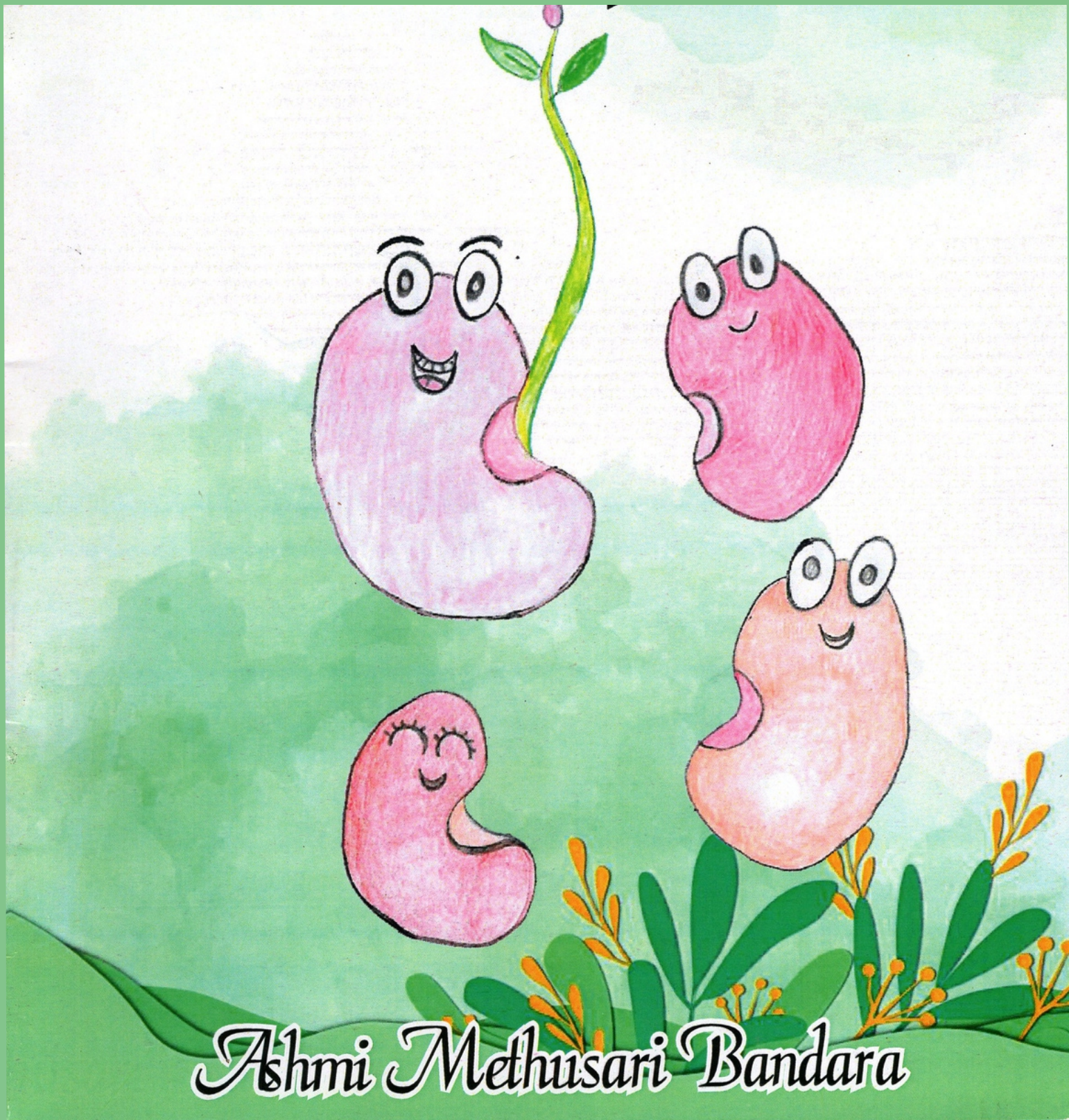


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I Will
Offer this book to
my Teachers.

Preface

The primary goal of the current educational system is to mould a productive citizen and a caring family member who is equipped with knowledge and skills. The main responsibility of the school is to identify and recognize children's talents, as well as to sharpen their skills to meet the needs of the nation and the world.

Our Alma Mater is constantly guiding and assisting children who are creative. This project has been an ongoing process at our school for many years, particularly in terms of writing books. Many skilled and enthusiastic young writers participated in this exercise for years, producing novice writers to field of literature. We regard this as a great victory and a national need at this hour.

To continue this effort, we have adopted digital technologies and an e-book project this year. I am confident that this unique event provided youngsters with valuable experience and challenges that will benefit them in the future.

The Ministry of Education has hailed the project as an important step toward motivating young authors in schools. As principal of Mahamaya Girls' College, I am grateful to all of the students throughout the country who contributed to this endeavor. I commend and applaud all of the young authors of these books for their perseverance and devotion in this difficult task.

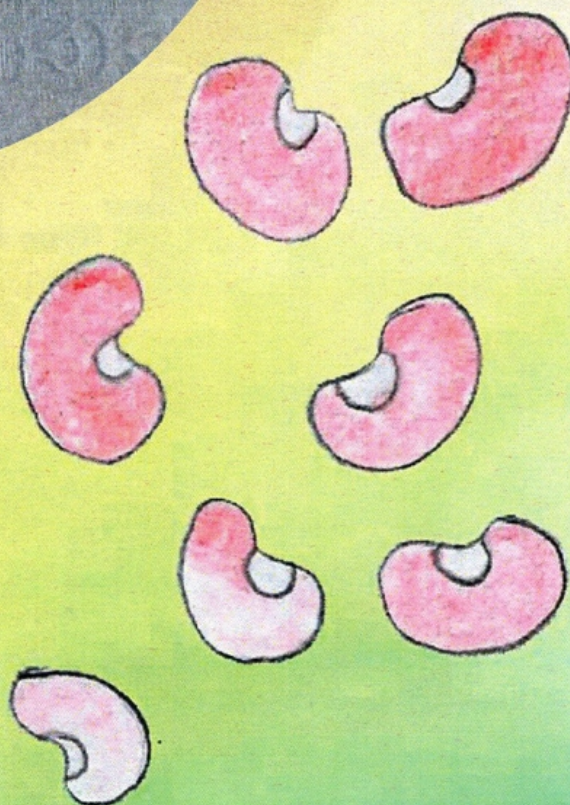
I would like to thank our school management committee, employees, parents, for my students, administrators, and teachers from other schools who encouraged students to take part in this worthwhile effort.

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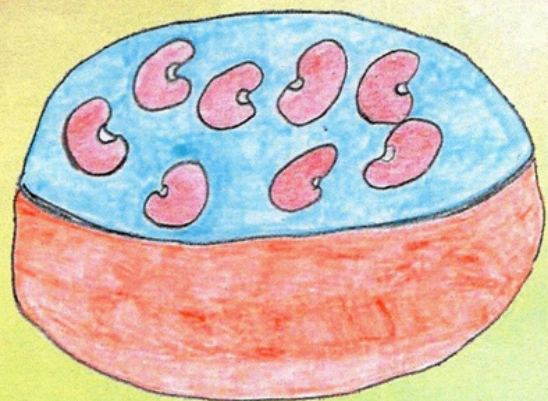
I like to eat beans. My grandmother always says that beans are good for our health. I asked form my mother, how beans grow.



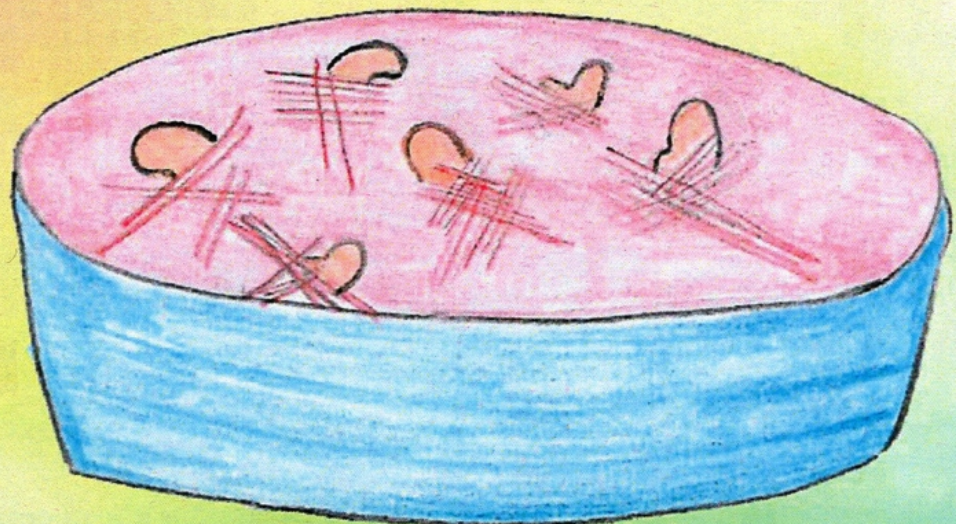
My mother gave some bean seeds to plant. The seeds were brown in color, and oval in shape.



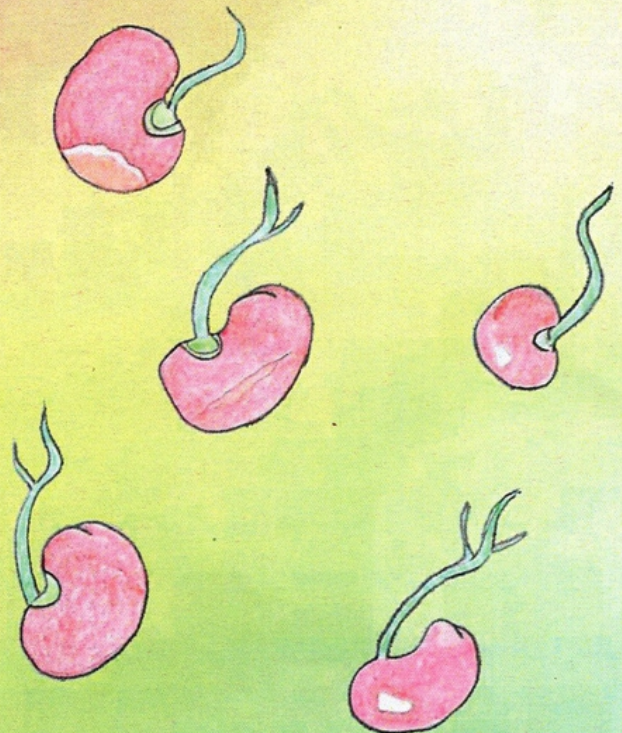
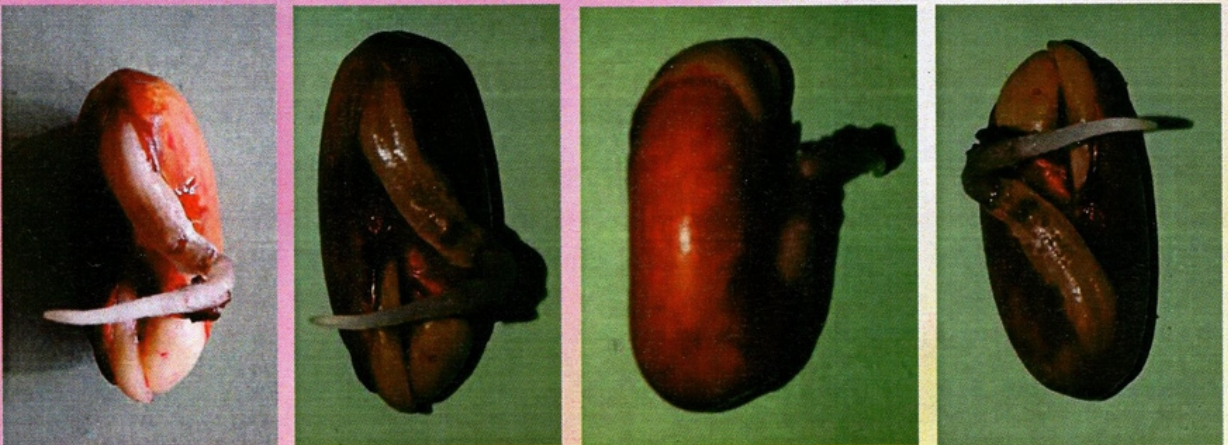
My grandmother was very happy that I am going to plant bean seeds. She helped me to soak the seeds in water and we kept it for overnight. The next day, the seeds got bigger and more rounded in shape



I planted the bean seeds in a small pot with full of compost. I poured some water to the pot and kept outside. Now, I am waiting to see the bean plants.



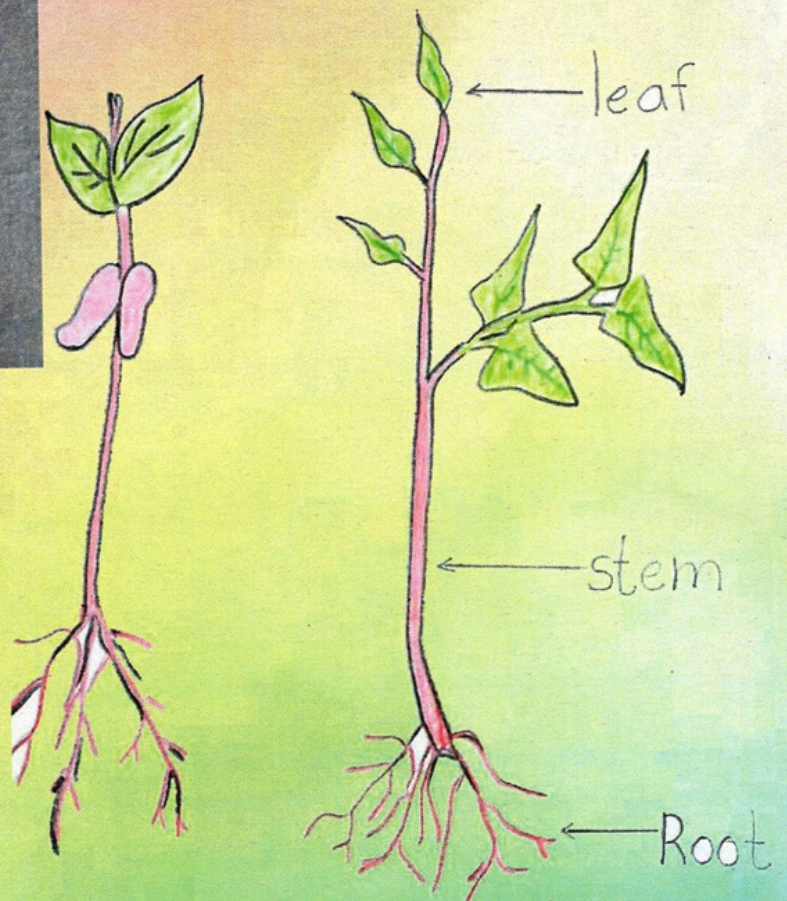
After 4 days of waiting, I saw a root comes through the seed coat. The whitish little root seems to grow into the pot slowly.



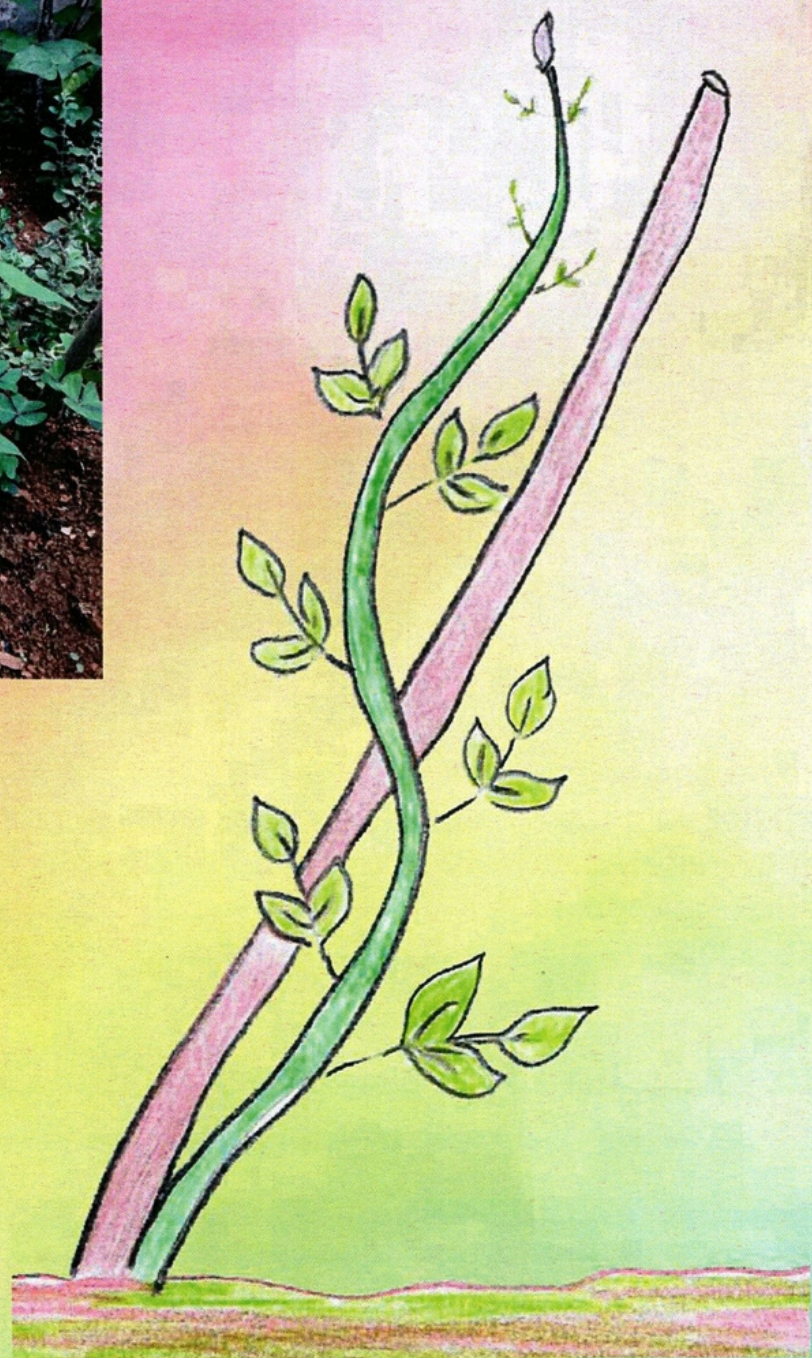
Over the next few days, the bean seeds began to push out a little stem out of them. As the stem grows from the soil, two little leaves emerged as well.



In the next couple of days, the little plants sprouted from the pot looking for sunshine. Now, I have few little plant friends to play.



It took few weeks to grow them bigger and bigger. Now, they are having shiny green leaves.



I planted the little bean plants in my garden with the help of grandmother. I watered them daily and add more comforts to their surroundings.



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After another few weeks, my bean plants were ready for their crop. All of them were with greenly pods. Me and my grandmother were very happy to see our effort.







Afterword

As modern technology permeates the social and economic arenas, students tend to distance themselves from the creative process, relying more and more on technological tools. To reduce this risk and help aspiring young writers produce their own books, I sought and presented a research proposal to the Ministry of Education in 2014. It was a fantastic opportunity for children to showcase their enthusiasm and knowledge. The students of Mahamaya Girls' College achieved a record for the most books written, paving the way for a new level of innovation.

The e-book project will enable the students to reach international readers, and I am confident that they have gained new experiences and challenges that will enable them to face the future with resolve.

I wish all of the young writers the best of luck in their future endeavors

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