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Dr. Prakash S. Mavinkurve
Hon Secretary, Health Centre, KSA

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The last date for receiving the details is August 31st, 2010.

FOUR GENERATIONS
The names starting with the senior most (from the left) Rohini Prabhakar Kandloor, Shailaja Shivanand Kadle, Akshata Anil Kadle and Anvita Anil Kadle.
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4. The Hon. Secretary, Canara Union, 8th Main, 15th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore-560 003. – for all applications from Bangalore.

5. The Secretary, Saraswat Poor Student's Fund. c/o Ganapati High School, G.H.S. Road, Mangalore-575 003 – for all applications applying for Scholarships from South Kanara, North Kanara and Kasargod District.

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**Jt. Hon. Secretaries**

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Around this time of the year, I dread to look at the newspapers. Because following the declaration of the 10th and 12th examination results, we always hear about the tragic loss of a number of young lives, prematurely ended by their own selves in frustration.

Even more rampant, and probably assuming epidemic proportions, is the incidence of depression and stress-associated psychiatric disorders in children, throughout their student years.

All because they do not or did not perform up to the expectations of their parents or themselves.

And sadly, more often the former than the latter.

If one really thinks deeply about this, much of the trail with these problems leads back to the doorstep of Competition.

Competition means to strive for some result. But unfortunately these days, competition is identified more with rivalry. Competition makes a student constantly compare himself with others. It proves to that student that he is either less capable than the other student/s. Or in the case of a topper, it makes him struggle desperately to hold on to that position, lest someone else displaces him from it.

Unfortunately, such competition isn’t often considered deplorable. Indeed, it is often considered a virtue and encouraged by many parents in their children. Children are encouraged not to share their notes or knowledge with others, lie about their study techniques, find out and compare their marks with other children etc.

Such competition breeds rivalry, envy, dishonesty, selfishness, low self-esteem, insecurity and an attitude that one must strive for that result, regardless of the cost to one’s principles, health and mental peace.

Today, marks are given undue importance, and not the efforts.

It would be interesting to point out that studies in Psychiatry show that many of the children who are constantly driven to ‘top’ in their exams are not necessarily the happiest people later on in their lives. They are known to fare low in self-esteem, social skills and in the ‘happiness index’.

Then what should a student do these days?

In my opinion, a student should only strive to better his own efforts, without compromising on his mental, physical, social and spiritual health.

He should not compare himself with anybody, a self-demeaning
practice, and instead, seek help from students who do well in exams.

Also, the student must understand that examinations have their limitations. They can only assess a student’s performance on that day. They are in no way, an accurate and authoritative assessment of his knowledge and least of all, his worth as a useful, productive human being.

Unlike the yesteryears, when career options were limited, today, the sky is the limit for a student who carefully chooses his career as per his aptitude and interest.

Parents on their part, would do well to appreciate the child’s efforts rather than his marks. This will create a supportive, stress-free and healthy study environment for their children. Parents should also realize their child’s strengths and weaknesses and help him select a career/course according to the same.

And most importantly, as advised by the Bhagavad Gita, a student must only put in his honest, full efforts, and leave the rest to God. For He will give the student the result that is best suited for him.

On this note, I wish all the students a stress-free, knowledge-full academic year ahead!

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Dear Editor: It was most encouraging to read from your Cover article in the May 2010 issue of the wonderful work being done by our young people like Hema Hattangady and Jayant Kaikini. When writing about Hema’s CSR initiatives you write about her helping the needy. She once visited Karunashraya, our caring centre for end stage cancer patients, and was apparently so taken up by the cause of these suffering poor that she offered to help in whatever way she could. She also said that she would like to help a specific project rather than just give a donation. We were at that time in the process of converting our lighting needs to solar powered lights and I suggested that she could help with the project. I least expected her reaction. In a couple of days we received a personal cheque for a very substantial amount which constituted a major part of the expense. She thus combined her concern for the poor with Schneider Electric Conzerv's focus area of power management and energy savings.

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6 mths., till they become 4-5 yrs till they go to the normal school. For ladies also we have got many stitching classes, cutting classes. There we have a crèche also where we look after these children. The work is going on well and many ladies are working there.

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- Tii 1990 Deshi Prayagraj Kachpatra started in '93 as a Union started with Purnima and Laxmi another colleague of mine an activist in 1989 in Pune with the SNDT University, they started non-formal education classes and in these classes they met children who were waste picking at that point. So they followed them around what you call a beat essential to see where they go and what time does their day start and it ends and then at that point they realized that children were of course collecting waste but they spent a lot of time segregating it as most households don't segregate dry and wet. So what they did was, in Pune in a particular locality they asked the houses to give the children segregated waste and this of course did reduce enormously the time the children spent waste collecting and had time to attend these classes in the afternoon. When the parents of these children found that they were getting segregated waste, they requested the activists to convince the rest of the houses to also give the parents the waste and let our children go to school and we'll collect the waste as we have double work done in the same amount of time. And that's how we came in contact with the parents eventually and that's how the Union started. It's been a few years.

- It was first started in 1993 was when the Union of Waste Pickers was established. The first few years were spent campaigning against child labor in the re-cycling of waste picking sector followed by adult waste pickers, getting them identity cards endorsed by the Pune Municipal Corporation to ensure that there was no Police harassment. Next there was the starting of Credit Co-operatives for waste pickers so they could be safe. What happens is most of the waste pickers are illiterate who live in and around Poona has about 110 slums so the waste pickers are across the slum and the Union has about 6 ½ thousand members across all these slums. They were saving money but because they were illiterate they couldn't count, I mean they couldn't write the amount. There were instances where all their money was kept with them, the Banks were not allowing them to open a/cs and for eg., a drunk husband would take away all the money and all the women in their group would use all the money and it became essentially difficult for the field workers and activists to be able to control all these activities, they formed what is called a Credit Co-operative which right now has 2500 waste-pickers members to get loans and gold loans etc. In time there was a strong focus on education. At first the focus was to get children into the school,
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the children of waste pickers to school. Then the focus has shifted to making sure that they remain in school and now it's ensuring that girl children of waste-pickers get access to higher education and they should at least complete 12th std. and it would be great if they could complete graduation.

Along the health credit cards Union basically has programs on one is on credit, one is on health and one is a doorstep collection enterprise. Health is basically being preventative health where waste pickers have been lobbying between PMC to allow waste-pickers to go door to door to collect waste.

**Shrimati Prasana Inagwadhi**

- **Janu**: 15 सेप्टेंबर 1959
- **Shikshana**: मार्च 1989 तुं संबर्ध विधानपालन विश्वशेषकाफ्या आयुक्त कालेज ऑफ सोशल वर्क ठाण्या MSW.

- ‘सक्षी’ 'Sakhi' महोणू महिलांकारिते हेल्पलाइन सुरू जातली. हातात मस्त कौतुक जाळणे आशी ताज्जो सरकारी विज्ञापनांतु अंतर्भूत मौलाना.

- ‘सुसंवाद’ हा 1995 तुं श्यामण जालेल्या संस्थेची 'संस्थापक सदस्य' ही संस्था Violence against Women issues of relationships and sexual Health with youth and Several other activities for promoting gender equality हा विषयातून कार्य करता, समस्यांचे समाधान करता.

- २००२ सालातु ‘अस्मिता मंच’ हे व्यापारिक, महिलांचे जांच आणि व्यावासारित्वाच्या महोणू हा व्यापारिक अनुसंधानी जातात, लोकांक जाणवा जातात. अस्मिता मंच अनेक महिलांचे आयोजन करत आहे इतर विकल्प उपयोगाने आयोजित करता हो. भंडार २००५ सालातु जालेल्या 'Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act' खातीत कार्यरत आहीलो. आतात ताज्जा परिणामादरम्यान कार्यक्रमांकातून कार्यक्रमांकाच्या कार्यरत आहास.

- अनेक शाही आणि ग्रामीण भारतातून कार्य करताना NGO आणि GO नी तिक्का सल्याणार महोणू मेमुर्यांचे. तांत्रिक व्यवायाबाबंक, स्वास्थ्यवृत्तीक, समाजशास्त्र पाठ्यक्रमांचे विधायक सरकारी अधिकार्यांचे प्रशिक्षण दिल्याचे, संस्था आणि जालेल्या कार्याचे मूल्यमापन करून हातात समाप्त आहास. तिस्मित्ती पुने मunicipal Corporation

- तुं Violence against Women ची तांगिया Public Health Care System तुं अंतर्भूत जाळणे आणि तांगिया Tertiary Hospital तुं Crisis Centreची सुरूवात जाळली. आशी विधिवत स्तरातील हातेचे कार्यक्रम जात आहास.

**Shrimati Prasana Inagwadhi** : मनोगत

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newspaper we got regular phone-calls and who are these women who are accusing, they are middleclass women. आंत आंमाल घांतु आंमि फळताती की आंदां मासुक सांगती. आंमाल काम कॉकस्क बांयो बेताती. आंमि आंकताती की बागू दारा पिता. दारा पीलू मानता जाताती ही त्या सांगती राताता. आंमि करली यो सांगती तातु जाती सांगती राताता. कल्ला तातका सों दीना, कल्लाक मू प्लास्म कम्पलेन्ट करता. ती कराती. आंमि लिङ्गे डॉप बोलु मिरामातारी महताती बापु संगती फांटाजी परमथव. हांवे करिंशी सोर्सीं. आस्त सम्पूर्णी ईक्याती तेमाता. तेना विचार करूयार आंत साविकाईले फुलती ओयायामणि सुह लेले आंमि आंमि कार्यक्रमात. माका दिस्ता आंमि अप्र पढतीने आंमि सुह करली. तातुं लिंचे चाल्लें करली. खेम्या चाल्ल लेले आंमाले जॅॅ बॉर्डर स्रुतम उर जह जे आस्त हिक्षर्य स्रुतम आस्त आंमाले तॅ एक कालवा जात्त्या एक कल्ला जात्त्या एक कल्ला कल्ला कल्ला कल्ला. स्त्रीती साधना कार्यकर्ताणी : परिचय शिक्षण : B.Sc (Home Science) B.Ed. व्यवसाय : Buoyancee ची अध्यक्षा. हा संस्थेने आंतवाई २ ३ वर्ष ते ६३ वर्ष बोलांतूल्या २,००,००० चेळवंके, २५०० दुर्लक्ष आंमि ५०० पश्चिम बारिष्ठ अधिकारिकाची शिक्षण दिशां. शिक्षण क्षेत्रातील तिगेले कार्यक्षेत्र महणून निवड करती. आंमि १९९२ सालां तू आयोजितेचे व्यवसायातील स्वतंत्र: गेली संस्था सुह करली. हांत मारूना मायके गेले हेतु, धेय आंमिले की व्यवसाय: गेल्या प्रतिवेचो उपभोक्ता कॉन्व्हेर्सियान्स, युवांकातिर आंमि वार्षिक अधिकारिकासारी अनेक अभायात्मकाचा रचना करता, की ताज्ज्युमतींचा तात्त्या जीवांतूं बरवां जार्ज करारे तिगेले. तिगेले हा कार्यक्रमाची अनेक नामवंतीची बांटती दिला. Rotarians Super Stree, Junior Chamber, Sir Ratan Tata Trust हा दुस्तर नसे (नसासे) तिगेल. India Leaders for Tomorrow हा इंडियन इंस्टिट्युट फॉर सास्कॉस्स आयोजित मत्लबपूर्ण कार्यक्रमासारी करारे तिगेले. हा कार्यक्रमाचा आंतरी कर्मी लोकें गेली निवड जाता. ‘Buoyancee’ हा संस्थेची संस्थापक अध्यक्ष, साधनाप्राप्त मोहणूने १९९२ तूं ‘Activity Based Life skill’ प्रक्षेपाचे सुदृढ केले. १९९६ तूं WHO ने हे प्रक्षेपण शाला धानु अथवेच (Mandatory) के. महिलांचा जीवनांतूं अनेक ‘भूमिका’ कोर्साचे प्रदत्त. हे लहसुतून अनेहुने ‘भूमिका’ दुसूक केली. तांतुं महिलांक अनेक आठवड्यांच्या ‘मानव-संसाधन’ कोशल्यातून विनामुख प्रशिक्षण तिरती. हांजेखची हांजेख अनेक महिलांक तात्त्या जीवनांतूं फांटयो जात्त्या. साधनाप्राप्त महिलांचे एक विशेष उद्धर साध्य केल्या. तेह महत्तारी आमेतीला मल्लाचा ‘श्रीवली नायसाचा’ पिरीमो फ्रल्या अंतर्गत ३०० फशील्या महिलांक प्रशिक्षित केल्या. श्रीवली शातासुरू जात्त्या धोरुं बंबळा चैंदीकाक जीवन कोशल्या आंमिर सुनेखांतूं उल्लेखित प्रशिक्षण दिल्या. आंमि अनेक डॉक्टर आंमिर शाता, चैंदीगंत्याच्या समस्यांतूं तिगेलं मार्गदर्शने धे. श्रीमती साधना कार्यकर्ताणी : मनोगत आंमू अध्यक्ष आंमिर विलमापाची. पूर्णमापाची आंमि प्रस्नानविली हे अवकल्या कल्य ताती केल्या मोहणून. आंमि हांवा एक दिशा खाते बेंगलूरू धानु आंमिर. आंमि माका इलें बंद दिस्त आंस पर कारण I am getting the award but because I feel so humble and I feel so good. आंमू धात्ता माका महाश्व जाताती की हांवा सातस्तल समाजांतूं जमन्यात अनेक वेदना तर today I am feeling more happy to know that there are so many people doing such good work and truly one of the blessings I think of is this samaj to be shared with, have an audience of wonderful women. Gurunath Gokarnmam was the one who invited me and perhaps recognized that I should come here. I would like to tell you all a story. आंत उद्ध मामले इन्टर्कोल्क माका की I work with children. आंमि माका एक गोतासी की आंमिर समान्यांतूर्व एक चेठु निपुतल आंसा अत आंसा और all of us love stories. एक सानाशी एक काणी सांगून मायगेर तात्त्या नेता तुका इतर विवादातूल्या… I would like to say a little more please. एक सात्ती तल्या एक दिस्त कारणसतीत बनता. ती धाँधली जो मोहु आंसा तो pharmacist, ती निपुतल निपुतल आंसा. ती निपुतल निपुतल आंसा हो चेठु वेदुं अनेटम्युल मोहणून मानव तातका आंसा. ती हो तात्त्या सांगून पाल्या. पद्मा मे, हांवा मागल भावालाग
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Attended a seminar on Management of Learning Disabled & Slow Learners conducted by Child Reach Foundation.

Basic training in Neuro Linguistic Programme (NLP).

Workshop on ‘Fragile X Syndrome’.

Represented Samman (Epilepsy Support Group) at the 22nd International Epilepsy Congress - Dublin.

Presented a paper on “The Multifaceted Dimensions of a Self-Support Group - The E-Cell Model” at 2nd Asian Oceanian Epilepsy Association Congress (AOEA) at New Delhi.

Presented a paper on “Need for Economic Viability of Anti-Epileptic Drugs (AEDs) for People with Epilepsy (PWE) in India”.

A drama presentation based on ‘Living with Epilepsy’ in E-Con 2003, Vizag.

Presented Epilepsy & Me (a drama presentation of a women with epilepsy) Asian Oceanian Epilepsy Conference 2004 held in August 2004 in Bangkok.

As a concluding part of the function, Smt. Kalinidi Mujumdar, gave a speech which will be published in our next issue - Editor.
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Have you seen “3 Idiots”? “Yes, I have.” “What about “विद्याभूति आएया थें”? “Yes, I have.” These two films together, though both in different leagues, found one whipping boy – the Indian education system. In 3 Idiots, we have Aamir Khan berating Engineering studies and in the other we have a parent with a fake bomb tied around his waist begging the Chief Minister not to “fail” anyone.

After 3 Idiots, we had a spate of suicides among students; though nowhere in the film does it suggest it as an alternative. Maybe, after विद्याभूति … we will have parents going around with bombs threatening to blow up unless heard.

It has now become fashion to say that the “education in India – is of no use”. Now, I am no expert in academics and my only contention to academics is that I teach. Aah! I am sure you’ll say I am biased. But so be it. But I think I do have a right to my perspective.

Which parent would not like his children to do well in life? Is it wrong for a parent to ask a child to study? Is it a crime, for a middle class individual to aim that his son/daughter should aim to rise in life and go up the social ladder? In that climb if the child has to gain some sort of basic primary education of which some part will be useful and some part may not - is it too much to ask for? Most importantly, if the same child has been told that come what may, whether you study or not, you can go to the next class, you will still be on the same level with another child who has studied and has done well, will a child study at all?

I would like to know, as parents, if we have two children, one – who is doing well and another who is not, will we try to bring the second one up to the first child’s level or vice versa? Obviously the former, but what’s being done is exactly the latter. Instead of allowing the first child to continue to do well and giving him an atmosphere where he will want to do well, we are bringing him down to the second child’s level. Why should a child put efforts at all if he has been given the chance to enjoy, in the name of de-stressing? In CBSE exams, the child has an option of “examination on demand” and can attempt the X Std. exam five times in one year and his/her “best marks/percentage” will be taken as final. In such a scenario, would a child study at all? And if he’s at par with a student who is (willingly) studying hard, what incentive does the child have to study? Are we creating a nation of happy go lucky people who want the easy way out?

The result of this downsizing is already visible. Teaching English at the junior college level, I have students across all sections of the society. After studying English for a minimum of five years many students can’t write one sentence on their own, let alone speak it. The reason they give is that in school they did not study as teachers are asked to “pass” them to the next class. In SSC, the examiners are asked to be lenient to help the state’s pass percentage. In HSC ditto. What future are we giving them?

I do agree that the education sector does need reforms. There are a lot of subjects which are of no use in daily life, it is based on a rote system etc., but do we have to make it worse by generating an India of average students when those who can do well will stop caring and those who can’t do well won’t anyway?

Is it not better to have two systems or streams, One where a child who is keen on academics is given a chance to shine and do well, and another where a child who is not keen has a substantially lesser burden? The choice should ideally be given to the child but since all parents would love to see their
child do well in academics, there could be some basic class (say after 4th standard when the children come into secondary school) after which not so good students who have interests in say - playing cricket or painting are given their choice of focusing on their interest while getting basic education.

Also, we must remember that the teachers are the lowest paid for the highest qualifications. If you want to attract the best teachers, teaching should be made a viable career. The best teachers will automatically translate to the best taught and best taught to the best educated thus the best education.

Academic incentives which are given to students to take pure science/humanities should be highlighted to attract students with interest in those fields. This will automatically elevate the standard of students who will do research / academics thereby enhancing the caliber of teachers.

Concluding, before we make the education system the whipping boy, if we realize that all it needs is restructuring, then we will know that well begun is half done.
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Pradeep Ullal Rao, New Delhi

As we are about to be blessed with the visit of HH Sadyojat Shankarashram Swamiji in Delhi in October 2009 for the Tristhali Yatra and to share Deepavali with us in Delhi, I was reminded of a vignette of the past which I thought could be of interest.

It was in 1964 that HH Swamijis, Anandashram and Parijnanashram III visited north India, of which I am relating this experience. Both Swamiji’s had visited Calcutta (as it was known in those days) and were on their way back to Shirali when my parents, Ullal Shivram Rao and mother Ahalya (nee Benegal), and Basrur Manohar mam and Sunata pachi invited them to visit Chopan, a small town approximately 100 kms south of Mirzapur in U.P, which is an important rail-head on the Howrah – Delhi line.

My father and Basrur Manohar mam were both in the Railways, and thus posted to Chopan, as it was the construction headquarters for building a key railway link between Garwah Road (in Bihar) to Chopan, the railway line being the life-line for coal movement for the many super thermal projects that came up in the region subsequently. Manoharmam’s delightful father Venu aja also used to come and stay with him, and regale all us kids (3 Ullal brothers + 3 Basrur brothers) with his endearing tales of Tenali Ramakrishna and his exploits, to which we used to eagerly look forward to in our school holidays.

It was decided to, after receiving them at the station, to show the Swamiji’s the Vindhya Vasini temples and also the Chunur Fort (built by Akbar) before taking them to Chopan aprx. 160 kms away. We were studying in school in Delhi then and were brought to Chunur Fort to show the retinue before proceeding to Chopan. After a whirlwind tour of the impressive fort and it’s ramparts the retinue reached the Railway Colony in Chopan, where the Ram Mandir was gaily decorated by scores of excited railway staff and their families eager to receive Swamiji’s darshan and blessing. After Deep Namaskar and receiving blessing the staff people rendered an inspiring rendition of Om Jai Jagdish Hare and other prayers which was highly appreciated by the Swamijis. The whole railway colony used to land up for daily darshan and listen spell bound to their pravachans. To my hazy recollection the only other bhanap member, apart from the Ullal and Basrur families, who had come to Chopan to greet Swamijis’ was Gulwadi Vithal aja from Allahabad.

Swamiji’s short stay in Chopan soon came to an end, and it was time for them to depart. Swamijis were proceeding to Delhi to meet the Delhi laity. As we had to return to school in Delhi it was decided that we would also travel with the Swamiji retinue. My father had arranged for a Saloon car for them which was to be attached to the Howrah Delhi Express at Mirzapur station. These saloons were provided for senior officers in the Railway construction. They were a complete home on wheels for them, as they did their inspection of the various projects, as in the remote areas there were no proper lodging facilities.

The better saloons were mostly all previous Maharaja’s property, appropriated by the Railways after their private railways became part of the Indian Railways. The better saloons were luxurious – consisting of a spacious seating room, 2 cabins with bunk beds and attached toilets, and an inspection room at the end of the coach with windows opening onto the track for inspection. On the other end of the coach were 2 smaller cabins for staff and a kitchen. Sadly we don’t see them anymore as they were only designed for speeds in the steam-hauled era!
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In the saloon Bade Swamiji was in the larger cabin and shishya swamiji in the smaller one next to our inspection cabin where we were closeted. All through the Chopan stay we were constantly in awe of the Swamijis as their holiness, dignified deportment and aura made a lasting impression on us. Thus, we were on best behaviour, anxious not to make any sound for fear of disturbing Shishya Swamiji whose cabin was so near to us. Imagine our surprise when in the afternoon Shishya Swamiji came into our inspection cabin unannounced, and started talking to us brothers about life in our school and our routine there. He also keenly examined us on our comprehension on scientific matters including the principle of steam-locomotion of the WP engine hauling our train, which fortunately being a railwayman's son we were able to answer satisfactorily! At close quarters after an absorbing discussion, only then could I grasp the fact that inspite of His divinity shishya swamiji was so young, probably just a year or so older to me! I wondered how the distractions of life would be affecting someone so young. But I was delighted to receive immediate confirmation of their human-ness in a moment - as He rose to return to the cabin I was asked whether I could spare the 2 Archie comics I had with me!

Early the next morning at old Delhi station as we were bleary eyed about to return to our hostel, I saw both Swamijis fresh as a morning rose, being received by the senior members of the then New Delhi laity as Ullal Sitaram mam, Bondal Ramesh mam and others.

It was a journey to remember….!
Dr. Mohan Umanath Heble  
(16-7-1934 - 19-5-2010)

My daddy strongest  
is the feeling of every daughter  
However grave the problem may be  
He could just pass it off with a laughter  

Kelkar’s Biotech lab and  
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Innovative ideas like this  
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You were the sweetest dad  
and also a very loving husband  
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Who thought of you as their best friend  

Oh dear pappa, we miss you pappa  
Wish you could come back again  
We know you are there, under god’s care  
That’s the only solace in our agony and pain  

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We wish them good health and continued prosperity.

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A P P E A L

Shri Lakshminarayan Temple at Sasgadi, Bhatkal constructed during 1685 i.e. about 325 years back along with Sri Janardhan Swamy Temple at Manki, is in need of reconstruction. The front portion of Temple caved in during May 2009. We from Gersappa Family as per the Ashirvachan of His Holiness Param Poojya Shrimat Sadyojat Shankarashram Swamiji have initiated the renovation/reconstruction of the Temple. There is a mention about the temple and its history in Chitrapur Saraswat Temple and Shrines written by Sri Ugran Sunder Rao.

The renovation/reconstruction is estimated to cost around Rs. 12 Lakhs to Rs. 15 Lakhs. We may have to arrange for corpus of Rs. 5 - 8 Lakhs for maintenance of temple. We will commence the work during August-September and intend to complete by January 2011.

We request devotees to donate by remitting the amount to Shamrao Vithal Co-op Bank Shirali for credit of current Account Number 74 in the name of Shri Lakshminarayan Temple Seva Samiti under intimation to us for issuance of receipt.

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Since times immemorial, the way to a man’s heart has always been through his stomach. I have always been a ‘good food’ aficionado hence this article!

One witnesses an explosive growth of restaurants not just in all corners of India but overseas as well. Indian cuisine is now extremely popular and is now considered ‘fine dining’ along with the already acknowledged French and Italian cuisines.

Having been fortunate enough to travel fairly extensively in India & overseas, I have noticed that the Indian restaurateur is astute, innovative and is quickly able to find his own niche of patronizing customers. He is not only able to offer the local Indian cuisine but also a blend of other international menus, some of them never existed in the country from where it is supposed to originate from. Chinese cuisine for example tastes best in India, the Indian way with its own spices and sauces added. Try asking for a plate of ‘American Chopsuey’ or a ‘Hakka Noodles’ in China or even Hongkong, all you will get is a puzzled look from the waiter.

One of the popular Indo-Chinese creations has been Veg. Manchurian, extremely popular not just in India but in Chinese restaurants managed/owned by Indians overseas, has been re-christened ‘Manchoori’ in many restaurants in South India.

In 1994 I was fortunate enough to be posted in Milan, Italy and that is where realization dawned finally that there is nothing like our own Indian food. After enjoying the epicurean Italian cuisine for a few months I was overcome with an immense craving for Indian food. Luckily I found an Indian restaurant called ‘Shree Ganesh’ in the suburbs which helped me sustain in Italy. A weekly trip to pay obeisance to ‘Shree Ganesh’ became mandatory. What amazed me was the adeptness with which the owner was presenting his creations, toned to suit the subtle European tastes.

Over the last decade or so, one can find Indian dining options across many countries including smaller town and villages. Whether it is Rotorua in New Zealand, Limassol in Cyprus or Innsbruck in Austria or Hawar Island in Bahrain, enterprising Indian entrepreneurs have managed to start restaurants, source ingredients and put up our cuisine on the international map.

While on one hand Indian cuisine is becoming popular overseas, one cannot help but notice the quick revolution in India as well. Every time we visit India, we see innovations all around and not just limited to the haute cuisine restaurants. A few years back I was coming out of our school after a batchmates reunion I saw a ‘dosa cart’ just across the road, surrounded by large number of customers. The face of the cart owner looked familiar, a quick jog down memory lane and I remembered him as the guy who used to sell “idlis” and “dosas” from the same cart. In those days however the craze was for the Mumbai burger ”vada pav” and hence he hardly had any sale. I was delighted to see now that he and his assistants dishing out a variety of dosas. The menu proudly displayed close to 20 varieties of dosas including the staple sada and rawa dosa. I was amazed to see Palak dosa, chopsuey dosa, pav bhaji dosa and pav bhaji flavored dosa. A pav bhaji flavored dosa is a simple sada dosa on which the ‘pav bhaji’ is spread and then removed. One could get the crisp sada dosa with the flavor and taste of the famous Mumbai pav bhaji. Isn’t that called a creative concoction!”

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Vanita Kumta

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In the run-up to the Centenary Year of The Kanara Saraswat Association, it is appropriate for us to seek out and focus on the hidden jewels of our Community who lived in the turbulent war times of the Twentieth Century, and about whom little or no mention has been made earlier in our esteemed magazine. One such veteran is Bailur Umanathmaam who celebrated his 88th Birthday on 13 March this year. Born in Meherwan Chawl in Grant Road, he was the youngest of three sibling brothers. He had his early schooling in St Teresa’s Convent and matriculated from the Podar High School, Santa Cruz, Mumbai.

As he was technically inclined, he joined the VJTI in the LME, the Diploma Course in Mechanical Engineering scoring 93% in draughtsmanship i.e. Engineering Drawing. However, because of the several war-related job opportunities that surfaced in the 1940’s, he left the course prematurely to join J Stevenson and Co, contractors to the DG Shipbuilding and Repairs under the Defence Ministry in Mumbai.

Being blessed with an inquiring mind, Umanathmaam’s interest in collecting stamps, coins, first day covers, maps, letters and even newspaper cuttings started at an early age. His interests were fuelled by correspondence from elders like Mundkur Srikar Rao, father of Air Marshal Pratap Rao. Srikarmaam would send letters and stamps to the young Umanath from Calcutta. His interests in cartographical maps was kindled when he received maps of 1939 vintage from Srikarmaam.

Umanathmaam got his break in a Government Department through the good offices of Shri Mulky Mangesh Rao in 1945 when the latter, who had qualified in Statistical Research from the UK, was Deputy Secretary, Department of Commerce. World War II was in its sixth year and the nascent Administrative Intelligence Room, Delhi, the precursor of the Department of Commercial Intelligence was looking for technically qualified personnel to collate and convert raw commercial data into graphic or pictorial form which was the most effective method of presenting it. Umanathmaam was selected as part of the team as he possessed all the unique skills for these challenging tasks. The Department had the most modern equipment needed to ensure speedy and accurate work and Umanathmaam was indeed a pioneer in the up-to-date commercial drawing office equipped with the latest photostat equipment based on the principles of photography.

By the time World War II was over, Umanathmaam played a significant part in processing hundreds of charts - some as overlay maps of that period; an example of which was overlaying of flow charts of Indian export and import of certain consumer goods to other countries from 1939 to 1945 on international maps. Depicting the Social and Economic Trends in India on Indian Provincial Maps was another example. He would even borrow maps from the US Library which was located in Queensway, Janpath to ensure that his task was completed on time. He also helped out the Australian Embassy in Delhi with similar work.
After Independence, Umanathmaam also worked on maps for the Defence Ministry, displaying the extent of infiltration into Kashmir in 1948 by armed Pakistani raiders. He drew the borders of the divided erstwhile Punjab and Bengal due to the Partition of India; the changing boundaries of the erstwhile Hyderabad State, due to the armed atrocities by Razakars when the State wanted to break away from independent India. He also worked on the ‘Integration of States into the States Union on their merger into the Indian Union Territory. All maps were based on the Survey of India maps published till then, before and after partition. Umanathmaam’s work was seen by Shri K Bhaskar Rao, and by Honorary Brigadier Dr. Mankekar, a military correspondent of repute and a cousin of Shobhapachi, Umanathmaam’s charming wife. Most of the work of this nature, was used officially by the then Defence PRO, Col Unnikrishnan who was unfortunately killed later in a mine-blast in Korea in 1950.

Collecting maps became a passion for Umanathmaam in 1948. With a glint in his child-like eyes, he told me that the annual subscription of the National Geographic magazine was then Rs 18. Today, a single copy costs Rs 225 !! He began to collect maps from special issues of the National Geographic with the help of his elder brother, late Bhavanishankar, while staying with him in Delhi as a bachelor. He said that he probably had a collection of 200 such maps alone.

When I entered his elegantly kept flat to view his collection, he told me that earlier his maps were strewn in all its nooks and corners. It was only when Shobhapachi gave him the ultimatum - “Either you or your maps and books will take space in this flat”, that he made cupboards in a high loft to house his precious collection. Our young and fit driver helped him to get them down from the loft. Umanathmaam lovingly showed me an envelope of a letter written in 1867 to his grandfather, Balsavar Sheshgiri Rao. He painstakingly showed me graph paper of various sorts, old newspapers with important headlines, some aging envelopes with well-preserved stamps, postal stationery and the pristine National Geographic maps which he treasures. He also enjoys reading science fiction and maintains scrap books of unusual newspaper cuttings. He gives credit for his youthful attitude to “Shobhapachi’s grudging moral support”. When leaving, I volunteered to put his collection back with our driver’s assistance. He politely declined my offer, stating that he wanted to air and treat his collection. He asked me to come again to see some military maps.

Umanathmaam is indeed a ‘man for all seasons’. His intense and abiding interest in maps has refined his deep knowledge of the history and geography of places all over the globe. At the age of 88 years, he still loves travelling and has recently returned from a tour of Mexico. I learnt to my amusement that his knowledge of Mexico was more than that of the paid local guide. By the time the tour ended, Umanathmaam was answering more questions than the guide himself.

After our first meeting with him, I again met this exemplary couple on their return from Pune, after the tragic loss of their son-in-law. They were a picture of poise and courage. They welcomed me with balance and grace; Umanathmaam, eager as ever to continue sharing his expertise with me. As most of the maps were torn along the folds, he demonstrated how best they could be folded to avoid further damage. He strongly disapproved of people licking their fingers to turn the pages of books and maps.

I asked him where all the maps that were lying in the drawing room after my previous visit, had been kept. “In the high loft of course” he said, “Shobha climbed a ladder and together put them away”. I was astonished by their physical fitness and attitude of independence. Shobhapachi’s long walks, her regular activities of reading and writing, nurtured by her long teaching experience at the prestigious Mount Carmel School in Delhi has kept her faculties and movements agile. Umanathmaam too has been assisting Gokarn Gurunathmaam and Masurkar Sujatapachi in proof reading / correcting magazine material.

I returned home with a few of Umanathmaam’s ‘military treasures’. Though they were fairly damaged, they were of immense professional interest to me. I have already contacted an expert who treats and preserves damaged paper. It is my desire to ensure that Umanathmaam’s precious military related maps are restored for posterity.
Wednesday, 19th May, 2010 - A glorious day in the annals of Shrimath Anantheshwar Temple. To, most of us devotees, it was an event of a ‘life time’- the ‘Punar- Pratishta’ ceremony of the Lord and the ‘Parivara Devatas’. The occasion invoked tremendous enthusiasm and interest within the community, as the ‘Punar-Pratishta’ was performed at the Divine Hands of our beloved Sadguru, Shrimat Sadyojat Shankarashram Swamiji.

Devotees in large numbers from various centres, had assembled to witness the historic event. Even the heavenly Gods showered their good wishes for the occasion, with a heavy downpour the previous night. The elaborate rituals commenced sharp at 4:30a.m. under the able stewardship of Ved. Ulman Guru Bhatmam. A little later, it was dawn and the benevolent Sun-God emerged from the clear, Eastern horizon, to greet Lord Anantheshwar on this momentous and auspicious event.

The Project: With the Divine Blessings of Lord Anantheshwar and Grace of Poojya Swamiji, project plans were drawn up during the Shashti-Maharathotsava period in November 2009. A ‘Renovation Committee’ was formed with devout and dedicated volunteers as office bearers and members. A vigorous ‘Fund Collection Drive’ was initiated, immediately thereafter.

The entire Project comprising Phases I, II and III, is envisaged for completion, to coincide with 450th Anniversary of the oldest institution of our community, Shrimath Anantheswar Temple. Phase I consists of parts A, B and C. A time-bound programme was drawn up, according to which, Phase I-part A was to be completed before ‘Punar-Pratishta’ on 19th May, 2010. Parts B and C are slated to be completed in time for Shashti Celebrations in December 2010. Phases II and III are to be taken up thereafter for completion by Shashti-Maharathotsava in 2011.

In accordance with the astrological advice, Phase I, part A, relating to the Sanctum Sanctorum, the ‘Parivara Devata’ Gudi-s and the
inner Parikrama, was taken up immediately after commencement of ‘Uttarayana’. It was absolutely necessary to complete this part of the project before

17th May’10. Under the supervision of the Trustees, a dedicated band of volunteers and a large team of workers toiled tirelessly, day and night, to complete the task on schedule. It must be emphasized that Poojya Swamiji’s guidance, direction and advice was available at every step of the project work and the task was accomplished in time, by 16th May’10, within a period of 105 days. The Temple Administration and office bearers and members of the ‘Renovation Committee’ are deeply indebted and offer their grateful thanks to Poojya Swamiji.

The renovated Temple with the brightly shining new Tamrashasana, the beautifully carved and ornate ‘Aane-kallu’, the new look ‘Parivara Devata Gudi-s’, the imposing inner Parikrama Truss facilitating ventilation and sunlight, the new flooring and the re-aligned symmetrical (on either side), brightly painted and polished Chandrashala(powli) with new Mangalore Tile Roofing on all four sides- all present a spectacular sight. With the new, artistic lighting arrangements, indeed, the entire Temple with the inner Parikrama, offers a captivating look and a sight to behold !!!

THE PUNAR-PRATISHTA CEREMONY - The Vaidik rituals spread over three days, commenced on 17th May, 2010. The next day, Dharmapracharak, Shri Rajgopalmam gave an absorbing and informative discourse. It was ‘Shankar Jayanti’ on that day and the assembled large number of devotees, were blessed to witness and participate in the ‘Shree Shankaracharya Pujan’ performed by
Thank you all for coming and blessing my nephew, “Shaurya”, son to Manasi (nee Trasikar) and Ajit Singh Doherey, grandson to Eakta and late Shri Nandan Trasikar and great grandson to Krishnabai and late Shri Soumitra Trasikar, on his naming ceremony on the 6th of June, 2010 at Khar Math, Mumbai.

With best regards,
from Shaurya’s mama
Nachiket Nandan Trasikar
On 30 May 2010 proceeded on peaceful retreat to his heavenly abode from Pandurang Wadi, Goregaon East.

Deeply mourning

Wife: Radhabai Hirebet
Daughter: Gita Koppikar
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We thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their support and help during the bereavement.

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The invite aptly described the theme of the play as “A journey of turbulent moments of life of Ba to Jagadamba”.

A believer of Hindu Caste System, Kasturba was a simple housewife whose world was limited to Bapu and her children. Her refusal to clean the toilet of their low-caste guest and her gradual conversion to treat them as equals signifies Kastur’s journey from Kasturba to Jagadamba. Her initiation in social work in South Africa and her imprisonment, her inner turmoil, as a mother of Manilal, Harilal and Ramdas been finely etched by the author Ramdas Bhatkal.

Kasturba did not accept Gandhiji’s “dictatorial” attitudes towards their children. The conflict between Gandhiji and Manilal and again later with Harilal, detailed in the second act and Harilals’s last meeting with Kasturba at Pune’s Aga Khan palace comes alive eloquently through Rohini’s (Kasturba) and Aseem’s (Manilal, Harilal) narrations. The one thing that stands out in this play is the absence of dialogues which do not intrude in the storytelling at all.

Gandhiji once said “If you die in jail, Kastur, I will worship you as Jagadamba – the Goddess.” Whether Gandhiji really said this, is a moot point. Ramdas Bhatkal knows better because Gandhiji and his philosophy has been his subject for his doctorate. He has the credible credentials to write about Gandhiji and Kasturba.

In fact, throughout the play, Bhatkal highlights Kasturba’s simplicity and her humanitarian attitude. At one point she retorts, “Who wants to be Jagadamba? For me it is enough to be Bapu’s wife and mother of our children.” Since Kastur had married young, when Mohandas was a non-entity, the fact that she refuses this Greatness thrust upon is well-underlined.

This conflict between the simplicity of motherhood and forced complexity of Greatness makes Jagadamba one of the most powerful and at the same time sensitive plays seen in recent years on the Marathi stage.

The monotony of the subject and the only set which is common for both acts has been well-handled by Bhatkal and director Pratima Kulkarni, intelligently weaving mild humour throughout with appropriate use of light and shade and the stage movements of the actors who always revel in the soliloquies. Veteran actor Rohini excels as Kasturba in the lead role with a superb, brilliant and truly lifetime achievement performance.

Readers will certainly remember her memorable BAFTA award-winning performance in Sir Richard Attenborough’s Gandhi. Rohini wisely uses the charkha-spinning that she mastered during the Gandhi days, to spin this yarn and develop the story further in Jagdamba. Aseem Hattangadi impresses in both roles of Manilal and Harilal in his debut on Marathi stage.

In these days of loud, violent, over the top plays and serials, Ramdas Bhatkal’s Jagadamba comes as breath of fresh air. The one thing the audience can do is to switch off their mobiles and focus on this breathtaking play. For the rest of us who are totally transported to another era, the frequent buzz in the pin drop silence is like bursting a fully blown balloon with a pin.
IN EVERLASTING MEMORY OF

Dr. Ashok Shripad Kaikini

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हल्लीचा वर्तमानप्रतीतील वातावरण तसेच दूरस्थप्रवीण
अंतरिक्ष कार्यक्रम वयस्तोतरा ग्रस्त ज्ञानेला मानाव “पिंज़-प्रतीतील मैना” हे नौला बलसेकर यांनी लिहिलेले पुस्तक वाचून गुजार
पाणी शिविरांच्या बाटोत.

दुस्दिवणी विलाच्या निहितता शिक्षकता त्यांना काहीतीन
चांगले साहित्य एकवर्ष महणून प्रथम भाषांतरीत आणि नंतर त्याच
उद्देश्याने स्वतः लिखावे केल्याचे नीतितांत महणतात. हे उद्देश्य
दृष्टिकोनाचे असतत्याने व्याख्या सांगिता केल्या हड्ड्यावर मृदू शब्दांत
लिहिल्या गेल्या आहेत. अर्थात शब्द नवाचते तर भावातील तसेच
हड्ड्यावर आहेत.

विशेष जाणवते ते सामूहिकसंघ शिक्षाधीन प्रेम तसेच मोठी
डेडो वाच्यातील श्रीमती असुंतुनी चांगली संकाली निम्नभाषाने
आणि संस्कृत मार्गे. सूचनेने तत्पर प्रेम कसल्या सांगला आये मार्गात.

थे कुळूच्या शोभातांक अभिजीत यांने हाय सोसायटीतील
सोफिस्टिस्टेड जीवन परिसरमात्रिक रंगले आहे. शोभातांक
शोटपी एक्षण पडताल कार्यक्रम नातील नृत्य कुळून पैशाचे मध्यकाळ
बोट दाखवून आणाऱ्या जातात. तेथेच त्यांचा एकही गेलेले
बोटांनी यथार्थ वाचतात. पैसा कमाविला असे कसल्या ला-
गतात तत्पर जगात प्रेम मार्ग कमाविला एकवर्षही त्रास घेऊने
ला-गतात. “पाले तुमच्या सुरू देखे शकले नाहीत ते आम्ही दिवयला
कसल्या सुरू देखावा.”

तश्ची चाढकीत्वा घरातील बातावरणातील गोष्ट. “आपली
माणसे” रोजच्या जीवनात शेषावरापरापरणे नको तेथे नाक बुधसातात
पण अशी माणसे गरजेला केली एकमेकांना मदत करतात. एका
कुळूच्याला कसे धीरे देऊन भक्तम आधार देतात ते गंगातना
नीतिता लिहिल्यात “केवळ हातात असतात तेच आपले पासे
आणि संकट उपयोगी पडताल तीच आपली माणसे” किंवा
बरोबर आहे हे.

“असं मादेम” ही ‘सोरोट्य’ मातृत्वाचे आधारपत्ता काहीही
चांगली लिहिल्या आहे. त्या केवळ नाती सुमसंधे, उपर मातृत्व कसं
स्वीकारते ते देखील रोहिणीचे उदाहरण देऊन दाखविले आहे.

प्रत्येक कथेत प्रथम एक समस्या मादेयची आणि नंतर
कथेतील आधीचा संभंध न झोडून समस्येचे नवा तोंडचा
कादायचा अशी रीत दिसते. “प्रसाद” या कथेतील वृद्धाश्रमांतून देखील
लागेले ती त्यात फटक मुळे न नानता आपण काळ कर शकतो
ते स्वत: करून दाखवत वृद्धाश्रम मुळे करीत असतोल्या लेकिना
सांपूर्ण जास्त नमुना झाली. आपल्यातील अडचणी नकारात्मक
विचारांची व्यक्तीचे सुधारून सकारात्मक कृतीनी सोडविणे हे
योग्य आहे हाच सर्व कथांचा शेखर दिसतो.

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How to Choose a Safe Bank?

Satish R. Murdeshwar, Director, Vidyasahakari Bank Ltd, Pune

We normally find people showing a more diligence while buying a shirt or Saree, but not so while choosing their Bank. Here are few tips for general public to remember while keeping their hard earned money in any Bank. However a general thumb rule is Public Sector Banks are the Safest followed by large Pvt. Sector Banks, followed by Urban Coop Banks. Let us analyse one by one this tricky question of “Safe Bank”.

First and foremost is if you refer to the Balance Sheet of any Bank you will find Two Figures which will tell you the Bank’s CAR [Capital Adequacy Ratio] and its NPA [Non-performing Assets] Level. Higher the CAR the stronger the Bank [9 per cent is the minimum]. Conversely the lower the N.P.A, the better [a Net NPA level of 3 per cent and below] is a good sign.

Second criteria is as mentioned above Public Sector Banks are the best option since the Govt holds Majority Shares. Nest in line could be Pvt Sector Banks of large size and well managed and lastly the Urban Coop Banking Sector in India.

Third dilemma could be whether Safety or Higher returns should be the Criteria for selecting a Bank. It is always advisable for individuals to be More Safe in investing in any bank rather than the one that gives higher returns because a Bank giving higher returns could probably be using your money in more risky ventures.

Fourth one must always be alert whenever the indication are given by Credit Rating Agencies like CRISIL or ICRA and Standard and Poor about any Bank while evaluating their credit rating. The best rating is normally denoted by awarding Tripple AAA investment grade.

Fifth the Banking Regulatory Authority i.e. Reserve Bank of India sometimes sends out signals of alert for the benefit of general public. Even though R.B.I. does not reveal everything it does show that there is an overall loss and the Bank is indulging in cleaning up of the Balance Sheet, which are nothing but indicators of the Bank coming to grief in a short time.

Sixth there is an agency called DICGCI which is wholly owned by R.B.I. and guarantees Deposits of the Depositors upto Rs.1 Lac per Bank [and Not per Branch of the Bank] in case the Bank is liquidated. In fact Banks are required to exhibit a Notice on their premises clearly mentioning that the Bank has paid up-to-date premium to DICGCI which ensures that the Bank is safe.

Thus from the foregoing analysis one will get a fair idea as to how to choose a good Bank. Lastly a small piece of advice is ‘never keep all eggs in one basket’ and be vigilant and monitor your Investment portfolio regularly.

SAD DEMISE

Shri Narayan (Nanu) Dattatraya Chandavarkar aged 86 years passed away peacefully at Saraswat Colony, Gamdevi, Mumbai on the 13th of May 2010.

Deeply mourned by:
wife Vimal, son Deepak, daughter-in-law Geeta, daughter Jyoti, son-in-law Arun Kapnadak,
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Dear Sadhaka,
Saprema-namaskara.

We are indeed blessed that at Shri Devi Durga Parameshwari Mandiram, in the Divine Sannidhi of the Divine Mother and Parama Guru Shrimat Parijñānāshram Swāmījī, Parama Pūjya Shrimat Sadyojāt Shaṅkarāshram Swāmījī has consented to observe the Chāturmāsa Vrata during Vikṛti Saṃvatsara from Āshāḍha Shukla Pūrṇimā -Sunday 25th July 2010- to Bhādra Pūrṇimā -Thursday, 23rd September 2010.

During this auspicious period, pūjā-s, anushthaṇā-s, bhajana-s, ashtāvadhāna-sevā, cultural programmes and many such will be conducted.

We invite you to participate in all the programmes with whole-hearted enthusiasm and make this a spiritually intense, enriching and rejuvenating experience. Your generous donations through sevā-s will go a long way in ensuring the accomplishment of the various activities planned.

Kindly feel free to approach the Coordinators given below for any details you may need. We look forward to seeing you in Karla during this auspicious period.

Yours in the sevā of the Maṭh and the Guruparamparā,
Dr Mohan Maṅkekar
Convenor
Kārlā Chāturmāsa Committee 2010

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### Guru Pūrṇimā

**Sunday - 25th July, 2010**

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• Mandala Pūjā  
• Vyāsa Pūjana by Parama Pūjya Swāmijī |
| **12 pm onwards** | • Mahāpūjā  
• Shri Guru Pādukā Pūjana  
• Tirtha viṭarna  
• Shri Bhikṣā Sevā Prasāda Viṭarana  
• Santarpaṇa |
| **5 pm** | • Bhajana-s and Stotra-pathana |
| **6 pm** | **Dharmasabhā**  
• Sabhā Prārūṃba Prārthanā  
• Shri Pādukā Pūjā by the Convenor, Kārlā Chāturūṃsa Committee 2010, Trustees of Shree Trust and KDPT, President of Standing Committee, Shri Chitrāpur Math  
• Welcome Address by the Convenor, Chāturūṃs Committee 2010  
• Address by the President, Standing Committee, Shri Chitrāpur Math  
• Āśirvachana by Parama Pūjya Swāmijī  
• Sabhā Samāpūṭ Prārthanā  
• Dipanamaskāra |
| **7.30 pm onwards** | • Āṣṭāvadhāna Sevā  
• Prasāda Bhojana |

### Daily Programme during Chāturūṃsa

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| **12 noon onwards** | • Mahāpūjā  
• Shri Guru Pādukā Pujanam  
• Tirtha viṭarna  
• Shri Bhikṣā Sevā Prasāda Viṭarana  
• Santarpaṇa |
| **5 pm onwards** | Chanting of Lalitā Sahasranāma/Shrimad Bhagavad Gitā/ Guru Paramparā Charitra/Vimarsha/ Saṃskṛta Sambhāṣaṇa / Cultural Programmes (Details will be announced from time to time.) |
| **7.30 pm onwards** | • Dipanamaskāra  
• Nityapūjana by Parama Pūjya Swāmijī  
• Āṣṭāvadhāna Sevā  
• Prasāda Bhojana |
Sevā Rates

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Sevā-s at the Sannidhi of the Devī and the Saṅjivani Samādhi can be performed at the Mandiram at the prevalent rates.

Accommodation:

- Limited Accommodation at Ārogyadhāma, Kārlā, on first come first serve basis on payment of Rs. 100 per day.
- Information about accommodation in nearby places near Kārlā will be available with Shirālī Anil mām. Local Transport will be arranged for the devotees availing of nearby accommodation.

Cultural Programme:

Devotees desiring to perform bhajana sevā and any other cultural programme should give information of dates and details of programme to Balwally Sudhīr mām. Scripts of skits to be enacted to accompany such requests.

- **Sannikarsha on all Sundays at 9:30 am as per Sabhā sequence.**
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Deeptanshu Murdeshwar (13) is a student of 8th grade at Hillsborough Middle school in New Jersey. Anshu is the son of Veena and Satish Murdeshwar (grandson of Prema and Sadanand Murdeshwar) of Bangalore. He participated in the New Jersey State level Science Olympiad competition. His team of two built an airplane and they flew the flight for about 128 seconds. They won the third prize in New Jersey State. They were to compete in the National level competition in May, but unfortunately could not do so. Anshu, as he is fondly called, is interested in reading, video games and also photography, guitar and science. He is an Honor Roll student of the school. He is actively involved in Robotics and Science Olympiad in his school.

Kalyani Sanjay Hemmady, 17, daughter of Dr. Sanjay Hemmady and Vidhya (nee Savnal) graduated from Akhil Bharatiya Gandharva Mahavidyalaya obtaining ‘SANGEET VISHARAD’ in First Class in December 2009. Great grand daughter of Shri Bhavanishankar Savanal and Late Shri Ganesh Heblekar, who have enthralled our community with their soul rendering Bhajans for decades, sangeet has been ingrained in her. Born with a mellifluous voice, Kalyani’s talents were carefully and meticulously nurtured by Pandit Murli Manohar Shukla for the past 10 years. With dedication, patience, perseverance and encouragement Pandit Murli Manohar Shukla has transformed diminutive Kalyani into a performing artist today.

Kalyani gave her first performance at the age of 10 at the Nehru Planetarium Auditorium and since then has been performing regularly at various classical music forums. She has won several awards in Hindustani Classical as well as Light Music competitions, primary amongst them being First Prize (Trophy) at All India Level Khayal Gayaki Competition held by Swar Sadhana Samiti in Jan 2010 (see photo). Kalyani has had a brilliant academic career in Prestigious Queen Mary School and is studying at present in N.M. College of Commerce and Economics.

Vijay Balse of New Jersey, USA, has won the prestigious 2010 “Jeopardy!” Tournament of Champions, taking home $250,000 in cash. It took him sixteen years and six auditions to get on the game show, but Vijay emerged victorious by outscoring fourteen elite players from recent seasons. The two-day finals were broadcast on May 20 and 21, 2010. Appearing on “Jeopardy!” is something Vijay had wanted to do since he was a graduate student in the mid-1980s, helping his University of Wisconsin team come in Fourth in the 1991 National Championship Tournament of College Bowl, a university-level quiz competition.

“Jeopardy!”, the winner of 28 Emmy awards since its debut in 1984, was inducted into the Guinness Book of World Records for the most awards won by a TV Game Show. The series is the Number 1-rated quiz show in syndication, with nearly 9 million daily viewers.

Vijay says of his success on the show, “I feel extremely fortunate to be one of only twenty-two ‘Jeopardy!’ Tournament of Champions winners, and the first such player born and raised outside the USA or Canada.”
Host Alex Trebek commented, “It was a really close match up of players throughout this tournament. Vijay did an incredible job and consistently played well.”

Originally from Mumbai, Vijay, a chemical engineer from UDCT, received a research assistantship in 1985 to pursue a Ph.D. degree at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He currently lives in Chatham, New Jersey, with his wife, Jayshree (nee Kumta). Vijay is the younger son of Ramanand and Shantha Balse of Bengaluru.

Anushree Anil Basrur, daughter of Smt. Ashwini and Shri Anil Bhaskar Basrur of Kumta has completed her S.S.L.C. Examination from Karnataka with flying colours, securing 94.88 percent marks in the S.S.L.C. Examination 2010.

Anushree has a brilliant academic record throughout School. She stood FIRST in Karnataka state in International Science Talent Examination conducted by Pratibha Vignana I.C.E.T.C, Davangere in 2009-2010. She also received scholarship in 10th standard for scoring highest marks in Sanskrit in 9th Std.

A multi-talented all rounder, Anushree has won several sports and music prizes and medals. She completed Hindustani music junior examination in the year 2008. Her kho-kho team won first place at the Taluka level sports competition in 2008-2009. She was also one of the team player of throw ball team at Zonal level sports competition in the year 2009-2010.

She aspires to pursue her studies in Science stream and wants to specialize in Biotechnology.

Bengaluru: Shankara Jayanti was observed on 18 May. Sabha vice president Sunanda Sagar welcomed the Chief Guest Padukone Prabhashankar-mam, who gave a brief but interesting talk on Adi Shankaracharya’s teachings. He also gave away prizes to participants in the drawing/painting and essay writing competitions. This was followed by Bhashya Pathan, with Upanishad read by Umesh Honnavar, Brahmasutra by Pradeep Pandit, and Bhagavad Gita by Kusum Amladi. Devotees later sang bhajans in praise of Shankara Bhagavatpada. After Deepanamaskar, Shankaracharya Pujan was performed with deep fervor. The evening concluded with aarti and prasad vitaran.

The Kar Seva Shibir in Shirali attracted enthusiastic participation from Bangalore yuvas. Two of them, Raghavendra Sorab and Saikrupa Nalkur, made presentations on the Parimochan project and appraised the yuvas about the vision of our Math and how the yuvas could help in promotion of the project’s activities. Bhuvana Mullerpattan also made a presentation on Samvit Sudha, the vocational training institute run by our Math. The Kar Seva Shibir 2010 was indeed a perfect combo of seva activities coupled with knowledge and fun! Senior devotees from Bangalore such as Meera Balsavar and Udaya Mavinkurve helped organize various key sessions during the shibir.

Prarthana classes at Malleswaram resumed on 29 May after the summer vacation break. As is regularly followed at Bangalore Math, Samuhika Gayatri Japa was organized on the fifth Sunday of the month; sadhakas gathered at dawn on 30 May to chant the holy mantra.

The Annual General Meeting of Bangalore sabha was held on 6 June. About 115 vantiga payers attended from all over the city. A managing committee with many experienced hands and fresh faces was elected for the year. Nagesh Heble was elected sabha president, Uma Trasi and Harish Kalbag as vice presidents, Kombrabail Arun Rao as honorary secretary, and Anand Kallianpur as treasurer.

Chennai: On 09/04 and 28/05 Devi Anushtan, Devi Pujan, Navratri Nitya Patha (Sadhana Panchakam) was conducted. On 12/04 Shiv Pujan was performed. On 13-04 Punyatithi of HH Shrimad Parijnanashram Swamiji-I was observed with Guru Pujan, Bhajans, Aarti and Prasad. On 22/4 and 06-05 Guru Pujan (Sadhana Panchakam) was conducted followed by chanting of 12th and 15th chapters from Bhagawat Gita. On 30/04 and 14/05 SadhanaPanchakam was conducted. On 10/05 Shiv Pujan, Chanting of 12th
and 15th chapters from Bhagwat Geeta (Sadhana Panchakam) was conducted. On 18/05 Sri Shankar Jayanti was celebrated with Shiv Pujaan, Bhajans Aarti and Prasad. From 20/05 to 02/06 12 members of Chennai Yuva Dhara participated in “The Art of Talkamatics” workshop conducted at Sri Chitrapur Math, Bangalore.

**Reported by Arun Hoskote**

**Goa:** The Local Sabha members met on 11th April at Vasco for Satsang and Devi Anushtan. Twenty one members came from different parts of Goa- Panaji, Mapusa, Ponda, Madgaon etc. Samuhik Shiva Manasa puja, Aparajita Stotra, Guru bhajan, Guru paduka stotra were chanted. The Satsang ended with concluding prayers.

In the month of May, Shri Chitrapur Math – Goa Local Sabha members assembled to perform Gurupujan in the morning session at Panaji. Twenty-two members attended. The Annual General Meeting was held in the noon session. The activities of the year 2009-10 were reviewed.

**Reported by Sushama Arur**

**Mallapur:** Seva Saptaha at Karla - A group of 8 people visited Karla for the Seva Saptaha on 27th May. These sadhakas from Kumta-Mallapur Local Sabha had their own doubts whether they would be able to carry out their duties properly and efficiently in the changed circumstances. But when they entered the campus they experienced a joy and peace at the Sanjeevani Samadhi. They were treated so well by Ajay Shirali and Sureshmam that everyone felt as if they were in Kular. The cool breezes provided much needed relief from the summer heat. There were 25 sadhakas in our batch belonging to different Local Sabhas.

Gajanan Mankikarmam and Preeti Panemangalore pachhi gave a briefing about how the work is to be carried out by the volunteers systematically at the respective stations. This relieved much of our pressure and everyone felt at home. Each volunteer did his best whether while serving the food or singing bhajans or receiving devotees at the reception.

Arun Heblemam’s Yoga classes after the Suprabhat provided rejuvenating experience. Smita Nagarkatti pachhi’s classes on Sanskrit Sambhashana and Diacritical Marks took us to our younger days of studentlife. The Entertainment programmes held inbetween were very much relished by one and all.

The food served in time was excellent.

There was a very good understanding between all the sadhakas and a very cordial relationship had developed.

When it was time to bid goodbye to all every volunteer felt that he/she should visit Karla again and again for Seva Saptaha. It was a most memorable divine experience.

Krishna Jayanti celebrations at Shri Avadi Math:

The Ashtami Celebrations will start from 25th of September 2010 with the following Main Programmes - Pravachans by Shri V. Rajagopal Bhat on 1st and 3rd September (Topic-Ashtami Bhajans) Gokulashtami, Janmakatha, Keertan by Chaitanya Ubbhayakar on 2nd, Ramavalabhadas Sangeetika by Ubbhayakars on 3rd (10 to 12 a.m.). Avadi Samaratghan on 4th, Jagaran on 5th, Mangala Kala on 6th.

As a part of Ramavallabhadas 400th Birth Centenary Celebrations ,there will be common programmes viz:- Pravachan by V. Rajagopal Bhat,Keertan by Chaitanya Ubbhayakar and Exhibition at Haridas Math,Shirali, on 29th and at Gosavi Math Hattiangadi on 30th and Hempur Math on 31st respectively.

**Reported by Arun Ubbhayakar**

**Mumbai, Andheri:** At the AGM of the Sabha held on 23rd May, 2010, and thereafter, the Managing Committee meeting held on 6th June, 2010, the following office bearers for the year 2010-2011.

Shri Santosh Nadkarni - President; Shri Deepak Talmaki - Vice-President; Shri Kallianpur G. Bhat - Hon. Treasurer; Shri Satish Nagarkatti - Hon. Secretary; Ms. Vidya Aldangadi - Jt. Secretary; Smt. Geeta Nettar - Jt. Secretary (for Social and Religious activities)

**Reported by Satish Nagarkatti**

**Mumbai GrantRoad:** At the AGM of the Grant Road Local Sabha on 13th June, 24 members were elected to the Committee. The new office Bearers are President - Shri Mahesh Kalyanpur, Vice-President - Shri Dilip Sashital, Hon. Secretary - Shri Navin Bijur, Jt. Hon. Secretary - Shri Yatin Mavinkurve, Hon.Treasurer - Dr. Suneela Mavinkurve, Jt. Hon. Treasurer - Shri Ravi Nadkarni, Programme Secretary - Shri Bipin Nadkarni, Shri Sudhir Balwalli.

A lecture Series by Shri V Rajagopal Bhat on 'Achaman' was held from 4th to 6th June.

Parayan of Shri Chitrapur Guruparampara
Charitra was held from 3rd June to 13th June. 45-50 ladies participated. On 4th and 11th June Samuhik Devi Anushthan was also done. On the 13th morning, Gurupoojan was performed by Shri Navin Bijur on the occasion of the Punyatithi of H.H. Shrimat Pandurangashram Swamiji. This was followed by ‘kavyavachan’ by Smt. Meera Savkur. Bhajans were sung by the participants. The program ended with Prasad bhojan.

**Reported by Dr. Prakash Mavinkurve**

**Mumbai, Mulund:** 18th May - Shankar Jayanti was observed by conducting Gurupoojan. The devotees also performed devi Anushthan and recited Shivmanas pooja, Bhagwad Geeta 12th and 15th chapters, Gurupaduka stotra, Dakshinamoorthy stotra and Parijnan Trayodashi.

27th May - Shiv poojan and Devi Anushthan were performed. Following stotras were recited - Shivmanas pooja, Parijnan trayodashi, Shankarashtak, Shivguru stotra.

**Reported by Nirmala Basrur**

**Mumbai, Vile Parle:** In the Annual General Meeting of Vile-Parle Local Sabha held recently on 9th May 2010 the following members were elected as office bearers:

1. **Dr. Ashok Balsekar- President; Shri Shrikar Talgeri - Vice- President; Shri Ramdas Karnad (Rao) - Hon. Secretary; Shri Deepak Aldangady -Hon. Treasurer; Smt. Sujata Mudur - Hon. Internal Auditor**

   **New Delhi:** Annual General Meeting of the Delhi Sabha was held on 18th April at Shri Kavle Math. The Honorary Committee for 2010-11 was unanimously elected with Ravi Padukone as Sabha President, Jaishankar Bondal as Vice President, Chaitanya Shiroor as Secretary, Shyamala Hemmad as Jt. Secretary, Shekhar and Suchitra Balvalli taking over Treasury, along with 11 other active members.

   Few members also performed Gurupujana on this occasion, followed by Mahaarati, Deepanamaskara, tea and snacks. 16 families participated.

   Sabha members met at the residence of Smt. Kalpana Betrabet on Sunday, 16th May, 2010 at 3.30pm. The afternoon started with Stotra pathan, Navaratri Nityapath, Devi Anushthan and Bhajans followed by a short meeting of the newly elected committee members, wherein the events and activities for the year 2010-11 were planned. This function was attended by 25 members.

   **Reported by Mamta Savkur**

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Reported by Smita Mavinkurve

UDYOG: Udyog, a popular landmark in Talmakiwadi since 1972 has resurrected in a new avatar as a Recreation Centre for Senior Citizens. This establishment famous for its mouth watering, yummy ‘Aamchigele Khaan’ such as traditional masala powders and preserves etc. had to put its shutters down a few years back, but the premises continued to be open for hobby classes and workshops for children during vacations, besides Prarthana classes, yoga sessions and other socially useful activities. Its location on the ground floor has been most convenient for senior citizens. Therefore as per some well wishers suggestion, it was decided to undertake projects where senior citizens, especially elderly pachis and the society at large could get maximum benefit from it.

The Recreation Centre was inaugurated with lots of ladies enthusiastically participating in Devi Anushthan and Lalita Sahasranam Recitation. Guest speakers are invited once a month to give interesting and informative talks. Smt. Sadhana Kamat’s ‘My Experiences in Greece’ and Dr. Sunil Vinekar’s ‘Health Care for Senior Citizens’ have been a great success. Besides regular yoga classes, pachis also meet to enjoy indoor games of yester-years and exchange their points of view through ‘Magele Vichar’. Some of them have decided to shake the dust off from their embroideries and other handiwork left incomplete years back and revive their interest in each others company.

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Reported by Suman Kodial

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Basrur-Bhat:
Manjunath, younger son of Smt. Shamala (nee Nagarmat) and Prakash G. Basrur of Bangalore, with Shantala, daughter of Smt. Shaila (nee Ulpe) and Puttur Shankar Bhat of Bangalore on 16th May, 2010 at Bangalore.

Kulkarni-Vithalker:
Dhaval, Son of Supriya and Shyamsunder Kulkarni of Pune with Kadambari, daughter of Padmaja and Vikas Vithalkar of Ponda, Goa on May 16, 2010 at Mumbai.

Kodial-Marballi:
Prashanth son of Dr. Chitra and Dr. Kodial Prakash Rao of Mangalore with Supriya, daughter of Smt. Anita and Abhay Marballi of Ankola on 6th June, 2010, at Mangalore.

Vinay, son of Shri Mullerpaten Gurunandan and Smt. Vandana with Divya, daughter of Shri T.S. Srinivasan and late Smt. S.N. Girija on 16th May, 2010 at Bengaluru.

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Kotnis with Maithili, daughter of Mr. Subhash and Mrs. Laxmi Sirur on 30-5-2010. (CL-3455)

BIRTH

May 15, 2010- A son (Samvit) to Anushri and Alok Khambatkone at Santa Clara, California, USA. Grandson to Sadhana and Pramod Khambatkone and Suchitra and late Ajit Kalyanpur. Great grandson to Kumudini and Anand Mangalore and Damayanti and Srikrant Hattikudur.

Baby girl (Ishani) to Apeksha and Vikram S. Kulkarni on 6th April, 2010 at San Jose, California. Grand-daughter to Smita and Sunil M. Kulkarni and Jyoti and Chandru T. Paducone. Great grand-daughter to Nalini T. Paducone & Prabheshankar V. Benegal.

June 3rd 2010: A son (Kunal) to Preeti (nee Kallianpur) and Kedar Gopinath Kodikal at San Jose, CA, USA. Grandson to Gopinath and Lalita Kodikal and Arun and Sheela Kallianpur.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Shraddha (Jyoti) and Chaitanya Subrao Ubhayakar, Goa, thank all the relatives and wellwishers for their blessings on the wedding and reception of their son Chinmay with Pooja on 16th May, 2010.

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OBITUARY

Shri Shankar Ganesh Bhat aged 85 years from Parleshwar, Vileparle (E) passed away peacefully on 17.05.2010. Deeply Mourned by Smt. Malati, Vrinda, Bharat, Dnyanesh, Laxmi, grandchildren and relatives. As per his wish, his body was donated to j. j. Hospital.

DOMESTIC TIDINGS

BIRTHS

We welcome the following new arrivals:

May 11: A daughter, Tvisha to Pallavi (nee Murdeshwar) Kalambi and Mahesh Kalambi at Austin, USA.

Jun 3: A son (Kunal) to Preeti (nee Kallianpur) and Kedar Gopinath Kodikal at San Jose, CA, USA.

Jun 10: A daughter (Anantika) to Sampada (nee Basur) and Amit Ramesh Pandit at Dorking UK.

MARRIAGES

We congratulate the following and wish them a happy married life:

May 23: Sunayna (Pooja) Shashi Balskear with Rohan Niranjan Ullal at Mumbai.

June 2: Prashant Pramod Balvalli with Jaiswal at Mumbai.

June 6: Sailee Jayant Hemmady with Shailesh Anil Turme at Mumbai.

June 8: Neeta Shivaram Bijoor with George Frede Rogge of Seattle, WA, USA at Mumbai.

June 26: Shibani Gurunandan Ullal with Dyanesh Shrikant Nagarkatty at Mumbai.

OBITUARIES

We convey our deepest sympathy to the relatives of the following:

Apr 13: Vandana (Kunda) Satish Ullal (68) at Borivli, Mumbai.

Apr 24: Savitri R. Padubidri (84) at Mangalore.

Apr 26: Padmini Dinkar Kulkarni (88) of Talmikiwadi at Santa Cruz, Mumbai.

May 17: Bhat Shankar Ganesh (85) at Vile Parle (E), Mumbai.

May 25: Nadkarni Dinesh Marutirao (79) at Pune.

May 27: Praful Ramesh Ugrankar (nee Udipi-Rao) (77) at Talmikiwadi, Mumbai.

May 30: Hirebet Radhakrishna P (85) at Goregaon, Mumbai.

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