# DEENABANDHU

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Regd. Office: CF-95, Sector- 1 Salt Lake City Kolkata – 700 064, India

# Minutes of the Annual General Board Meeting (AGM) of the Trustees of Deenabandhu Trust at the Registered Office at CF-95, Salt Lake City, Kolkata 700064 at 11.30 AM on 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2014

Welcome address by Secretary (Saibal Mitra).

Respected Mr. Chairman and other Trustees,

At the beginning of this Annual General Meeting of the Trust for the year 2013-14, I take privilege and honor to welcome you all.

On behalf of the governing body members, I sincerely acknowledge that due to the kind support, active cooperation and confidence of all members of the Trust, the governing body of the Trust has been able to carry out the multi-dimensional functions successfully.

I am submitting herewith the Annual Report on activities, performance, achievement and accounts of the Trust for the financial year 2013-14.

## **ANNUAL REPORT: 2013-14**

Deenabandhu Trust is entering into the 7<sup>th</sup> year of service as a charitable organization providing free education and skill development to underprivileged, backward, tribal students in West Bengal and Odisha. Our motto has been "Education for the Employment of the Underprivileged".

Deenabandhu Trust is an organization committed to excellence, with a clear vision and a passion for ensuring that every child receives his or her right to education, health and opportunity.

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Our mission is to empower and enable every individual who wishes to make a positive difference in the life of the underprivileged child.

### LOCATIONS:

This year we have conducted our programs in 6 schools in Midnapore (East & West), 3 schools in Bardhaman, 2 schools in Murshidabad and 5 schools in Kolkata in West Bengal and 16 schools in Odisha (Puri, Khurdha and Cuttack/Jajpur districts).

### PROJECTS:

Our projects are targeted at making the underprivileged students more "employable" and are as follows:

Long Term Courses: such as Computer Literacy, Confidence Building though Communication and Public Speaking, Remedial Classes and Coaching, Financial Assistance to Medical and Engineering students

Short Term Courses: such as BPO Training, Mobile Training, Shoe Making, Handicrafts Making etc.

### **ACHIEVEMENTS:**

Through various short term and long term projects we have impacted over 5,000 students in West Bengal and over 2,000 students in Odisha. Besides, we have provided financial assistance to 32 higher education students pursuing Medical, Nursing, Engineering (Degree, Diploma, ITI) in Odisha and West Bengal. Through our free coaching centers at Midnapore and Kolkata, 7 students have successfully got admitted in government engineering and medical colleges.

We have donated bench at Birsingha Girls School and Books to Balitora School, continuing the merit-cum-means scholarship at Kalagram School and continued free JEE Coaching at Midnapore.

We feel proud to share that our students have shown remarkable improvement in all round development from improvement in academic results to performance in extra-curricular events like science exhibitions, debates and elocution contests, computer quiz well as drawing contests at local inter school competitions.

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### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

We appealed to different funding agencies in India and Abroad to support us for better service to the human cause. It is our pleasure that Deenabandhu – Friends of the Poor, CA, USA, Capgemini India and Cognizant India as well as several individuals in India have extended their financial support for continuing projects for the benefit of underprivileged children. We are grateful to them for their supports.

In the financial year 2013-14, our organization has received Rs. 56,97,184.00 from Domestic (Rs. 7,08,502.00),International (Rs. 49,65,800.03) as donations and interest acquired from bank (Rs. 22,882.00) and spent Rs.53,48,824.25 for the various projects for the education and skill development of the underprivileged students.

We have not incurred any international air travel during the current financial year but there has been an amount of Rs. 32,785.00 towards domestic air travel.

### **FUTURE PROJECT:**

We plan to add additional vocational courses such as mobile repair course and electrician courses etc with assistance from SME in future.

We receive several prayers/appeals from other needy schools located in the neighborhood of our action centers for inclusion of educational projects we are currently conducting. However due to limitation of funds, we are unable to expand our services and include the schools who have appealed to us.

Our fund source is only Public Donation from India and Abroad. We need more inflow of funds for running the projects as well as the administrative infrastructure.

I appeal to you all to generate fund sources so that our service for the society can progress in a better way and reach out to more needy and underprivileged children.

Thanks.

(Saibal Mitra) Secretary & CFO Deenabandhu Trust