

## From Editors' Desk

Dear Readers,

Team EKK wishes you a happy, prosperous and safe year ~ 2014.

As sensible and responsible citizens, we all are deeply concerned by the increasing rate of crime in our society. I think the only way to eradicate these issues is to ensure proper education to every child in India. Education followed by empowerment can lead us to a better tomorrow. Team EKK tirelessly works towards that and we expect your support and advise as we have received in the past.

In this edition, we will brief you about the "Bijaya Sommilonee" program held in October. Ms. Rituparna Chatterjee narrates a heartwarming story of struggle and success of Somnath, a Medha 2008 Beneficiary of EKK.

Please let us know your feedback on this newsletter. For any question, feedback and suggestion, please feel free to reach out to us at the contact details mentioned here.

Kind Regards,  
Sudepta Ray, Editor

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What is more unique about EKK is the emphasis on giving back to the community which the members are trying to inculcate among the students receiving the assistance"

**The Statesman**

## Let us introduce Ourselves!



**ESO KICHU KORI (EKK)** is a non-profit organization. Our focus is on providing higher education to academically brilliant students coming from very low-income families. We are different from other organizations that focus on enhancing literacy and primary education. We exist to advocate a progressive change in our society by creating an opportunity for poor brilliant students to continue their education. We want to help such students to utilize their full potential and prepare for careers that would yield a high level of self-fulfillment and ultimately lead to an overall development of our society.

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ParthaSil

EKK Medha 2009-2011 beneficiary Partha, passed Higher Secondary Examination with almost 72% and got admitted in prestigious Presidency University to study Philosophy Honors. During last two and a half years, Partha has consistently performed well in all the semester examinations and has always secured his place in the top percentile. He is planning to appear in the NET exam this year. Sharp, studious and well-mannered Partha is very dear to his family, neighbors and friends.

Team EKK wishes him all the best for his future.



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An inspiring story of Somnath - where success kissed the feet of excellence and diligence

**Dream Comes True** –Rituparna Chatterjee,  
Volunteer, EKK

“Eso Kichu Kori” – ESO KICHU KORI has witnessed the success of its students time and again with pride and appreciation. It gives us great pleasure to share with all that yet another name has been added to the list!

Somnath Banerjee, our student of Medha 2008 batch has been appointed as the branch Post Master of the Bhara Post Office at Radhanagar in Bankura.

Success sure makes one elated but the journey undertaken to reach it wasn't so sunny all the time. Somnath, a diligent student, hails from a family of humble backgrounds in Beliatore, Bankura - his father a village 'purohit' and mother a homemaker. Amidst a trying financial condition, it is not difficult to guess the hardships Somnath, the elder of two brothers, had to undergo to continue with his studies, but his dedication and determination saw him through. He passed his Madhyamik Examination from Radhanagar High School while staying at his maternal uncle's house with 90% marks when EKK came in touch with him.

During our visits to his place, we discovered his other side as a budding poet, Rabindrasangeet streaming down the voice. After passing Higher Secondary Examination in 2010 with 62% marks he started pursuing a course in English in DDK College, Bankura. Success came knocking when he was offered the job of Post Master in the Bhara PO while he was in the second year of college. At present he is pursuing a distance course in History from IGNOU besides carrying on with the job. Somnath has come a long way, but we are sure this is just the beginning for him and wish him all the best. Truly "To learn freely and think creatively, one has to look within....one has to be a lamp unto oneself."



This particular event has always held an important place in the calendar of Eso Kichu Kori. It has not been a mere festivity and frolic (albeit not without it!) but a platform where new faces, newer affinities are known and accommodated into the folds of Eso Kichu Kori. The ideas of EKK have always found this a suitable platform to propagate in an extremely informal manner among like-minded individuals.

**Bijaya Sammiloni 2013**, Kinjal Ghose, Member, EKK

A self-sponsored get together by EKK members, volunteers and well-wishers where we gather to share and learn each other's thoughts on social, cultural and current affairs.

This year wasn't an exception.

While we sang and giggled, ate and lampooned, there were several faces that for the first time came in touch with the tangible existence of EKK, beyond the virtual space.

"Aaguner Poroshmoni" being the anthem of EKK was sung with a short narration of the activities of EKK during the preceding year. What followed were spontaneous performances and participation in songs, addas, food and fun! Held at Tamarind, a restaurant based in south Kolkata, the programme was attended by several

beneficiaries of EKK, besides others. The sparkling and jubilant faces of the students who have performed beyond expectations in their respective arena, was the brightest sunshine.

The exuberance, with which the comparatively newer members mingled with the students, was a scene to behold! These students, who are studying primarily at reputed institutions of medicine and engineering in or around Kolkata had congregated at the event spontaneously, now they themselves being the activists for the cause of EKK.

The event however, was not without a tinge of



grief over the demise of Shri Prabir Majumdar, teacher of Mathematics at the South Point High School and a profound well-wisher of EKK.

The event lived up to the standards that have been established over the past 7 years of the existence of EKK and personally, it was a moment of collective rejuvenation in our otherwise quotidian lives revolving around our "self".

**An appeal to you >>**

Dear Reader,

Team EKK carries out all their activities from a fund which is raised from membership subscription and personal donation from well-wishers. To continue our work, to ensure a progressive change in our society - we need your support. So, if you want to join hands with us, if you believe, together we can change our society for better – please contribute to our fund. On behalf of all those students, who can continue their education with your help, we thank you!

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