



### **Nagamma Umesh Yarnal**

Nagamma had dreamt of becoming teacher but couldn't. To add to the woes in her life, her husband expired in an accident in just 4 months of their marriage. But she fought back and now leads a respectable life.

Nagamma born in 1975 was the youngest among her four siblings. She was brought up by her parents and now lives with mother, brother and his wife. She as a teenager had dreamt of becoming a teacher to change the fate of many under privileged rural women. But her parents' economical condition couldn't support her education. She had to quit studying after class VIII. Moreover, women's education was never given any importance during that time in India. To add to it, she was married at a tender age of 17 and little did she know that her marriage life would also end into a tragedy. Her husband expired in just 4 months of her marriage. She was a widow and wasn't 18 yet. She then joined her family back. By that time her brother was also married. Her brother was a primary school teacher. In few months of her stay she had some serious issues with her sister-in-law. Even she felt she was a burden to the family with only one man earning.

Nagamma then decided that she would work. She then started working as a labour in the fields. But she would be stressed out by the time she returned home and also she had to do almost every house hold activity. Also she was paid very less money. She started to show up health disorders.