

WHAT'S YOUR GIFT TO THE SOCIETY THIS DEEPAVALI?

A STORY OF VELAMMAL HERO!

[VELAMMAL'S YOUNG PHILANTHROPIST]

Have you ever thought that Values are missing in the current generation? Do you think that moral values and ethics are degrading due to 'survival of fittest' type of attitude? Here is a boy who can be called as "Young Philanthropist".

"Knowing that my contribution brings about peace and happiness to children who deserve it so much is a satisfying feeling" says Sanjay Kumar.

Sanjay!!! A young 12 std student of Velammal matriculation Higher secondary School, Surapet, Chennai-66 has helped 220 people so far who were in need of Money for their medical emergencies. He has contributed largely to every child's right to survival. This tender hearted boy has never celebrated Diwali by bursting crackers or by wearing new clothes. Here is the history behind this sacrifice.

"Honestly you saved my lives" says...

At the age of 7, when Sanjay was studying in class 2, he happened to see a picture of one girl in the news paper. When he asked his father (Mr. Venugopal) about it, he replied saying "this girl is suffering from heart disease and she is in need of money - that is why they have published an article in newspaper so that people can help her by sending money".

Immediately Sanjay asked his father "why can't we help this akka?" His father of lower middle

income group explained gently to Sanjay about their financial situation. Then after some time Sanjay went back to his father and asked him, how much will he spend for this Diwali for his family for buying crackers, sweets and new dress? His father's reply was Rs. 2000. Sanjay happily replied saying "I don't want anything for this Diwali rather send the amount to that Akka". Here started the journey of this living Philanthropist. So far he has saved lives of 220 people, adopted 1 blind family and his service is still on...

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