

From Editors' Desk

Dear Readers,

Team EKK wishes you "Subho Bijaya" and "Subho Deepavali".

On 7th September, 2014 we had our Annual General Meeting where a new Governing Body was formed and the calendar for next year was planned. We have updated our action items and will keep you posted on the progress periodically.

On 13th July, 2014 we had the Medha 2014 program – to felicitate a bunch of new stars. Ms. Rituparna Chatterjee briefs you about that event.

Dipanjan Mukherjee writes about the felicitation of "Barenyo 2014" to Sri Kisenlal Sengupta.

Please tell us 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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Paban Das

Paban Das of Bishnupur has braved unthinkable poverty to pave his way to a successful career. A bright student of Jalpaiguri Engineering college, Paban has bagged a job offer from a leading multinational company through campus interview. Team EKK is extremely proud of him and wishes him success in life!



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The introduction and felicitation of students selected in the Medha 2014-'16 batch was held on 13th July, 2014 at the Paschimbanga Bangla Academy.

Medha 2014 – Rituparna Chatterjee, Volunteer, EKK

This year 16 students, selected by the EKK counselling team, were awarded textbooks, school-bags and other required stationery for the coming academic year. Scholarships were also awarded to our students who fared brilliantly in the Higher Secondary Examination by scoring above 80% marks.

The program was decked by the presence of Mr. Prabir Dasgupta, registrar of the Presidency University, as the Chief Guest and Mr. Samantak Das, associate professor of comparative literature, Jadavpur University, as our Special Guest. We began the event to the tune of "Aguner Parashmani...", followed by a stimulating speech by EKK President Ms. Madhumita Datta. After that, we went through the journey of Eso Kichu Kori over the last one year, aided by a PPT presentation. Our honoured guests inspired the students with their encouraging words and anecdotes, which added to the spirits of the members and friends of EKK as well. Felicitation of our Std. XII pass-out students followed, as they were granted scholarships and presented with beautiful mementoes by some of the generous friends and well-wishers of EKK who extended their gracious hands of help to these stars of the future. Next, the 'Medha 2014-2016' selected students were gifted books and other relevant stationery by both our guests as we all marvelled at the odds against which they succeeded to reach this stage. They were the true inspiration of the program beyond any doubt! We then wrapped up our event with wonderful songs and recitations by some of the assembled students. The program, nicely conducted by Anshula Ghosh, our new volunteer, was well-organized and appreciated by all. We look forward to the next already, and hope to make it even better!



“Though I was a government employee, we were not included in the pension scheme initially”, Mr. Sengupta was telling us. “But we tried our best and ultimately we were also going to get pension. It was a long struggle. But when I retired, it occurred to me that even a few years back I didn’t know that I will be getting this money. So, I decided to spend this in doing something meaningful – helping underprivileged students

Borenyo 2014, Dipanjan Mukherjee, Volunteer, EKK

Every year EKK celebrates its birthday by felicitating such a personality who has contributed considerably to ease the struggle of a meritorious student coming from economically weak background. This year ‘Eso Kichu Kori’ honored Shri Kishenlal Sengupta, a retired bank employee, in a homely function at his residence in Chandannagar on 15th June, 2014.

to pursue higher education.” This is what he has been doing since his retirement. Whenever he found some news about any academically brilliant student facing financial hardship, he takes the pain to search for his address and very soon reaches the student’s home wherever it may be. And with him, he carries a pack of poppy seed, which, according to him, is more important for them than sweets.



He organizes a small program every year in Chandannagar where he felicitates a few students who have performed well in Madhyamik or Higher Secondary exams despite hardships.

“I honor their mothers as well. I find in most of the cases, it’s the struggle of the mother that helps these students move forward in life”, adds Mr. Sengupta. That’s really an amazing gesture from this wonderful person.

As a part of this program Smt. Madhumita Dutta handed over the shawl to him, while Kaushik Mukherjee presented him with the memento. Chandan read out the Certificate (Maanpatra) and Lakshmi handed over the books, a small gift to Mr. Sengupta on behalf of EKK. Listening to his different experiences is something that enlightened us and gave us motivation and courage to continue with our journey. Team EKK salutes this great man.



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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