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“Win hearts with Vinimag”

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Dear Friends,

“To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; to appreciate beauty, to find the best in others; to leave the world a little better; whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed social condition; to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is the meaning of success.”

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

We are back with the next issue of Vinimag as promised – we hope all of you found the previous issue informative and useful. We would love to hear from you – so please do send us your contributions and/or feedback to vinimag@vsnl.com or to the postal address given at the end of this newsletter.

With regards

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1. Message From Vinimay Trust

Vinimay's view of 'SOCIAL WORK' had been (was) aptly expressed in words by Mr. L. Venkataraman, a founder member of the group and printed in all our pamphlets and news letters. It is worth repeating it again.

"For Vinimay, social work is not doling out charity. It is not something the fortunate few condescend to do for the helpless many. Social work is social participation and social repayment. Above all, it is an exchange process, wherein the social worker, while giving something of what he/she has, also receives something in return, say, knowledge or satisfaction. It is to constantly remind ourselves of this fact that we named ourselves "VINIMAY" (which means "exchange" in Sanskrit)".

If a volunteer sits back and reflects on his/her work for Vinimay in the past two decades, he / she will realize that the knowledge gained from the exposure given by Vinimay to the world of disadvantaged children and youth, is the single largest component on the receipt side of the exchange. The exposure to the target group, namely children in Child Welfare Institutions (CWIs) and youth coming out of the Institutions, certainly widens our vision and understanding and in the struggle to find a solution to effectively lead them to solve their problems, one understands one's limitations and seeks knowledge.

Realising the constraints and limitations of part-time voluntary social workers, Vinimay limited its child-welfare activities to aid children in existing CWIs and boys / girls leaving CWIs at the statutory age of 18 who need further assistance.

For the past 24 years Vinimay has continued to do intensive work in one or two CWIs, while broad-basing certain programmes like LIFE EDUCATION CAMP, EDUCATION CAMPS and BALMAHOTSAV to cover more CWIs. This approach has certainly helped us to have a focus and continuity to our activities, which in turn has helped the volunteer to comprehend and learn how to deal with the complex feelings and forces that trigger the child's / youth's behaviour.

Can we point out one lesson learnt in all these years of experience, as the most important? Yes. Once again we will quote L.Venkataraman's words:

"Bruised hearts can be enthused only by love and emotional support and not by material comforts and competitive incentives alone. You can do this only by coming close to the child and gaining his confidence. You can come close to the child only by putting yourself in the child's shoes and understanding his emotions, feelings and actions. In short we have to empathize with the target."

We should approach the child with out any pre-conceived opinions. Our looking glass should not be coloured / clouded. In his book "THE 7 HABITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TEENS", SEAN COVEY writes "We have paradigms (perceptions) not only about ourselves, but also about other people. And they can be way out of whack too. Seeing things from a different point of view can help us understand why other people act the way they do."

A classic example of this paradigm shift, is illustrated with the help of this anecdote from Reader's Digest.

"A friend of mine, returning to South Africa from a long stay in Europe, found herself with some time to spare at London's Heathrow Airport. Buying a cup of coffee and a small package of cookies, she staggered, laden with luggage, to an unoccupied table. She was reading the morning paper when she became aware of some one rustling at her table. From behind her paper, she was flabbergasted to see a neatly dressed young man helping himself to her cookies. She did not want to make a scene, so she leaned across and took a cookie herself. A minute or so passed. More rustling. He was helping himself to another cookie.

By the time they were down to the last cookie in the package, she was very angry but still could not bring herself to say anything. Then the young man broke the cookie in two, pushed half across to her, ate the other half and left.

Some time later, when the public-address system called for her to present her ticket, she was still fuming. Imagine her embarrassment when she opened her handbag and was confronted by her package of cookies. She had been eating his.

Consider the lady's feelings towards the neatly dressed young man before the turn of events: "What a rude, presumptive young man."

Imagine her feelings after: "How embarrassing!" How kind of him to share his last cookie with me!"

Our perceptions are often incomplete, inaccurate or messed up. We form rigid opinions of others or ourselves. From our limited points of view we seldom see the whole picture, or have all the facts. If we want to make big changes in our lives, the key is, to change our perceptions and the glasses through which we see the world.

An experience with VINIMAY certainly facilitates the change of looking glass.

Adieu for the present and happy reading.

Yours Sincerely
For Vinimay Trust
(TVA Padmanaban)

2. Feature Article : Fakira Sheikh's Journey by Mr. Ivan Rodrigues

30-June 1984

It was just another day for most Mumbaikars. People woke up and went about their daily routine; some rushing off to work, mothers packing off their children to school... It was also raining quite heavily. The rain however could not dampen the spirits of the proud parents of the little boy that was born on that day. As it would be for every mother and father, it was the happiest day in their lives. The boy was named Fakira Sheikh. 2 years later, they gave birth to their second son, Noor Sheikh.

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Today, Fakira Sheikh, is close to being 22 years old. He wakes up at 4.30 in the morning. He shares a single room with his brother Noor in Mankhurd. His breakfast is a cup of tea. And then he is off to work. He takes the 5.28 a.m. local from Mankhurd which reaches Panvel at 6 a.m. He then takes the State Transport bus from Panvel and reaches Road Pali Naka Kalamboli at 6.30 a.m. From there he walks for around 5 minutes and reaches the Foodland Kalamboli Food Park. He is ready for work. He works with Unisol in the Housekeeping department. His shift timings are from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. He has been working at Kalamboli since 23 August 2005. After work, he goes back to his one room home in Mankhurd. Of course, the usual chores of washing clothes, filling water, cleaning the room, etc. have to be done. At around 6.30 p.m., he starts to cook dinner for his brother and for himself. His monthly take home salary is around Rs.2,500/-

And now on to his brother Noor Sheikh. Noor, a twenty year old boy has a cup of tea for his breakfast. And maybe a vada pav, if he is lucky. That's because, he works in a vada pav stall in Mankhurd from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. His lunch comprises some rice and dal provided by the owner of the vada pav stall. But what he waits for eagerly is to rush back home to his brother and share dinner with him. He earns about fifty rupees a day. He works every day. The day he is unwell and cannot make it, he gets nothing. So you see, he has no option but to make it to work everyday. After catching up and sharing a few laughs, they retire for the night at 11.00 p.m.

Going Back.....

By 1997, Fakira and Noor Sheikh had lost both their father and mother. A social worker took them from their one room home in Mankhurd to the Chembur Children's Home (CCH) at Mankhurd where they lived until 2002. Once Fakira became 18 years old, he had to leave CCH. While at CCH he had met and interacted with volunteers from Vinimay Trust who used to visit the CCH for

voluntary social work. He also knew about Coomiben Babubhai Shah Tarun Sadan, a Transition Hostel run by the Vinimay Trust that houses and helps young men like him to stand on their own feet. He applied and joined Tarun Sadan in Kopar Khairne's Sector 23 in 2002. and stayed there until 2005.

Unisol regularly recruits from orphanages and that is how Fakira is working with us. During his stay at Tarun Sadan, He and Vinimay volunteers visited his old home. Here they met Mr. Mohammed Ayub, one of his father's old neighbours who has zealously safeguarded Fakira's house until Fakira's return. He now has gone back to his one room home in Mankhurd where he used to live with his parents. In the monsoon that ravaged Mumbai last year, Fakira's one room home was flooded. Everything was destroyed. He had to rebuild his home from whatever savings he had. Mr. Ayub is still his guardian angel. You almost hope that we had more Mr. Ayubs in this world.

The Future

Fakira does not really know. He knows that he has to work hard. He knows that he has to take care of his younger brother. And he knows there is no turning back. Above all, he is content and happy. He takes one day at a time. And he is confident and optimistic about the future. He told me with pride that he has a savings account in Vijaya Bank where he tries to save whatever he can.

Why am I writing to You on Fakira?

This narration is not intended to evoke sympathy for Fakira Sheikh (he would hate it). Neither is it meant to be a magnanimous statement bordering on self-indulgence. All of us lead our lives in a particular manner. And in this journey there are several incidents and defining moments that impact us; positively and/or negatively. We all want success and sometimes get lost in the "metrics" that define success – career, money, cars, fashion, living up to the Joneses, etc..... Seldom are we "aware" of our surroundings. I am sharing this with you because this morning, I was quite harshly sensitized to a deeper sense of self-awareness. And I am grateful to the 22 year old for this.

Thank you Fakira Sheikh.

Editor's Note: Vinimay Trust would like to thank Mr. Ivan Rodrigues, General Manager Marketing at Radhakrishna Foodland Private Ltd. for agreeing to share the contents of an email written by him to his colleagues, based on which this article has been written.

3. EVENTS REVIEW

3.1 Tarapur Camp:

Yet another camp – this time for girls – was organized at Tarapur Atomic Power Station (TAPS) colony, Boisar (about 100 kms. from Mumbai) from 24th to 30th Dec. 2005 with the generous support of TAPS authorities. A total of 40 girls from A.D. Bawala Female Orphanage, Bal Kalyan Nagari (BKN), Seva Sadan Society and Shraddhanand Mahilashram participated. This was the 23rd week-long outstation camp conducted by Vinimay. The number of children covered under this program of Vinimay crossed 1000 during this camp, reaching the figure of 1030. Like the camp in June '05, this camp was also ably run by Smit Vinimay and Tarun Vinimay members. Follow-up visits were made by the camp volunteers to the institutions to get a feed-back about the Camp.

3.2 Karate Camp:

10 boys of Chembur Children's Home (CCH) were sponsored to attend a Karate camp at Kshitij Resort, Virar in Dec 2005 organized by Mr. Freddie Billimoria. They were imparted training not just in karate, but also in Judo, weapons such as Lathi, Numchaku, sword and knife. Mr. Kher, who coordinated the camp and also stayed at the camp, says that the boys did very well in the camp and needless to say they enjoyed the camp thoroughly.

3.3 New year Eve at Children's Home:

The "THIRTYFIRST" festival as the children call it, New Year Eve was celebrated at CCH with usual gaiety. This is the children's own program. The entire program is prepared, compered and organized by them with support from Tarun Vinimay volunteers and staff of CCH. About 480 persons – children of the Children's Home, staff, ex-students and Vinimay members – participated and enjoyed a buffet dinner together. The children had put up cultural programs right upto midnight and the program ended by heralding the new year with wishing each other a very happy new year 2006 and beautiful fireworks. Quiz, cricket and collage painting competitions were held during the Christmas vacation leading to the New Year Eve celebration.

3.4 The Annual Function ("Thirty-first" Program) at BKN:

When Vinimay activities were extended to BKN, sometime in 1991, children of BKN wanted a program similar to the New Year Eve program at CCH. Thus, started the annual cultural program-cum-dinner at BKN which is organized in the month of February. All the same, the children have named

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it the “THIRTY FIRST” program! This year this program was celebrated on 4th Feb. '06. The program was replete with highly entertaining dances and drama by the children of various Kutirs followed by a delectable Buffet Dinner. A large number of Vinimay volunteers and well wishers attended. We make a conscious effort to keep both the programs (at CCH and BKN) as nearly similar to each other as possible. Therefore cricket and collage painting competitions were held. The volunteers organized fun games for the staff. Our sincere thanks to the Superintendent and staff of BKN who worked tirelessly to make this program a happy occasion for the children.

- 4.1 Regular monthly meeting of the volunteers were held.
- 4.2 Under their “QIC&AC Program” (Quality Institutional Care & Alternatives for Children” Program), “CRY” and “Saathi” organized a daylong training program for the care-taker staff of Chembur Children’s Home and BKN. Vinimay supported the program by funding the expenses.
- 4.3 Atul Shah attended, on Vinimay’s behalf, the marriage of three girls of A. D. Bawala Female Orphanage on 16th Dec. '05.
- 4.4 Four more volunteers (Mr. M.P. Jayan, Ms. Shalini Athray, Ms. Seema Basak and Mr. Atindra Banerjee) have joined Vinimay. Mr. Jayan has taken up Play Centre while the other three have joined the tutorial class program.
- 4.5 During this period, Vasantha Didi lost her mother, Laxmi Didi lost her father and Mukta Didi lost her mother. Our deepest condolences . We stand by them in their moments of great grief.

5. REWIND – Jan – March 2006

5.1 Relating to Children

- 5.1.1. All regular activities birthdays, supplementary food, play centre, tutorial classes etc. were continued with same zest and enthusiasm.
- 5.1.2. Eleven boys of CCH were trained and sponsored to participate in the Swami Vivekananda Birthday speech and recitation competition conducted by Sri Ramakrishna Mission.
- 5.1.3. During the birthday program of children at CCH, senior students who had passed SSC during earlier years shared their experiences and gave useful tips to the present batch of SSC students.
- 5.1.4. Extra nutrition was provided to one of the boys in CCH against a request from the institution. . He was suffering from tuberculosis and undergoing long-term treatment.
- 5.1.5. April 7 2006 - The last day of annual examination for the Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Mankhurd was also the day that our tutorial assistance program at CCH and BKN for the academic year 2005 - 2006 was completed. The tutorial classes were run for standards VII, VIII, IX and X mainly in two subjects namely, English and Mathematics. In standard X and VII, Vinimay volunteers worked in association with two volunteers directly working with BKN. In addition, we also handled standard VI children at the Chembur Children Home. On an average a teaching volunteer spent 4 hours per week spread over two days. As has been customary for the last many years, Vinimay volunteers visited CCH and BKN on the eve of SSC board examination, gave their blessings and best wishes to the X standard students and distributed pens, writing pads and foot rulers.
- 5.1.6. April 9, 2006 was Kulfi Day at CCH and BKN. For some years, after the worries and tensions of the examinations are over, Vinimay volunteers, Staff of the institution and the children share ice cream/kulfi together. This is a way of showing our appreciation to the children of CCH and BKN for regularly attending classes and taking their studies seriously. This year it was Kulfi and we all enjoyed it immensely. The volunteers taking part in the tutorial assistance and kulfi program included Atul, Purandare family, Shri Bhagat, Mrs. and Mr. Ganguly, Miss Chandrani, Miss Argala, Mrs. Lorie, Mrs. Mukta, Mrs. Dhanya, Miss Shalini, Mrs. Lalitha, Mrs. Sheela, Shri Mithapara, Shri Nadre, Shri Venkatraman, Shri Aseem Kar, Mrs. Nupur Awasthi, Shri Umesh Mahapatra and Shri AK Das.

5.1.7. X standard “masti” - As in previous years, X standard boys and girls (20 in all) from CCH and BKN were taken for an outing the day after the last paper of the board exams as a fitting reward for all the hard work. Many of the children will soon leave the institution and the outing is also used to get them to talk of their families, future plans, etc. Volunteers Nadre, Mukta, Sabira, Mandira and her friend Nirmala accompanied the kids. The packed itinerary (9 a.m to 7 p.m.) for this outing started with the Sai Baba temple at Panvel, followed by a visit to Mandira_Didi’s residence. Here their future plans, strengths and weaknesses, Vinimay’s work etc was discussed. This was followed by lunch and some mental and physical games at the NMMC’s mango garden at CBD with its ponds and ducks. The last stop was at Centre One, Vashi for their first and thrilling escalator ride and ice cream (Ordering and choosing one’s own flavor added greatly to the pleasure of the ice-cream) before returning to CCH/BKN. All journeys were made by local train and foot. As far as possible, children were made responsible for running the trip: ensuring no one is left behind, handling payments – train tickets, ice-creams, tea at Sai Baba temple. This is a major aim of Vinimay trips since the kids do not get much opportunity to learn such skills. Thus for a total of Rs. 2000 and a total 50 man-hours - this was one trip that was total value for money and more!

5.2 Relating to youth:

- 5.2.1. Regular monthly meetings of Tarun and Smit Vinimay were conducted. In one of the meetings about 60 youth were provided assistance in filling up an application form for a government job.
- 5.2.2. An adventure picnic to Neral was arranged for Tarun and Smit Vinimay on 14-15th Jan. '06. Sixty youths and four volunteers joined this program. This was a first of its kind .On the first day evening, the youths and the volunteers handled live snakes and understood more about the snakes. The idea was to get over the fear of the snakes, though it may not be true that all of us have got over the fear, definitely we can all say that we have had live snakes sliding down our arms and hands and we bravely stood firm! Additionally, we also had a show on hypnotism. This program was a hit with one and all. The intent of this program was to show that people can do a lot better in their life if they can train the mind to do so. This was demonstrated by our own boys and volunteers who did some tasks under the guidance of a master, which otherwise would have been difficult. The next day most of the boys and volunteers could get a hands-on experience of rope climbing, rappelling etc. The youths and volunteers enjoyed this program to a great extent.
- 5.2.3. Pandurang Sakpal, a hardworking and sincere youth whom we have been helping, had qualified for a job on ships but such a job was hard to come by. At last Pandurang’s patience was rewarded and the New Year brought good news to Pandurang. : Mr. Rajendra Kamat, a long standing supporter of Vinimay, helped him to get a job on a ship in Jan. '06. Pandurang is on the high seas now and we are relieved that after years we could get him a good break.

5.2.4. During the period of this report, several issues faced by the youth were addressed. A few examples:

- We were thrilled when a Tarun Vinimay member sought Vinimay's help to convince his relatives not to incur wasteful expenditure for his marriage. Of course we gladly took up the matter and did the needful.
- There was a quarrel and a subsequent suicide in the vicinity of the residence of a Tarun Vinimay member (a bachelor). Since he had contacts with both families, his name also got involved in local gossip. So shaken was he by this experience that he was afraid of going home and even thought of changing his residence immediately. He sought Vinimay's guidance. He was told that shifting of residence would lead to further misunderstanding. He was advised not to react to the rumours and to continue his routine life since he has done no wrong. He was assured that Vinimay would reach his side in no time in case of emergency. He felt relieved and went by Vinimay's advice. All is well now with him.
- Loans amounting to Rs.40, 000 were granted to four Tarun Vinimay members to tide over their emergency needs. The loans were used for attending to medical emergency of the mother of one of the boys, for house repair of another, for starting an electrical contract business for the third and for preparing to join a job on ship for the fourth.

5.2.5. This has been a period of lost and found for some of our youth - Bhaskar, Amir and Rajiv, were all successful in tracing their families and their stories are given below :

Bhaskar's return to his village

Bhaskar was separated from his father at a railway station when they came to Mumbai for some work. As a result, he grew up in a child welfare institution where he came in contact with Vinimay members. Sketchy information was available about his native place and on request from the institution, Vinimay had tried to trace his relatives, but met with limited success. Bhaskar had fond memories of some uncles in whose house he lived after his mother passed away.

After leaving the institution, when he turned 18, through Vinimay's effort, he got a chance to go abroad - to the gulf. Thus the matter of tracing his relatives had to be once again put on the back burner. Late last year when he came down to India on a well deserved vacation, the first thing that he spoke about was on tracing his father & his relatives - the matter very close to his heart.

Our volunteer, Atul undertook one more expedition along with Bhaskar. From the previous effort they were able to locate the village which was etched in Bhaskars memory. It was a scene right out of the movies. Bhaskar was almost in a daze as he led Atul to the house where he had spent a large part of his childhood. He did not need to ask for directions. He did a few rounds of the small village gullies before coming to the entrance of the house that meant so much to him. Truly this was the one moment for which Bhaskar had waited all his life.

Needless to add the reunion was very emotional. The uncles and aunts related anecdotes of his childhood spent in their midst as Bhaskar listened intently. One of the aunts kept hugging Bhaskar till he almost choked. He had been a very bright boy even in his early days when he lived in that village. His father had taken him away against the wishes of the uncles who kept pleading with him to leave Bhaskar behind. The uncles, who had left no stone unturned to trace him, were teary eyed as they thought of what could have been. Nevertheless they were very happy to learn that Bhaskar had succeeded despite all odds. Sadly Bhaskar's father had never returned after he left for Mumbai along with Bhaskar. The uncles were reluctant to let Bhaskar go but then Bhaskar had very little time on hand before he left for the gulf once again.

Today Bhaskar has a big load off his chest. The relatives who were close to his heart are in touch with him once again. Of course he was disappointed at not having been able to locate his father but then he was happy to have tried. He keeps in touch with all his relatives over the phone & when Atul recently called up his uncle they were already looking out for a suitable match for Bhaskar.

Amir's Journey Home

A similar break through was achieved by Thyagarajan, in the case of Amir, an in-mate of our Tarun Sadan. Amir and Thyagarajan traveled to Gulbarga, Karnataka to find his family. After about 15 years, Amir was meeting his family – his father, his step-mom, step-brothers & step-sister. They were received very well by the family members. They stayed overnight over there, visited some of the other relatives in the neighboring taluka. Amir got to understand from his paternal uncle, the reason for his separation at the age of 2 years and subsequently remaining separated for many years. Amir was a much satisfied person after this interaction with his uncle. His family has accepted him unconditionally as a member of their family.

Keeping in mind his career aspirations (AC mechanic), Gulbarga doesn't seem to be the place that would meet his requirements. At present Amir has decided to continue with his job at Mumbai, later on he plans to take a small place in Mumbai and call his parents to stay with him.

Rajiv's Roots

With the success of Amir's reunion with his family doing the rounds of the hostel, another member of the hostel Rajiv was very keen in tracing his family. For a boy who was separated at 6 years, he had a remarkable memory. He could remember the location of his place of stay, his sister's, and his uncles' names etc. Armed with this information, Valli, the niece of Thyagarajan could trace all the members. Valli is pursuing her education in medical college at Karad, about 3 hours from Pune. The family members of Rajiv and Rajiv himself were extremely happy at the turn of events in their life. It was an extremely satisfying act for Valli and the joy was shared by her parents as well. On the lighter side, Valli's college-mates have been reminding her that she has not become a social worker just because she traced a family!

The above incidents have resulted in 3 to 4 boys of the hostel looking at the possibility of tracing their family members.

5.3 TARUN SADAN

- Tarun Sadan, with a current strength of 26 frequently receives requests for new admissions. Boys are helped to develop self confidence, life skills and encouraged to stand on their own feet through continuous guidance by the volunteers and the superintendent. At the end of their stay they are provided assistance for resettling in the community. During the last three months two students left Tarun Sadan and have settled down in the society at large...
- Apart from the regular birthday celebrations and the republic day celebration, this quarter 19 boys went on a picnic to Karnala bird sanctuary. Ajit Sawant, Mr. Gohil and Mr. Andure conducted the program.
- Two boys appeared for SSC examinations while one for HSC examinations.
- An ex-student was given temporary shelter for a month on medical grounds.
- As usual, Tarun Sadan hosted monthly meetings of Tarun and Smit Vinimay.
- The long lost relatives of one of the students were located, which has been reported earlier in this issue.
- We felt that we would be able to guide the boys better if we had more scientific evaluation of their talents and aptitudes. A pilot project covering the latest batch of 10 boys has been initiated. Mr. Thyagarajan and Mr. Andure are organizing this program with technical help from Mr. Vipin.
- The infamous rain floods of July 2005 cast its gloom over Vinimay also. Abdul Shaik Khan, a sprightly destitute lad of 19 years had hardly spent two days at Tarun Sadan when swirling floods near his work place claimed his life. With the quick and unhesitating support from Superintendent After Care Hostel, Chembur where Abdul had stayed before joining Tarun Sadan – we claimed the mortal remains of Abdul from the police. A dignified burial according to his religion was arranged by Vinimay. Superintendent of After Care Hostel, Abdul's employer, Superintendent and inmates of Tarun Sadan and a large number of Vinimay members attended the funeral. The south Indian Noor-ul Sunnath Jamaath of Cheeta camp and Mr. Abdul Khader a long standing friend of Vinimay came to Vinimay's help in its hour of distress and arranged for a solemn funeral with full rites.

6. WINNING MOMENTS

Given below are some moments of which we are proud of – we would like to keep repeating these moments as it is a matter of pride and honour when we share the emotion of winning along with the inmates of all the institutions –

11 medals were won by the karate students of CCH in the National Tournaments held in Mulund last July.

Hearty congratulations to the students and the coach!

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- For Rs.3000 you could sponsor the Annual get together dinner programme for 50 children
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