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On the occasion of completion of 10 years of Deenabandhu, it gives us a sense of great joy and satisfaction to give a comprehensive account of work done by us. We are aware that it is not very much, but a beginning in the right direction.

Deenabandhu was born on 04-07-1996. Donations big and small (Ranging from Rs.500/- to over Rs.10000/-) have been received from nearly 200 large hearted and benevolent Kodavas. All of them are voluntary. Our appeals mostly have been through word of mouth, announcements and in conversations at social gatherings.

During these 10 years DEENABANDHU has assisted in the treatment of 18 patients of Kodava Community suffering from diseases ranging from Cancer to Kidney failure and Accidents.

Till now we have helped 17 students (most of them are still studying with our help) coming from below poverty line families studying in classes varying from primary schools to engineering colleges spread over Kodagu, Mysore, Mandya and Bangalore. They are being helped in meeting their school/college fees, books and uniforms. More and more children and parents are approaching us for assistance. With the help of benevolent people we are striving to meet at least some of their needs.

It costs about Rs.4000/- to Rs.5000/- a year for meeting the educational expenses of one child studying in a school. Higher Education such as engineering will of course cost much more. A few of the persons we have helped are given in succeeding paragraphs.

A Kodava engineering college student who had sought and was given help by DEENABANDHU after becoming an Engineer worked in one of the top IT companies for 4 years and has now been selected for MBA in one of the prestigious Management Institutes in Bombay. What is more heartening is that out of his own earnings he has gratefully returned the entire amount his father had taken from us for his education with a request that more and more students be encouraged by DEENABANDHU.

We have another case of a girl who obtained 93% marks in S.S.L.C. Her father was then unemployed. With help from DEENABANDHU she has been continuing her studies in engineering. In about a year we are confident that she will complete her Engineering Degree. Her

academic performance has been brilliant and her conduct exemplary. By the time, she completes her B.E., DEENABANDHU will have spent a total of Rs.36,000/- on her Education of which Rs.20,000/- was paid during last two years. In a campus interview conducted in her college this year she has been selected by a Multi National Corporation for appointment.

These are classic examples of how talented but underprivileged children when given opportunities and facilities can stand on their own. While more and more people are coming forward to help with their mite the following ladies and gentlemen have offered to meet the total expenses of educating one student each.

1. Mr. & Mrs. Cheppudira Ponnappa, Mysore
2. Mrs. Buttianda Gangu Subbaiah, Bombay
3. Mr. & Mrs. Kandrathanda A. Cariappa, Madikeri
4. Mrs. Kokkengada Sowbhagya Ponnappa, Madikeri
5. Wg.Comdr. & Mrs. Chendrimada Madappa (Retd) Mysore
6. Col.& Mrs. Napaneruvanda Belliappa, (Retd) Mysore
7. Mr. & Mrs. Paleyanda K. Karumbaiah, Mysore
8. Mr. & Mrs. Maletira M. Kaveriappa, Mysore

In addition to the above we utilise the interests accruing to the Deposits we have with Banks, Kodava Samaja/Sahakara Sangha, Mysore and UTI Bonds.

We do not claim that we have reached very great heights. There is still a lot of work to be done. We are a proud community and as such the more fortunate should help other members of the community who have the talent but not the resources.

Those who are willing to offer their contributions, suggestions and services to DEENABANDHU may contact:

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DEENABANDHU CHARITABLE TRUST, MYSORE.