

**Summary:** SEC intervention helps 14 year old daughter of agricultural labourers, triumph in the Class 10 Government Board exam. Meet Selvarani, the Maths topper from Reddiapuram village, Tirunelveli who scored 100/100.

**SEC attained 70% marks the Govt. Public Examination (Class X):**

Name of the Child: Selvarani

Age: 14 years

Class: XI

Father's Name: Dhanaselvan

Mother's Name: Praba

Village: Reddiapuram village of Cheranmahadevi Block

Occupation: Agricultural Labour in Manjolai Estate

Present School: St. John's Hr. Sec. School, Veeravanallur, Cheranmahadevi Block

Siblings: 1 sister

Drop out year: -



Selvarani, 14 year girl has studied at the SEC in Reddiapuram village since 2011 (when she was in Class VI). Her parents are migrant agricultural labourers who work in Manjolai Estate which located 50 kms away from their home. With them being away from home most days, she stays with her grandmother.

Before attending the SEC, Selvarani was very shy and studied just enough to clear her exams. However once she began attending the SEC, she began taking interest in studies and would regularly attend the sessions. However the SEC facilitator knew that Selvarani stayed 0.500 km away from the centre and was at risk of dropping out if safety issues cropped up. To prevent this SEC teacher facilitated an arrangement whereby a neighborhood girl (her house is nearby street of Selvarani's home). This made Selvarani to concentrate her studies and improved her participation in CRC activities.

The SEC activities helped build Selvarani's capabilities not only in academics but in extra-curricular activities as well. Driven by the SEC teacher's encouragement she participated in the school Sports Meet and won the first prize in athletics. Simultaneously, she also fared well in her studies in school.

The ultimate achievement for the child was when she secured 462 marks out of 500 in her X std. Govt. Public exam on March 2015 and topped in Maths scoring a 100%. Selvarani expressed her gratitude to the support provided by the SEC through WeWorld - NJT facilitation for providing these kind facilities in rural areas to archive her education aspiration.