

MARIA SEVA SANGHA: QUARTERLY UPDATE JAN to FEB 2026

Empowering Lives, Restoring Dignity

OUR VISION

To ensure that no individual is denied the basic rights of nutrition, education, or a life of dignity due to the lack of financial means. We strive to create a society where merit is nurtured and the elderly are cherished.

ORGANIZATIONAL SUMMARY

Since 1981, Maria Seva Sangha (MSS) has served as a beacon of hope in Karnataka. By focusing on "merit-cum-means," we bridge the gap for underprivileged students and seniors through transparent, donor-supported initiatives that tackle poverty at its root.

SPOTLIGHT: Empowering Academic Excellence



The Story of Josephine Mary: A Journey of Merit and Resilience

At Maria Seva Sangha, our newly expanded **Educational Scholarship** program is a commitment to ensuring that brilliance is never sidelined by a lack of resources. We are honored to feature our first primary beneficiary: **Josephine Mary**, a third-year BCA student at Indian Academy Degree College.

Bridging the Financial Gap

Maintaining the high academic standards required for the program (70%+ marks), Josephine faced a tuition requirement of **₹75,000**. To support her journey, MSS provided a dual-layered solution: a **₹30,000 Merit Scholarship** and a **₹45,000 Interest-Free Loan**.

In Her Own Words

"When I was in great need, Maria Seva Sangha supported me in continuing my studies... Your timely financial assistance relieved a major burden and enabled me to pursue my education with confidence and hope."

PROGRAMS HIGHLIGHTS

- 🍲 **Mid-Day Meal Scheme:** Our flagship program serves as a frontline defense against classroom hunger. We now reach **over 1,100 students across 11 schools**, providing hot, nutritious daily meals that fuel academic focus and significantly improve school attendance rates.
- 🎓 **Educational Scholarship (NEW):** This initiative eliminates financial barriers by covering up to 100% of fees for high-achieving students. We are proud to highlight our first beneficiary under this model: a **BCA 3rd Year student at Indian Academy College**. In October 2025, she was awarded a ₹30,000 scholarship alongside a ₹45,000 interest-free loan to cover her total tuition of ₹75,000, enabling her to complete her degree debt-free.
- 🏢 **Educational Fellowship (EF) Loans:** This revolving fund provides interest-free aid for professional degrees. We are currently supporting **7 active fellows** pursuing degrees at prestigious institutions such as **Mount Carmel College, St. Joseph's University, and St. Anne's First Grade College**. By recycling repayments—such as the ₹8.77 Lakhs recovered in our last cycle—we continue to fund the aspirations of the next generation of scholars.
- 🏠 **Senior Citizens' Residence (Villa Maria):** Located in K.R. Puram, Villa Maria provides a dignified sanctuary for the elderly. The facility currently houses **16 residents** with a total **capacity of 44 rooms**. We offer comprehensive care and social engagement, with short-term trial stays available for prospective members.
- 📚 **Sponsor-A-Child (SPC):** This program prevents school dropouts by covering essential costs like uniforms, stationery, and fees. This academic year alone, we disbursed ₹5,52,265 to support 100 students across various rural and urban schools.
- 🩹 **Medical Health Care:** We ensure students are physically robust enough for their studies. In **June 2025**, we provided essential medicines and first aid kits to **425 students** across 5 schools. In **December 2025**, we expanded our reach, distributing **102 boxes of Calcium tablets to 510 children** at institutions including St. Joseph's Convent, Chickballapur and Thangathai School, KGF.

♥ HOW TO DONATE

Your generosity changes lives. All contributions are eligible for **50% Tax Exemption under Section 80G**.

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