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# 01. Spotlight - Sri M Ramamurthy

*Teachers have three loves: love of learning, love of learners and the love of bringing the first two loves together.*



In this edition, we bring you the story of Sri M Ramamurthy, an Educator whose passion and dedication have transcended the test of time.

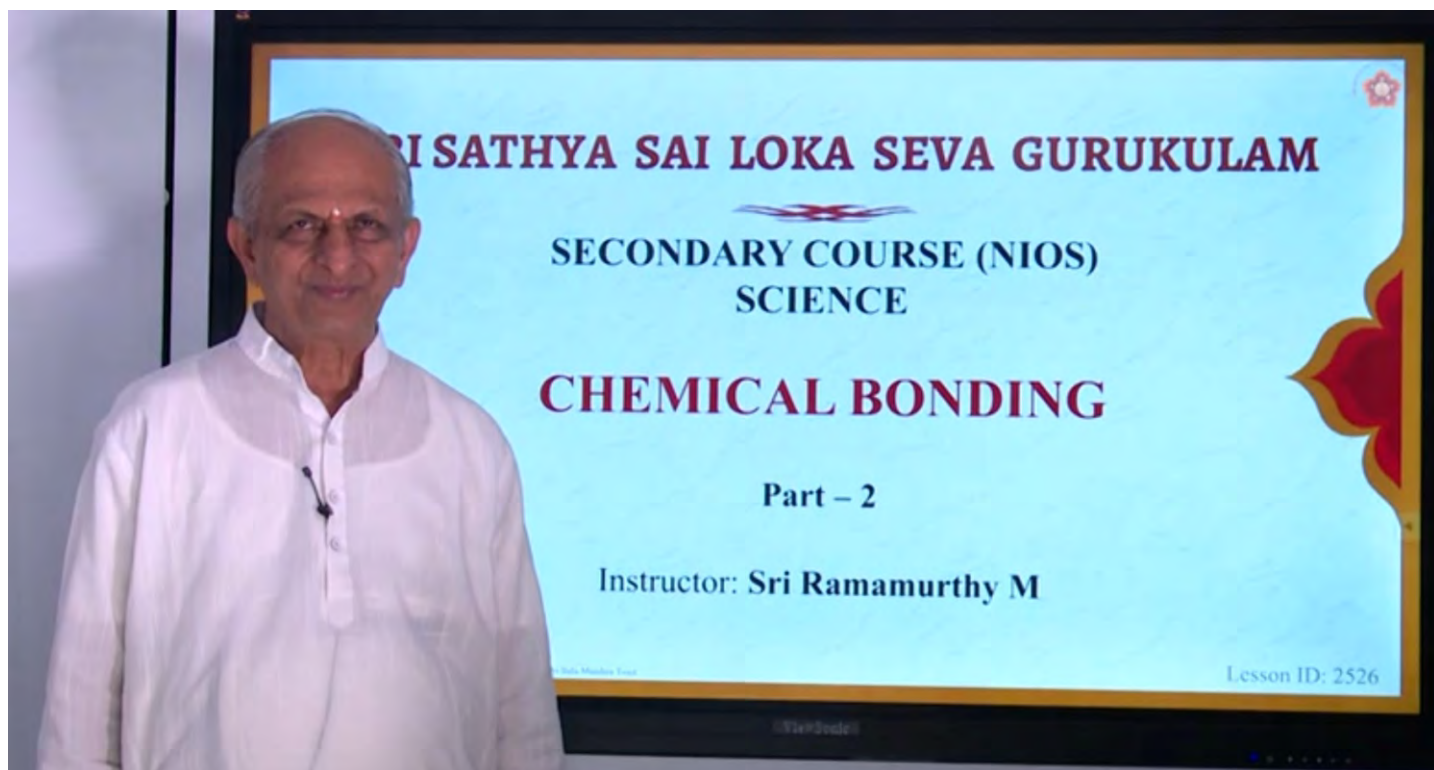
Sri M Ramamurthy Sir belongs to that unique and rare team of dedicated educators & reformers whom we fondly & reverentially refer to as Thyagajeevis; those who have sacrificed their lives for the cause of educating and empowering underserved children and youth of our Nation. He began his journey back in the year 1975, when he joined the Sri Sathya Sai Loka Seva High School in Muddenahalli, as a Science & Mathematics teacher. Over the next 39 years, he kindled the joy of learning and creative expression in over 6000 students. He took on additional responsibilities when he became Headmaster of the School in 2011, but he never gave up his passion and zeal to impart knowledge and wisdom to his students even after retiring from the post of Headmaster in 2014.



What is however most noteworthy about his ongoing journey as an educator is the smooth and absolutely trouble free transition he made from the chalk board to the digital learning screen.

At the onset of the pandemic in 2020, the Sri Sathya Sai Loka Seva Gurukulam Schools were among the first in the country to launch online classes on 16th May 2020, making them available and freely accessible on a

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dedicated YouTube channel and an App, not only for our students but for students from anywhere across the world! Sri M Ramamurthy Sir, at the ripe young age of 66 years, took on this challenge of online teaching with unassuming ease and vigour. To date, he has over 250 lessons in Mathematics & Science to his credit - all uploaded on the App and the Sri Sathya Sai Loka Seva Gurukulam Online Classes YouTube channel - a feat that he accomplished in less than 2 years and has been duly felicitated for.

Sri M Ramamurthy Sir shines forth as an outstanding example of the 5 Ds – Duty, Devotion, Discipline,

Dedication & Determination; a role model for generations of students and an inspiration to teachers, administrators and students alike when it comes to embracing new techniques and technologies!

We take this opportunity to salute Sri M Ramamurthy Sir for his age-defying commitment and contribution to the noble profession of Teaching and wish him all the very best in the years to come! Our sincere prayers to the Almighty for his well-being and fulfilment in every aspect of his noble and exemplary life.

## Sri Sathya Sai Loka Seva Gurukulam

### ONLINE PROGRAMS



**Video Lessons**  
1788



**Number of Instructors**  
120



**Number of Subscribers**  
27300



**Number of Views**  
2.8 Million



[youtube.com/c/SriSathyaSaiLokaSevaGurukulam](https://youtube.com/c/SriSathyaSaiLokaSevaGurukulam)



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## 02. Against The Tide - Free Medical Education



Sri Amit Shah, Hon'ble Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Cooperation, Government of India, laid the Foundation Stone for a 400-bedded hospital at Sathya Sai Grama, Muddenahalli on April 1, 2022 in the Divine presence of Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai.

The upcoming 400-bedded multi-speciality hospital under the Prashanthi Balamandira Trust will provide free medical care and also establish itself as India's first free Medical College that would offer medical education to the rural poor, completely free of cost.

This is in keeping with our Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi's call for greater participation of Private and Social Institutions to strengthen Medical Education in the country. The Prashanthi Balamandira Trust has taken up this noble initiative to create and nurture committed and skilled doctors to serve the country's unserved geographies and populations.



Scan QR Code / Click on the link to watch an excerpt from the Honorable Minister of Home Affairs and Cooperation, Govt. of India, Shri Amit Shah Ji's address appreciating our free of cost, values-based Education Model; it's synergy with the timeless culture & heritage of our Nation Bharat.





### **03. A Role Model: Dr Vijay Sankeshwar – A highly successful Business Magnate, Three-time Member of Parliament and a Generous Philanthropist at Heart**

While the creation and accumulation of wealth is an end goal in itself for many, there are those for whom this pursuit evolves into a broader and higher goal; that of Nation building through the promotion of equality, inclusivity & social justice, by giving back to the social ecosystem that one has grown from and thrives in. The Each One Educate One Foundation is proud to have the support of one such Indian Conglomerate founded and led by an exemplary Business Magnate – Dr Vijay Sankeshwar ji.

Dr Vijay Sankeshwar is a first generation entrepreneur from Dharwad, Karnataka. He was born in Gadag district and completed his graduation in Commerce at Adarsh Shikshan Samiti College of Commerce, Gadag, under the Karnataka University.

Today, he is the Chairman & Managing Director of India's largest logistics firm – the VRL Group (founded in 1976), a public listed company which operates in 23 States and 4 Union Territories, with a fleet of 419 tourist buses and 3941 goods transport vehicles. The Group finds a mention in the Limca Book of Records as the single largest fleet owner of commercial vehicles in the country's private sector! The company has around 1500 employees and also holds stakes in other businesses spanning Courier Services, Air Charter Services, Windmills, and Publishing.

Dr Vijay Sankeshwar owned Karnataka's then largest circulating newspaper, Vijaya Karnataka, which he sold to the Times Group in 2007. In 2012, after expiry of a five-year-non-compete clause, he launched Vijaya Vani, which is now the #1 Karnataka Daily newspaper with 8 lakh+ copies sold every day!

Dr Vijay Sankeshwar, a true patriot at heart has been active in politics too, a three-time Member of Parliament elected to the 11th, 12th & 13th Lok Sabha in 1996, 1998 & 1999 respectively. In 2020, the Government of India honoured him with the Padma Shri, the fourth highest civilian award in the Republic of India.

The Each One Educate One Foundation takes this opportunity to salute the indomitable spirit and persona of Dr Vijay Sankeshwar ji - a staunch patriot, successful business tycoon, exemplary leader and socially responsible philanthropist, all rolled into one. We are grateful to him and the VRL Group, for participating generously in our cause of Building Bharat through Education, by investing in the education of 150 of our children studying in the Sri Sathya Sai Loka Seva Gurukulam School in Muddenahalli, Chikkaballapur district, for two consecutive years. We acknowledge with thanks and gratitude, the support of the VRL Group CSR team, ably led by Sri Aniruddha Phadnavis and his team members, Sri Vivekanand Cholaki & Sri Praveen Nayak.





## 04. Be Inspired...

*An alumnus' story of grit & determination to serve and be redeemed!*

### A Lasting Foundation ...



**Sri. Shivaram** is an alumnus of the SSS Loka Seva Junior College in Alike. His tryst with Divinity began when his poor results in the 10th grade triggered the search for a good residential school that could change his academic fortunes. Little did he or his family surmise at the time, that the move to the SSS Loka Seva School in Alike nearby would transform not merely his academic credentials but also his destiny and purpose in life! His belated admission into the Alike school despite being from a Kannada medium school with a poor score in the 10th grade, was providential in itself. His stay at Alike in the Divine and spiritually surcharged atmosphere; the profound impact that the exemplary Thyagajeevi teachers and wardens had upon him in those 2 very crucial years of his life and the teachings of his Divine Master – Bhagawan Baba, made him realise and appreciate the value of the great institution that he was a student of. Being spiritually inclined himself, he was able to blend in very well with the principles and ideals of the institution, imbibing the values that the system inculcated in its students.

### Career and Family ...

After completing his PUC at Alike with a ranking in the top 10, Shivaram pursued his engineering in R V College, Bangalore, followed by a Masters in NTU – Singapore and an MBA in USA, along with a Stanford

University Certified course in Project Management. Today, he is a successful IT Professional with over 20 years of experience having worked for many Fortune 50 companies that include HP, Verizon, Marsh and a few others. He has been residing in USA since 1998 with his family of four, and has five other siblings back home in India.

### Reconnecting with the Mission ...

Upon coming to know in 2014, that a number of educational institutions were being set up year after year, Sanjeevani paediatric heart-care hospitals and the rapidly expanding Annapoorna breakfast service program for needy and malnourished rural children; services that were all being rendered absolutely free of cost, Shivaram was deeply inspired and moved.

In his own words Shivaram recalls, “I felt that I had two choices; either to participate like the squirrel in building Lord Rama's bridge, or, to stay away and spend the rest of my life in shameful regret.” Thinking thus, Shivaram chose to be a squirrel and plunged headlong into the mission by getting involved with the E1E1 program and the Sai Ashraya project. It was just the beginning...

### A Leap of Faith...

It was in 2018 that Shivaram first had this thought about supporting the construction of at least one school among the many that were being established by the Loka Seva Group, year after year. Shivaram spotted an opportunity that could fulfil his long cherished dream of playing a bigger role in the Mission. The idea of a group of like-minded people from USA coming together to support the construction of an entire campus took deep root in his heart and mind.

After the initial bout of hesitation and some doubts that preclude any such courageous decision, Shivaram decided to take the first step forward in this direction, remembering and firmly believing in his Master's time proven proclamation, “If you take one step towards me, I shall take a 100 towards you”. At an opportune time and moment, Shivaram put forth the proposal to the Chief Mentor of the Loka Seva Group –



Revered Sir Narasimha Murthy, but not without an apprehension that it may just be ignored or laughed off. To his surprise and delight, he received a response that was very positive and encouraging.

Having completed the first lap that called for a lot of courage and daring, Shivaram was confronted with the next and even more difficult lap to negotiate; to put together a team of like-minded individuals who shared the same passion and courage. It was a steep climb uphill and the initial inertia played out its role in testing his resolve and conviction. Holding on to his Master's ideals and assurances with utmost faith, Shivaram began sowing the seeds through a small WhatsApp group to begin with, building awareness about the lack of quality education in rural India, the resultant problems and suffering in society and the rapidly widening divide between the rich and the poor. The idea gained momentum and soon a committed group of individuals got together to pledge their support for the construction of a campus. After an exchange of a few emails with the office bearers at the Loka Seva Group, the arrangement was formalized and the Tumkur campus in Karnataka was allocated to Shivaram and his team of dedicated patrons, under the banner "Education For All". The movement did not stop with that. Soon after, the team felt the urge to support the construction of a girls campus too and thus committed to undertake the girls campus in Doddaballapur too.

A small but selfless step taken by one individual had transformed into a huge leap of faith that saw the coming together of many steps marching ahead in tandem. His Master's words had fructified yet again!

## Benefactor is the ultimate Beneficiary

Today, even as the team at Education For All strives together as one and continues to extend their support, each and every member of the team feels humbled and blessed by the unseen hand of God at work. Shivaram, the Instrument-in-Chief in this case, likens himself to the famed squirrel from the Ramayana and feels grateful for the opportunity that was made available to him, to grasp and transform into reality.

In his words, "Whenever we were struggling and gasping for breath, someone or the other would show up from nowhere, volunteering his / her support. During an online Satsangh that one of our revered Thyagajeevis from India led, one participant was so overwhelmed by what he heard that he could not sleep all night. Early the next morning, he called me and pledged his support to match every dollar contributed to the project by anyone else, with an equivalent contribution from his side." Thus, in ways that were mysterious and providential, inter-connected by Divine design, around 120 families came together to further this cause. The same people who earlier questioned the wisdom, or rather the lack of it, of shouldering a seemingly unrealistic responsibility, have now become active participants in the project!

Shivaram sums it up by saying, "For most of us, it is a success story attributable entirely to God and we perceive it to be a Divine opportunity that is elevating us and our Karma to the next level of human existence and purpose".

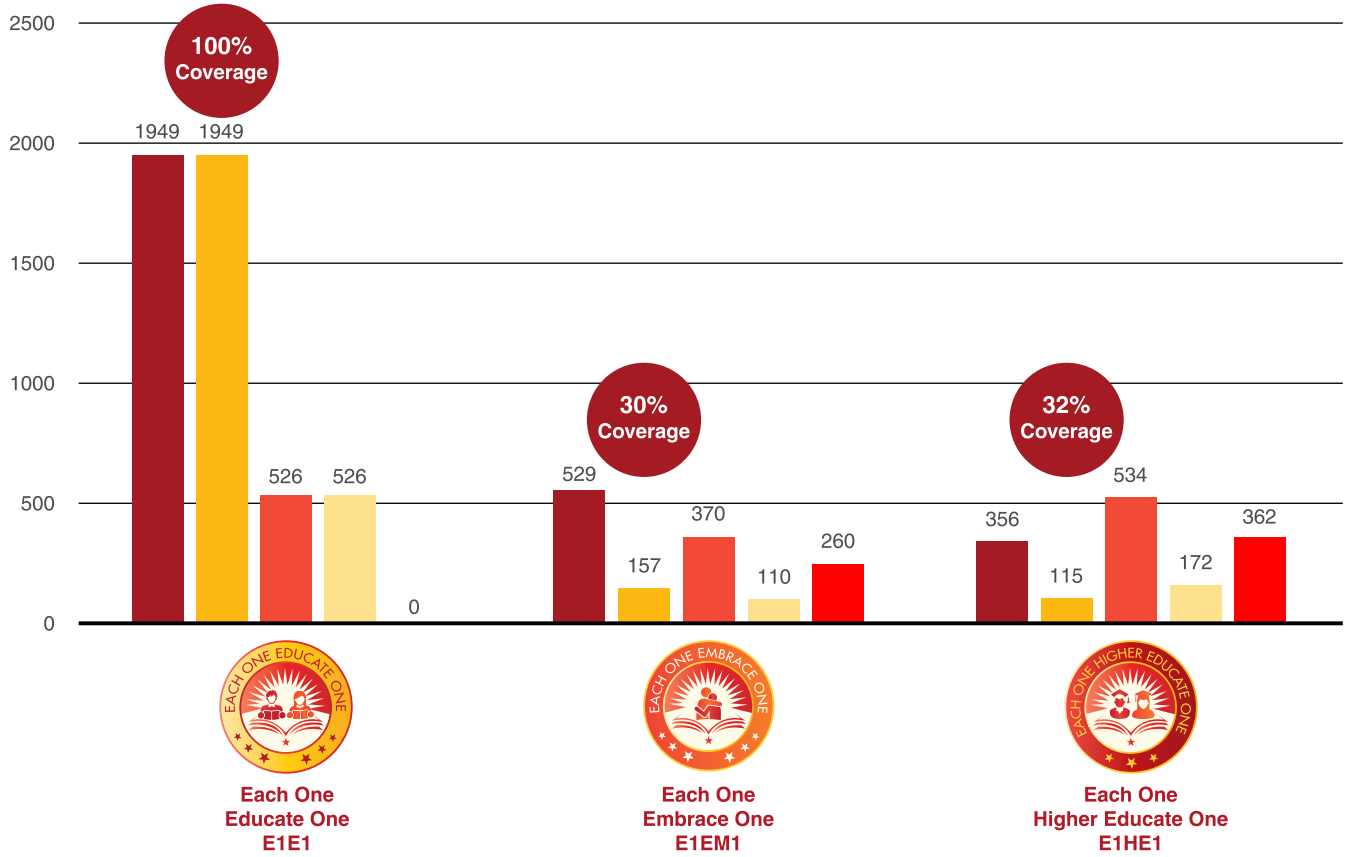
And thus, the saga of selfless service moves on ....



# 05. 2021 - 22 Report - Coverage

## 3 Programs for the academic year 2021-22

Overall in terms of number of students 78% students covered and in terms of value 56.5% covered.



No. of Children	1949	529	356
No. of Children Covered	1949	157	115
Total Outlay (in Lakhs)	526	370	534
Total Receipts (in Lakhs)	526	110	172
Deficit c/f	0	260	362

**Education**  
6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

**INVESTMENT**  
(Per Student per annum)  
Rs. 27,000

**Education, food, accommodation, clothing and all other essential daily needs**  
6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

**INVESTMENT**  
(Per Student per annum)  
Rs. 70,000

**Education, food, accommodation, clothing and all other essential daily needs**  
UG, PG and PhD degrees.

**INVESTMENT**  
(Per Student per annum)  
Rs. 1,50,000

# 06. Campus Connect

## Ground-breaking Ceremony of a New Educational Campus for Girls in Kolar district, Karnataka.



Sri K H Muniyappa, Former Member of Parliament, Kolar Lok Sabha Constituency along with other dignitaries performed the Bhumi Pooja of the Sri Sathya Sai Krishnaaniketanam Gurukulam, on 20th January 2022, in the divine presence of Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai.

The campus is expected to be operational in the academic year 2023- 24

## Campus Visit to Mandya and Nallakadirenahalli

"Seeing is Believing", they say but our campus visits are much more than that; a joyful and insightful experience for a diverse group of visitors from different walks of life - be they volunteers, patrons, corporate honchos, stakeholders or curious first timers.

The serene and sylvan surroundings, the beautifully designed edifices of learning and the lively interactions with the bubbly & boisterous little children or the humble and charming university youths; all of these leave the visitors awestruck, refreshed & gratified seeing that even the underprivileged have access to the best in terms of quality education, modern infrastructure & facilities and the highest in values & spiritual wisdom.

Here are some bright and telling moments captured from the recent visits to our campuses in Maradevanahalli, Mandya district and Nallakadirenahalli, Chikkaballapur district.





## 07. Donor Testimonial

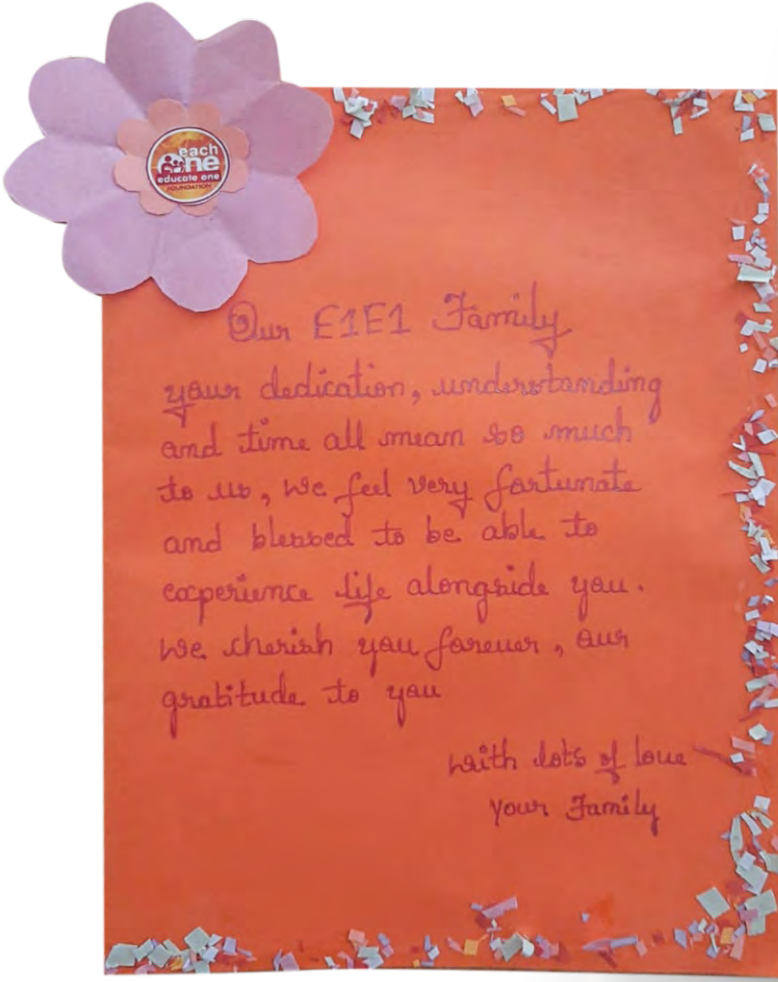


*“ The E1E1 initiative appealed to me because of the message it sent regarding the opportunity to help children from rural areas with their education. Visiting the schools and meeting with the children served as a powerful reinforcement of the original sentiment about the initiative. In these chaotic times, to observe and participate in an initiative like E1E1 comes as a breath of fresh air. It initially influenced and eventually transformed my perspective. An opportunity of this nature mustn't be missed out and I wholeheartedly endorse this initiative to potential contributors. ”*

### **SRI NARENDRA BALAN**

Senior Manager at Boeing, after his visit to Sri Sathya Sai Sharadaniketanam Gurukulam - Mandya, with his family. Sri Balan has been a champion of the E1E1 cause since 2017.





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