

DO WE VALUE OUR LIFE?

"Human life is so precious and highly impossible to add even a second more, by paying all of the wealth".

A 55 years old homeless Rajendran collects waste material on the streets to resell them for his survival. He claims, he doesn't have any relatives or family members to support him. He walks many miles on the streets to gather little material. At the end of the day, the maximum amount he would earn would be INR.150/-. He spends the entire amount for alcohol and cigarette. What a meaningless life it is for him?

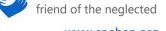


One day, while collecting waste materials in the junk of garbage, a broken Liquor bottle slit his toe. The blood gushed out non-stop. He just took a waste clothe from garbage and rolled around his wound. The unbearable pain was quenched with liquor. After few days, he went to the government hospital for a treatment, but he was too late for the treatment

and really no medication worked out. Within a week maggots started eating his wound and crippled his movement to one place. We can understand the end, who would come to support in such a worst condition? He should have given little care for his health too. Who is to be blamed for his life? I think himself, in later days no one could go near him because of bad smell from the rotten wound.



Like Rajendran many people die before their time on the streets. Therefore Snehan plans to start a mobile clinic for the homeless people, where qualified nurse with basic medicine go around treating such a patients.



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SNEHAN IS HAPPY TO SEE HAPPY CUSTOMERS AROUND INDIA

Snehan always believes that empowering a person to be self-reliance is better and sustainable. We are closely working with homeless people and marginalized women in the community. For the long run they all need means to survive in dignity, for that we run a programe called livelihood activities according to their abilities. For a woman we impart easy hand skills like tailoring, embroidery and screen printing. These skills enables them to make beautiful eco-friendly cotton items such as traditional jhola bags, tote bags, kitchen apron, kitchen towels and others. These products are given to willing unemployed homeless adults to sell in the tourist spots and in the market areas. This simple act generates income for the unemployed homeless, employment for women and support for the organization to meet the basic needs.





Today we have started new shop in the Auroville area. This is our first customer who bought our products with big smile on her face. She is Hama, very fond of our simple bag for the daily use. And moreover our bags are in affordable price range to every person.

Friends our bags eco-friendly, affordable in price and your purchase bring smiles on many deprived individuals.

ANUMUTHU STUDYING NURSING TO HELP THE SICK HOMELESS

One of the most exciting studies in the entire lifetime of mine is nursing. with this study. I feel so amazed by looking at the





creation of human beings, the cells, organs, bones, tissues and their functions, really wonderful, what a creation it is. I am sure this study will enlighten me and support me in all of my work in the coming years. I appreciate and thanks to Paul & Sabriye for their wonderful suggestion.



Helping the helpless is my passion and my call on this earth. The importance of health we would only understand, when we go through that painful situation. Once I was a care taker for my friend who lost one of his legs in the accident. He was treated in the government hospital; the ward was filled with different kinds of people with different health needs. One scene caught my attention, which is a woman feeding her husband who could not eat by himself. This mans both of his arm been amputated and bandaged been covered whole chest. Beside him were two little girls playing around. My thought process stopped and started thinking about them.

What could be the thought process of this man, wife and the children?

How many sick and old people been rejected by their own family members because they are sick? What a miserable life they go through as a neglected person on the streets? Without any ones care or to speak or to give medicine or to feed little food or cover them with blanket, what a wretched life that is.

The happy news is, we are getting ready to inaugurate **Snehan Home** for the neglected sick & old people in Puducherry. Our mission and activities would help many deprived people. This activities needs many hands to uplift, looking forward like-minded and kind-hearted to join with us through possible means.

THIS IS THE LIFE OF A HUMAN BEING...BY LATA MANGESHKAR

These few words touched my heart, I don't know these words are said by Late <u>Lata</u> <u>Mangeshkar</u> or not but this words are true for every person on this earth.



The most valuable branded cars in my home garage. I'm spinning in a wheelchair.

Valuable clothes, valuable decorations, and valuable types of foot protectors all precious things are lying in my house but I am wearing a small gown given by them in the hospital. I have a lot of money in my bank account but I have no use now.





My house looks like a palace but I'm in a small bed in the hospital. Five star hotels around the world are going to travel to all the test in the hospital and these test labs. Those who decorate the shrine daily, I don't have any shingles on my head, I eat food in famous hotels, but I have two tablets during the day, and a pinch of salt at night ...

The world is roaming in special jet flights. But today two attendants are helping to get to the hospital ward. No wealth or accommodation has helped me. No consolation in any way but some loved ones' intimacy, affection, their prayers.. I'm getting a lot of life.

This is what life is all about... Don't give value to those who have a position and money which cannot help anyone. Give value to those who have a good heart, show friendship, affection and love...

RIP – WE MISS YOU FRANCIS



Mr. Francis, who was a pillar & strength to Snehan NGO and me specially for the past 6 years, now he departed so quickly to the eternity last Thursday. This was shocking news to me, I saw him around

7.15pm on Thursday near the church in the beach, on the same day at 9.30pm he is no more! I can't believe that he is no more with me. Even though he used to live on the streets but yet he would look clean and decent.



Francis was a huge strength to me in income-generating activities, he was very trust worthy person, I can entrust any amount of money with him and do all my work without any fear. Not only that many times in our street activities we would pick up very sick, it would be so difficult to clean them but Francis would do it without any hesitation, he gave best of his care for many sick and dying homeless people in the hospital. Francis you would be remembered for vour dedicated contribution in serving the neglected in Puducherry. I totally miss him sooo much. RIP.

CELEBRATING THE WOMEN AT SNEHAN TAILORING

Women are the most wonderful gift of creation for the humankind in this universe. They have the ability to build or





to destroy. Think of a family, without mother or sister? Can a child experience the real love without mother? Can anyone care and love like mother? Women are the angles in the flash, who build the holistic family.



Today we are happy to celebrate women's day in our Snehan Tailoring Centre with high tea and photo shoot. They are trained tailors who make eco-friendly cotton traditional jhola bags for Snehan livelihood project. Our bags are sold around India and many parts of the world. This activity not only gives employment to themselves but even to homeless people and the organization.

"If you want something said, ask a man; if you want something done, ask a woman." **Margaret Thatcher**

BINDING THE WOUNDS OF THE NEGLECTED

Just one year back, I saw homeless man sitting on the side of the road with little wound on his left leg, no one to care about

him nor government hospital admitted him for the treatment. Little by little the wound became big with lots of maggots eating up his whole leg. In the later stage Snehan NGO intervened to help him but faced worst rejection from the government hospital, NGO's, police department, and finally he died unwillingly on the road like animal.

This incident motivated Anumuthu founder of Snehan, to go for nursing study. This little skill will be big support to Snehan NGO and its work. At present Snehan is supporting an old neglected woman on the street, who suffers with big wound in her right leg. A knife fell on her leg, cutting her skin with deep cut. Snehan is able to help her with little medication and daily dressing. Now her condition is stable, she is able to keep small steps. This wound would take at lest three months to cure. Snehan would stand and support her during her recovery.





Like this grandma many suffer on the street for such, Snehan would stand with this kind of precious people and treat them to live to the fullest.



Dear Friends,

The Snehan activities would not be possible without your help and contribution. Therefore, on behalf of all our beneficiaries and board members, we say thank you very much for your support. Do share our quarterly newsletter with your friends...

We need your financial support to start Snehan home for the neglected old and sick adults on streets. Do support us to bring values and save lives of old people.

We are looking for committed and likeminded volunteers to support us in Snehan activities, interested candidates can apply through Snehan

website. http://snehan.org/volunteer/

With warmest regards,

The Snehan team and Anumuthu.

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If you wish to support the Snehan activities,

You can contribute online from our website: http://snehan.org/make-a-donation/

Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love."

— Mother Teresa