PROFILE OF CHILDREN WHO HAVE PASSED 10TH STANDARD IN 2014

Sphoorthi Group (Appeared: 5, Passed: 5, First class: 1, SC/ST children: 3)

All children were studying as resident scholars at Kaliyuva Mane – a free alternative school working on the philosophy, 'School for CHILDREN' rather than usual 'children for SCHOOL'. The social/economical/educational/emotional backgrounds of the children necessitated deviations from the mainstream education system. All children have passed the examination in English medium in the first attempt.

Hemanth Kumar J. (Age: 16⁺)



Hemanth belongs to a lower middle class family. His father works in a private firm. Mother is a housewife. His father has passed PUC and the mother has studied up to SSLC. Hemanth's parents knew the worth of education. So they sent him to an English medium private reputed school. But unfortunately, the boy could not cope up with the rigid structure of the school. The constant failure in academics shattered young boy's confidence. Concerned father took the boy to All India Institute of Speech and Hearing, Mysore for assessment. The boy was on the threshold of 8th standard then, but his

academic level was found to be equivalent to that of a beginner of 3rd standard, though his IQ was age appropriate. A copy of the report is attached below. The boy was found to have 'learning disability'. So, Hemanth's disappointed father brought Hemanth to Kaliyuva Mane.

He was educated as per the guidelines of the clinical psychologist, which were being practised at Kaliyuva Mane already. He was exempted from studying two additional subjects. Hemanth regained the interest in studies and started cooperating with the faculty members. Now Hemanth has cleared 10th standard examination in second class. He is very happy. His achievement has made his family members and teaching faculty of Kaliyuva mane happy and proud. He is practising snake catching. He is fond of animals, wild life photography and agriculture.

Post metric studies:

Joined ITI course (Draughtsman, Mechanical)
Food & accommodation : Supported by the parents

Education: Supported by the parents

Mentoring: Kaliyuva Mane

ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF SPEECH & HEARING, MYSORE-6 PSYCHOLOGICAL REPORT

Name: Hemant Kumar J

Sex: Male

CRF Nos.: 229786

Age: 13 years

Class: VII-State-Pass

St. Mary's School, Mysore

REASONS FOR REFERRAL

Assessment of intelligence & adaptive behavior in view of complaint of scholastic problems Individualized behavioral programming for home based training.

TESTS ADMINISTERED

(a) Normative tests of intelligence and adaptive behavior

(b) Grade Level Achievement Tests

RESULTS:

On normative tests of intelligence (Gessells Drawing Test & Ravens Colored Progressive Matrices) and adaptive behavior scales, the student's current mental/social age is age appropriate (IQ/SQ: 100). On Achievement Tests (b), his arithmetic age and Kannada spelling age levels equal beginner of Grade III. He shows difficulties in numbers beyond hundreds, meaningful counting, differentiating ascending-descending order of numbers, solving double digit addition and subtraction involving carry over/borrowing operations, multiplication or division operations, reading and writing in English beyond second grade word levels, etc. This is re-confirmed by the results of reports of a similar assessment carried out earlier about four years ago in December. 2006 with almost identical results of grade discrepancy for class III at UKG levels. Past history is suggestive of delay only in speech related developmental milestones. There is history of school change on one occasion.

DIAGNOSIS: AVERAGE INTELLIGENCE with MODERATE ACADEMIC DELAY (LEARNING DISABILITY)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Activity oriented and individualized grade based remedial instruction is recommended by focusing on the following additional guidelines:

- Oral or objective type drilling exercises; Relaying of foundation skills;
- Exemption from study of additional languages, extra time in examinations and provision for special objective type question papers
- Learner Paced Teaching Curriculum
- Emphasis on Concrete and Applied rather to Theoretical or Abstract Concepts
- Play/Activity Based teaching
- Preferential Use of Reward to Punishment procedures
- Avoidance of Rote Learning

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Hemanth Kumar Y. (Age: 15⁺)



Hemanth hails from a village in Andhra Pradesh. Hemanth had a turbulent childhood, having lost his father in a vehicle accident during his early childhood. His mother even now works as an attender in a school in Andhra Pradesh.

After the accident, Hemanth migrated to Mysore. Hemanth's maternal uncle started taking care of the boy. His maternal uncle works as an electrician. He came across an article on Kaliyuva Mane in 'Andolana' paper. Two years ago, Hemanth's maternal uncle brought Hemanth to Kaliyuva mane. The boy joined Kaliyuva Mane as a resident scholar. He is studious and works hard. Having passed 10th standard in first class, he is very happy now.

<u>Post metric studies</u>: Doing Diploma in Engineering course Support: Food & accommodation by his maternal uncle Education: Maternal uncle, Mentoring by Kaliyuva mane.

Manu H. (Age: 15⁺)

Manu is from a rural 'below poverty line' family. His father works as a security guard in a private company.



Both the parents are illiterates. Manu was studying in a Government Kannada medium school. Parents came to know about Kaliyuva Mane. So his parents brought him to Kaliyuva Mane five years ago. Though his academic level at the time of joining Kaliyuva Mane was below par, he gained enthusiasm for studies.

Now he has passed SSLC. Everyone at his home and at Kaliyuva Mane is happy about his achievement.

<u>Post metric status</u>: Joined ITI course (Electrical) Food and accommodation: Supported by parents

Education: Kaliyuva Mane including fees, books, bus pass etc.

Shankara: (Age: 16+)



Shankar hails from Mellahalli village on the outskirts of Mysore city. He too had a turbulent childhood. He lost his mother quite early in his life. His father has remarried and lives in a separate house. His father is an illiterate and does some odd jobs like selling vegetables, painting etc. Shankar used to stay with his grandmother. He was going to the Government Kannada medium school there.

Two school dropouts had passed 10th standard examination from Kaliyuva mane earlier. So one resident of Mellahalli village brought Shankar to

Kaliyuva Mane and he became a part of Kaliyuva Mane family

He instantly liked the child friendly atmosphere prevailing at Kaliyuva Mane. He started evincing keen interest in studies. Now he has passed SSLC in second class.

Post metric studies: Joined ITI course (Electrical)

Food and accommodation: Kaliyuva Mane

Education: Kaliyuva Mane including fees, books, bus pass etc.

Srikrishna A. (Age: 16⁺)



Shrikrishna's parents are educated. Inspired by the ideals of Sri Aurobindo and Swami Vivekananda, they were conducting supplementary classes for rural school going kids mornings and evenings free of cost staying in a village on the outskirts of Mysore since 1992. Conceptualization of 'Kaliyuva Mane' took place, based on this grassroots level experience. Due to paucity of resources, they could not start the school and were forced to send their son to a mainstream school. After Kindergarten, the boy joined 1st standard in a mainstream school. Initially he was happy. But later on, he developed an aversion to the school and refused to go to the school. With no other options, parents forced him to go to the school. The boy, out of compulsions started attending classes submissively. Eventually parents withdrew him from the school.

He was taken for counselling. Counsellor suggested an informal school for him. There was no such school in Mysore. Even when Kaliyuva Mane was started he refused to learn there. Gradually since 4 or 5 years, he has started attending classes regularly. He is very intelligent. But due to his traumatic childhood, he is poor in social skills. Now he has passed 10th standard. We hope, this result will give him enough confidence to face life. He wants to become a successful businessman.

Post metric studies: Studying PUC (HEPS) in English medium – to be decided.

Learning Veena, Food and accommodation: Supported by parents

Education: Supported by parents

PROFILE OF CHILDREN WHO HAVE PASSED 10TH STANDARD IN 2013



Chaitanya Group (Appeared: 3, Passed: 3, First class: 2, SC/ST children: 2)

Shivakumar V.: Date of birth: 28-11-1997, Date of joining: 14-04-2007

Hails from a village. Father is not staying with the mother and children. Mother sells fruits and flowers on roadside.

In this process, the mother could not focus on the son's educational activities. Shiva kumar disliked structured studies and was very irregular to the school. His mother changed his school thrice. After seeing an article about Kaliyuva Mane in a newspaper, his mother brought him to Kaliyuva Mane. Initially he was not interested in the studies. Later on, he started showing interest and passed X standard exams, with FIRST CLASS.

Post metric studies:

Joined Rotary PU College – Commerce stream

Food & Accommodation – by his mother

Education - Kaliyuva Mane including college fees, books, uniform & bus pass

But discontinued college after 3-4 months.

This year, he is doing PUC commerce going to an evening college.

Anandaradhya:

Date of birth: 09-06-1997 Date of joining: 01-06-2010

Hails from a village in H.D. Kote taluk. His father is blind. His Mother is not alive. He studied in a free Government Kannada medium school up to 7th standard. Later onwards it became difficult for his father to support him. Anand passed X standard exams, from Kaliyuva Mane with FIRST CLASS.

Post metric studies:

Joined Rotary PU College – Commerce stream
Food & Accommodation – at Kaliyuva Mane
Education – Kaliyuva Mane including college fees, books, uniform & bus pass
Has passed 1st Year PUC with first class. He is continuing 2nd year in the same college.

Kartik:

Date of birth: 16-03-1997 Date of joining: 06-06-2007

Hails from a village near H.D. Kote. Both the parents belong to rural 'Below poverty Line' family. Both are illiterates. He was going to a rural Government school. But he was lagging behind in studies. He joined Kaliyuva Mane He passed X standard exams. Teachers had to put an additional effort.

Post metric studies :

He is staying with his parents. We hear that he is studying 2nd Pre university, completely supported by the parents.

PROFILE OF CHILDREN WHO HAVE PASSED 10TH STANDARD IN 2012

Vivek Group (Appeared: 6, Passed: 6, First class: 2, SC/ST children: 5)

Shwetha M. (DOB: 27-01-1997)



Shwetha's father works in a mutton shop. Her mother works as a domestic help from dawn to dusk. Shwetha's illiterate father is an alcohol addict and mother has studied up to 4th standard. They stay in a small tiny rented shed in Srirampura village, around 7 kms from Kaliyuva Mane. Shwetha's parents have 5 children. Shwetha is the middle one. Shwetha's mother takes major share of the responsibility of the family. Father has not found time to visit Kaliyuva Mane even once where his daughter stays since six years.

Shwetha was going to the main stream rural Kannada medium school. She was going to the school once in a blue moon due to multiple reasons such as inherent disinterest, rote teaching

methods, lack of guidance at home, fear of punishment at schools etc. She eventually dropped out. After dropping out 10 year old Shwetha started accompanying her mother. While her mother used to work, daughter used to play at the mother's work place.

Shwetha's mother Bhagya used to come to Kaliyuva Mane in exigent situations. While her mother used to be busy in washing vessels, this little girl used to enjoy swing at Kaliyuva mane. One day Bhagya had come to Kaliyuva mane with her five children. Elders used to help her mother, while others used to play. We asked the eldest child to join the school. But Shwetha was keener. So she became a part of Kaliyuva Mane family on 17-04-2007.

She started learning from scratch at Kaliyuva mane. i.e from Kannada alphabets and numbers. She was happy and progressing during first 3 years. But gradually her interest declined. During the summer vacation of 2011, Shwetha did not return to Kaliyuva mane. Instead she went to Bangalore and was

working in someone's home taking care of a one year young infant. That experience was an eye opener for

her! She came back to Kaliyuva Mane with a firm determination. She started cooperating with the staff

members. Then she passed X standard public examination. She is the first girl to have passed X standard in

the whole family

Post metric studies:

Joined teachers' training course at Kaliyuva Mane

Food, Accommodation & Education: supported by Kaliyuva Mane

She will be joining Kaliyuva Mane as a teacher in January 2015

Rajeshwari M. (DOB: 16th April 1996)

Rajeshwari's parents stay at Ashokapuram in a rented house. Her father works as a painter. Her mother is a

Father has passed SSLC and mother has passed 5th standard. So they are aware of the housewife.

importance of education. They have 4 daughters. Rajeshwari is the youngest. Rajeshwari was regularly

attending main stream Kannada medium school.

Rajeshwari's eldest sister Jaishri stays at Kenchalagudu. Divyadeepa has trained her and presently she is

working in Divyadeepa. Jaishri was worried about her sister's poor academic performance. So Jaishri

brought her sister to Kaliyuva Mane. She had passed 6th standard in the main stream school. At Kaliyuva

Mane she was subjected to a simple assessment test. The result was shocking. She could not write a few

lines properly in her mother tongue.

She joined Kaliyuva Mane as a day scholar on 31st May 2007. In 2009, she joined as a resident scholar. We

found her studious and hard working. She passed X standard public exams in first class.

studying PUC, Science.

Post metric studies:

Completed PUC Science in 2014. Wants to do nursing course

Food & Accommodation: supported by the parents

Education: supported by Kaliyuva Mane volunteers

Manu Kumar K. (DOB: 27th November 1993)

Manu hails from Mellahalli located on Bannur road. Both the parents are illiterates. Manu is the second

son. Farming is the family profession. Manu completed 1st standard from a rural main stream Kannada

medium school. He lost interest in the studies and dropped out from the school due to multiple reasons

such as inherent disinterest, rote teaching methods, lack of guidance at home, fear of punishment at

schools etc.

Manu started helping his parents in farming and taking care of the cows. In the meantime, Manu's uncle

Shivalingu, an illiterate had learnt reading and writing attending literacy classes conducted by Divyadeepa at

Mellahali way back in 1996. His uncle having understood the importance of education brought Manu's

parents to Kaliyuva Mane. On 9th April 2007, Manu became a part of Kaliyuva mane family. He knew only

to write his name in Kannada, but started cooperating with the staff. With his fine attitude and hard work

he could complete X standard public examination in English medium. His younger brother 14 year

Mahesha is continuing his education at Kaliyuva Mane having dropped out of school for more than 4 years.

Post metric studies:

Joined paramedical Diploma course

Food & Accommodation: at Kaliyuva Mane

Education: supported by Kaliyuva Mane

Renuka Swamy S.M.: (DOB: 31st January, 1996)

Renuka Swamy lost his father when he was quite young. His mother brought him up. His mother works in a

small eatery in a village on the outskirts of Davanagere. Her dream was to give her only son good

education. She had studied up to 9th standard and knew the worth of education. So with great difficulty,

she made him join a private Kannada medium school.

But Renuka did not show much interest in studies. He failed in 6th standard and stopped going to school.

Through word of mouth, Renuka's mother came to know about Kaliyuva Mane. So Renuka joined Kaliyuva

Mane on 15-04-2008 as a resident scholar. We found him bright but not suitable for structured studies.

Even at Kaliyuva Mane, he was not interested in studies initially. But he gradually started evincing interest

in studies. Renuka passed X standard exams in English medium. His mother has taken him home

(Davanagere)

Post metric studies:

Staying with her mother at Davanagere. We hear that he is doing ITI course there. Completely supported

by his mother.

Dhanush P. (27th December 1996)

Dhanush's father Mr. Puttaswamy was working in a private firm at Kollegal. But unfortunately the firm

closed down. So he did not get wages for several months. Divydeepa's wellwisher introduced Puttaswamy

to Divyadeepa in 2003. For several years, Dhanush's father used to work at Divyadeepa taking care of the

dairy farm and the land. Kaliyuva Mane was started in June 2005. Naturally his daughter joined Kaliyuva

Mane. Dhanush who had completed 4th standard in a Kannada medium main stream school, joined Kaliyuva

Mane in 2006 as a resident scholar.

Dhanush's parents are educated. Lady luck smiled on Puttaswamy's family. Puttaswamy's wife got a

Anganwadi teacher's job in Kenchalagudu itself. Mr. Puttaswamy got a job as a cook in a hostel. Presently they are staying in a rented house in Kenchalagudu. Dhanush passed X standard in **first class.** He joined PUC commerce. Divyadeepa is supporting him completely.

Post metric studies:

Completed PUC commerce with first class. Now has joined B.Com. course.

Food & Accommodation : at Kaliyuva Mane

Education: supported by Kaliyuva Mane

Shivaraj (DOB: 20th August 1996)

Shivaraj's parents stay at Dhanagahalli in a small house. Shivaraj's father works in an industry. Mother is a housewife. Father has studied up to 9th standard.

Shivaraj was studying in a Kannada medium main stream school. His parents were not happy with the boy's scholastic performance. Through word of mouth, Shivaraj's father came to know about Kaliyuva Mane. So they brought the boy to Kaliyuva Mane. On 04-06-2007, he joined the school as a day scholar. In 2009, he joined as a resident scholar. He also passed X std. in 2012 in first attempt.

Post metric studies:

Parents are taking care of him. Recently his mother passed away. So he had to discontinue studies.



PROFILE OF CHILDREN WHO HAVE PASSED 10TH STANDARD IN 2010

Aravind Group (Appeared: 7, Passed: 6, First class: 1, SC/ST children: 5)



<u>Prashanth</u> (DOB 01-04-1991) was studying in a local village main stream school. Father deserted the family and started living separately. Compulsions of life, made Prashanth quit the school in 2003, without completing 7th standard. He left the school to work as a child labourer at Ooty, Coimbatore and Hassan at a tender age of 12. Prashanth's mother works as a domestic help. Prashant also suffers from a rare disease, colour blindness.

During 2007, upon seeing an article on Kaliyuva Mane in "Mysooru Mithra", one of his acquaintances called us and enquired about job opportunity for Prashanth. Prashanth was 16 years old at that time. Considering his age, Kaliyuva Mane encouraged him to study. Initially, there were some behavioural issues owing to his tumultuous background. Also, he had forgotten, what he had studied in primary schools. He soon started showing interest in studies and passed X std. in 1st attempt.

Post metric studies:

Joined ITI – Electronics Mechanic course. Now working in Automotive Axles, Mysore.

Food & Accommodation: supported by Kaliyuva Mane

Education: supported by Kaliyuva Mane



Mahesha (DOB 18-04-1995) Mahesha was studying in 6th standard at Dhanagahalli main stream school. One day his parents had come to Divyadeepa as construction helpers. They shared their tale of woes with us. They were landless labours. Father could not perform hard physical labour as he had sustained serious head injuries earlier. The couple had 3 daughters and a son. Mahesha was on the verge of dropping out from the school. So his parents contacted Kaliyuva Mane regarding Mahesha's admission. In 2006, he joined Kaliyuva Mane as a resident scholar.

He passed X std. exam in First class. He passed PUC commerce also in First class. Presently he is studying BBM course. Divyadeepa is

supporting him completely.

Post metric studies:

Joined PUC commerce. Passed securing 1st class. Currently studying in Final year B.B.M. course.

He is passing all the semester exams, securing first class.

Food & Accommodation: supported by Kaliyuva Mane during his PUC. Currently staying with his parents.

Education: Supported by Kaliyuva Mane.



<u>Sachin's</u> (DOB 17-02-1995) Father was a mason. Sachin was studying in a main stream higher primary school in his village. By the time he completed 5th standard, he lost interest in studies as he was considered as a slow learner. Eventually, his parents brought him to Kaliyuva Mane where he had to undergo learning from the scratch. We found him to be bright but having some problems in learning languages. He passed SSLC. But teachers had to work hard!

After completing SSLC ITI with the support of Divyadeepa. Divyadeepa supported him completely. Currently he is working in a software at Bangalore.

Post metric studies:

Joined ITI – Electronics mechanic course. After completion, currently working at Karthavya Technology, a software company at Bangalore.

Food & Accommodation: at Kaliyuva Mane during his ITI course.

Education: Supported by Kaliyuva Mane.



Nanjunda Swamy (DOB 04-10-1989) was studying in a higher primary school at Mellahalli. During 2000, when he was 11 years old, he lost interest in the school and bid good bye to it, without completing 5th standard. He started helping his father in farming. One of his uncles, who was a beneficiary of our literacy programme at Mellahalli in 1996, brought him to Kaliyuva Mane in 2007. He continued his education after a gap of nearly 7 years, because of which he had forgotten to recognize even Kannada alphabets and numbers. He passed X std. in 2010 in English medium. His parents took him home after X standard. He is doing ITI now. His parents are supporting him. He passed ITI recently.

Post metric studies:

Completed ITI – Electronics Mechanic course, Currently working in a private firm.

Food & Accommodation: at his parent's house.

Education: Supported by the parents.



Narayana (DOB 10-01-1995) used to attend the local village school once in a blue moon. Village games like marbles, top and chinni-dandu attracted him more than the village school. He was least interested in studies. His brother who was a beneficiary of our supporting classes at Srirampura, brought him to Kaliyuva Mane in the year 2005. Initially he was not comfortable at Kaliyuva Mane. However, he gradually started liking the environment prevailing at Kaliyuva mane. He completed X standard in 2010.

Post metric studies:

Joined ITI – Electronics mechanic course. But did not complete. Stopped attending classes due to compulsions of the family. He started working in a private company. Now he is continuing ITI course.

Food & Accommodation: at Kaliyuva Mane during his ITI course.

Education: Supported by Kaliyuva Mane. Now he is using his earned money to continue his education.



<u>Santosh</u> (DOB 04-01-1992) was not interested in studies. He was labelled as a slow learner. Teachers used to punish him. Dejected one day he left the school without completing 7th standard. He took to grazing sheep and cows. When Kaliyuva Mane was started, his parents admitted him to the school. Initially when he joined Kaliyuva Mane, he was irregular. After a year or so in 2007 he expressed his desire to join as a resident scholar. Gradually he started learning from scratch. He was able to pass the coveted exam.

Post metric studies:

Joined PUC commerce course. But did not complete. Meanwhile lost his mother. He is working as a construction worker.