

Pending Airhosts' Academy admission

Dear friend,

My name is Santoshi. I was born in India in the village of Pauri Garwhal. I am 18 years old. My parents are from Nepal and my family is really poor and illiterate from a village with poor infrastructure. The houses were built with mud and straw and break easily. I have a brother and 3 sisters. My father and mother used to work really hard to feed us but it was so hard because there were so many of us and there was not enough money. My father got my older sister married when she was 16 years old because of the problems we were going through.

My relative told us about Ramana's Garden and what a lovely place it was and that it was for people like us. So he brought me here when I was 6 years old. I started a new life when I got here. I get everything here for free: food to eat, clothes, a nice hostel to live in and I get to go to school. I had never been to school before coming here. Prabha Ji helped me a lot. The many volunteers who come here have also helped me a lot. All the people are lovely here and I am really very thankful to be here and for the changes it has brought to my life. I learned to dance here and now I am one of the dancers who perform regularly at a 5star hotel near here. It has taught me a lot and I am grateful to have so many different experiences.

I am now just graduating from high school and want to be an air hostess. There is a very good university in Dehradun about 2 hours away from here that I would like to apply to and learn more there. I want to become an air hostess so I can meet many people from different parts of the world. I would like to be an air hostess for a British airline and travel from one place to another.

In the future I want to come back to Ramana's as a volunteer and help the other kids to make their futures bright and happy like other people have done for me.

Thank you so much!