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**VALMIKI**  
Foundation



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# A GROWING CONCERN

India is one of the fastest growing economies and correspondingly has immense opportunities to offer to its workforce. However, owing to the wide economic and social disparities, India has failed to appropriate its resources adequately within the social strata. Social development in India remains a challenging task as the country struggles to overcome various social problems despite the economic development.

## For instance, as per UNESCO

- India has the highest population of illiterate adults at 287 million
- It has the largest population of children in the world
- The data on mortality rates, juvenile delinquency and literacy rates shows alarming trends

The Government of India has incorporated several measures for social uplifting of the weaker sections of the society by means such as constitutional provisions, national policies and five year plans. However, improper implementation of these measures has reduced their effectiveness in combating the problem.

## THAT CAN NO LONGER BE IGNORED...

### Reports by UNICEF

Children constitute 39% of India's population, among which:

- 12% are working as child laborers
- Mortality rate among children below the age of 5 – 61/1000
- Infant mortality rate - 47/1000
- 48% of children under the age of 5 have underdeveloped growth
- Total number of orphans - 214.52 lakh

### Reports by NFHS (National Family Health Survey)

- Increase in child laborers - 11.28 million in 1991 to 12.66 million in 2001
- Children engaged in work - Rural (12.9%) and Urban (8.6%)
- Child marriages - West Bengal (25%), Maharashtra (19%), Andhra Pradesh (15%), Gujarat (13%) and Karnataka (12%)
- Juvenile IPC crimes in 2011 increased by 10.5%

### Other Reports

- Out of every 100 children, 19 won't be enrolled in a school
- Of every 100 children who enroll, 70 drop out by the time they reach the secondary level
- Of every 100 children who drop out of school, 66 are girls
- 65% of girls in India are married by the age of 18 and become mothers soon after their marriage

## ESPECIALLY BY THOSE WITH MEANS...

In India, many NGOs are playing an active role towards the development through participatory research, community empowerment and search for development alternatives. However, economic progress, social justice, gender equality, social empowerment and improvement in quality of life can only be achieved if there is greater collaboration between the Government and NGOs in India.

## THIS IS WHY WE ARE DOING OUR BIT...

Valmiki Foundation has pursued the cause of community development in and around Hyderabad (India) since 2008, and has been working to tackle social issues at the grass-root level by working in concert with various other NGOs and the State Government of Andhra Pradesh. One of its prime concern deals with the betterment of underprivileged children in an attempt to bring smiles to their innocent faces and leading them out of ill-fated and detrimental social settings, into more socially stable environments.



# VALMIKI FOUNDATION

Valmiki Foundation is a CSR initiative of the Valmiki Group, trying to cater to the needs of the downtrodden especially the children living in difficult circumstances. Since its inception, the Foundation has been trying to raise awareness regarding several social issues concerning children. Chief among them have been focused at eradicating child labor, providing healthy meals to the malnourished, providing shelter to orphans and reducing illiteracy. 'Valmiki Hriday' is one such step in this direction – The orphanage started operations on 26th June, 2011 and since then has dedicated itself to the task of providing food, shelter, education and most importantly emotional support to the homeless children

The children are enrolled in our unique, customized schooling system at IUN Schooling. The system is intended to introduce them to Indian value system while still learning about global modernization. This format helps in developing solid reasoning and technical skills among the children. However, mere education does not ensue in overall development of a child. At the orphanage, we aim to provide the young ones a fulfilling childhood. Therefore, they are encouraged to participate in various co-curricular activities such as dance, sports, yoga & spiritual exploration and, outings to historically and culturally significant places.

## VALMIKI HRIDAY

Valmiki Hriday, the orphanage operated under Valmiki Foundation provides underprivileged and orphan children with food, shelter, education and a refined lifestyle.

Children, with their innocent smiles, never fail to remind us of all that is good in a human being. It is with the spirit to keep this uncorrupted virtue of their smile always shining that this orphanage has been set up. More of a care center than an orphanage, we aim to provide assistance of any kind required by the young ones we have accommodated in our premises.

### Since its inception, Valmiki Hriday has come to the aid of several

- Orphan children
- Children with single parent
- Children from BPL (Below Poverty Line) families
- Mentally & physically challenged children
- HIV affected children
- Abandoned children

By 2014, we had 30 children staying at the premises and being provided for. Every year there is an attempt to increase the resources in order to provide complete support and care for an even greater number of children.







# WE AIM TO CHANGE LIVES FOR GOOD!

Valmiki Foundation is a non-profit organization registered under Andhra Pradesh Societies Registration Act of 2001 (Regd. No. 398/2008) and Foreign Contribution Regulation Act. Surya Ganesh Valmiki, a venturesome man of strong determination and sense of purpose, embarked on a path to establish an organization with the intention of helping the downtrodden and vulnerable sections of the society. What began as a personal project today has become an integrated part of the entire Valmiki Group. The Valmiki Foundation is not just an isolated corporate entity, but rather a beacon guiding the principles and philosophies of the Group.

## OUR MISSION

To help the underprivileged children who have fallen prey to situations and circumstances beyond their control. Shape the destinies of these young men and women of India who are endowed with sharpest of brains and loving hearts but lack the opportunities that others of their age are blessed with.

## OUR AIM

We aim to help the poor and needy by providing them food and shelter and reduce the illiteracy rate in India. We aim to inspire them to explore their talents, hone their skills, be self-reliant and pursue the life of their dreams!

## LITERACY IS THE PATH FROM MISERY TO LIBERATION

We provide home like residential care centers to those who have discontinued education as a result of either lack of resources or social impediments. We look forward to provide best possible education to children who are desirous of resuming their studies after brief discontinuance.

## LIFE IS NATURAL, LIVELIHOOD IS DEVELOPED

The adage "Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime" holds a truth that is hard to ignore." is something we strongly believe. We identify unemployed young men and women, leading a life of squalor and provide various vocational courses to develop skills that will allow them to provide for themselves and their family and lead a life of dignity.





Some pursue happiness,  
others create it



**Ln. Surya Ganesh Valmiki**  
President,  
Valmiki Foundation

I think it is more important to first educate the nation rather than to run after it to make it a developed one. In the recent times, we have witnessed a significant change with the rising world populations, depleting resources and changing climate. All these situations have been reshaping where we live, the way we live and how we live. Under such circumstances enhancing equity, reducing gender discrimination, enabling greater voice and participation of citizens especially the youth, addressing environmental issues etc. becomes the top agenda of most nations. However, non-profit organisations have overtaken these roles that were traditionally being handled by the government.

In many ways, Valmiki Foundation has been distinct from day one. It has been addressing the above mentioned issues by enlarging the scope of community development to meet the needs of the underprivileged, continually striving to improve the educational status and entrepreneurial spirit, embracing environmental issues etc. In our vision to create new generation leaders capable of shaping the future of our country, unique programs such as the IUNSchooling and Valmiki Leadership Forum play a very major role. Our organization is committed to its well-wishers transparency.

There has been a continuing interest of our well-wishers in helping us pursue the visions and goals of Valmiki Foundation. I personally appreciate the passion and dedication of the Valmiki Foundation members for uplifting the organization to such high social repute. I am sure that we will soon be able to accomplish the dream of having our own residential school where the underprivileged children will be imparted with the best of knowledge.



Join the race to make the world  
a better place



**Rtn. Sk. Hari Kishan Valmiki**  
Project Director,  
Valmiki Foundation

I believe that service to human kind is service to god. I work on being a better person everyday rather than just praying to god. Many such philanthropic thoughts really made me think a lot from my childhood. Alongside, my father has always been a mirror of such reflections. My parents always use to apprise me and my siblings that once we grow up and achieve something sustainable we should think about the community and give something in return to the under privileged kids especially by providing them good education and good health. Further, receiving a medal from the 'President of India' added one more feather to my crown that inspired me. I and my family hail from Anantapur which was again a dry area with less rainfall and no employment opportunities. There were two eminent persons who really transformed the entire district to a happy living. They are none other than Swamy Sathya Sai Baba, who contributed towards the water supply, health services, education and spiritual discipline; and the founder of Rural Development Trust (RDT), Father Vincente Ferrer. The people of Anantapur will always be so grateful to both these magnanimous personalities.

In Anantapur, RDT is active now and focusing attention on the ecological development of the area, rural housing, higher and professional education of children from deprived sections, and equally promoting rural sports, games and cultural talents among children.

Further, having served for Rotary Club of Anantapur for almost 10 years, it amicably taught me many lessons to be a social entrepreneur. Conjointly, we have attended numerous blood donation camps, eye camps, pulse polio campaign and many more as Rotary International supports education and health. I genuinely feel proud to be a part of the Valmiki Foundation, started by my brothers. I am currently taking care of the projects and fund-raising activities to reach our benevolent and compassionate goals.





# OUR INITIATIVES

## VALMIKI LEADERSHIP FORUM

Valmiki Leadership Forum is a subsidiary of Valmiki Foundation. The forum has been established to empower youth in India through various means such as leadership programs, academic and career counseling and youth entrepreneurship promotion.

### We believe that better results occur when individuals

- Believe in doing good
- Think strategically
- Understand the impact of their action on themselves and others
- Engage effectively with others

### We emphasize on leadership, self-awareness and effective behaviors that

- Brings about a positive change
- Engage and inspire youth
- Influence peers
- Help the youth

### We intend to

- Reach out to the problems of people and society
- Address issues that affect youth – such as education, job opportunities, stress, loneliness and depression among others

### We network with

- Well qualified and trained staff (Faculty, Counselors)
- Professionals for need-based courses

### We include programs like

- Phobia Dissolution
- Leadership Programs
- Academic and Career Counseling
- Young Entrepreneurship Program

# IUN SCHOOL

IUN Schooling is an educational method and philosophy that replaces traditional schooling as a primary means of learning. IUN Scholars learn through their natural life experiences including play, household responsibilities, personal interests and curiosity, internships and work experience, travel, books, elective classes, family, mentors, and social interaction. It encourages exploration of activities initiated by the children themselves, believing that the personal learning is more meaningful, well-understood and therefore useful to the child.

Believing in such an ideology, Valmiki Foundation, with the help of two volunteers - Sumit Garg and Atha Ulla Khan came out with an innovative idea called the IUN Schooling methodology. We have begun implementing this method and the results have been better than our expectations.

### Session Format

- Students learn by exploring electronic and electrical devices
- They completely disassemble the device and assemble it back by themselves
- Small batch of 10 students led by an expert instructor to ensure lectures through presentation, video, assessment and other modern teaching aids and methodologies.
- Working device is used for demonstration. Non-working devices are used for practice by students
- Students are given a complete autonomy
- Precautions are taken by the instructor with respect to their safety
- Each learning session lasts two and a half hours

### Some of the devices used for experimentation

- Laptops & Desktops
- Mobiles & Tablets
- Pressing Irons, Refrigerators, Washing Machines, Fans, Air Coolers and Water Pumps
- Radios and Calculators
- Solar Panels
- Inverters & UPS

### Benefits to Students

- Initiation into self-learning
- They develop a confident attitude towards science and technology
- They discover that these devices are not as complex or mysterious as they seem to be
- Students and teachers can relate to these sessions during regular classes based on school curriculum
- IUN Schooling transforms students into explorers' with hands-on experience







## SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Valmiki Foundation supports students in building a successful future, with dedication and passion. The foundation offers aid and support through various means.

One such means is the Valmiki Foundation's 'Scholarship Program' which is reserved for merit students. Applications are accepted from students, parents, schools and NGOs before June 1, every academic year.

The selected students are awarded with Rs. 3000/- (Rupees three thousand) towards their educational expenditure by June 26 every academic year.

### Who is eligible for this scholarship?

- Indian nationals
- Orphans, single parents, street children & child laborers
- Students from primary school to post-graduation
- Students from registered orphanages, NGOs, Trusts, government or private schools & individuals
- Academic performance required are an average score of 70% in examinations
- Annual income of the parent should be below Rs. 36,000 per year (In case of single parent.)

### Documents to be furnished at the time of application

- Covering letter from respective Orphanage, NGO, Trust or School
- Mark sheet of qualifying examination
- Detailed case study of an applicant
- Address proof (In case of an individual)

## "MOMENTS WE WILL CHERISH ALL OUR LIVES"

### AN INTERACTIVE SESSION - RESIDENTS OF SMILES OLD AGE HOME AT MEDCHAL

Valmiki Foundation Project Director Kishan Valmiki, Founder of Shradha Foundation and TV9 Anchor Ms. Sujatha and Managing Trustee of Smiles Foundation Prasad Gowra created this small project of taking the under privileged kids to have an interactive session with the residents of Smiles Old Age Home at Medchal.

### VISIT TO CHARMINAR & MECCA MASJID

Our kids begin their summer of fun by visiting Charminar and Mecca Masjid.

### FOOTBALL – PLAYING FOR A CAUSE

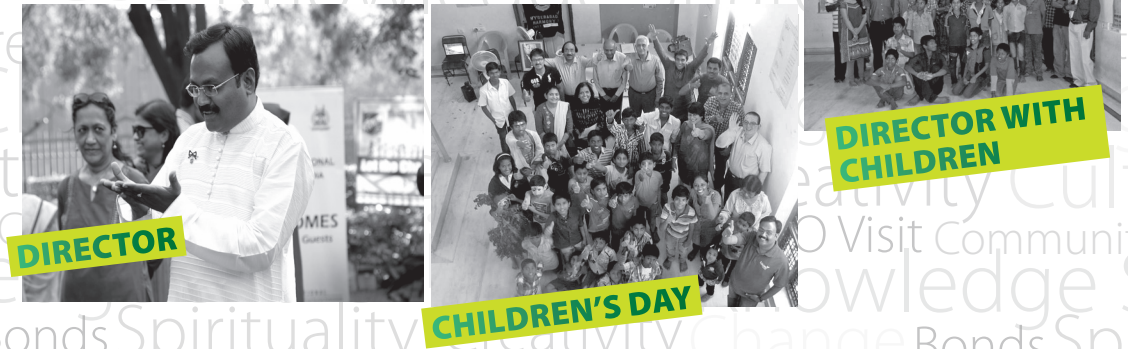
A 10-year old boy called Mac Miller from Australia is spreading peace through soccer. An amazingly talented boy, he interacted with the children at the foundation and also gifted a special soccer ball which he brought from Australia. At such a young age, he realized the importance of peace in the world and started showing the world what just one child can do for the cause. Rtn. Dr Ravi Vadlamani and Rtn. Sessa Sai brought this boy to India to interact with children here and understand his 'Peace Project through Soccer Balls'. Thanks to Mac's mother who gifted us the book written by this young boy. We are thankful to the Rotary Club of Jubilee Hills and other Rotarians who helped us with this mission.







# SOME GLIMPSES



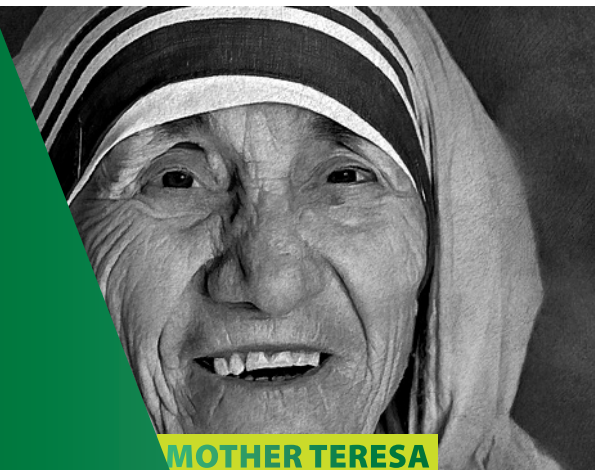
## SKAL INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL CHARITY DAY

Valmiki Foundation joined hands with SKAL International, Hyderabad Chapter on its Annual Charity Day on 27th Dec 2014 at Banjara Hills. There were about 60 Children from Valmiki Hriday and from Asha Kiran Foundation along with the SKAL members and volunteers from Valmiki Foundation. VVS. Laxman – the Guest of Honor, spent some quality time with our children. He also distributed school bags and school stationeries sponsored by the Foundation.

We also support other foundations likewise. During the event, we donated rice bags to Asha Kiran Foundation. SKAL International along with VVS Laxman was actively involved in this noble cause. Definitely a day which can't ever be erased from their memories.



# OUR INSPIRATIONS



**MOTHER TERESA**



**FATHER VINCENTE FERRER & ANNE PERRY**



**DR. VENKATA RAMANA & SMT. NAGARATNAMMA**

## OUR OWN CHILDREN

While we strive hard to bring smiles to our children's faces, for our children doing the same for others seems effortless. It never ceases to amaze us how effortlessly these kids bring a smile on the faces of those whose lives they touch. Numerous, have been the occasions when they have done so, some of which are listed below. This, perhaps, is the biggest reward and inspiration for our efforts.



## OUR KIDS HAVE BROUGHT SMILES TO SEVERAL GATHERINGS

- Children have been given 'Charity Ride' by Harley Davidson Owners Group at the Valmiki Foundation
- Valmiki Hriday children have performed at INDUS International School on Independence Day
- A 'Holi Celebrations' with the children were organized on 6th March, 2015 by Valmiki Hriday volunteers and the staff
- The children also performed at the 110th Birthday Celebration of Rotary, Falaknuma Palace on 23rd Feb, 2015

# OUR SUPPORTERS



VVS Laxman spent some quality time with Valmiki Hriday children in SKAL International's Annual Charity Show on 27th December 2014



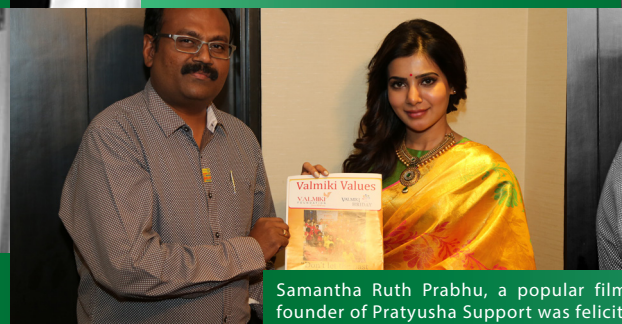
Lakshmi Manchu, Hollywood & Tollywood film actress & producer attended the Valmiki Foundation's 6th Anniversary



The Union Minister for Employment Bandar Dattatreya congratulated the Valmiki Foundation on its 7th Anniversary Celebrations for all its philanthropic activities



Dr. Rangarajan impressed with the activities of the Valmiki Foundation, assured support from the Government of India at the time our Director paid a courtesy visit at New Delhi



Samantha Ruth Prabhu, a popular film personality and a social worker and the founder of Pratyusha Support was felicitated by our Director, Mr. Hari Kishan Valmiki



A tree plantation drive was organized to promote the benefits of a healthy environment for the society



Ms. Sravya, a famous television star from the program ETV BLACK and a famous playback singer was honored by the President and the Director during the 7th Anniversary celebrations of Valmiki Foundation



Hriday children were taken for a visit to Salarjung Museum on 29th March 2014



On 14th February, 2015 books and bags were distributed among the children in the regions affected by tsunami. Also scholarship support was offered to 3 MBA students who were financially weak but showed a strong determination to complete the education at Pondicherry University



International Women's Day 2015 was celebrated at Valmiki Group's Corporate Office

**CELEBRATIONS**



# THE STORY OF OUR CHILDREN



## G.BHARGAVI CHAKRI

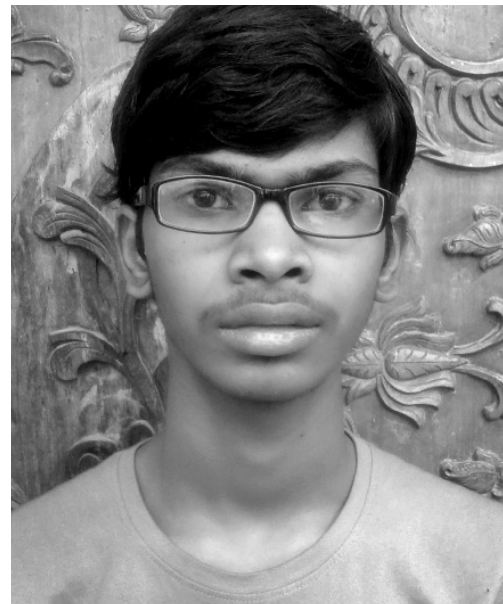
**Date of Birth: 5-8-2004**

**Age: 11 years**

**Education: 3rd class**

Bhargavi's father Mr. G. Anji unfortunately passed away due to an accident. Then, Mrs. Anji Sudha Rekha working on daily wages faced several problems to take care of the family as her income was not sufficient to fulfill even their basic necessities. Mrs. Rekha who was not in a state to give proper attention and care to the kids, approached Valmiki Hriday for help to provide a better future for her children.

Bhargavi Chakri joined Valmiki Hriday on 26-6-2012 and was admitted in Kindle Care High School at Alwal. He is currently studying in 1st grade. He has been very good at grasping lessons and has shown tremendous improvement in his studies. He secured 70% in his term exams. Chakri has a strong ambition to become an Army Major.



## NAGA VENKAT REDDY

**Date of Birth: 11-10-1997**

**Age: 18 years**

**Education: 10th class**

Naga Venkat Reddy's was deprived of family and education, as his father Mr. Babu Reddy a lorry driver, passed away in an accident and his mother Mrs. Swaroop passed away due to illness. He is survived with a younger sister who is currently staying in a government hostel. Both him and his sister, currently staying in a government hostel, were initially taken care of by their maternal uncle. But due to his unfavorable financial circumstances he approached Valmiki Hriday for help.

Naga Venkata Reddy joined Valmiki Hriday and he was enrolled in Kindle Care High School. He took his SSC examination this year (2015) and is awaiting result. He has proved to be a brilliant student, managing excellent scores in his academics. Both his teachers and his peers find him of great moral character and having great leadership qualities. His life ambition is to become a teacher.



## SOME MORE GLIMPSES







## FUTURE GOALS

The Valmiki Foundation intends to expand its activity further to reduce illiteracy among the underprivileged sections of the society. We aim to impart free education through our own educational institutions and adopted schools. Also under consideration is an initiative to provide adequate infrastructural facilities in both government and private schools at the elementary and high school level.

We imagine a world without disparity and sadness. However, mere thought is not enough to transform the world. Tangible actions are what we need. As we do our bit, you too can join us in this noble mission. From simply informing others of our initiatives to spreading the message to collaborating with us, together we can bring smiles on the faces of countless fellow humans.

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