

Ramya's story

Ramya is an energetic little girl with a big smile and dimples which make my heart melt. She is studying in Lower Kindergarten at Soham for Kids HOPE School. She used to frequently see her parents quarrelling usually ending up with her father beating her mother up badly.

One day, after being subjected to this physical abuse over a long period of time Ramya's mother took her own life and committed suicide by hanging herself. Innocent Ramya witnessed this horrific site at a very young impressionable age.

After the death of Ramya's mother, Ramya's father abandoned little Ramya and her older brother. Now Ramya and her elder brother are cared for by her maternal uncle.

Initially Ramya was very quiet and did not mesh with her classmates. However, now, Ramya is a happy girl who is excited about school, and has become a confident and positive girl. To see how this little girl had the strength to overcome such adversity and face life with such a positive attitude taught me a life lesson that I can never forget.



Photo Details: Ramya along with her maternal Uncle's family.



Md. Sahil's Story

Md. Sahil is in the Nursery class at Soham for Kids HOPE School, and lost his mother 8 months ago when she was giving birth to his sister. His father abandoned Md. Sahil and his sister after the death of their mother, so the siblings now live with their grandparents and are supported financially by Sahil's maternal uncle and aunt. Since Sahil's uncle and aunt don't have the means to support their niece/nephew and parents it is difficult for them to have more than one meal a day. However, Sahil gets breakfast and lunch at Soham for Kids HOPE School, and these nutritious meals have given him energy to learn at school and play with his peers. When you see him now, he comes across as a vibrant, enthusiastic boy. The children at the Soham for Kids HOPE school have a resilience and hope for life that is inspiring – they thrive and succeed despite the tragic adversities of their past.



Photo Details: Md. Sahil along with his sister & grandmother.

