

*Hello, my friends. My name is Murmi. I would like to share about the situations before and after the earthquake.*

*I was at the first year of elementary school when the earthquake hit us. I studied at Gondosuli Elementary School and had a lot of friends to play and share stories with. Gondosuli and Tunggalan Elementary Schools used to be separated, but they have now been merged into Sriharjo Elementary School.*

*On Saturday morning, we were rocked by an earthquake. I was having breakfast when the earthquake occurred. The chair where I sat moved to the left and right. The movements were slow at the beginning, but later much faster.*

*I ran out of my house to save myself. I did not have a chance to think about my family members because I was so panic at that time. Fortunately, my family members are safe. I saw houses falling down. I heard people crying because their family members were killed and buried in the debris of their houses. Suddenly, yells of tsunamis were heard. All people ran to the local football field, so did my family. We found that there had been so many people in that field upon our arrival. I also saw corpses lying on the ground. After a while, some people donated foods for us, but I did not feel like to eat. I just thought about my family members. After the situations improved, people went homes and so did my family.*

*Upon our arrival at our neighborhood in the afternoon, I found that there had been tents erected. It got darker, we all spent the night in the tents. I could not sleep at the beginning because I was restless and worried about what happened to us on the day. After everybody fell asleep, I finally fell asleep as well. Time passed so quickly. I woke up in the following morning and felt it was just a dream. But, when I wanted to wash up my face to the bathroom, I found that our bathroom had collapsed and it was full of debris. My friends came and invited me to walk around and see our school buildings. We found that our school buildings also collapsed. We were very sad.*

*When it was announced that our school would soon be opened, we were very happy. However, the teaching and learning activities were held in tents, not in buildings. After waiting for several months, our new school buildings were developed. My friend and me feel very happy to be able to study in school buildings again. We enjoy studying there because there are plenty of friends. Our new school has now got a computer center, library, laboratory and other learning facilities. We can learn a lot of from our new school and all students love and feel comfortable studying at our new school. I thanks to the Almighty God for His blessings to me. I also expressed my sincere gratitude to Happy Hearts Fund that has helped us to rebuild our school.*

*My friends, that is all what I can share about me.*

*Thank you.*