

Festival of light – Deepavali 2024

A Pictorial Report of the Festival



We are very happy to present a pictorial report of Deepavali 2024. As in the previous year alumni boys and girls gathered in Deenabandhu to celebrate the festival. The narrative report is given at the end of this report



Deenabandhu family celebrating Deepavali



Manoj and team gifting beautiful dresses to all the staff, Deepavali special



Prof. Jayadeva receives Deepavali gift



Mrs. Nandini receives Deepavali gift



All our staff also received Deepavali gifts

Alumni conducted a variety of sports (e.g., lemon on spoon) events for all Deenabandhu children, You can see German Volunteers also participating



Lemon on the spoon game



Distributing prizes for the winners of the sports events



Priyanka distributing prizes



Tulasi distributing prizes



Dileep and Deepika distributing prizes

**Children performing in the cultural programme held at
Deenabandhu**



Bharathanatyam performance by Deenabandhu Girls.



Dance performance by small children



Dance performance by Deenabandhu Boys

The Life's journey - discussion





Photo shoot after cultural programme

Alumni preparing Churumuri for Deenabandhu Children



Preparing churumuri



Manoj serving churumuri to children



A trip to B.R. Hills



Sanju T.S



(Joined DBT on 23.06.2014)



Sanju T S is working as Assistant Professor of Journalism at St. Philomena's College, Mysore

Manoj T.S



Manoj T.S runs his own Computer coaching institute, A-Cube, Mysore



(Joined DBT on 31.03.2004)

Tulasi



(Joined DBT at 15.05.2010)



Tulasi is working as an Assistant Relationship Manager at Niva Bupa Insurance



Dileep works as a UI/UX designer at Zazz IT Solutions.

Dileep



(Joined DBT on 31.07.2003)

Gurudath



(Joined DBT on 10.11.2004)



**Gurudath is a freelancer – works as a
content creator and video editor**



Sudeep is working as Chef

Sudeep



(Joined DBT on 28.06.2004)

Priyanka



(Joined DBT on 28.04.2006)



**Priyanka is pursuing Hotel Management course at
St. Philomena's College, Mysore**

Anusha



(Joined DBT on 28.04.2006)



**Anusha is working as Marketing Executive at
A-Cube Mysore**



Shivakumar is working as Mechanic at KSRTC

Shivakumar



(Joined DBT on 10.04.2014)

M.V Skanda



(Joined DBT on 14.09.2003)



**Skanda works as Sound Technician and also
teaches Carnatic music**



**Sachin is a Senior executive at Dindigul
Thalappakatti**

Sachin



(Joined DBT on 02.03.2009)



Viveka is studying LLB

Viveka



(Joined DBT on 21.12.2004)

Naveen



(Joined DBT at 01.12.2004)



Naveen is a photographer – he is freelancing



K.H Manjunath



(Joined DBT on 4.07.2005)

K.H. Manjunath and Sandeep together started their own Company called P-Cube which provides painting services in Mysore. Sandeep is also working as supervisor at Bhoruka Extrusions.



Sandeep



(Joined DBT on 01.05.2014)



Usha



(Joined DBT on 25.05.11)

Usha is working as Quality and Function tester at Schneider Electric, Mysore

Sunil



(Joined DBT on 14.03.2011)



Sunil is an actor and also a freelancer



Deepika



(Joined DBT on 22.10.2003)

**Deepika is working as Media and PR
Coordinator at Deenabandhu**

Pallavi



(Joined DBT on 25.05.2011)



**Pallavi is studying
Bachelors in Visual Arts at CAVA, Mysore**

Niranjan



(Joined DBT on 18.07.2011)



**Niranjan is studying BCA (Final year) at
Vidyavardhaka College, Mysore**

Shyamala



**Shyamala works as Senior House-mother
at Mathruchaya, Bangalore**



(Joined DBT on 03.04.2001)



Manoj S



(Joined DBT on 16.05.2009)

**Manoj S is studying Mechanical Engineering at
Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering, Mysore**




Shyamasundara N




(Joined DBT on 10.02.2001)


**Shyamasundara N is working as Resource person at
Deenabandhu TRC**



This year also about 30 alumni boys and girls gathered at Deenabandhu to celebrate Deepavali festival. Sudeep and his sister Priyanka came to Deenabandhu after a long gap. Both of them were accommodated in Deenabandhu in the year 2006. They had no father and the surviving mother could not take care of her children. Deenabandhu accommodated them. However after a few years of stay, both the children were withdrawn by mother for her own reasons. While the boy Sudeep adjusted well to the home, girl Priyanka could not adjust and almost always was at a war with her mother. She tried to live independently dreaming to get back to Deenabandhu. She worked in a couple of places to earn her livelihood but with not much success. After a long ordeal, she found Mr Manoj who was a great succour and he helped Priyanka to settle down in Mysore to study further. She opted to study Hotel Management course. It was at the insistence of Mr Manoj that Deenabandhu paid her college fee to pursue Hotel Management course.

As in the previous year all the boys and girls narrated the story of their life's journey. It was heart touching to hear the great deal of difficulty that Priyanka underwent before she finally found a stable source of support from Mr Manoj to continue her studies. During her sad narration many of the girls in Deenabandhu were shedding tears and understood the harshness of real life. Very conspicuously Priyanka recollected that first few years of her upbringing in Deenabandhu helped her combat the challenges of real life. I still remember Sophie Herbert from USA who supported







these children and wanted to get them back to Deenabandhu. However the ignorant mother had her own unrealistic plans for her children. Transparent confession by Priyanka was a great act of diligence. It was eye opener for all as how she could recognise her errors and learnt lessons of life. Hearing her was a great lesson for all children. The sad story ends with an unexpected joy and now Priyanka is responsible pursuing college studies. She is self-reliant, confident and shared with all the true lessons of life.

Sudeep also narrated his life journey. After one or two years of college study, his mother couldn't support him hence he started working for sustenance. In the process he ended up as a cook with a famous Biryani vendor. This experience inculcated, within him an ambition to pursue the career of a chef. However he didn't know how to achieve his goal. He knew about the famous chefs some of whom have become millionaires. With his dream in heart, he approached Mr Manoj in Mysore. Again Manoj helped him to take a training course as chef. He narrated that he is now in a position to cook continental dishes, Japanese dishes and some other international dishes. He is contemplating the possibilities of producing unique dishes and become a popular supplier of the same. At the advice of Mr Manoj and other alumni of Deenabandhu, he is thinking of starting a business.

Dileep the elder brother of Deepika who also grew up in Deenabandhu narrated his life journey. Joined Deenabandhu as a very young boy and did his primary school education for few years.






However the mother withdrew the boy and educated him further in Mysore. After the completion of 10th standard Deenabandhu continued to support him to pursue a diploma course in engineering. Sandeep, Manjunath and others also pursued the same course.

However after undergoing the courses for two years, dileep disliked the course and gave it up against the advice of Deenabandhu. He explained how he would pursue only that he likes through his heart. He said he will give up anything that doesn't appealing to him "this is my nature" he said. Knowing not what to do further he approached Mr Manoj . Manoj taught him computer based programming soft skills which enabled him to do some job work. He worked at a company for a small salary. Again he didn't like the job and gave it up. Again Manoj taught him advanced technique with which he could work on photo interface technology. This skill helped Dileep to get a job in a Canadian company. It was a work from home agreement. Currently he is working from home for this company and he is earning nearly Rupees eighty thousand (80,000) for a month.

Similarly Anusha, Tulasi, Usha and few other boys were supported by Manoj during the past five or six years. Some of our old boys who were reluctant to pursue academic courses, nevertheless he supported even these to get the jobs, which is much better than daily wages. All the girls and boys who were supported by Manoj acknowledged the extent of support they received from Manoj and were very grateful to him.



Deepavali was celebrated for nearly three days. Lot of dishes were cooked, cultural programme was held. Girls living in Deenabandhu gave a wonderful dance performance. The alumni group under the leadership of Manoj conducted a variety of sports events for all the different age group. The alumni students contributed a lot of money and purchased different toys and such as gifts which was given as prizes for the winners of the sports events.

Apart from gifts for children, Manoj and team bought very beautiful dresses and gifted for all Deenabandhu staffs including Prof. Jayadev.

