



Guru Ram Ray 11<sup>th</sup> Grade.

Namaste.

Hi! I am Suraj and I am 16 years old. I was born in Laxman Jhula. My family is very poor, there are four of us children and they could not afford to send us to school. My father is an alcoholic and spent everything he made on drinking and beating my mother. When I was small I started studying at Ramana's school and I would go home after school was finished. I started studying when I was 5 years old. When I was ten years old my father had a bike accident and his leg never worked again and neither did he. I was a little naughty till I reached 8<sup>th</sup> grade but then I got a sincere approach, caring for others and helping others a lot.

One day I was helping my friends who live in Ramana's. Seeing this approach Prabha Ji decided that I could live in Ramana's so that meant that I didn't have to back home after school. So I ended up in Ramana's and I love being here. When I was small I saw all the happiness, love and caring among the children, who are as a family and I didn't think that I would be a part of this loving family. Being in Ramana's is so special because it is a wonderful place.

Only because of Ramana's I have got the opportunity to study and fulfill my dream that I thought could not accomplish. Ramana's means a lot to me because it has given me everything. Now I am in 11<sup>th</sup> grade and I have to study hard to complete high school.

I have always wanted to have my own business. I would like to open my own café, like Ramana's. Having my own business would mean I won't have to work under anyone. As a successful business man, I then hope I can open an NGO and I would do my best to help others around the world so that every child in this world can get a bit of love, care and education with my help and the help of others.

Thank you so much!