

Our Turn to GIVE

We always look forward to outings. A new place, time together, a meal at a restaurant. Even a simple plate of food feels special when we are all at the table.

This month's outing was different. We were not going to be looked after. We were going to be the ones who showed up.

We visited a children's home, where there were tiny babies and children up to fifteen years old. We played with them, helped with their activities, and tried to make their day a happy one.

Then we sat down and talked. We told them about the times we struggled in school, lost patience, doubted ourselves, and even stopped going. Here are three of those stories.

Rani

She used to ask herself why her life had so many problems. She doubted herself constantly, and she kept working anyway. She finished Grade 10 and is now studying Science in college. At the children's home she met the woman who started it, who has faced struggles of her own and still shows up for the children every day.

*"Everyone has struggles, but we can still move forward.
We have to unleash what we have within!"*



Asha

She stepped away from school once, and found the courage to start again. At the home she played with the little ones, then talked about her studies and saw them listening. She realized her story could inspire someone too. She wants to become a social worker one day, and this visit made her want it even more.

"I learned so much from this visit.

We get so many opportunities that we sometimes do not notice. I learned to be more grateful for what I have."



Kriti

She had failed before, and she was afraid to go back to school. There were days she felt tired and ready to give up. She went back anyway, kept practising, and today holds second position in her first terminal exam. A few years ago she could not have stood before a group and told that story. This time she did, and the children listened.

"I almost gave up on school, but I kept trying. I told the children what I learned: it takes time, but we should not give up."

We had never seen it this way before: the hardest chapters of our stories can now lift someone else.

Thank You so much.

To everyone who supports us: you gave us more than a place to study. You gave us opportunities, confidence, and strength. Now we are able to share some of it with other children.

Thank you for being part of our journey.



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