



Maanandamayi Memorial 12<sup>th</sup> grade

Namaste friend,

My name is Mandi. I am 17 years old. I was born in India. My parents are from Nepal. I have two brothers. I was told by my parents that where they used to live in Nepal the village was very poor. There were no facilities, no sanitation, no infrastructure, no hospitals, and no electricity. The houses are built from mud and they broke easily. The whole village was underdeveloped. My parents had to walk far away from the village just to fetch water. There were no schools to educate the children although they are keen to study. So the people were illiterate. My parents couldn't afford to support themselves so they came to India where they meet with Prabha Ji who helped my parents by employing them. She said that she was starting a free organization for the poor kids who want to study but are not able to study and for that she wanted the destitute children which were gathered by my father.

I have spent my whole childhood in Ramana's Garden. I feel very lucky to be here. I got all the things which I could never get in Nepal. Ramana's Garden is everything to me. It not only provides me with everything I need but I also get a big loving family. Ramana's Garden gives a lot to us as well as helping people who don't live here. It provides all the requirements for the school children to be able to attend for free, including food, uniforms, books, pens and pencils, etc, so that the kids can have the opportunity to get an education and make their future bright.

I also want to study further. I just passed 11<sup>th</sup> grade and will be starting my final year in high school soon. After that I want to go to college where to study art, writing, painting, interior design and animation. I want to express the talent hidden inside me and this would not be possible without Ramana's Garden. I want to give back to other people, like others have helped me.

After I make some money I will start a school where destitute kids are always welcome to come and learn. I will help the kids so that they can express their talents and create their own destiny. The parents who cannot afford to send their bright kids to school every day will be always welcome there. I will provide all this for free in the same I am getting what I need for free at Ramana's Garden. I will also help the people who think they are alone and think they don't get love. I am going to help these children. I want them to realize that they are not alone. Many people are here to help and support them.

Thank you.