

“Just One Cup!” The Clay and Fever with Loose Motion (translated from the Tamil)

I was working for a Western man here in Tiruvannamalai once a week cleaning his house and washing his clothes. One day, I was very worried because my young son was quite sick. The man noticed my distress and asked me what the problem was. As best I could, in my limited English, I explained that I need to go to a doctor in Chennai. My son had a fever and loose motion. The Westerner kindly gave me some money for the trip. But he also showed me some clay powder he had and told me to mix a tablespoon in a cup of water and have my son drink it. He should drink a cup two or three times a day.

I am sure the Westerner must have been surprised when the next day I showed up at his house. All I could really say in English was “Just one cup! Just one cup!” Yes, that is all it had taken. And so quickly! Within minutes my son’s stomach was relaxed with no more of the painful spasms it had had. We never did go to Chennai. This wonderful clay had solved the problem.

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