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**LAATSTE NIEUWSBRIEF, maart 2021.**

Geachte sponsorouders, donateurs en leden van de Commissie van Aanbeveling.

***Van de Voorzitter.***

Lest best ? Helaas zal dit gezegde niet voor deze bijzondere nieuwsbrief gelden.

Na al die jaren dat wij met elkaar ons ingezet hebben om de tehuizen en projecten in India te ondersteunen valt nu immers het doek voor Stichting Boyshome a.o. In de voorlaatste nieuwsbrief heb ik u allen al bedankt voor de niet aflatende steun in afgelopen periode; sommigen al sinds de oprichting in 1999.

Ik wil nu dan ook volstaan met het citeren van 4 woorden uit een mail die een sponsor aan mij richtte n.a.v. die laatste nieuwsbrief: "HET IS MOOI GEWEEST."

Het ga u allen goed.

Henk van der Vegt.

***De financiële afhandeling.***

Wij vinden het heel mooi dat velen van u zich zo betrokken voelden bij de tehuizen, dat zij tot in februari nog gedoneerd hebben.

Alle gelden zullen mede dankzij bemiddeling van ons bestuurslid Andrea van Amerongen in Bangalore deze maand naar India worden overgeboekt, zodat de bankrekening uiterlijk per 1 april a.s. leeg is.

Deze bankrekening wordt per 1 april a.s. opgeheven. Mocht u dit nog niet hebben gedaan, dan verzoeken wij u uw [automatische] betaling uiterlijk met ingang van die datum op te zeggen. Gebeurt dit door een of andere omstandigheid later, dan krijgt u uw betaling van de bank retour.

Op het moment dat alle gelden zijn overgeboekt, ontbinden wij de Stichting door de aanmelding bij de Kamer van Koophandel.

***Tot slot.***

Bij de voorlaatste nieuwsbrief stuurden we een brief van directeur Chidambara van het tehuis Shakunthala mee. In december j.l. ontvingen wij een bedankbrief van directeur Kantharaj van het Boyshome. In deze brief memoreert hij de afgelopen jaren wat allemaal bereikt is en voor hen het bijzondere jaar 2009. In het kader van het 10-jarig bestaan brachten zij toen samen met de fam. Chidambara van Shakunthala een bezoek aan ons. Een bijzonder moment voor hen was de ontmoeting met Dhr. Rouvoet – toen vice premier – tijdens het zwemfestival.

## **MALAVALLI BOYS HOME TRUST**

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Dear Mr.Henk, Mr.Ton, Mr.Gert-Jan, Mr.Siep, Mr.Evert, Mrs.Andrea, Miss.Ali van nes, all the sponsors and all their families, schools and churches. The Netherlands.

Loving Greetings to you all from Malavalli Boys Home!

All the Boys and the staff of Malavalli Boys Home are doing well and we wish you all the same.

We are in receipt of your E-mail informing us about your inability to continue financial support to our Boys Home due to so many reasons. At this time we find no words to express our heartfelt gratitude and thanks for all the help and financial support extended towards our Home for more than long twenty years. Thank you very much for making our boys happy and comfortable for so many years. Many boys have come up in life getting good jobs and leading comfortable family lives. The boys cannot forget your love and support in their life time.

Our Home came into existence in the year 1886, when Mr.Redwood family came to India followed by four missionaries from England and Australia. In the year 1979 the World Vision of India started supporting our Home till 2000 for more than 20 years.



When the World Vision of India was about to stop the support, the World Servants from the Netherlands came to build dormitory for our boys in 1999-2000. Among the first group of World Servants, Mr.Henk Mr.Siep, Mrs.Andrea..... were there. And they came to know about the condition of our Boys Home without anybody's support. After going back to Netherlands, these people formed the Boys Home Trust in Netherlands and started getting sponsors to our Boys. We can imagine how much trouble they have taken to raise sponsors. They started sponsoring nearly 50 boys from the year 2000. We do not know how to thank you all for your labour of love.

And the sponsors and the donors encouraged us to start Industrial Training Center with 3 trades Fitter, Electronic Mechanic and Electrician. The Industrial Training Center is functioning well. There are 160 trainees in total. This is 2 years course. There is good scope for the trainees in many fields. Credit goes to Netherlands donors.

Thank you for providing bunker cots, beds and sheets, dining tables, solar heater, refrigerator, two wheeler and other furniture for the Boys Home and also for the school. Because of nice school building and other equipments for the school, people prefer Boys Home School, that is because of your sacrificial help.

Thank you for the many play equipments worth of lakhs which is going to be last for many years. The Boys whenever they find time they play with play equipments they enjoy playing. That is because of you all.

Thank you for the grain thresher. We get some income by harvesting Ragi and Maize from outsiders.

We as family (Subhashini and Kantharaj) along with Mrs.Shantha & Mr.Chidambaram of Shakunthala Foundation, are very grateful to you all for providing an opportunity to visit your Home land. We do not forget the every moment of our stay in the Netherlands. We received a royal welcome at Amsterdam Airport with welcome banner and hospitality. Especially Mr.Henk family, they spared their house, kitchen and time with us and we felt very homely going in and out without any restrictions. Every day one of the sponsors used to take us out to visit important places of Netherland. It is a beautiful country, water flowing everywhere near the green carpet of grass edging with the colourful and beautiful flowers. Aquatic birds floating in water. The beauty of the Netherlands is so vivid in our memory. Roads so wide, clean and vehicles moving in different tracks. Where ever we went the sponsors provided different kinds of delicious food.

The swimming programe to raise funds for Shakunthala Foundation for building purpose was memorable. It was a wonderful time to meet respected Vice Prime Minister of Netherlands. [NB. Dhr. Rouvoet]

We do remain grateful to Mr.Henk Mr.Seip, Mr.Gert-Jan, Mr.Ton, Mr.Evert Mrs.Andrea, Miss Ali van nes, all the sponsors and their family members for their love and affection showered on us. Many sponsors have visited our Home and we enjoyed their company with us. They left their happy memories in us.

We are very thankful to Mrs.Andrea Arvind for visiting Boys Home often from Bangalore and spending time with the boys in playing, teaching English, drawing, colouring etc., and providing small needs of the boys. Nowadays we are missing her family very much because of health problem of their second son.

On the whole the Boys Home Trust Netherlands created a prominent place in the history of Malavalli Boys Home. We do remember you all very much and we welcome you if you happened to come to India, please come to Boys Home and we take care of you whole heartedly.

About the future of the Boys Home our Almighty God take care of it. He has been leading us since 1886 and He is very faithful to us so far. We believe He is going to lead us in future also.

We remain very grateful to you all

On behalf of all the Boys and the staff, Malavalli Boys Home.

Isaac Kantharaj  
Superintendent