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WHO IS THE REAL DR. MALINI SABA? WHO ARE YOU BEYOND YOUR PUBLIC PERSONAS?

I am a mother; it is the most important job in the world to ensure my eleven-year-old daughter becomes a kind, loving and caring member of the community, who knows right from wrong. I believe mothers shape the future of the world, because they shape their children. The future of our world depends on the values and behaviours parents teach their children through their words and examples.

YOU HAVE CHOSEN TO WORK AS A GLOBAL ADVOCATE FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS — WHAT IS THE KIND OF WORK YOU DO IN THIS REGARD?

We promote the field of creating systematic support systems which benefit women and children who are at risk. With *Samskara* – the education arm of *Anamke Foundation*, the mission is to provide underprivileged girls access to education. There's also *UpCare* which is a non-profit organization within *Anamke Foundation* that provides access to preventative healthcare and human rights for at-risk women with a concentration on elder women's health concerns. We also give scholarship programs for school girls and funds for college preparation. We have previously funded over one million students and regularly donate funds towards building schools in Africa, India and South East Asia. Furthermore, the operations of the foundation focus on funding organizations that work with children and young adults. The foundation educates and regularly runs campaigns against cyber bullying, physical bullying, social bullying, verbal bullying and workplace bullying. We also fund legal battles for women and engage in campaigns that deal with diverse women's issues.

HEALTHCARE IS SOMETHING YOUR CSR WING FOCUSES ON — WHAT KIND OF WORK HAVE YOU BEEN ABLE TO DO HERE?

With regards to healthcare, we focus on building new hospitals, mental health and also financing doctors to get better training — the latest area we have been focused on is telemedicine. We have also partnered with *Stanford University Medical Centre* to fund and train emergency care physicians from India to go back with skill sets needed to help develop emergency care in rural districts and promote mobile programs in preventive health practices for immunizations, gastric and reproductive health. We also partnered with *CARE International* in Togo, West Africa to fund programs in health, water infrastructure, prevention of child trafficking and capacity building for community organization.

IF YOU WOKE UP ONE DAY WITH THE POWER TO CHANGE ONE THING IN THE WORLD, OR ERADICATE SOME PROBLEM — WHAT WOULD YOU CHOOSE AND WHY?

I would eradicate hunger. Everything stems from there. There is enough food in the world but we choose to waste most of it. We also choose who has access and who does not. Food is a human right and there should never be an individual going to bed hungry.