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Dear Friends and Supporters,



One day at the end of March, the students at the School for Blind Children received targeted instructions on how they, as visually impaired persons, can identify Indian monetary units using the different tactile symbols on the bills. This knowledge, imparted by visiting representatives of the Security and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), will serve them well in the future.



The School for Blind Children follows the school system of the State of West Bengal. This means that students begin First Grade at age 5 and finish their basic schooling after 10th Grade at age 15 unless they have repeated a grade. At the end of 10th Grade, they can sit for a State sponsored exam prepared by the West Bengal Department of School Education. Students take their exams in a school other than the one they attended, and their exams are corrected by a teacher other than the one who

instructed them. Resulting grades are made public three months later. This semester five girls and one boy from the School of Blind Children took the State exam and are now anxiously awaiting their results.

SB Foundation provides monthly financial support to the School for Blind Children for school meals and – since these students need more support than sighted students – also for supplementary instructors. It is essential that these students receive a high-quality education.

Thank you for your donations in support of the students at the School for Blind Children!

Greetings from the SB Foundation

and all of us Board Members, Arne, Elisabeth, Gloria, Ivar, Lena, Roger



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