





Swami Dayanand Education Foundation

ANNUAL REPORT

2015-23

MESSAGE FROM THE TRUSTEES

The Swami Dayanand Education Foundation (SDEF) has been helping students pursuing higher studies for the past 9 years. Founded by Mrs. Shyam Lata Garg and Dr. Arun Garg in 2015, the Foundation has provided assistance to over 1000 students. The merit-cum-means scholarship program has touched the lives of these students aiming to have a transformative effect in a single generation.

SDEF supports academically bright students pursuing engineering and medical degrees in India, who have excelled academically, despite family hardships and financial constraints through its scholarship award. The scholarship comes to a student when they need it most – to help cover the costs of high tuition fees for professional courses, living expenses, books and other education-related expenses.

While these students focus on their academic pursuits, aiming to become professionals and transition to well-paying jobs after college, their dreams often are hindered by skills gaps. The foundation has a received top-rated non-profit organization award from Great-Non-Profits and a bronze medal winner from GuideStar.

Thank you for supporting our scholarship program and new initiatives. Please continue to participate in our journey as we could not have come this far, or accomplished as much, without your support. We look to your continued support and generosity as we endeavor to create a lasting impact together.

Smt. Shyam Lata Garg Dr. Arun Garg Managing Trustees



A GOOD EDUCATION IS THE FOUNDATION TO A BETTER FUTURE

Swami Dayanand Education Foundation laid a strong basis for youth empowerment through education, in 2015. We endeavor to bring the permanent wealth of education within the reach of academically brilliant but underprivileged students. The foundation has been working tirelessly to offer scholarships in India and the US, targeting more than 200 students each year.

OUR STORY

A good college education is invariably vital to any big career and aspiring job in India. We come from a developing country where millions of students remain deprived of a basic college education. From them, many could be future scholars in their respective domains but in the absence of the requisite education, their potential is left unrecognized. Also, the cost of a good education has been rising at a rapid pace for the last thirty years and has become out of reach for the middle-income groups.

Mr. Ashutosh Garg and the founder trustees started Swami Dayanand Education Foundation about nine years ago with the mission of providing scholarships to college students in India and the US. To contribute towards making a good college education available and accessible to all meritorious students, irrespective of their economic condition, the foundation has been working tremendously since its inception in 2015.

OUR APPROACH

We fund the most talented students and help them pursue the best education. Given the level of tuition and other fees in professional colleges, the poor have no chance today to pursue their dreams of getting higher education in reputed colleges. However, the earning potential of these professions is very high. The student also becomes a role model in the community, inspiring others to pursue this path. In other words, the multiplier effect on the society of enabling a talented child to become a high-income earning professional is huge. By a conservative estimate, each rupee invested in a talented child returns multifold to society.

MISSION

To bring about a transformation in the lives of academically bright and economically underprivileged students in India by enabling them to complete their higher education through a scholarship program.

IMPACT

The foundation has provided over 1000 scholarships during 2015-23. The SDEF scholarship program provides financial assistance in the form of scholarships to students pursuing professional courses in engineering, technology, and medicine. This year, the foundation intends to provide over 500 Scholarships to deserving students in India. SDEF has also extended its help to school children in 2021 by providing support to needy students.. Education has the power to change the lives of people.

We thank our community of volunteer 'facilitators' for their tireless and dedicated work for the foundation. Your contribution can gift a smile to any student who needs immediate financial assistance in getting higher education.

Every rupee of our donation goes to providing scholarships to students.

- We don't have any overheads.
- Scholarship is paid directly to the Institute.
- Every scholar undergoes multiple rounds of verification.
- The donor can have a scholarship in the name of his parents.
- Select the institute and decide the donor wants to donate.
- We are selling children's books to raise money for scholarships.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Silver Medal Award winner by GuideStar & top-rated organization at GreatNonProfits (2023)

SELECTION CRITERIA

The foundation select the students on the basis of merit and family income. Many of our scholars are the children of farmers, laborers, and daily wage earners. Some of them don't have homes to live in and reside in poor living conditions. 50% of our scholarships are reserved for female candidates.



Silver Medalist at GreatNonProfits

Scholarship directly paid to Institute No Overheads All the amount goes to charity

MESSAGE FROM THE COORDINATOR

My family set up the Swami Dayanand Education Foundation in 2014 with the sole objective of providing scholarships to deserving students to acquire a college education. It has been almost nine years since we started this foundation.

We started Indian Scholarships in India in 2015. We started by contacting IITs and NITs for scholarships. We provided 116 scholarships in 2015. Each scholarship is Rs. 20,000 per year (at par with the national scholarship). We have set an income limit of Rs. 6 lacs per year for qualifying for the scholarship. We also set a minimum of 75% marks. The students need to maintain or improve their GPA every year to qualify for the renewal of scholarships. Next year, we expanded our reach to include medical colleges. In 2017, we opened it to any student pursuing professional courses. Now, we have opened the scholarship program for all the courses all over India and increased the number of scholarships to 500.

SDEF also provides scholarships to the high school seniors for Houston, Texas USA. Under the USA scholarship program, SDEF provides scholarships upto \$5,000 scholarship per annum based on income and GPA. SDEF has awarded more than 1050 scholarships in India and about 60 scholarships in Texas, USA. We want to improve our scholarship program continuously. We meet the students online and personally to know about their difficulties and problems in paying college fees. We are open to help as many students who need financial assistance for college education. We hope that a small contribution can transform the lives of these students and their families.

We congratulate all the scholars and wish that they cherish all their dreams!

Ashutosh Garg
Coordinator,
Swami Dayanand Education Foundation

OUR DONORS

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our esteemed donors for their invaluable contributions to our organization and enabling us to provide vital assistance to those who are most in need. Your generosity plays a pivotal role in our mission.

2017

Shri G Mittal

Riddhi Desai

2018

Praveen K Singh

Rajeev Khanna & Arti Khanna

2019

Riddhi Desai

Arindam Chakraborty

Aditya Jain

2020

Dipak & Asha Vashi

Rahul D vashi

Pradip S Mehta

2021

Satish & Kamlesh Agarwal

Anil Chaudhary

Rajeev R Singh

Satish & Kamlesh Agarwal

Rajeev & Arti Khanna



USA SCHOLARSHIP IMPACT REPORTS

Patrick Tran, Texas A&M University



"I am a Neuroscience major at Texas A&M University. Upon entering university. My first year in college was filled with high hopes and expectations. However, the COVID-19 pandemic changed the learning environment drastically. From moving to online classes from in-person, this was a challenging task to overcome due to the familiarity of an in-person high school environment.

With the help of this scholarship, I was given the opportunity to dedicate more time towards my education. Additionally, it relieved some of the financial burden placed upon myself and my parents. I was able to put all of my efforts into obtaining a high Grade Point Average (GPA). The funds were used towards my tuition as well as purchasing materials like textbooks, online homework systems like Cengage and ALEKS, and stationery.

I was interviewed and selected for a software engineering intern position at a tech start-up. Despite my fears of failure in my English courses, I ended both semesters at the top of my class, earning the A+ given to only a select few. With an interest in app development, I succeeded in an IOS app development class and got my first taste of what it is like in the real world, creating my own first app.

I thank Swami Foundation to put their faith in me and my education. One of the reasons I get to sit in a computer science lecture learning from professors at my dream University was Swami Dayanand Foundation's Scholarship. Thank you for choosing to fund my education and for providing me the opportunity to live my dreams."

Taha Jafry, Cornell University



"I am Taha Jafry, majoring in Computer Science from Cornell University. My experience as a freshman consisted entirely of Zoom meetings and virtual examinations. Into my first semester of college, I started a job as an intern. Upholding this new responsibility while succeeding in my academic pursuits proved to be quite the challenge in COVID situation. This foundation has



given me the opportunity of a lifetime, an honor that I do not take lightly in any manner, as I navigate the challenges of being a low socioeconomic student attending a university that was not intended for people like me. This scholarship was more than just a contribution to my tuition costs; this scholarship symbolizes hope and perseverance.

My first accomplishment was getting my first job. I was also extremely proud of myself when I secured two officer positions in my sorority. Competing with all the other candidates, my qualifications and skills assisted me in standing apart from others. I cannot wait to show everyone what I am truly capable of.

Owing to scholarship received from Swami Dayanand Education Foundation I delegated time each day to my studies to make sure my school work was completed in a timely manner. I cannot wait to see what I can achieve with a more effective work-life balance and a transformed mindset! A big Thank You to SDEF."

Stephanie Lim



"I am Stephanie Lim. I graduated high school as Summa Cum Laude, the highest distinction level. The fall of 2020 marked the commencement of my freshman experience in college. My first year in college was a wake-up call to reality. I was taken aback when my grades were not what I expected in the first semester. Frustrated, I began to isolate myself from my peers and lost interest in things.

I relied on the Swami Dayanand Education Foundation Scholarship to assist in paying off my class textbooks, club fees, food, and

supplies. The Swami Dayanand Education Foundation helped relieve the stress of financial stability and allowed me to focus on other aspects vital to one's college experience. The spring semester was my chance at redemption, it was a fresh start.

I think my best achievement in college was turning in my assignments ahead of the deadline. I did a great job my first year-round. I am looking forward to the Fall Year in August 2021.

I would like to thank you all for helping me to be able to achieve one of my goals, which is finishing college. My family and I really do appreciate you all."



Kobe Lockhart, Sam Houston State University



"I am a BBA student from Sam Houston State University. My first-year experience at Sam Houston State University was a little different because of Covid. The first year was virtual, everything online with zoom. I didn't get to meet my professors in person or even the people. It was difficult for me to cope, owing to my ailing heart condition.

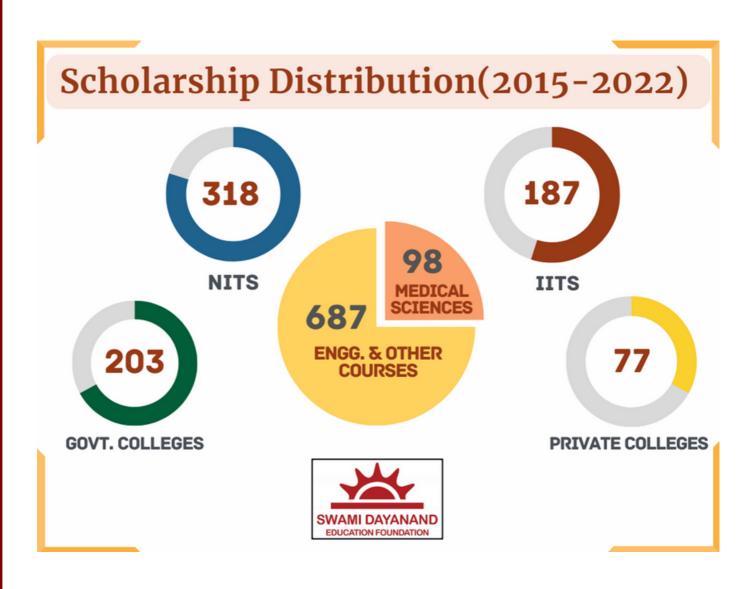
Swami Dayanand Scholarship helped me cover my expenses. I have told many seniors at Kempner High School about the scholarship,

so hopefully, someone else will be as fortunate as I was to get help with some of their expenses. I was very nervous not knowing what to expect going from High School to College, but I can say I think I did a great job in my first year-round.

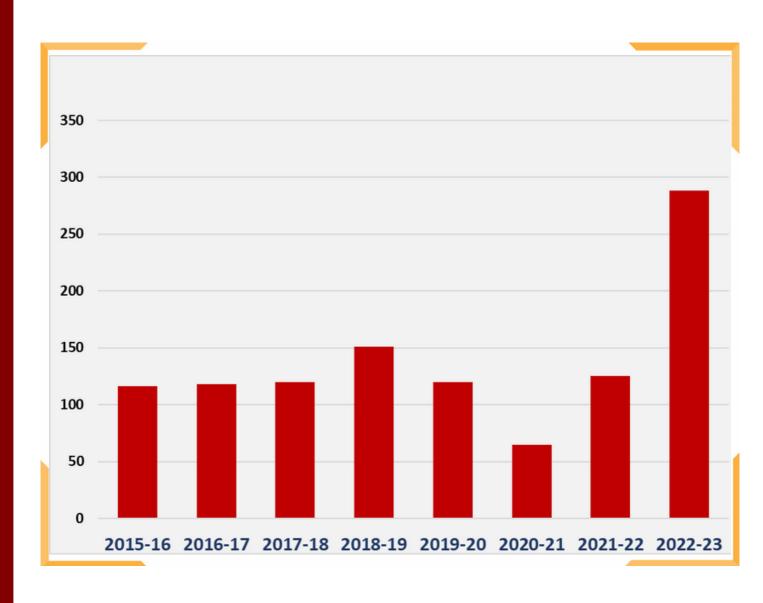
Joining the University Leadership Network taught me leadership skills through experiential leadership opportunities. I was also a part of the TIP Scholars program which allowed me to have a mentor throughout my first year. My overall grades after my first year consisted of mostly high B's to A's which I am really proud of as I struggled and worked very hard.

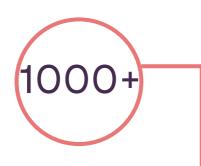
I thank Swami Dayanand Education Foundation to facilitate education and accommodation in the proximity of the college. It helped me a lot in concentration on my studies and performing well, without any botheration."

SCHOLARSHIP DISTRIBUTION IN INDIA



SCHOLARSHIP DISTRIBUTION IN INDIA (YEAR-WISE)





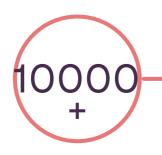
Awarded 1000+ Scholarships

Since 2015, Swami Dayanand Education Foundation has awarded over 1000 scholarships to students in India.



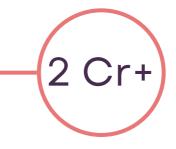
500 Scholarships Projected in 2024

We have set an ambitious goal of awarding 500 scholarships in the year 2024, and will be reserving 50% of these scholarships exclusively for female candidates.



Connected to 10000+ Students

Swami Dayanand Education Foundation is connected to over 10000 students.

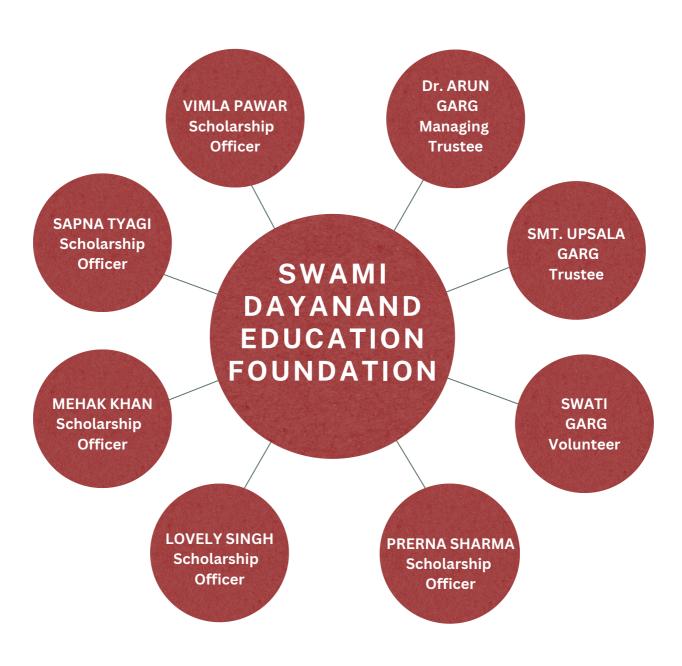


2 Cr+ Scholarship Awarded

Over Rs 2 Cr in scholarships have been awarded to scholars up until 2023.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES & MANAGEMENT TEAM



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (2022-23)

SDEF has proudly awarded college scholarships to a total of 280 students for the academic year 2022-23. Our dedicated team diligently conducted a comprehensive verification process to identify and select these deserving candidates who demonstrated both financial need and exceptional merit. Our main objective has been to provide assistance to deserving candidates who genuinely require financial aid.

Scholars (2022-23)

Shivam Patel, National Institute of Technology, Suratkal



"I am Shivam Patel currently pursuing Bachelors degree in Mechanical Engineering from National Institute of Technology Surathkal Karnataka (NITK). I am from middle class family even though it is a government institute some financial problems have been faced by me and my family. I got to know about this scholarship from my seniors and it is quite helpful for me and my family to fill my semester fee. I express my gratitude wholeheartedly to Swami Dayanand Education Foundation for

this help and will always be grateful for it as this scholarship is helping me to complete B.Tech degree for it as this scholarship is helping me to complete B.Tech."

Tanu Kumari, University College of Engineering Technology



"My name is Tanu kumari, currently I am pursuing B.tech (CSE) from University college of engineering and technology, Hazaribagh.I am very thankful for this Scholarship. I would like to thank you SDEF for providing financial assistance to students like me which help us to pursue our higher studies and achieving our goals."



Ronak Sharma, Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati



"Hi all, I'm Ronak Sharma, A pre final year student of IIT Guwahati, pursuing my B Tech in Electronics and Electrical Engineering.

Talking about SDEF, they are doing an excellent job I would say. I have taken education loan and it creates a pressure on student's mind. I was awarded a scholarship from Swami Dayanand Education Foundation in 2023 to help me pursue my UG degree from IIT GUWAHATI. I was extremely grateful

for this opportunity, as it would not have been possible for me to focus on studies without it.

The scholarship has been a tremendous help to me. It has allowed me to focus on my studies without having to worry about financial constraints. I am very grateful to Swami Dayanand Education Foundation for their generosity.

In addition to providing financial assistance, Swami Dayanand Education Foundation also offers a number of other resources to their scholarship recipients. These include mentorship opportunities and career counselling."

Yanagundi Mahesk, National Institute of Technology, Hamirpur



"Myself Yanagundi Mahesh from Telangana currently pursuing BTech CSE at NIT Hamirpur in Himachal Pradesh. I have been awarded scholarship by Swami Dayanand Educational foundations from last two years. These types of scholarships are more beneficial for those students whose family background is very poor. SDEF scholarship doing lot of favour and encouraging the students by helping them financially as their parents are facing lot of struggle to pay administration fees."

Balbir Prasad, ISM, Dhanbad



"My name is Balbir Prasad, and I am pursuing my Bachelor of Technology at IIT(ISM) Dhanbad. I will be graduating in 2024 (June). Let me start with a bit of background of myself. I was born and did my primary schooling at my village government school ('Rajkiye Madhya Vidyalaya, Nagri"), where I studied till 6th standard. As I see it today, I was nowhere in terms of my knowledge of what a 6th-standard student usually can do. My father runs a shop in the local market, and my mother is responsible for working out with housing works (that's a great

responsibility!). But even when my parents barely completed their 10th standard, they aspired that they would educate their children no matter what. So, they somehow managed to send me to my 'Bua' (my father's sister), who was living in Kolkata, and there I got admitted to WBBSE-based government school, and this was my turning point. I got perfect friends and teachers from which I was inspired to prepare for JEE. After completing my 10th from here, my brother (who has just started his work after completing his diploma from GP Polytechnic Dhanbad, took a loan and sent me to Kota) I had tears looking at his support towards me. I became more determined to get good learning and get as good as good college for my engineering. In Kota, I felt my interest in learning Physics. I managed to get into ISM Dhanbad (in Mining Engineering Department). This was where I learned entirely new experiences and skills from the professors and students. This summer in 2023, I got Undergraduate Summer Research Internship at IISc Bangalore, where I got the opportunity to do R &D work for a transportation network and its optimization. While writing this review, I am attending my 7th-semester classes and aspiring to work at the intersection of physics and computer science. So this was my brief story.

Last semester I learned about SDEF scholarships and How this scholarship helps students pursue their dreams with financial support, so I applied, thinking this would lower the burden of spending my brother on my education here at ISM. I attended the meeting where Ashutosh Garg Sir (coordinator of SDEF) shared his story, which motivated me that I can also do better and should help people in need as much as possible. interacted with him in 1-1 meetings, which was an overwhelming feeling for

me. Finally, I was selected for the "Smt. Shyam Lata Garg Scholarship" and couldn't 'be happier.

At my last, I would like to say as SDEF has helped me during my academics, I would love to help to needy in any possible way in the future. Nonetheless, I volunteer at Kartavya (an official IIT(ISM) NGO which provides free quality education to nearby village students), where I go to the center of Kartvya to teach physics once a week. I love interacting with the students there, and it reminds me of my school days in my village, "Nagri" (Koderma, Jharkhand)."

Suraj Devapure, B.J. Govt. Medical College, Pune



"I'm Suraj Devapure, studying in IIIrd year of MBBS in B. J. Govt. Medical College Pune. What and where I'm now has contribution of my parents, beloved teachers and the foundations. I got the free NEET coaching in Dakshana foundation because of my poor background and excellence in studies. But after getting admitted in the college I faced the same problem that I faced to get NEET coaching outside i.e. fees and expenses to continue my education. That's where I came to know about Swami Dayanand Education Foundation

(SDEF) which supports financially to the needy graduating students. I applied for the scholarship. They not only support financially but also motivate to achieve high and most importantly 'SELFLESS GIVING'. Their contribution no doubt relaxed a bit my parents from their daily deadly hardwork.

Words are not enough to thank Ashutosh Garg sir & the founder trustees of SDEF for giving me the opportunity of being a member of SDEF Family.

In the coming years surely I will contribute the same way they contributed us."

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (2021-22)

Swami Dayanand Education Foundation awarded College Scholarships to 127 students for the year 2021-22. The SDEF team had discussions with the candidates, to evaluate their economic situations and family histories. Throughout this process, we discovered a multitude of exceptionally talented students hailing from underprivileged households.

Scholars (2021-22)

Paramveer Prakash, Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati



"This is Paramveer Prakash, currently pursuing B.Tech in Electronics and Communication Engineering at IIT Guwahati. I am extremely thankful to SDEF for providing me financial aid as it allowed me to focus more on my goal rather thinking about my financial situation.

I think the foundation is doing an excellent job by providing financial aid to the needy and well deserved students across country. Once again a big big thanks from my side."

Mallikarjun P., National Institute of Technology, Suratkal



"This is Mallikarjun from NITK. SDEF Scholarship helped me to concentrate on my study without my College fees burden during this pandemic and This organisation should continue its social activities to help poor bright students like me in future also. I'm very thankful to my scholarship donors and to the organisation."

Rajendra Shyoran, National Institute of Technology, Hamirpur



"I am Rajendra shyoran currently pursuing Bachelors in Technology from mechanical Engineering from National Institute of Technology Hamirpur . I am from middle class family even though it is a government institute some financial problems have been faced by me and my family. I got to know about this scholarship from internet sources and it is quite helpful for me and my family to fill my semester fee. I express my gratitude wholeheartedly to Swami Dayanand Education

Foundation for this help and will always be grateful for it as this scholarship is helping me to complete my higher education."

Rasik Santosh Raikar, Goa College of Engineering



"Hello, My name is Rasik Santosh Raikar and I am a 3rd Year Student pursuing Computer Engineering at Goa college of engineering. I am glad to say that I am a Swami Dayanand Education Foundation scholarship recipient. This scholarship means a lot to me, It helped me a lot to put forward my studies. I will be always thankful to Swami Dayanand Education Foundation for this support and I hope Swami Dayanand Education Foundation will continue this great work

and provide financial help to more and more needy students. Thank You "Swami Dayanand Education Foundation"

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (2020-21)

SDEF awarded College Scholarships to 63 students for the year 2020-21. We have received over 2500 applications for the scholarship. SDEF organized their first Vande Mataram Out loud Contest. More than 180 participants submitted their video entries from all over India.

Scholars (2020-21)

Anuj Prajapati, National Institute of Technology, Silchar



"This Foundation provided scholarships to meritorious students in coming from the poor financial background. I was lucky enough to receive a scholarship from them, which helped me a lot financially during my college i.e. NIT SILCHAR.

Hello I am Anuj Prajapati, a SDEF scholarship recipient, currently pursuing B.tech in Computer Science & Engineering at National Institute of Technology, SILCHAR. SDEF has offered me scholarship in my 3rd Year of my college that encouraged me

financially towards my goal and destiny. This organisation also provided me to belief in the SDEF institution.

I want to sincerely thank to the scholarship officer and coordinator in providing me this scholarship and helping me financially and also to the magnificent donors who had donated to help the students belonging to economically weaker section to achieve their dreams. I hope that this organisation will keep this noble approach and help more and more students to get their goals."

Abhishek, National Institute of Technology, Hamirpur



"Hi ! My name is Abhishek and I am pursuing my B.Tech (Mechanical Engineering) at NIT Hamirpur. I am one of the recipient of SDEF scholarship. The scholarship has helped me in reducing the financial burden of my college fees and also helped me to focus on my studies only. I am very grateful to the respected SDEF foundation for helping me to achieve my dreams.

Thank you to all donors and members of the scholarship committee!"

VANDE MATARAM CONTEST 2020

Swami Dayanand Education Foundation organized their first Vande Mataram Out Loud Contest in India for 5-20 years olds. We received an overwhelming response from the children. More than 180 participants submitted their video entries from all over India. We had a panel of three judges who reviewed all the videos and shortlisted about 14 contestants. SDEF organized the Zoom contest on Saturday, April 17, 21, for the 15-20 years old young adults. We had Alka Goyal Ji, Arun Garg Ji, Minu Garg Ji, Pushpa Sharma Ji, and Radhika Gupta Ji as judges. Sandhya Goel Ji was the accuracy judge, and Vimla Pawar coordinated the program.

All the participants performed very well, and it was a very close contest. The children were very nicely dressed and recited Vande Mataram, our national song. They sang the entire Vande Mataram Song. The foundation distributed Ramayana and Mahabharata books as gifts to all the participants. The winners were given cash prizes.

The videos of the contests have been uploaded at our Vande Mataram Out Loud Contest page https://www.facebook.com/Vandemataramoutloud







SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (2019-20)

We have awarded College Scholarships to 69 students for the year 2019-20. We started school scholarship in 2019 and awarded 25 scholarships to the needy and deserving students. We have received over 2000 applications for the scholarship. Our primary focus has been on assisting deserving candidates who genuinely require financial aid.

Scholars (2019-20)

Debojit Das, National Institute of Technology, Silchar



"Swami Dayanand Foundation is helping a lot of meritorious students who cannot afford the cost of their education help realize their dreams by extending a helping hand via financial aid through their Scholarship programs. I feel so grateful to be among the fortunate ones who could avail this opportunity.

I am Debojit, currently persuing B.Tech(3rd year) from NIT Silchar, and I am the recipient of Swami Dayanand scholarship this year. My father works hard as a daily labourer to meet the needs of our family. It was always a

burden for him to compile the Institute fees that too twice a year. But A heartfelt thanks to the donors who supported students like us in realizing our dreams, without the need of over-burdening the shoulder of our parents for financial reasons. Last but not least, a big thanks to the Swami Dayanand Foundation for this scholarship."

Pankaj Gautam, Indian Institute of Technology, Dhanbad



"I am Pankaj Gautam , currently pursuing B.Tech in mechanical engineering from IIT DHANBAD , currently in final year. I am the scholar of Swami Dayanand scholarship since last 2 year. My father is labour works hard to meet the needs of our family. I have two brother and two sister. All are studying. It was always a burden for him to compile the Institute fees . But A heartfelt thanks to the donors who supported students like us in realizing our dreams, without the need of over-burdening the shoulder of our parents for

financial reasons. Last but not least, a big thanks to the Swami Dayanand Foundation for this scholarship.

Swami Dayanand Foundation is helping a lot of meritorious students who can't afford the cost of their education help realize their dreams by extending a helping hand via financial aid through their Scholarship programs. I feel so grateful to be among the fortunate ones who could avail this opportunity."

E. Shyamnath, National Institute of Technology, Raipur



"Myself E. Shyamnath, NITRR, have received this academic year scholarship. I would like to thank the donors who helped me in the course of my career development. This platform is truly influenced many students and also supported financially. This indeed a great honor to be part of the team. I wish good luck to the foundation and continue to lit up many more lives"

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (2018-19)

The foundation awarded a total of 110 scholarships to students in 2018-2019. We were overwhelmed by the tremendous response, receiving over 2700 applications for SDEF scholarships. To better understand the financial needs of our applicants, our dedicated team even conducted home visits for a select few. We aimed to reach out to as many candidates as possible, ensuring that the scholarships were awarded to those who were truly in need and deserving. We spared no effort in meticulously selecting the most deserving candidates for this year's scholarships.

Scholars (2018-19)

Venu Gopal R., National Institute of Technology, Manipur



"Thank u very much sir for your kind helping to my Academics. I am Yendreddy Venu Gopal Reddy studying my B.TECH 3rd year Electronics & Communication Engineering at NIT MANIPUR.I am not getting any scholarship from any source because i belongs to general category. But i belongs to economically backward class category I don't have enough amount to pay my semester fee. Thank u so much for donating Rs 20,000 which is very helpful for my Academics and please keep on continue doing this."

Banna Venkatesh, National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli



"Hello, my name is Ravi Sankar Modak, i am a student of Jadavpur University, BEE in Electrical Engineering. Me and my family is thankful to Swami Dayanand Foundation for helping me in my difficult times. Without the help completing my degree could not be possible."

Vijay C.B, PES University, Bangalore



"I am Vijay C.B, currently pursuing my 3rd year of engineering from PES University, Bangalore. I got Smt. Shanti Devi Scholarship from Swami Dayanand Educational foundation. It helped me a lot for my academics and college fees. I want to thank the donors and SDEF for doing such a great work and wish to keep the work going that helped to change the life of many students."

Rukmini S., BVDU's Poona College of Pharmacy, Bangalore



"Hello, I am Rukmini Subhedarpage studying Master in Pharmacy in BVDU's Poona College of pharmacy. I am glad and thankful towards "Swami Dayanand Foundation" for considering me as deserving candidate for the scholarship. The financial assistance you provided will be of great help to me in paying my educational expenses, Thank you again for your generosity and support."

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (2017-18)

In its third year, SDEF scholarship program extended to all the students studying professional courses in Architecture/Medical/IT/Agriculture/Pharmacy/Management from premier institutes in India. The students must have appeared for a national and state level examination for admission to the courses. The foundation improved its online application form and included data related to family income. We also announced its recommendation program for scholarships and asked the institute to recommend the names of five students for scholarships. We received more than 1800 applications from over 100 institutes. We collaborated with buddy4study and advertised through various scholarship portals providing details of scholarship in India. Due to higher cost of studies, the foundation offered scholarships upto Rs.50,000. To have effective communication with students, the foundation provided its services on WhatsApp for their queries for scholarship. We requested the students to write an essay on famous Indian Leaders and recite the full Vande Mataram song. After the telephonic interview of students, SDEF hired a verification agency to visit the student's home and check their family background. We got the interview of parents, house & locality pictures, and video from the agency. It really helped the foundation to get the correct and complete details on parent's education and income. The foundation awarded 118 scholarships upto Rs.50,000 to deserving candidates. The top five students were awarded Smt. Shyam Lata Garg Silver Scholarships. The scholarships were disbursed directly to the Institute's account.

The foundation got a silver medal from GuideStar.

Our target is to provide 2000 scholarships by 2024 with your support, on the occasion of Swami Dayanand's 200th Birthday.

Bethi Likhitha Shree, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur



"As a recipient of Smt. Shyam Lata Garg silver scholarship, for the academic year 2017-18, I wanted to thank you for funding the scholarship. Presently, I am pursuing my B.Tech course at IIT Kharagpur. I have huge passion towards setting up a startup and your financial assistance would be of great aid for me in paying my fees, college expenses and also in taking online courses. I have been able to buy a laptop also and it is of huge help for me."



Banna Venkatesh, National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli



"I am Banna Venkatesh, pursuing BTech in electronics and communication engineering from NIT TRICHY. I am the recipient of the swami dayanand scholarship for the past three years. Through this program, I got benefitted by getting financial assistance from the organization which helps me to reduce burden on my parents upto some extent. The amount which I received through this scholarship is well spent on meeting the academic needs such as paying tution fee, buying

books and other things needed for the academic year. Thus, it helped me in many ways for which I am thankful and grateful to the organization. I feel these kinds of activities should be extended and the organization has to work on getting more number of students benefited every year. I also feel when I was able enough, I can contribute something towards the organization so that atleast even if one more student gets benifitted from my contribution, I feel very happy."

Kummari Mowarna Deepika, Gudlavalleru Engineering College



"My name is kummara Mowrna Deepika. I am studying electronics and communication engineering in Gudlavalleru Engineering College. I am recipient of Smt. Shanti Devi Garg Scholarship. I am very happy to say that today I am pursuing my graduation is because of your foundation only and half of the financial burden was decreased on my mother. As my mother couldn't earn because of her age sake & health illness we are

unable to study. In that situation your foundation helped me a lot. My two sisters are also studying because of helping me. Recently one of my sister's got 10/10 GPA in intermediate 1st year and also she got 9.8/10 GPA in 10th class now she is studying 2nd intermediate. Me and my family are very much grateful to your foundation. We faced many problems in the past & facing till today also like my father and grandfather died when I was 7 years old, my father side relatives had left, mother side relatives doesn't mingle with us as we are very poor, no care taking people, no loving people we are alone in this world. But god never left us & never stopped loving us he took us in his hands & helping in different ways as you are helping me thanks be to your foundation & glory be to god."



Ali Asgar Musani, Indian Institute of Technology Tirupati



"I, Aliasgar Musani, 1st year student at IIT Tirupati in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering was honored to receive the Sh. Ramji Lal Gupta scholarship from your foundation and I'm really grateful for it. As a 10th class student, I never dreamed of getting an admission into an IIT, as my parents had never seen a college and we were never financially good. But due to joint efforts of my relatives and people like you today

I'm studying in college which is still dream for many. I'm extremely grateful to receive the scholarship. Due to your generosity, my financial burden is reduced. This scholarship will play a key role in achieving my dreams."

Shubham Gupta, National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli



"I am very happy to say that I am a recipient of SWAMI DAYANAND EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (2017-2018). I am writing to thank you for your generous, financial support toward my education. I am extremely honored to be recipient of this award. I have completed my second year and plan to graduate in 2020. Currently, I am doing my summer internship program and this scholarship amount is helping me

a lot in my expenditure and will also help in paying my partial academic fees. By awarding this scholarship, I am able to concentrate on what is important for me, education. Your financial generosity has allowed me to be one step closer to my goal and has inspired me to help others by giving back to my community. I hope one day, I will be able to help other students achieve their goal just as you have helped me. Receiving this scholarship will motivate to maintain my GPA and good academic record. Thank you once again for this kind support in form of this scholarship."

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (2016-17)

The foundation developed its website and email system. SDEF prepared an online portal to apply for scholarship. SDEF extended the scholarship program to MBBS students. The students were asked to register online for scholarship and verify the applications from their Institute. We received about 2000 applications in the second year. SDEF conducted an online test for the applicants to shortlist the candidates. SDEF awarded 149 scholarships upto Rs.25000 each after verification of family income. The foundation collected the bank details from the Institute and disbursed the scholarship directly to the Institute's account.

- Calling and sending emails to Institutes to provide complete details of scholarship
- Posted scholarship advertisements on various websites providing details of scholarship programs in India
- Advertise through local newspapers without any charge
- Check student's profile on Facebook

The foundation is a top-rated NGO at GreatNonProfits.

Scholars (2016-17)

Anuapm Sharma, NIT Surathkal



"I have received scholarship from Swami Dayanand Education Foundation for the session 2016-17 & 2017-18. I belong to a middle-class family and my father is the only earning member. I have 2 elder sisters and all the requirements of we, three children are fulfilled by my father alone. He finds it difficult to manage everything. Many times, we have to wait for buying expensive books or for filling any exam forms. But because of your support, now I can buy my books for UPSC preparation and

can do some online course which will add more value to my CV. You have not only helped me but also reduces my father's burden. After completing my studies, I will provide financially support to needy children like me as I always wanted to do something for society. I am very grateful to you for your act of kindness."

Haseen Begum, Osmania Medical College



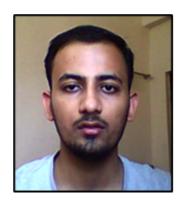
"My sincere thanks to the Foundation members and donors for helping out students like us. I suggest the Foundation to continue the great work and provide assistance to more and more student by helping them in pursuing their dreams."

Rahul Das, NIT Silchar (Assam)



"I completed my graduation this year (2017). I actually got to know about this scholarship from my institute, which helped me a lot during my course. The extra requirement costs are always there in college hostels also, and some of them are cleared with the help of this scholarship. I wish this foundation good luck and appreciate their work."

Anupam Sharma, National Institute of Technology, Surathkal



"I am grateful to SDCEF for selecting and providing me the scholarship during my 3rd and final year of B.Tech. from NITK. It financially helped me and also gave me an impetus to help others when I will be abled. Once again very much thanks to SDEF."

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (2015-16)

The foundation started its first scholarship program in 2015. In its first year, the scholarships were offered to the students studying engineering courses in Indian Institute of Technology (IITs) and National Institute of Technology (NITs). The foundation contacted the institutes to provide scholarship information. We received very good response from the students and got over 900 applications for scholarship.

SDEF talked to the candidates personally and tried to analyze their financial conditions and family background. Through the process, we got to know that there are many brilliant students who come from poor family backgrounds. We collected additional documents related to their family income. After the telephonic interview, 116 students were awarded scholarships worth Rs.20,000 each on a merit basis.

Scholars (2015-16)

Sudhir Kumar, NIT Nagaland



"His father is a farmer. The student managed to get admission in Electronics & Communication Engineering in NIT Patna. He has grown up in the village and realised that the benefits of technology has not reached to the poor, so he wants to make efforts to end all misery and difficulties through the way of Science, Technology and Innovation."

Shivpal Singh Bhati, NIT Uttarakhand



"He was a student of Civil Engineering of NIT Uttarakhand. Ho lost his parents at an early age and was dependent on his uncle for financial support. Two Younger brothers are studying in school. The students was good in academics and maintained an excellent GPA to finish his course at NIT Uttarakhand."



Saka Ram Dewasia, NIT Surat



"His Parents are illiterate farmers. He wants to become an Engineer to change the lives of his family. He has eight members in the family and four of his siblings are still illiterate. He has overcome with all the difficulties to get admission into SVNIT, Surat."

Nalla Gangadhar, NIT Surathkal



"His parents expired when he was studying in his school. He sold his property to get admission in NIT Surathkal (Karnataka) as there was no other option left to pay the college fees. His uncle is daily wage worker so could not help him financially."

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