस्थितियों में रह रहे थे। बच्चों की दास्तान सुन कर वह बहुत द्रवित हो गईं। बच्चों ने उन्हें रेनबो होम के बारे में अपने अनुभवों के बारे में बताया। प्रगति, संजना चव्हाण सहित कई बच्चियों ने उन्हें बताया कि किस तरह होम में आने के बाद वे कायदे का जीवन व्यतीत कर पा रही हैं। इससे पहले न तो उनके पास स्कूल जाने का कोई मौका था और न ही उन्हें भर पेट खाना मिल पाता था। प्रगति बॉक्सर बनना चाहती है और संजना खूब पढ़ना चाहती है। इस अवसर पर बच्चों ने स्वतंत्रता दिवस के थीम पर एक नृत्य पेश करने के अलावा सड़कों के बच्चों और बाल विवाह आदि विषयों पर नाट्य प्रस्तुतियां कीं। इस कार्यक्रम में शुभम मिश्र (डीजीएम, सीएसआर बजाज फिनसर्व) और लीना रंजन (प्रोग्राम मैनेजर, सीएसआर बजाज फिनसर्व) और अनुराधा के. (एक्जीक्यूटिव डायरेक्टर, रेनबो फाउंडेशन इंडिया) मौजूद थीं।





## They appreciated Rainbow Sathi Initiative



On the 2nd November 2018, GSRD and True Blue Foundation representation visited Rainbow Homes Programme, Pune. 9 dignitaries Jose van Tilburg (Founder of G-Star Company), Frouhe, Puck, Michesl, Fedrick, Riesvan Gendt from GSRD, Jeroen Voskamp from True Blue Foundation and Veronica & Loes from Partnership Foundation were part of this visit along with Rainbow Foundation National Team Anuradha K. (Executive Director), Satya Pillai (KDDC Director), Meher Leela (Finance Director).GSRD and Partnership Foundation visited Pune Rainbow Homes as the

city model programme is being proposed and in the process of execution in Pune to reach out to 1750 Street Children through 20 homes with the support Pune Municipal Corporation & Bajaj Finserv.

The team visited Rainbow Home Sneh Ghar and Rainbow Home for girls in Shivaji Nagar. The children welcomed the guests Children explained about the home level activities. Master Somnath, who is part of Child Journalists in Rainbow Sathi shared about his role as a child Journalist in preparing Rainbow Sathi. He has shown the interview that was covered in the previous Rainbow Sathi issue, which they conducted with Mayor Smt. Mukta Tilak on how safe is Pune City for girls. The Visit team highly appreciated Rainbow Sathi initiative and asked Somnath, whether he would cover their visit in the upcoming Rainbow Sathi. Older girls of Shivaji Nagar, Mangalwar Peth & Yerwada Rainbow Homes shared their life struggles: Representatives of GSRD, True Blue foundation, PF and Rainbow Homes representatives visited & had a meeting with Bajaj in their office. Bajaj expressed their keen interest to extend comprehensive care for Street Children in Pune and was very hopeful that the City Model in Pune would be a role model for many other cities in India to extend comprehensive care to street children.

## Pune Municipal Commissioner extends his support

On the auspicious occasion of Guru Purnima, Pune Municipal Commissioner Saurobh Rao visited Lal Bahadur Shastri School as a guest of the occasion wherein in Rainbow Children were part of the cultural program. Rainbow Girls explained about their regular educational, talent mentoring, individual care that is received in Rainbow Homes. Ms. Natasha Choudhary (MIS & Documentation Coordinator) explained



about Rainbow Home Manuals. Ms. Srilatha Morampudi shared about the Rainbow Model and the work that is being carried out in Pune.

Children shared about their experience of living in Rainbow Homes. Commissioner assured his full support in extending the comprehensive care to street children and taking forward the expansion of the homes to cover more number of street children in Pune City.





# UDAAN Taking flight



The transition to adulthood is a critical stage of human development during which young people leave childhood behind and take on new roles and responsibilities. It is a journey, a complex and gradual process, characterized by “semi-autonomy”, beginning at puberty, continuing through the years of adolescence, arriving into early adulthood. To a large degree, the nature and quality of young people’s future lives depend on how successfully they negotiate through this critical period. Transition to adulthood is particularly critical and challenging for children who were in difficult circumstances, being formerly on street, facing vulnerabilities and exploitations.

Rainbow Home, in its decade long existence have provided comprehensive care to over 3000 children, many of whom who are in their teenage years. These children will be referred to as Young Adults. These young adults need to be provided with care and guidance that help them transition smoothly into adult hood – skills and opportunities for post- secondary and vocational education, income generation, social integration and independent living outside the homes. Keeping in mind, the specific needs of these young adults, Rainbow Homes have designed an appropriate transition programme “Udaan” for them.

First ever “Udaan” workshop organized in 2016 to provide young adults of age group 16-18 years across 7 states. Five day Workshops held in Kotagiri, for the south zone and Shillong for the North Zone witnessed the combined participation of 342 participants including young adults, National Staff, State teams, Home Staff and Project Incharges. The second Udaan workshop for young adults in the age group of 16-18 years across the 4 cities of



South Camp, i.e. Chennai, Hyderabad, Bangalore and Anantpur was held from 3rd-6th August 2018 at the Don Bosco Retreat, Yercaud, Tamil Nadu. 242 participants who attended the workshop included Staff from the National and State offices, Home teams and Project Incharges apart from the young adults.

The objectives of the workshops





were to take the young adults through different stages of transition that starts at the time of he/she is in home care, capacitate them to think on their own about their future plans. Considering that Sneh Sathis are in the central to handle the whole transition process and that it is the most challenging task for Sneh Sathis to understand and facilitate the emotional, physical and mental well-being, the workshop specifically involved them in all activities and discussions. By the end of the workshop it was hoped that

**Satya Pillai & Dolon Bhattacharya**

## Focus & Targets

- Young adults will be able to plan for their future and develop individual plans outside home living in terms of continuing education, short term and long term employment opportunities.
- Sneh Sathis will have clear concept about the whole transition process so that they can guide and mentor young adults in preparing for future.
- Young adults will understand the criteria of a good human being, good parenting, maintaining families and relationships. They will be able to distinguish love and infatuation, sexual activities.
- Young adults will have clarity on their future aspirations and dreams, limitations and difficulties to overcome to reach their dreams.
- Young adults will be able to fill up the Individual Plan Format



**North Udaan camp was organised at CORD, Sidhbadi, Dharmashala, Kangra, HP from 4th to 7th October, 2018, This year “Udaan Workshop-North” has been arranged with 100 young adults of 16-18 years age groups and 33 staff participating from two cities, viz, Kolkata and Delhi.**

**Impressions :** Young friend from Kilkari Home, Delhi: I am 35 years now and working as Senior Manager in a big MNC of Noida. I stay with my family and very happy with the settlement I achieved in life, I visit Kilkari home sometimes and contribute financially to my best.

**Young Girl from Loreto Rainbow Home, Kolkata:** I am 35 years now and a social worker by profession working with street child

**Young Man from Ummeed Aman Home, Delhi:** I am 35 years old, staying with family in Delhi. I am Design Manager in a reputed design studio. Parallely I run a small computer institute to teach poor children free of cost. I visit Ummeed home to spend time with children and teach them.





## WITH SUPPORT RAINBOW COLOURS IN MY LIFE

Before coming to Rainbow Home, I lived on the streets of Market Yard with my parents who use to sell flowers. I completed my 10th grade in Mumbai with the support of an organisation. I had to come back to Pune as they would not keep anyone after 10th grade. Hence, I went back to streets in Pune & started living on footpath along with my parents. I have keen interest in studying. I faced several challenges on street with the issues related to shelter, food, security, health and hygiene. I didn't have proper place to go to toilets, got teased by many boys. I was so disturbed while living on the street.

I wanted to go to a safe place. I was aware about Rainbow Homes since my younger sister Ambika Kale was already in Rainbow Home at Shivaji Nagar.

I & my parents approached Rainbow Home for helping me to have a safe & secured place to live & continue my education. Rainbow Team after considering my vulnerable condition at street. They gave admission in Rainbow Home Congress Bhavan. The very first day that I came to Rainbow Home I loved it, I enjoyed the freedom and space. Here food was tasty, and the other girls accepted me immediately. I was given remedial support through trained and experienced teachers and other staff. I started participating in dance, yoga, Zumba classes, life skill session etc. I was taken for outing with the other children.



**Renuka Ganesh Kale, 11th**  
Abasaheb Atre Prashala,  
Rainbow Home, Shivaji Nagar, Pune

Then I was enrolled into 11th Grade and took commerce. I wish to help many more children on the streets. I wish to bring them to Rainbow Homes so that they also can be educated and they can also live a life of equality and dignity. Rainbow Home has helped me to fulfill my dream of studying. This is the biggest support. Otherwise my parents would have got me married. My dreams would have shattered but now I have a hope. I will work hard and become successful in my life.







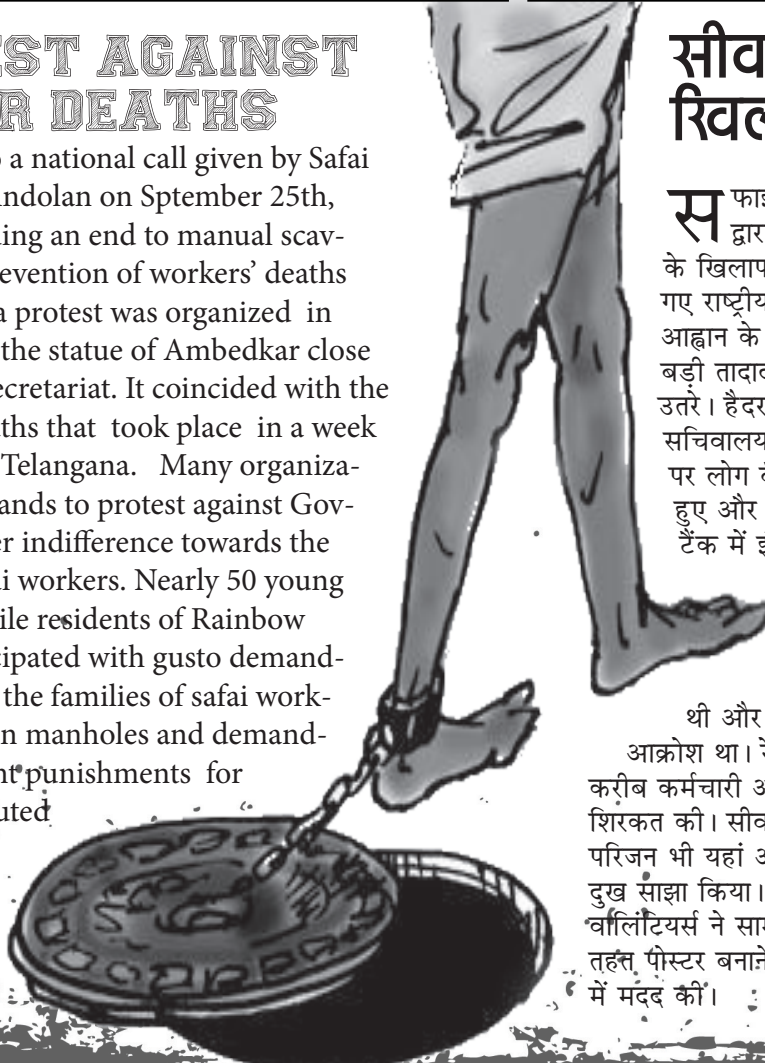
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## PROTEST AGAINST SEWER DEATHS

In response to a national call given by Safai Karmachari Andolan on September 25th, 2018, demanding an end to manual scavenging and prevention of workers' deaths in manholes, a protest was organized in Hyderabad at the statue of Ambedkar close to the state Secretariat. It coincided with the spate of 7 deaths that took place in a week in the state of Telangana. Many organizations joined hands to protest against Government's utter indifference towards the welfare of safai workers. Nearly 50 young adults, erstwhile residents of Rainbow Homes, participated with gusto demanding justice for the families of safai workers who died in manholes and demanded for stringent punishments for those who flouted safety laws and forced them into the gutters.



## सीवर मौतों के खिलाफ बच्चे

सफाई कर्मचारी आंदोलन द्वारा सीवर में हो रही मौतों के खिलाफ 25 नवंबर 2018 दिए गए राष्ट्रीय विरोध प्रदर्शन के आह्वान के समर्थन में हैदराबाद में बड़ी तादाद में लोग सड़कों पर उतरे। हैदराबाद में राज्य सचिवालय के पास अंबेडकर मूर्ति पर लोग बैनर-पोस्टर लेकर जमा हुए और मांग कि सीवर-सेप्टिक टैंक में इंसानों को मारना सरकारें बंद करें। इसी तारीख के आस-पास सात मौतें सीवर में हुई थी और इसे लेकर गहरा आक्रोश था। रेनबो होम के 50 के करीब कर्मचारी और बच्चों ने भी इसमें शिरकत की। सीवर में मारे गए लोगों के परिजन भी यहां आए और उन्होंने अपना दुख साझा किया। रेनबो होम के वॉलंटियर्स ने सामाजिक भागीदारी के तहत पोस्टर बनाने और जागरूकता फैलाने में मदद की।

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# ACTIVITIES



Swachhta hi Sewa campaign was organized by Ministry of Women & Child Development at Kilkari home, Delhi in September. Our children participated in Slogan and drawing competition where children won many awards in drawing.



On 9th September, eye camp was organized at Kilkari home, Delhi.



ज्योति कुमारी, कक्षा-9वीं, खिलखिलाहट अमन रेनबो, पटना

## Educational outdoor Trip

In the month of November 2018, older children of Dil se Rainbow Homes went to different places on outstation trip.



Ummeed Home take up a project on the topic of Mughal Empire and went to Agra for a visit with children of classes 8th to 12th.



Khushi Rainbow home visited Qutub Minar and Jama masjid to observe Mughal and Sultanate architecture. They also had an Interaction with Maulana Sahab regarding history and significance of Jama masjid.



Kilkari Rainbow Home went to Agra and visited Taj Mahal and Fatepur Sikri.





## lights & rangoli

Diwali a light festival was celebrated at all three children homes in Delhi with much grandeur wearing their New Clothes gifted to them especially for this day. Ummeed Home celebrates with lighting of Diyas and good dinner.

In Kilkari Rainbow Home located at Kashmere Gate Delhi also All children were engaged in two types of activity – Colourful Giant Rangoli making and Mahendi competition. The day ended with sumptuous dinner and DJ dance. Khushi Rainbow Home organised Diyas



making and painting competition among children, applying Mahendi, Home decoration with lights, Diyas lighting and beautiful Rangolis.



Delhi Kilkari Home celebrated children day with Painting competition on 14th November.



रलरलल अंसलरी

ककुषल-6

डुसुकुरलहट अडन सुेह गुर, अडडलल तुलल, डरतुनल

## रेनबो हुरुडु डर कवतुलल

रेनबु हुरुडु सडुसे डुलरल नुलरल रेनबु हुरुडु हडुलरल । इनुदुधनुष से सतरंगी डुलरे-डुलरे डुडुडे हुरुँ उनके डन डुँ लुडु नुरुँ हुरुँ इंसलनुडुतु और डनुनवतल हुरुँ । डुह हुरुँ सडुसे हुरुडुडुतुी डुडुडे डुु डुँ डन और दुल के सडुडे । रेनबु हुरुडु हुरुँ गुर हडुलरल डुनुत से डुी डुलरल डुलरल । हडु डुललडुल कर रहते हुरुँ हडु डुललडुलकर डुदुते हुरुँ आडुस डुँ कुई डुैर नुरुँ हुरुँ हडुडुडे अकतल और डुलरुडुलरल हुरुँ हडु डुडुडे दुल के सडुडे रेनबु हुरुडु के सलथी अडुडे ।





# Dance, championship, &



## PATNA

पटना रेनबो होम की 50 लड़कियों ने पंडित बिरजू महाराज कथक कार्यशाला में बढ़चढ़ कर भाग लिया। निनाद संस्थान द्वारा 10 अक्टूबर 2018 को आयोजित कथक कार्यशाला 'तालीम' में लड़कियों का बहुत कुछ सीखने को मिला। इस एक दिवसीय कार्यशाला में पद्म विभूषण पंडित बिरजू महाराज द्वारा लड़कियों को कथक नृत्य सिखाया गया। बिरजू महाराज से कथक सीखकर और बातचीत करके रेनबो होम की लड़कियों ने इस नृत्य की बारीकियों को समझा। उनके लिए यह पहला मौका था जब उन्हें कथक गुरु से ही पैरों की ताल, चक्कर और भाव भंगिमा के बारे में सीखने को मिला। इससे उनमें जबरदस्त उत्साह का संचार हुआ।

**K**athak Workshop by Pt. Birju Maharaj, 10th October 2018: 50 girls from Rainbow Homes, Patna participated in a one day workshop on Kathak by Padma Vibhushan Pandit Birju Maharaj Ji. The workshop named as "Taleem" was organized by Ninad, a Patna based organization working on Art and Culture. All the 50 girls from Rainbow Homes got a golden opportunity to learn, meet and interact with the dance guru.

सत्रहवां मावते का शितओरयू राष्ट्रीय कराटे चैंपियनशिप: पटना रेनबो होम / स्नेह घर से 21 बच्चों (10 लड़कों और 11 लड़कियों) ने जेजे इंडोर स्टेडियम, चेन्नई में 17 वें मावते का शितओरयू राष्ट्रीय कराटे चैंपियनशिप में भाग लिया। इक्कीस बच्चों में से 12 बच्चों को पुरस्कार और प्रमाणपत्र मिला, जिनमें 2 को स्वर्ण पदक, 2 को रजत और 8 बच्चों को विभिन्न आयु वर्गों में कांस्य पदक मिला। पटना के खिलखिलाहट अमन रेनबो होम से अमिता कुमारी और मुस्कराहट अमन स्नेह घर से रंजित कुमार ने स्वर्ण पदक जीता।

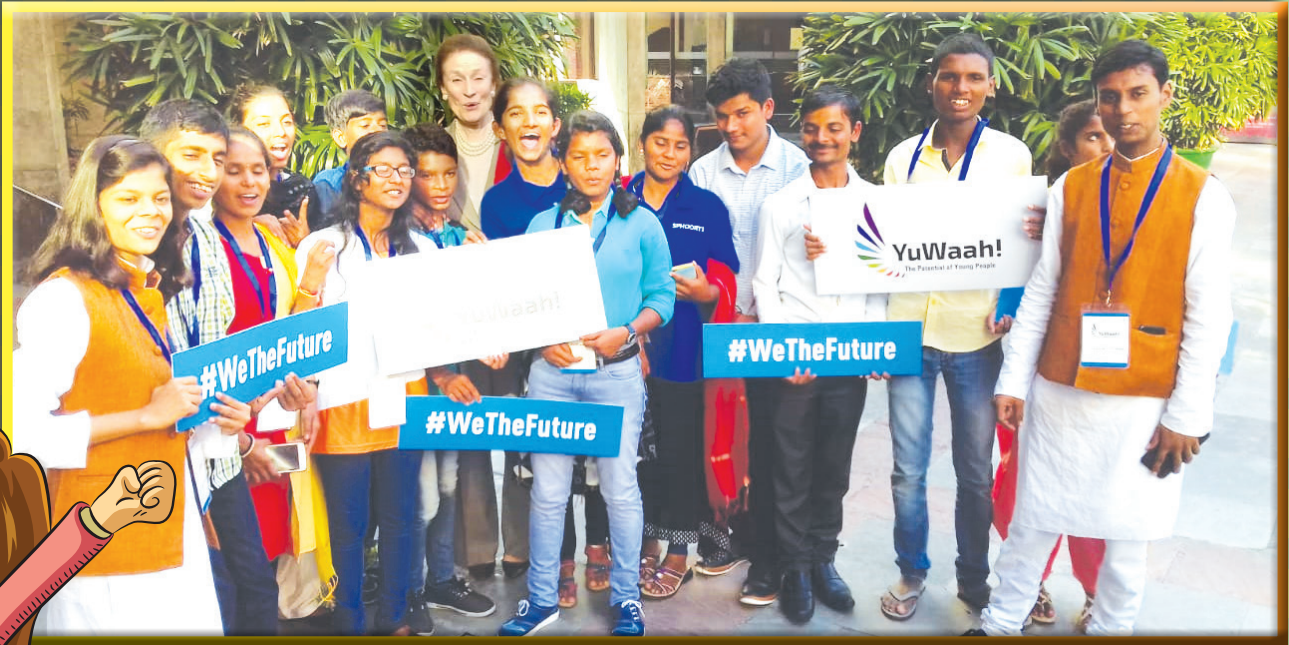




# conclave & recognition

यूनिस्फ और नीति आयोग द्वारा युवाओं के लिए आयोजित एक राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन 'कैटिलाइजिंग पार्टनरशिप्स टू अनलिश द पोटेन्शियलस ऑफ यंग पीपल एंड अडोलसेंट्स-यू वाह' दिल्ली में 30 सितंबर से 1 अक्टूबर 2019 आयोजित किया। इसमें पटना के घरोंदा रेनबो होम्स से डॉली कुमारी ने भागीदारी की। इस दो दिवसीय कार्यक्रम में देश भर से 60 से अधिक किशोरों और युवाओं ने शिरकत की थी। डॉली कुमारी को तमाम लोगों के समक्ष रेनबो होम के विजन और लक्ष्य को साझा करने का अनुभव मिला। डॉली के अनुसार यह अनुभव बहुत सिखाने वाला था क्योंकि इसमें देश के अलग-अलग हिस्सों से आए युवाओं के संघर्ष को जानने का मौका मिला।

National Conclave on Catalyzing Partnerships to Unleash the Potential of Young People and Adolescents", YuWaah! organized by UNICEF and NITI Aayog at Delhi 30th September – 1st October 2018: Dolly Kumari from Gharounda Rainbow Home Patna participated in it. Over 60 adolescents and young people from various parts of India along with other stakeholders participated in the event, Dolly was one of them. She learnt a lot during this workshop.



**17th Mawate Ka Shitoryu National Karate Championship :** 21 children (10 boys and 11 girls, from 3 Rainbow homes and 2 Sneh Ghar.) participated in 17th Mawate Ka Shitoryu National Karate Championship in J.J. Indoor Stadium, Chennai. Out of these 21 children 12 won prize and got certificate, 2 won gold medal, 2 won silver and 8 children got bronze in different age categories. Amita Kumari from Patna Khilkilahat Aman Rainbow Home and Ranjit Kumar from Patna Muskurahat Aman Rainbow Home won gold medal.





## भविष्य की सुनहरी राह के लिए

**Chanda Kumari**  
Class IX  
Gyan Vigyan Rainbow Home,  
Patna

## SO THAT WE ACHIEVE OUR GOALS

रेनबो होम में आने वाले बच्चे सामान्य तौर पर पहले कचड़ा चुनते, भीख मांगते थे। फिर रेनबो होम में आने के बाद उन्हें शिक्षा, भोजन के साथ अपने अधिकार व कर्तव्य की जानकारी मिलती है। मैं 4 वर्षों से रेनबो होम में रह रही हूँ, और अब फ्यूचर प्रोग्राम में आ गयी हूँ। फ्यूचर में 16 वर्ष से अधिक उम्र के बच्चे रहते हैं, और उन्हें पढ़ाई के साथ-साथ स्पोकन इंग्लिश, कंप्यूटर, व्यावसायिक प्रशिक्षण दिया जाता है ताकि सब अपने पैरों पर खड़े हो सकें। इस तरह से जो बच्चे 18 वर्ष के हो जाते हैं वह स्वतंत्र रूप से रहते हैं और पढ़ाई के साथ पार्ट टाइम जॉब भी करते हैं। उन्हें रेनबो होम बीच-बीच में हर प्रकार की सहायता भी करता है ताकि वह अच्छा जीवन व्यतीत कर सकें और अपना लक्ष्य प्राप्त कर सकें।

चंदा कुमारी,  
कक्षा:9, ज्ञान विज्ञान रेनबो होम, पटना

Children do rags picking and begging on streets before coming to Rainbow Home. After coming to Rainbow Home apart from education, food and development they also get to know about their rights and duties. I am living in Rainbow home since last 4 years and now I am part of future group where children above 16 years are included. In this group we are trained in spoken English, vocational skills, and computers so that we can be financially independent. Children who become 18 years old, move out of Rainbow Home and stay in group living. Rainbow Home provides them with mentoring and all necessary support so that they can lead a comfortable life and work hard to achieve their goal.



चम्पा  
खिलखिलाहट अमन  
रेनबो होम,  
पटना





## चिट्ठी आई हैं

**आशा कुमारी**

कक्षा-7

घरौंदा अमन रेनबो होम  
पटना



**Asha Kumari**

Class-7th

Gharounda Aman  
RainbowHome, Patna

## दूर तक पहुंचे बात

आठ वर्ष की उम्र से मुझे डायरी लिखने का शौक था। जब भी कोई कष्ट होता तो अपनी डायरी में लिखती। कभी कहानी, कविता और चुटकुले भी लिखती थी। जब मैं रेनबो होम में आई तो मुझे नहीं पता था की रेनबो साथी क्या है। फिर पता चला कि रेनबो साथी ऐसी पत्रिका है जिसमें बच्चे अपने से जुड़ी बातें लिख कर भेज सकते हैं।

एक बार मैंने लिखा कि मेरा स्कूल कैसा हो जो रेनबो साथी में छपा, इससे मुझे लिखने की और प्रेरणा मिली। मैं रेनबो साथी टीम का धन्यवाद देना चाहती हूँ क्योंकि रेनबो साथी के माध्यम से मैं अपनी बातों को दूर-दूर तक पहुंचा सकती हूँ।

## INSPIRED ME TO WRITE

I was fond of writing dairy since the age of eight. Whenever I felt sad, I used to write my feelings in my diary. Sometimes, I wrote stories, poems and jokes also. When I came to Rainbow home, I didn't know about *Rainbow Sathi*.

Later, I came to know that *Rainbow Sathi* is a magazine where children can write about themselves, their issues and concerns. Once I wrote an article about "how I want my school to be". This got published in *Rainbow Sathi* and it really inspired me to write more.

I want to thank *Rainbow Sathi* team as I am able to share my views and thoughts with many people living in distant places through *Rainbow Saathi*.



## खुले पक्षियों का बसेरा



जब मैं छोटी बच्ची थी, कचड़ा बीना करती थी। बचपन मेरा छिन गया, बचपन की हँसी मिट गई। मन में भी कुछ ख़ाब थे, कुछ ऐसा कर गुजरने की तमन्ना थी कि सारी दुनिया देखती रहे।

कुछ ऐसा करू कि दुनिया दूँढती रहे, खुद को निखारने का एक दिन ऐसा मौका आया, जब मैंने रेनबो होम पाया। लगता था जैसे डेरा था, खुले पंखियों का बसेरा था। जब हाथ में कलम-काँपी आई

तब शिक्षा का मतलब समझ पाई, जब एक अक्षर को जाना था, तब खुद को पहचाना था। शिक्षा की राह पर चल निकली सामने की मुश्किलें खिसकी रेनबो हमें उठाते चला, बुलंदी के शिखर पर पहुँचाते चला।



**Amita Kumari**

Class 5th

Khilkhilhat Aman Rainbow  
home, Patna





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*Open Hearts, Open Gates...*

Rainbow Homes Program - ARUN works with Rainbow Homes (for girls) and Sneh Ghar (for boys) to empower children formerly on the streets to reclaim their childhood by providing Comprehensive Care, Food, Shelter, Health and Education.

## Anna Dhara Campaign

The Anna Dhara campaign is an attempt to reach out to supporters like you from the civil society to make a difference in the lives of children living in Rainbow Homes and Sneh Ghars located in 45 Govt & Private Schools in 8 states.

- 🍽️ providing minimum of a day's meal for 100 children
- 🍽️ share life nourishing values with children

One Day Food cost per Child  
**Rs. 50**  
One Day Food cost for 100 Children  
**Rs. 5000**  
45 Homes and 3804 Children

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## Group-living is very good learning



**Alok Hembrom**  
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**Priyanka Acharyat**  
Sonarpur, Paschim Das Para, Kolkata

We are the students of different Rainbow Homes like Loreto House, Sealdah, Bow Bazaar, Dharamtala, Elliot Road and Shanti Rani. In group living we are staying 10 girls in Sonarpur, Paschim Das Para. We all girls came to in Sonarpur 1st September 2018 in group living. Before starting group living we had a meeting in Shillong and Dhyam Ashram. When we started group living we faced many problems like not getting house for 10 girls and Rainbow didn't have license to keep

18 + girls. For group living we are getting financial support from ARUN Rainbow Home Programme and Kolkata State Future group. We went to Bara bazaar for the shopping of housekeeping material. In group living we have taken a responsibility for every things of our own. But in Rainbow we never faced any problems, here make our own rules and regulation and discipline. We are maintaining group register, attendance, contribution, marketing, meeting register and also made duty list for different work. Like two members for kitchen cleaning, two members for cooking food in morning and two at night, two people for marketing and two people for cleaning toilet and dustbin. We take breakfast in morning 8a.m., lunch 1 p.m. and 9 p.m. out of 10 girls six girls left group living. In their place 6 new girls joined. After six months only support for studies continued. Due to this we faced some financial crunch. Everyone has taken training in different sector. One girl has joined in a beauty parlour named "Exposure". Three girls are studying in college and they are searching for part time job. And rest of them are going for interviews and also searching job. Now, all together now we are seven members staying in group living. We are determined to make our future bright.





रमंती कुमारी

कक्षा-11

घरौंदा अमन रेनबो होम, पटना

## मेरा सपना

मैं पटना में रेलवे लाइन के किनारे रहती थी और अपनी मां की शराब बनाने में मदद करती थी। ऐसे माहौल में मैं बहुत दुखी थी। पढ़ाई और स्कूल जाने का शौक था, पर घर की स्थिति के कारण पढ़ नहीं पाती थी।

फिर एक दिन रेनबो होम में आने का मौका मिला, उस समय मेरी उम्र 12 वर्ष थी। कुछ महीने रेनबो होम में रहने के बाद मैंने ब्रिज कोर्स किया फिर 7 वीं कक्षा में दाखिला मिला। चार साल पढ़ाई करने के बाद मुझे रेनबो होम के स्नेह साथियों ने 10 वीं की परीक्षा की तैयारी करवाई। मेरी शिक्षा पर काफी ध्यान दिया गया और पढ़ाई करने के लिए प्रेरित किया।

2018 में मैंने बिहार बोर्ड से 10 वीं की परीक्षा पास की। अभी मैं ग्यारहवीं में कॉमर्स की पढ़ाई कर रही हूँ और कॉलेज के साथ कोचिंग क्लासेज भी कर रही हूँ। मुझे कॉमर्स पढ़ने में रूचि है। मैं पढ़ कर बैंक में काम करना चाहती हूँ। मेरा सपना बैंक मैनेजर बनने का है।

## My dream

When I was staying near Railway tracks in Patna and was helping my mother in preparing country liquor. I was not happy staying in that situation. I wanted to study and go to school but was helpless due to my family's poor economic situation.

And then one day, I got the opportunity to come to Rainbow Home. I was 12 years old when I came to Rainbow home for the first time. As I was quite weak in studies, I was put in Bridge course for the first few months. Then I was admitted in Std. VII.

After studying and living in Rainbow Home for 4 years, I appeared for Std. X examination from Bihar Board in 2018. I was provided with all necessary support in the Rainbow Home to study, Rainbow Sathis always motivated me to study properly and pass my examination. Now I study Commerce in Std. XI and wish to study this subject further so that I can work in a bank and fulfill my dream of becoming a **bank manager**.

**Ramanti Kumari, Std XI, Gharounda Aman Rainbow Home**



*Prayer*

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God!

Thank you for this beautiful life as part of creation!

WE believe, we wish, to live in friendship and mutual respect with head held high, in courage and self confidence.

We believe, we wish that all human beings, whether men or women, live in equality, and in happiness, whatever their colour, caste, class, religion, region, language or abilities.

We believe that, we wish to strongly oppose divisive forces and ideologies that spread hatred and divide us and support democratic and non-violent actions for justice, humanity, truth and peace, taking injustice done to others as inflicted on us.

WE believe in, we wish to contribute our mite towards, the building of more humane and free world, in good health and joyful learning and spreading knowledge.

God!

We believe in, and wish to join our tiny hands with the multitude of the people in this ages-old divine journey of love.

ईश्वर अल्लाह

हमारी ये दुआ है कि इस दुनिया में कोई भी बच्चा ना हो जिसे भोजन प्यार सुरक्षा और शिक्षा न मिले और यह भी प्रार्थना है कि हम अपने आस पास सबकी जिंदगी में खुशी की रोशनी भर दे।

దైవమా!

సృష్టిలో బాగంగా మాకిచ్చిన ఈ అందమైన జీవితం కోసం నీకు ధన్యవాదాలు!

మేమెంతా నిర్ణయంగా తలెత్తుకొని ఆత్మాభిమానాలతో, పరస్పర గౌరవాలతో స్నేహంగా బ్రతకాలని నమ్ముతున్నాము,

కోరుకొంటున్నాము!

స్త్రీలైనా, పురుషులైనా, వారి రంగు, కులం, మతం, వర్గం, సామర్థ్యం, బాషా ప్రాంతం, ఏదైనా, మనుష్యులందరమూ సమానమేనని,

నవ్వుతూ జీవించాలని నమ్ముతున్నాము, కోరుకొంటున్నాము!

మమ్మల్ని విడదీసే ద్వేషపూరిత శక్తులను, సిద్ధాంతాలను బలంగా వ్యతిరేకిస్తున్నాము. ఇతరులకి జరిగిన అన్యాయాన్ని మాకే జరిగిందని

భావిస్తూ, మానవత, న్యాయం, సత్యం, శాంతి, అహింస, ప్రజాస్వామ్య విలువలను నమ్ముతున్నాము, కోరుకొంటున్నాము!

మరింత మానవీయ స్వేచ్ఛా ప్రపంచ నిర్మాణంలో, ఆరోగ్యంగా ఆడుతూ, పాడుతూ, జ్ఞానాన్ని పెంచుకొంటూ, పంచుకొంటూమేము సైతం

అంకితమవ్వాలని, నమ్ముతున్నాము, కోరుకొంటున్నాము..!

దైవమా!

అనాదిగా సాగుతున్న, ఈ దివ్య ప్రేమపూరిత యాత్రలో, లక్షలాదిమందితో మా చిన్ని చేతులను కూడా కలపాలని, నమ్ముతున్నాము,

కోరుకొంటున్నాము..!





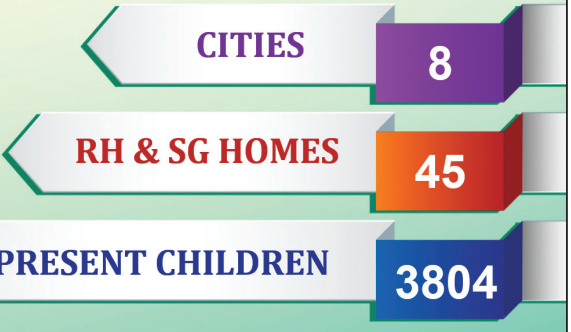
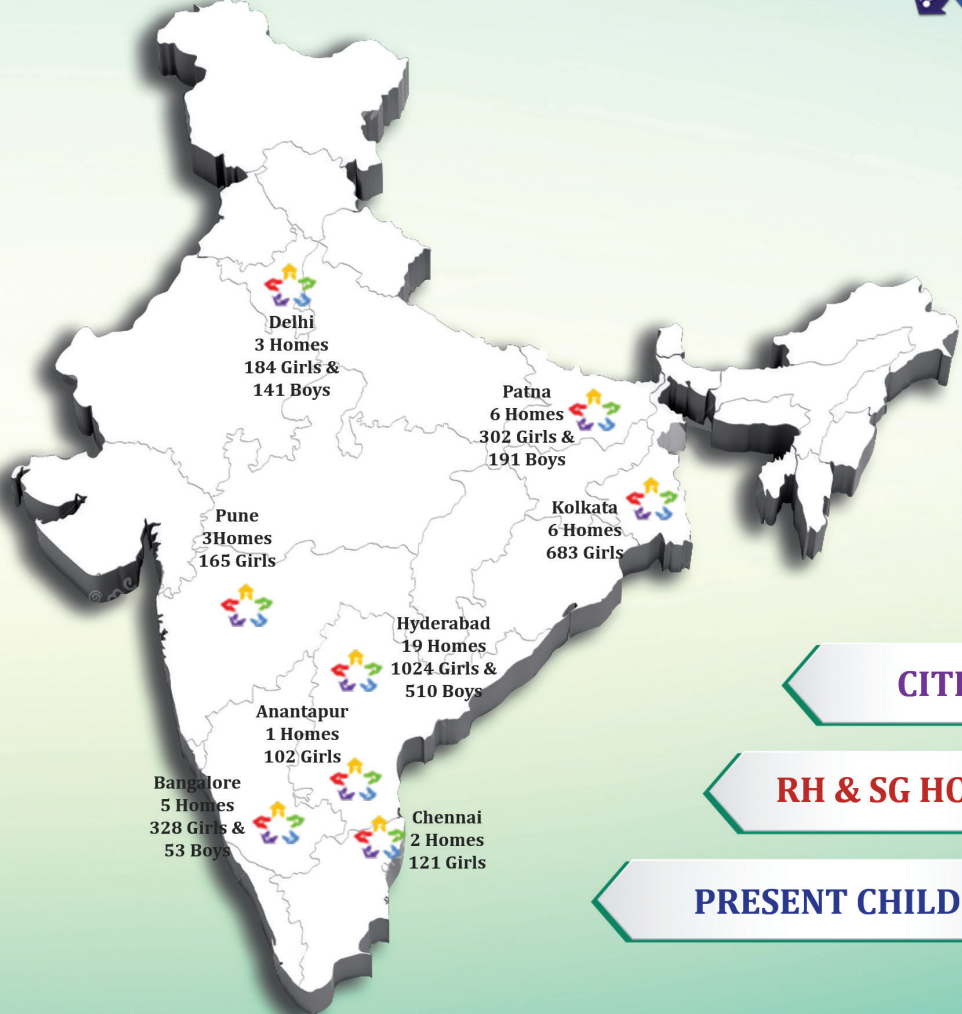
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