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माटी से माटी मिले, खो के सभी निशान  
किस में कितना कौन है, कैसे हो पहचान  
निदा फ़ाज़ली

When you become one with the earth, you lose all signs of uniqueness.  
It becomes impossible to distinguish the dust of one person from that of another.

The poet reminds us to wake up to the reality of death and the futility of greed, that we are all a part of. How much better would our lives be, if we could sort out the ICE in our lives! The finiteness of human life is beyond question. And yet, we live like we shall never die. We are mired in anger, arrogance, artifice and avarice, and torn apart by love and hatred. We develop deep attachment to people and things, worldly pleasures and sensual delectation...And all of this causes us grief. When we die, the only thing we carry with us is our soul/self/ruuh/atman/consciousness. And if that is twisted by passion and discolored likes and dislikes, we have made poor use of our time on earth. Courtesy Mr. Manish Modi

## JAIN SAINTS

### JAIN SAINTS COMPEL GUJARAT GOVT. TO PONDER OVER CREATION OF VEGETARIAN ZONE IN PALITANA



Palitana is one of the holiest pilgrimage sites for Jains. The Gujarat government is considering over demands for the creation of a vegetarian zone in Palitana town in Bhavnagar district following the now concluded hunger strike by Jain monks. Around 200 monks in Palitana one of the holiest pilgrimage sites for Jains had gone on the hunger strike four days ago demanding a total ban on sale of eggs and meat, and strict implementation of the law against illegal slaughter in the town.

They called off their agitation after assurances from the government. According to Shri Tarachand Jagshibhai Chheda, Minister for Cottage Industry, Salt Industry and Cow Breeding, if the Palitana municipality moves a resolution, they will think about it. The town has a population of 50,000 out of which 15,000 are from the Muslim community. Since it is a mixed township, we cannot ban non-vegetarian items completely. We would like a ban the non-vegetarian food in whole of the country, but we cannot do it.

He said the Gujarat government had already taken effective steps to curtail the sale of meat in Palitana. Two years ago the government had issued a resolution banning the sale of meat within 100 metres of Jain temples. Cow slaughter is anyway banned in Gujarat. The temple town on the Shatrunjaya Hills hosts nearly 900 shrines covering an area of about 13 square kilometres, which falls under the Palitana Municipal Corporation. While an existing notification of 1999-2000 prohibits the sale of non-vegetarian items in the Taleti area in Palitana, the monks wanted a ban in the entire town under the Gujarat Municipalities Act. The Collector of the Bhavnagar district says, we have not given any clear commitment. It

is a complex legal issue. Although Palitana is a main pilgrimage centre for Jains, the social situation is different. He said the municipality had already set the ball rolling for a vegetarian township in 2012. The corporation had issued a special notification of its intent in the newspapers. They received 908 objections, which they heard. The issue was also raised at the High Court thrice. The corporation's general board will meet in a month to decide whether to extend the ban for the entire town. Only after the government's approval can the body pass a notification on this matter. Expert legal opinion is also being sought.

#### FOUR JAIN SEERS SHARE COMMON PLATFORM TO PROPAGATE UNITY MESSAGE



Ujjain, June 24, 2014, Setting a good precedence in the society, four different mentors of the Shwetambar Jain community shared a common dais to propagate the message of unity and becoming a committed countryman. The exceptional event was arranged by Jain Shwetambar Murtipujak Yuvak Mahasangh and Sthanakwasi Navyuvak Sangh at Manorama Garden, Arvind Nagar. To make the programme successful, Acharya Kumudchandra Surishwarji (Kalapurna Suri Samuday), Acharya Mukti Sagarji (Sagar Samuday), Mahendra Rishiji (Shramansanghiya Mantri) and Muni Sanyamratna

Vijayji (Tristutik Samuday) marked their presence. These Jain seers were given a common topic, 'Change the direction to change the condition' and a time of 20 minutes was allotted to all of them. A huge audience, also comprising women, was present at the venue. In their thought provoking address the voice of the prominent seers which was echoed at the venue was that a person should avoid criticising others and should focus on self. They also stressed on character building.

#### CHATURMAS VENUES OF JAIN SAINTS FOR THE YEAR 2014 ( SWETAMBAR STHANAKWASI )

[Click here for Detailed List of Swetambar Sthanakwasi Sraman Sangh](#)

Shree Ganesh Muni	Udaipur, Rajasthan	Shree Vinayvati Ji	Udaipur, Rajasthan
Shree Jinendra Muni	Udaipur, Rajasthan	Shree Sudarshanprabha Ji	Udaipur, Rajasthan
Shree Praveen Muni	Udaipur, Rajasthan	Dr. Shree Sulakshan Prabha Ji	Udaipur, Rajasthan
Shree Ramesh Muni	Bangalore (Chikpeth)	Dr. Shree Darshan Prabha Ji	Coimbtore, Tamil Nadu
Dr. Shree Rajendra Muni	Bangalore (Chikpeth)	Shree Meghashree Ji	Coimbtore, Tamil Nadu
Shree Dinesh Muni	Bangalore (Chikpeth)	Shree Sameeksha Ji	Coimbtore, Tamil Nadu
Shree Surendra Muni	Bangalore (Chikpeth)	Shree Samriddhishree Ji	Coimbtore, Tamil Nadu
Shree Deependra Muni	Bangalore (Chikpeth)	Dr. Shree Ruchika Ji	Phagwara, Punjab
Shree Pushpendra Muni	Bangalore (Chikpeth)	Shree Abhashree Ji	Phagwara, Punjab
Shree Deepesh Muni	Bangalore (Chikpeth)	Shree Mahimashree Ji	Phagwara, Punjab
Shree Naresh Muni	Coimbtore, Tamil Nadu	Shree Jinagyashree Ji	Phagwara, Punjab

Shree Shalibhadra Muni	Coimbtore, Tamil Nadu	Shree Shreyanshree Ji	Phagwara, Punjab
Shree Shalibhadra Muni	Coimbtore, Tamil Nadu	Shree Mangal Jyoti Ji	Khandap, Rajasthan
Shree Vimal Vati Ji	Jodhpur, Rajasthan	Shree Vikasjyoti Ji	Khandap, Rajasthan
Shree Gyan Prabha Ji	Jodhpur, Rajasthan	Shree Rijupragya Ji	Khandap, Rajasthan
Shree Chandanbala Ji	Harpannhalli, Karnataka	Shree Vanditashree Ji	Khandap, Rajasthan
Shree Devendra Prabha Ji	Harpannhalli, Karnataka	Dr. Shree Pratibha Ji	Sahukarpeth, Chennai
Shree Dharma Jyoti Ji	Harpannhalli, Karnataka	Shree Mallishree Ji	Sahukarpeth, Chennai
Shree Naveen Jyoti Ji	Harpannhalli, Karnataka	Shree Asthashree Ji	Sahukarpeth, Chennai
Shree Priyadarshana Ji	Ameerpeeth, Hyderabad	Shree Shraddhashree Ji	Sahukarpeth, Chennai
Shree Kiran Prabha Ji	Ameerpeeth, Hyderabad	Shree Rishitashree Ji	Sahukarpeth, Chennai
Shree Ratnajyoti Ji	Ameerpeeth, Hyderabad	Shree Anugyashree Ji	Sahukarpeth, Chennai
Shree Vichkshanshree Ji	Ameerpeeth, Hyderabad	Shree Sanyam Prabha Ji	Kergaon, Ahemedabad
Shree Arpitashree Ji	Ameerpeeth, Hyderabad	Shree Shrutprabha Ji	Kergaon, Ahemedabad
Shree Satyaprabha Ji	Bellari, Karnataka	Shree Chintan Prabha Ji	Kergaon, Ahemedabad
Shree Chandan Prabha Ji	Bellari, Karnataka	Dr. Shree Snehprabha Ji	Vaishali Nagar, Ajmer
Shree Dharmasheela Ji	Bellari, Karnataka	Dr. Shree Pragyshree Ji	Vaishali Nagar, Ajmer
Shree Tarunsheela Ji	Bellari, Karnataka	Shree Shubha Ji	Vaishali Nagar, Ajmer
Shree Charitraprabha Ji	Bellari, Karnataka	Shree Supratibha Ji	Vaishali Nagar, Ajmer
Shree Vinayprabha Ji	Bellari, Karnataka	Shree Rajmati Ji	Yashwantpura, Bangalore
Shree Rajshree Ji	Bellari, Karnataka	Shree Punitjyoti Ji	Yashwantpura, Bangalore
Shree Namitashree Ji	Bellari, Karnataka	Shree Sumanprabha Ji	Yashwantpura, Bangalore
Dr. Shree Divyaprabha Ji	Surat, Gujarat	Dr. Shree Hemvati Ji	Udaipur, Rajasthan
Shree Anupama Ji	Surat, Gujarat	Dr. Shree Harshprabha Ji	Udaipur, Rajasthan
Shree Nirupama Ji	Surat, Gujarat	Shree Suprabha Ji	Bangalore

Shree Bhavya Ji	Surat, Gujarat	Shree Saumya Ji	Surat, Gujarat
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### CHATURMAS VENUES OF JAIN SAINTS FOR THE YEAR 2014 ( DIGAMBAR SECT )

[Click here for Detailed List of Digambar Samaj From Mr. Dharma Jain, E-Mail : jainpushp@yahooogroups.com](#)

Acharya Shree Vardhman Sagar Ji	Kishan Garh	Muni Shree Saurabh Sagar Ji	Barabanki, Uttar Pradesh
Acharya Shree Sukumal Nandi Ji	Rishabh Dev Ji	Muni Shree Tarun Sagar Ji	Rohini, Delhi
Acharya Shree Sambhav Sagar Ji	Triyogi Ashram, Madhuban	Muni Shree Pulak Sagar Ji	Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh
Acharya Shree Pushpdant Sagar Ji	Pushpgiri Tirtha	Muni Shree Pramukh Sagar Ji	Chandigarh
Acharya Shree Kunthu Sagar Ji	Kunthugiri, Kolhapur	Muni Shree Vibhjanjan Sagar Ji	Kubul Nagar, Delhi
Acharya Shree Nirmal Sagar Ji	Girnar Ji	Muni Shree Sankalp Bhushan Ji	Shankar Nagar, Delhi
Acharya Shree Vinamra Sagar Ji	Sammed Shikhar Ji	Muni Shree Amoghkirti Ji	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Acharya Shree Vishudh Sagar Ji	Bhopal	Muni Shree Prateek Sagar Ji	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Acharya Shree Viraag Sagar Ji	Shreyans Giri	Muni Shree Arun Sagar Ji	Meerut, Uttar Pradesh
Acharya Shree Guptinandi Ji	Bholanath Nagar, Delhi	Muni Shree Nami Sagar Ji	Shanti Sagar Niketan Mandola, U. P.
Acharya Shree Anand Sagar Ji	Vasant Kunj, Delhi	Muni Shree Viraag Rishi Ji	Badagaon, Uttar Pradesh
Acharya Shree Dev Nandi Ji	Namokar Tirth, Nasik	Ganini Aryika Shree Gyan Mati Mataji	Hastinapur
Acharya Shree Vivek Sagar Ji	Indore, Madhya Pradesh	Ganini Aryika Shree Vidya Shree Mataji	Hastinapur
Acharya Shree Punya Sagar Ji	Shamli, Uttar Pradesh	Ganini Aryika Shree Gurunandni Ji Mataji	Shakarapur, Delhi
Acharya Shree Paras Sagar Ji	Sagar, Madhya Pradesh	Aryika Shree Srishti Bhushan Ji	Jaipur, Rajasthan
Acharya Shree Vimal Sagar Ji	Mahavir Ji	Aryika Shree Saraswati Bhushan Ji	Saharanpur
Elacharya Shree Shrut Sagar Ji	Green Park, Delhi	Aryika Shree Satyamati Mata Ji	Sahibabad, Uttar Pradesh
Balacharya Shree Siddh Sen Ji	Navgrah Tirtha, Tijara	Elak Shree Vigyan Sagar Ji	Shanti Sagar Niketan Mandola, U. P.
Elacharya Shree Trilok Bhushan Ji	Badagaon Enclave, Delhi	Elak Shree Vijay Bhushan Ji	Banthala, Uttar Pradesh
Upadhyay Shree Nayan Sagar Ji	Bahubali Enclave, Delhi	Kshullak Shree Yoga Bhushan Ji	Karmapura, Delhi

Upadhyay Shree Udaar Sagar Ji	Jahajpur, Rajasthan	Kshullak Shree Ratna Kirti Ji	Shanti Sagar Niketan Mandola, U. P.
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## TEMPLES

### PAKISTAN COURT SEEKS GOVT'S REPLY ABOUT REHABILITATION OF JAIN TEMPLES

Lahore: Justice Mansoor Ali Shah of the Lahore High Court expressed displeasure over the attitude of the chief secretary for not meeting Barrister Javed Iqbal Jaafri in connection with his petition for rehabilitation and restoration of Jain temples in the province.



The judge directed the respondents to file their reply with affidavits by June 17. Jaafri said he had gone to the office of the chief secretary as directed by the court. He said neither the chief secretary nor any other official met him. He requested the court to initiate contempt proceedings against him. The Judge asked Jaafri if he wanted to meet the chief secretary. He replied that he did not.

The judge then sought replies from the respondents, including



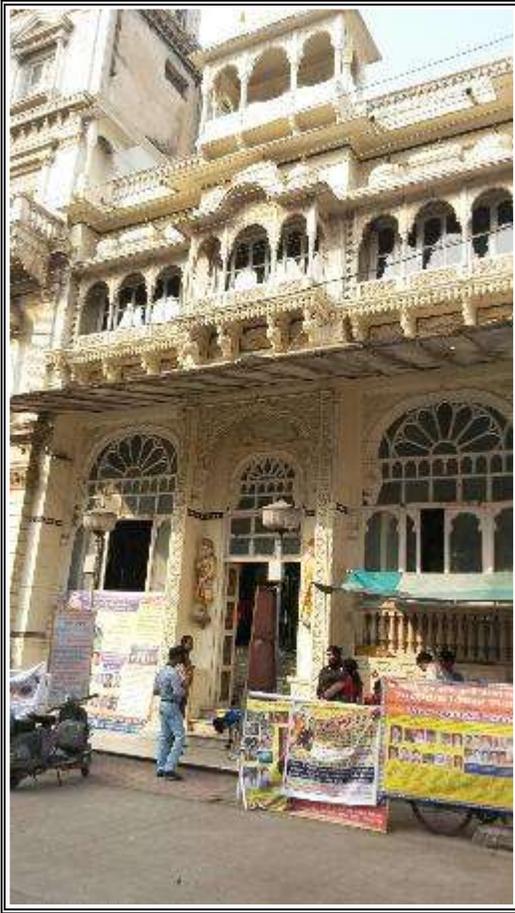
the Chief Secretary, the Punjab Government and the Federal Government, on the petition. The petitioner had said in Gujranwala, some butchers had opened shops in a Jain temple, which was part of the architectural and cultural heritage of Pakistan. He also said these temples were places of worship for religious minorities. The lawyer said he had sent thousands of complaints to various authorities in this regard since 1985 but no action had been taken.

The petitioner said the Jain temple in Old Anarkali had been taken over by some land mafia that had built shops there. He said Jain temples in other parts of Pakistan were also being desecrated. He said many churches, pagodas, and other places of worships for non-Muslims had been encroached upon.

Jafree also asked the court to issue directions to the government to declare Bhagat Singh a national hero and order Pakistan Post to issue commemorative stamps to honour him. He also sought directions from the court for restoration of the temples. Temple photo courtesy : Mr. Tahir Kahlon, Pakistan. E-Mail: kahlon\_tahir@yahoo.com

## DIAGAMBER JAIN GLASS TEMPLE IN INDORE

THIS TEMPLE IS AN OPULENT TRIBUTE TO THE 16TH TIRTHANKARA OF JAINISM, LORD SHANTINATH



It is quite unique to find such splendour and grandeur in a shrine dedicated to a Tirthankara of the Jain religion at Indore. Kanch ka mandir or glass temple literally, is an opulent memorial to the 16th Tirthankara of Jainism: Lord Shantinath. The temple was built in 1921 in Itwaria Bazaar, near the Rajwada area of Indore, by Sir Seth Hukumchand Jain, a leading trader and pioneering industrialist also known as the cotton king of India. The mansion where he lived, Sheesh Mahal, was adjacent to the temple. Both buildings are elegant, white-stoned structures with canopied balconies.

Kanch ka mandir is also known as Seth Hukumchand temple and as the name indicates, has interiors made entirely of glass and mirrors imported from Belgium and other European countries. Essentially a temple of the Digambar sect of Jainism and dedicated to Lord Shantinath, it is a marvel in multi-coloured glass and mirrors. The walls, ceiling, floor, pillars and doors are decorated with glass panels and mosaics. It is said that craftsmen from Jaipur, Iran and other countries were brought in to create this wonder in traditional Jain style. On entering the temple, one comes across a lobby glittering with the murals of guards or dwarapalas made of glass mosaic. The rear of the sanctum sanctorum, or garbagriha, is beyond the far wall of the ante-room that has a small statue in the centre of the wall. Thanks to the optical illusion created by mirrors on both sides of the garbagriha, where the idols of the Tirthankaras are placed, an infinite number of images are reflected making it a unique experience. Exquisitely crafted Chinese lantern-type glass lamps and cut glass chandeliers add to the opulent grandeur of the temple. More than 50 murals depicting stories

from Jain texts — such as scenes of conversion to Jainism, torture of sinners in the afterlife and 19th century court life — are seen on the walls of the temple. The overall effect is hypnotic.

A black marble statue of the Tirthankar Shantinath, to whom this temple is consecrated, is flanked by white marble statues of two other Tirthankars: Adinath and Chandraprabhu. A statue of Lord Mahavira, in shining black onyx, could also be seen. "The Jains are followers of Mahavira, which is a much sterner religion compared to Buddhism. Mahavira was the last Tirthankara, who established the four-fold order namely monk, nun, layman and the laywoman. There are two different sects of Jains Digamvaras and the Swetamvaras. These aspects of Jainism have been elaborately carved on the walls of the Kaanch mandir. For Jains living in Indore the mandir is a central institution from where many of their processions start or terminate. Also, many of the Jain festivals, such as Sugandh Dashami, when special mandalas are constructed with multi-coloured rice powder and Kshamavani (Festival of forgiveness) is collectively organised here though it is celebrated in other Jain temples in Indore as well. The annual Rath Yatra on a golden palki is taken out from here.

Photography of the interior is generally prohibited. It is managed by a private trust. But even if one is not a Jain by religion, a visit to this unique and mesmerising glass edifice will be a rewarding experience.

## KARKALA PREPARES FOR MAHA MASTAKABHISHEKA OF LORD BAHUBALI NEXT YEAR

Mangalore, Jun 23, 2014: The Sri Jain Dharma Jeernodhara Sangha is in alacrity of starting preparations for the Maha Mastakabhisheka of Bhagwan Bahubali at Karkala.



Traditionally, the process of performing Maha Mastakabhisheka of Bhagwan Bahubali is held once every 12 years and the last such rituals were held at Karkala in 2002. A general election year has come in the way of holding the rituals this year and will now be held in the last week of January 2015.

Installed under the divine guidance of Sri Lalitakeerthi muni in 1432, the idol of Bhagwan Bahubali at 42.5 feet tall is the second largest monolith of the Lord after the one in Shravanabelagola in Hassan. Located on top of hillock in Karkala, the idol of Lord Bahubali is most frequented by tourists from all communities and the Sangha is planning to use this event to ensure that the basic

infrastructure needs of the area gets a major leg up. According to, M N Rajendra Kumar, President of the Sangha the Maha Mastakabhisheka is a major event for the Jain community and members from across India and even abroad are expected to take part in the rituals. Overlooking nearly 18 Jain basadis at the foothill of the hillock on which the monolith is located. The place needs a major improvement in terms of infrastructure such as roads, water to sustain rush of devotees expected. The Sangha is doing preparations under the leadership of D Veerendra Heggade, Dharmadhikari of Sri Kshetra Dharmasthala. The Sangha will also request the State and Union Governments to take care of the infrastructure needs and will meet all costs related to the religious event from within the community, donors and well wishers.

### **ARCHAEOLOGICAL TEAM BEGINS FIELD SURVEY AT MATHILAKAM TO COLLECT REMAINS OF JAIN TEMPLE**

June 27, 2014, The State Archaeological Department has started a field survey of historic monuments at Mathilakam, near Kodungallur to find about once existent Jain culture in the area.



It is considered that Mathilakam was one of famous Jain centres during the Chera dynasty's rule. There was a huge Jain temple here. The objective of the survey is to collect evidence for the existence of the Jain temple at Mathilakam, according to Mohanachandran of the Archaeological Department, Thiruvananthapuram.

The survey started with a special request by the Mathilakam Heritage Conservation Committee and V.S. Sunil Kumar, MLA. Historians such as MGS Narayanan have noted that Elango Adikal had written Chilappathikaram at the Jain temple in Mathilakam. Though the Archaeological Department had started excavation in 1967, there was no follow-up on the activities. The geography of the area has changed totally since then. The team visited places around Elavanjikulam near the Jain temple site, square wells in Mathilakam, St. Joseph Latin Church, which is considered to be an old Jewish synagogue, Puthiya Kavu, Thripppekkulam, Manikulam at Kaipamangalam and British

Travellers Bungalow and Kulimuttam. Though Mathilakam is included in the Muziris Heritage Project, conservation activities of the heritage monuments have not stated here yet, say local people. Filed surveys and excavations were also not included in the Muziris Project.

## ANCIENT PALM LEAF JAIN TEXTS TO BE DIGITISED FOR POSTERITY

Moodabidri Mutt is archiving and preserving the manuscripts, using Japanese tissue paper. The Dhavalatraya Jain Kashi Trust of the Jain Mutt, Moodabidri, located about 35 km from Mangalore, has decided to go the Microsoft and Google way. To preserve, archive and to make its centuries old palm leaf manuscripts available to a wider audience, the mutt has decided to digitise them. Swasti Shri Bharata Bhushana Bhattaraka Charukeerthi Panditacharyavarya Mahaswamiji of the Jain Mutt, who is overseeing the process, revealed that about 1,500 of the 4,500 manuscripts which the mutt possesses have already been digitised. The process of digitisation has been going on for the last three years.



The process of scientifically testing and analysing the rest of the manuscripts has been completed. The process of conservation, consolidation, archiving and preserving the manuscripts using Japanese tissue paper is on. According to temple authorities, it's a huge process and currently the entire process is being funded by the mutt. The palm leaf manuscripts are ancient works of Jain canonical sacred text, the most prominent of them being the Shatkaandagama, considered to be the oldest of the Digambara Jain sacred texts.

In 2011, an expert team from Intach Chitrakala Parishath Art Conservation Centre, Bangalore had visited the Dhavalatraya trust at the Ramarani Jain Research Institute to study the condition of the manuscripts. They had recommended that it be scientifically conserved. The team had observed that the palm leaves had become highly unstable because of various internal and external factors such as oxidation, loss of oil, contact with water and accumulation

of dust and dirt, and the high humid conditions peculiar to the region of Dakshina Kannada. The palm leaves were fragile, brittle and friable. Based on their suggestion, in association with the Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts, Panditacharyavarya Mahaswamiji launched a programme to conserve the texts which included documentation, scientific analysis and testing. Among the Dhavala Manuscripts, there are 1,512 folios of palm leaf of which 23 folios are illustrated with geometric patterns and figures from mythology. They have been drawn to perfection and show great intricacy and skill. The verses are religious in nature. Of the total 1,512, the Dhavala has 777 folios of which two are illustrated. Each leaf measures 75 cm x 6 cm (length x width). And the Mahadavala has 219 folios of which seven are illustrated. Each leaf measures 72.5 cm x 7 cm and Jayadhavala has 516 folios measuring 68.4 cm x 7 cm. Of these 14 folios are illustrated. Unlike the earlier palm leaf manuscripts, these texts are written with a brush and ink and not inscribed with a stylus.

## AHIMSA & VEGETARIANISM

### MEAT ITEMS WILL NOT BE SERVED AT P.M. HOUSE DURING OFFICIAL BANQUETS



It is understood that Prime Minister, Narendra Modi has given implicit instructions to his staff, not to include any non-vegetarian preparations at any of the official parties arranged at his 7, Race Course house. Instructions have also been conveyed by the Prime Minister to all Cabinet Ministers not to include any non-vegetarian items at the official parties. The Prime Minister is encouraging vegetarianism at all levels. He

has proposed that all vegetarian items be called "star dishes" and non-vegetarian ones be termed as "harm dishes". He has further urged all the countrymen on the "World Tobacco-Prohibition" day to make it a point to say "NO" to tobacco in any form whatsoever. He has desired that we should all take an oath to spread message of prohibiting tobacco and its products as it not only harms the person consuming it but also others around him. The Government of India, according to Health Ministry's figures, has been spending crores on diseases caused by the use of tobacco.

## EVENT, SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

### NATIONAL TERAPANATH CONFERENCE AT DELHI ON 16TH & 17TH AUG, 2014

7th All India Conference of Terapanthi Professionals is being organized on 16th and 17th August 2014 at Adhatm Sadhna Kendra, Chatarpur Mandir Road, Mahroli, New Delhi in auspicious presence of H. H. Acharyashri Mahashramanji. The conference will provide an excellent opportunity to all Terapanthi Professionals to interact with each other, seek blessings and guidance from H. H. Acharyashriji for their professionals, social and spiritual development. Renowned dignitaries from Political and Corporate world are also expected to share their experience in this two day Conference.

The Theme for this year's Conference is "ADAPT, CHANGE & INNOVATE"-By sharing our knowledge and experience, by caring for our Society; we can achieve true success in life. Terapanthi Professionals are invited throughout the country and abroad to participate in this national conference and get an opportunity of darshan, seva and blessings of Gurudev and other learned Sadhu/Sadhvis apart from knowing each other and get motivated from thought provoking speeches and presentations going to be held during this conference.



In Photo above ( Left - Terapanth Acharya Mahashramanji & Other Saints in Vihar towards New Delhi ) (Right - Terapanth Sr. Saint Sri Kumar Shramanji at the office of Ahimsa Foundation ( Ahimsa Times ) on 15th June, 2014, Offering his blessings )

### NINETEEN PERSONS OF JAIN COMMUNITY TO TAKE DIKSHA AT AHMEDABAD

Ahmedabad, Nineteen members of the Jain community, youngest of them only 12 years old and oldest 48, announced that they would be renouncing the worldly pleasures and take 'Diksha'. The ceremony, called 'Vijay Prasthan Utsav', will be organised by Shwetambar Murti Pujak Jain Sangh, Rajnagar, from June 15 to 20 at Gandhi Ground in Ahmedabad. According to Shreemad Vijay Yugbhushan Sureshwarji, they are ready to renounce the worldly pleasures because of the

spiritual conviction. No one is forcing anybody to renounce. Organiser of the event Jaxay Shah said it would be once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for those who want to witness the mass renunciation ceremony.

## **ACHARYA LOKESH MUNI WILL BEGIN 'SAVE GIRL- EDUCATE GIRL' CAMPAIGN**



New Delhi, 10 June 2014: Central Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan releasing the new book on Female Foeticide written by Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni said that increasing trend toward female foeticide has created horrific imbalance between male-female birth rate ratios. If it is not controlled within time anarchy, psycho disorders will increase and moral and social values will decrease. He said to stop female foeticide religious leaders and social organizations should come forward. Referring to Honorable Pranab Mukherjee's

address to Joint Parliament Session, Dr. Harsh Vardhan said that 'Save Girl,

Educate Girl' is a priority in the government's agenda. Appreciating the campaign against female foeticide by Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti in the leadership of Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni he said the solution of this problem is not only through Law and Government, for this an awareness has to be created in the society. Founder of ahimsa Vishwa Bharti and Eminent Thinker Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni on the occasion said that the increasing incidents of crime against women in the society are a matter of great concern. For this the attitude towards women among the people has to be changed girls have to be made self dependent. Acharya Lokesh on the occasion announcing the National Campaign 'SAVE GIRL, EDUCATE GIRL' by Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti said, he will run special campaign against this social evil in the guidance of different religious leaders. Source: Kenu Agarwal, Media Convener, E-Mail: [acharya@ahimsavishwabharti.org](mailto:acharya@ahimsavishwabharti.org)

## **AWARD & HONOURS**

### **DIFFERENTLY-ABLED ODISHA GIRL CRACKS CIVIL SERVICE EXAM IN FIRST ATTEMPT**

New Delhi, June 14, 2014, Odisha's differently-abled Sarika Jain has cracked the 2013 UPSC examination in the very first attempt, saying that it was the result of sheer hard work. According to Sarika, always think better and be positive. If you work hard and you have a strong determination, you will definitely achieve success.



A native of Kantabanji, a small business town in the impoverished Bolangir district, Jain was ranked 527th among the 1,122 candidates who cleared the three-stage civil service examination -2013. Her father, 58 year old Sadhuram Jain is an undergraduate and a small-time businessman who runs a grocery shop in the town. Her mother Santosh Devi is a school dropout and a homemaker. The elder Jain has four daughters and one son. Sarika is his third daughter. The family is strictly vegetarian and follows the Jain philosophy.

In the words of Sarika, I studied commerce and obtained a bachelors degree from the local women's college. Later I pursued chartered accountancy, studying at home, and got qualified. That was when Jain decided she wanted to do something and chose to appear in the civil services examination. She went to Delhi in 2012 and received

coaching at a private institute for six months. Jain said she would want to serve Odisha, her home state. Jain developed polio in her right leg in 1985 when she was just two years old. Although she has 50 per cent disability, this hasn't deterred her from dreaming big.

### **DILEEP SANGHVI EARNS CREDIT FOR BECOMING RICHEST PERSON IN ASIA**

Dileep Sanghvi belongs to Amreli in Gujarat. Born in 1955 at Mumbai, he had his initial study of commerce at Mumbai and later engineering education at National Institute of Technology, Kurukshtra, Haryana (1997).



Having had a stint at various pharmaceutical companies, he has now risen to become the founder and Managing Director of a 2 billion dollar company, Sun Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. He is also an owner of several other industries in Gujarat, his net worth presently being \$13.7 billion. Few people outside the Pharma industry are likely to be aware that Sun Pharmaceutical and not Ranbaxy, Cipla or Dr Reddy's is India's most valuable Pharma company. So, why is India's most valuable pharmaceutical company not so well-known? The answer can be found by studying the man behind the success of Sun Pharma ? Dilip Sanghvi, Chairman and Managing Director. Mr. Sanghvi, according to those who know him well, believes in keeping a low profile, so much so that one senior executive. Sun Pharmaceuticals Industries' Dilip Sanghvi has been named in the list of Asia's top ten wealthiest self-made billionaires, topped by Hong Kong business tycoon Li Ka-Shing, according to Wealth-X. Sanghvi, ranked seventh, is the only Indian on the list with a net worth of \$13.5 billion. India's Sun Pharma

acquired struggling Gurgaon-based Drugmaker Ranbaxy Laboratories, owned by Japan's Di-ichi Sankyo, for \$4 billion in a deal that will make the new entity India's largest and the world's fifth largest pharmaceutical company. His company is reported to have developed generic versions of Johnson & Johnson's Cancer drug, Doxil and Novo Nordisk's anti-diabetes drug, Prandin.

#### **D. C. JAIN IS NEW CEO OF IDBI CAPITAL**



MUMBAI, June 2, D. C. Jain has taken over as Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of IDBI Capital Market Services. D. C. Jain has experience of over three-and-a-half decades in banking and financial services.

He has been with IDBI Bank since 1997 successfully handling the entire gamut of banking operations corporate banking, SME, audit, retail and Government business. Prior to this, he was with Union Bank of India heading large branches in Gujarat.

A commerce post-graduate from the University of Rajasthan and a Certified Associate of Indian Institute of Bankers, he also participated in the Advance Management Programme at Stanford Graduate School of Business, California.

#### **PRATEEK JAIN FINISHED FIFTH AT MR. WORLD 2014**



Jun 16, 2014, Mr. India Prateek Jain grabbed the fifth spot at the prestigious Mr. World 2014 finale which was held on 15th June, in Torbay, UK. Prateek impressed everyone at the pageant and made it to the Top 10 at the Mr. World 2014 finale. Prateek stood out and competed with 45 other contestants from different countries.

The dashing Mr. India not just grabbed a spot in the Top 10 of the finale but was also adjudged the first runner up of the multimedia award. Yellow Team which had Mr. India Prateek Jain won the tug of war contest during the Sports Challenge.

Not only that, there was also a tie between Mr. India and Mr. Bahamas during the short putt challenge for the first position. We wish him all the very best for his future endeavours.

#### **CITRANG MURDIHYA JAIN TOPPED IN IIT-JEE**



Citrang Murdia (Jain) from Udaipur (Rajasthan) made history by winning the first place in India in IIT JEE (Advance) for admission in engineering college across the country. Citrang, Student of Delhi Public School, Udaipur, scored 334 out of 360 came first in the whole country.

Citrang's father Manish Murdihya is a businessman and also passed out from IIT Delhi. Source: Shri Tarak Guru Jain Granthalaya, Udaipur, E-Mail : tguru1966@gmail.com

## V. K. JAIN GIVEN ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF ADMINISTRATION AT DOORDARSHAN

New Delhi, 20 Jun 2014, Doordarshan Additional Director General V. K. Jain has been given charge of Doordarshan administration department in addition to finance, PR & publicity, commercial & sales and Doordarshan archives.



V. K. Jain who joined DD directorate in March 2012 has been actively involved in the re-branding exercise of the Doordarshan. Apart from being the driving force for constant publicity and PR drives since last year, he is behind the social media surge at Doordarshan and is constantly pushing to strengthen Doordarshan archives as well. Jain joined the civil services in 1984.

In the course of his 30 year-long career, he has held eminent posts such as Registrar- GGS Indraprastha University Delhi, Joint Secretary (General Administration- Delhi), Collector cum Deputy Commissioner (Excise) in Delhi, General Manager- Delhi Tourism and Transportation Development Corporation, Joint Director cum Joint Secretary (Training & Technical Education), Director Sports and OSD Personnel in DDA and Special Commissioner in Food & Supply Department- Delhi, to name few. He was named Best Branch Officer, Delhi Development Authority, in 1994 and given a distinguished Alumni Award by Alumni Association of Shri Ram College of Commerce in 2007. Jain takes keen interest in constitutional law, international law,

business law, organisational behaviour and real estate management.

## XIAOMI HIRES JABONG CO-FOUNDER MANU JAIN FOR ITS INDIA OPERATIONS

Chinese smartphone vendor Xiaomi has started hiring in India to launch its brand in the country later this year.



The market news says, Xiaomi has hired Manu Kumar Jain to kickstart its operations in the country. Manu Jain, who was the co-founder of online retailer Jabong, had quit the company earlier this year to start his own venture. Jain had parted ways with Jabong to launch his new venture Gynjer, where he was planning to launch smartphones, tablets and wearables.

He was looking at launching high quality smart devices manufactured by third-party ODMs in Taiwan and China at aggressive price points in India. Xiaomi has a similar model where it sells premium quality smartphones with top-of-the-line hardware components at a fraction of the price of tier one brands. Sources close to the development have hinted that the current plan is

to launch the first devices in the September-October timeframe, just around Diwali. However, the plans might change depending on Xiaomi's ability to manufacture enough devices.

## RUPEES ONE CRORE RELEASED FOR STUDY CHAIR IN MANGALORE UNIVERSITY NAMED AFTER JAIN POET

The State government has released Rs. 1 crore to Mangalore University to set up a study chair after 16th century Jain poet Ratnakaravarni. This was consequent to an announcement made in the State budget for 2013-14.



The university, which appointed a teacher from Kannada department as the co-ordinator of the Chair, is in the process of drafting a statute for establishing the Chair. The main objective of establishing the Chair was to study the contributions of the celebrated Kannada poet to literature and initiate research activities. It is said that the Jain poet was born and brought up in Moodbidri. According to a Kannada professor, the poet mentioned that he wrote 'Trilokashataka' in 1557 at Venupura (Moodbidri was earlier called Venupura, a town of bamboos) of 'Taulavangadol' (in Tulu Nadu). 'Bharatesha Vaibhava,' said to have been authored in 1567, is considered as the masterpiece of Ratnakaravarni. It is said Devachandra, a writer who lived between 1770 and 1841, has recorded the life of Ratnakaravarni in his work 'Rajavali'. Bharatesha Vaibhava, published by Kannada Sahitya Parishat, says the poet could

have been born in 1532 in Moodbidri, which has now only an area named after the poet as Ratnakaravarni Nagara. His other prominent works include 'Ratnakarashataka' (in 1577), 'Aparajithashataka' (1582) and 'Adhyatmageetha' (1587). While the works of Ratnakaravarni drew the attention of School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, the Centre of Jain Studies at SOAS organised a special lecture on his works at Brunei gallery in London on March 17, 2011. When D.V. Sadananda Gowda was the Chief Minister, he had announced that Rs. 1 crore would be granted to set up a Jain Vidya Peetha (a chair on Jain studies). This statute approved by the university is placed before the government awaiting its approval.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### THIRTY ONE DOCTORS IN ONE JAIPUR JAIN FAMILY & STILL COUNTING

Jaipur, Jun 23, 2014 : When Vinamrita Patni, secured 107th rank in the recently held RPMT, she will become the 32nd member of her family to join the medical profession after she completes her MBBS course. Most of the Patni family members are doctors and it won't be wrong to say this is one of the unique Jain family. Talking about the family, there are seven physicians, five gynecologists, three ophthalmologists, three ENT specialists, neurologists, urologist, surgeons, psychiatrics, pathologists and orthopedic doctors in the family.



At a time when the state government is reeling under shortage of doctors, this family is an inspiration for youngsters to opt for medical profession. The family has given top-notch doctors to the city, many of them are working at Sawai Man Singh hospital.

"There was no pressure on me to opt for medical profession. I have seen my parents dedicating themselves to the ailing and poor. Since childhood, I always wanted to become a doctor. There is such an environment in my family that I was always focussed and never ever thought about any other profession," Vinamrita said, who was also recently adjudged the

best basketball player, (under-19 in girls' section) of the state.

Her father Dr Tarun Patni is an MBBS, MD (pediatrician) and mother Dr Vinita Patni is a gynecologist (MBBS, MD). Her brother Tanmaye Patni is pursuing his MBBS (II-year) course at Sawai Man Singh medical college. Vinamrita's eldest aunt Dr Anna Jain had retired from the post of additional director, health department, Rajasthan. Her son Dr Satish Jain is an ENT surgeon. Her second aunt Dr Neerja Patni Grover retired as senior medicine specialist from Central Government Health Scheme hospital in Bajaj Nagar. Dr Neerja's husband retired as director, ESI hospital, Jaipur. Their son Dr Mohnish Grover is assistant professor (ENT) with SMS medical college. The other doctors in family include Dr Ruchika Jain, ENT specialist in SMS hospital, Dr Sanchit Jain, assistant professor (general surgery) department of surgery in Rajasthan University of Health Sciences. There is a long list of doctors from the family, who are working in government and private hospitals.

### EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS BY SAHU JAIN TRUST



Sahu Jain Trust, which is a philanthropic organisation founded by Smt.. Rama Jain & Sahu Shanti Prasad Jain has announced the 2014-2015 need-cum-merit based educational scholarships for pursuing Graduation and Post Graduation in all subjects. Existing recipients of scholarship will have to apply again for continuance. Scholarship amount ranges from Rs. 150/- to Rs. 1,000/- per month. These are strictly for technical subjects like Engineering, Infotech, Medical, MBA etc. to be undertaken by graduates / post graduates in India. Last date for obtaining Application Forms - 20-07-2014. Last date for receipt of Completed

Forms by the Trust - 30-07-2014.

Application Forms will be available free of charge or can be had by post by sending a 9"x4" self addressed stamped (Rs. 10/-) envelope to the Secretary, Sahu Jain Trust, 18, Institutional Area, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110003. Note: Forms can also be downloaded from website : [www.sahujaintrust.timesofindia.com](http://www.sahujaintrust.timesofindia.com)

### **FORUM FOR RESOLUTION OF DISPUTE IN DIGAMBAR SECT DECLARED ILLEGAL**

Indore, 12, Jun 2014 : The head of Digambar Jain Mahasamiti has declared the Dispute Resolution Forum an illegal body. The legal existence of the forum was questioned and debated by its own members and ultimately divided the sect on technicalities. The present President Shri Sukhmal Chand Jain and Past President Shri Pradeep Kumar Kaslival openly countered each others views. In view of the continuing unpleasantness amongst its members, the forum was ultimately abandoned as illegal. It is unfortunate to note that, the special forum which was promoted by Digambar Jain top leadership for dispute resolution itself became victim of disputes and disagreements.

### **ANUBHA JAIN INNOVATES WITH DENIM SARI**

Monday, 02 June 2014, On finding that there are no great option for young girls to drape in famous nine yards, except one or two labels like Masaba Gupta and Satya Paul offering trendy and quirky designs, Anubha Jain, a design student at Delhi's Pearl Academy, invented the denim sari. She wanted to create something that would attract the young as well as create a wow factor in the world of fashion.



Encouraged by her mentors at the Pearl Academy, she began working with the biggest and recognised denim fabric manufacturer Arvind Mills to realize her dream. The company educated her about the nuances of processes behind dying and washing denim. Using hand dyeing technique, Jain was able to create soft fabric having a tie-dye effect.

The resulting saris were test-driven at the recent DLF Emporio luxury shopping festival, where Jain set up her first pop-up shop selling ensembles for Rs 12,000 onwards. She saw good demand, interestingly from older ladies. However, she would now focus on establishing the product's popularity.

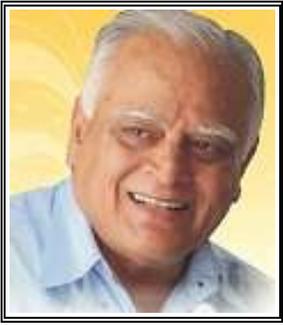
### **PUNJAB MLA JOGINDER PAL JAIN AND FAMILY JAILED FOR DEVELOPING ILLEGAL COLONY**

June 02, 2014, Moga, Punjab, A Moga court sentenced businessman turned politician and Badal Dal MLA from Moga constituency Joginder Pal Jain and his three family members to one year in jail in a case of developing an illegal colony in Moga. Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate Sangeeta Saluja convicted Jain, his wife Swaran Lata, son and daughter. The court also imposed fine of Rs 1,500 on each of them. As the sentence was under three years, the MLA and his family members were granted bail by the court till they file an appeal against the order by July 1 in the session's court. The Punjab Urban Development Authority on August 26, 2007 filed a complaint with the city police for illegally selling plots after developing illegal colony at Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar in Moga city. Meanwhile, Jain's eldest son, another accused in the case, failed to appear before the court and was declared a proclaimed offender. Taking a turn, Jain had resigned from Punjab assembly as well as the Congress and joined Shiromani Akali Dal Badal, and in February, 2014 he successfully contested the by-election on a SAD (Badal) ticket.



### **RELIGIOUS LEADERS PRAY FOR HEALTH OF JAILED SENNA MLA SURESH DADA JAIN**

Mumbai, June 11: Religious leaders of various faiths, recently prayed for the health and well-being of Sureshdada Jain, the Shiv Sena leader of Jalgaon, who has been incarcerated for over 27 months over in connection with the Gharkul Housing Scheme Scam.



He is reportedly facing multiple health issues. The religious prayer meeting titled 'Samudaik Sadbhavana Prarthana' held here in Jalgaon, witnessed participation of religious leaders of various faiths like Hinduism, Buddhism, Muslim, Sikh, Parsee, Christian and Jain, claimed a release on behalf of the leader. These religious heads prayed for the good health, body and mind

of Jain and others including Nana Wani, Raja Mayur and Pradeep Raison who have been in custody. The 1,200 seat Kantai Hall, where the prayer meeting was held was packed to the full and equal number of supporters of Sureshdada Jain was watching the proceedings outside on the television screens. The prayer meeting, organized under the aegis of 'Sureshdada Jain Mitra Mandal' was attended by thousands of prominent personalities in Jalgaon, claimed a release. The religious leaders on this occasion recalled the contribution of Sureshdada for the welfare and development of Jalgaon and prayed that he must come back soon to continue the social work undertaken by him. Speaking on the occasion, the religious heads of different faiths said, "The prayer meeting is organized to pray for Shri Sureshdada Jain, who has immensely contributed in last four decades for not only this city but for rest of Maharashtra. We are sure that our leader is innocent."

They said, "He is 71-years-old and has suffered a lot in the last 27 months in the custody. Our wish is that Shri Jain and others should be healthy and the Almighty gives them strength to endure the life in custody. We have immense faith in our judiciary and will expect justice delivered at the earliest." The organizing committee members said, "We are overwhelmed with the support extended by citizens, who have turned up for this prayer meeting in large numbers. The prayer meeting convinces us that Shri Sureshdada has not done anything wrong." "Our only plea is that he is 71-years-old and has undergone major bypass surgery while in custody. He is suffering from multiple health issues and the prolonged custody has resulted in severe depression. We have full faith in our judicial system and are confident that he will come out of this ordeal," the committee member said. The prayer meeting ended with a rendition of a bhajan, "Itni Shakti Hamen Dena Data.....". Jain is in custody for over two-years-and-three-months and is facing multiple health issues and severe depression. While in custody, he has undergone a major bypass surgery with 7 grafts. Post this major surgery, he developed complications of Ischemic Heart disease (IHD), Urinary Tract Infection (UTI), Electrolyte Imbalance, Irritable Bowel Disease (IBD), Prolapsed Disc, Benign Enlarged Prostate (BEP), Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (PID), according to the release. Sureshdada recently developed intestinal obstruction with chronic constipation and is diagnosed with stomach ulcers.

## **JAIN SHRINE TO GO ON DISPLAY AT NELSON AFTER MORE THAN 80 YEARS**

June 23, 2014, Kansas City, It has been in the collection for ages but has never been displayed. A colorful painted wood Jain shrine, made in India in the 16th century and used for domestic worship, goes on public view in United States (Kansas) Gallery 203 at the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art.

### **Video Presentation Shri Virchand Raghavji Gandhi**

#### **Video (1A)**

The very first introductory documentary on life of Shri Virchand Raghavji Gandhi on "Mangalam Jain TV Show" by Jaina and Prime Minister Narendra Modi's pride and praise speech

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[www.youtube.com/watch?v=G3iOv6zNYbc](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G3iOv6zNYbc)

#### **Video (1B)**

First Documentary Film on Virchand Raghavji Gandhi, Unsung Saga of a Man and Prime Minister Narendra Modi's pride and praise speech  
copy and paste or click the link below  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=oUjkBcmiWsU](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oUjkBcmiWsU)

Courtesy  
Pravinbhai C. Shah, Shri V. R. Gandhi  
scholarship/Memorial Committee



A team of conservators led by Kate Garland has spent the past year removing grime and dirt from the roughly 7-foot-tall shrine using solvent gels and thousands of handmade swabs. And that's not all. When the museum acquired the piece in 1932, the shrine did not have a ceiling, but the Nelson shrine did have a lotus design ceiling panel from another shrine. The museum's designers, working with local contractors, used that panel as a template to create a replica ceiling that fit the Nelson's shrine. "It gives the experience of a shrine as it was intended and includes the symbolic content of the ceiling (lotuses, which represent the floor of heaven). Also, since the ceiling is a replica, we can install lighting into the ceiling panel to illuminate the shrine," said Kimberly Masteller, the museum's curator of South and Southeast Asian art. Masteller says the piece is "an outstanding example of a domestic Jain shrine and one of only seven known in U.S. collections." It consists of a porch frame, supported by two pillars, and two doors, with framing posts and lintels. All are intricately carved and painted with dense ornamentation and charming figures, such as the three monks and two patrons that appear on the lintel.

This shrine would have been used at home in daily veneration of a spiritually advanced exemplar (known as a Jina or Tirthankara) who has been liberated from the cycle of rebirth. A small sculpture of one of the Jinas or Tirthankaras would have been placed inside. The shrine is the centerpiece of a small exhibit, "Revealing a Hidden Treasure: A Jain Shrine From India," which includes a video about the cleaning process and information about how the new ceiling was made. "Revealing a Hidden Treasure: A Jain Shrine from India" will be on display starting June 20 in Gallery 203 at the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, 4525 Oak St. Admission is free. For more information, 816-751-1278 or [www.nelson-atkins.org](http://www.nelson-atkins.org)

#### **HOUSE COLLAPSE INJURES JAIN RELIGIOUS GROUP IN COURSE OF PRAYER MEETING, HOUSTON, TEXAS**



Harris County, Texas, USA, June 26th, 2014, Houston Fire Department informed, at least 125 people had gathered for the religious celebration when the incident of house collapse occurred. Some of the people were in a room above a detached garage when the flooring gave way and collapsed into the garage below. According to witness, everyone was busy praying and the floor just collapsed. Another witness said he heard a large boom. Some of the ladies fell down first. Witnesses said the second floor fell, making a pancake layer onto the first floor. Several people gathered to take the ladies out one-by-one. In all, 50 people were taken

to hospital. Three people suffered serious but not critical injuries, while the others mostly suffered minor injuries. More than a dozen ambulances responded to the scene. Firefighters and emergency crews treated people outside in a makeshift triage area set up in the front yards of nearby homes. Investigators said the apartment unit above the garage was designed to only hold about six people and there were at least 40 people inside when the collapse happened. The people gathered were part of the Indian religion Jainism, one of the four major religions in that country.

**OUR SINCERE PRAYERS ARE FOR QUICK RECOVERY OF ALL OUR FELLOW JAIN MUMUKHSHUS  
AND PP GURU SHREE RAKESHBAI AND GROUP**

Dozens injured when floor collapses during religious gathering at Katy-area home

[www.khou.com/news/local/Garage-apartment-collapses-at-Katy-area-home-264773291.htm](http://www.khou.com/news/local/Garage-apartment-collapses-at-Katy-area-home-264773291.htm)

Jai Prabhu,

A major mishap took place on 26th June, Thursday 12:45 pm local time (11:15 pm IST) at a mumukshu's home in Houston, USA during.

Pratishtha as the first floor collapsed. Pujya Gurudevshri has got minor injuries but with Param Krupalu Dev's grace, He is fine. Some of the other mumukshus present there have been taken to the hospital for treatment; however it is only grace that none of them are critically injured.

Bowing down in reverence and gratitude at the lotus feet of Param Krupalu Dev.

In Seva,  
Trustees

Shrimad Rajchandra Mission Dharampur

## JAIN MINORITY

### JAIN STUDENTS NOW ELIGIBLE FOR PRE-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED BY CENTRAL GOVERNMENT



Students belonging to the Jain community, which is now recognized and approved as minority community can claim the benefit of pre-matric scholarships in Maharashtra. This was confirmed in a notification issued by the Maharashtra Government's School Education and Sports Department on June 4. Under the pre-matric scholarship scheme, the Union Government provides schooling expenses of students belonging to a minority community from Class I to X. The scheme, which was introduced in 2008, has been a huge success in terms of response from minority students. In fact, according to the Ministry of Minority Affairs, in 2008, the Union government had sanctioned over 4.5 lakh pre-matric scholarships across the country, of which Maharashtra alone had sanctioned 55,200 scholarships. Students from the community who have financial problems will find the scheme useful. The scholarship scheme, according to the state notification, would be 100% funded by the Centre from this academic year. Earlier, the funding ratio between the Union and state governments was 75:25.

### SCHOLARSHIPS FROM ARIHANT GROUP

Arihant Group of Institutes Announces 50% & 100% Scholarship for Jain and Open Category students for Pune University Course. i.e. B.Com , BBA , BCA, B.Sc. Computer Science , B.Sc.HS , BA , MBA ,MCA , M.Sc.CS , PGDBM, PGDMLM, B.Ed, 11 std Arts, Commerce & Science Kindly refer for eligibility criteria and last date of Application on our website, [www.arihant.ac.in](http://www.arihant.ac.in) contact details: 9422066618 , 9422025404, 67240900 Please Spread it to all your jain friends who want to scholarship.

## READER'S REACTION

### PLUNDER OF INDIA'S DIGNITY - KAMLESH SHAH - AHIMSA TIMES, JUNE, 2014 ISSUE



Hello Kamlesh, I read your article in Ahimsa Times [www.jainsamaj.org/magazines/ahimsatimesshow.php?id=369](http://www.jainsamaj.org/magazines/ahimsatimesshow.php?id=369). Thank you for bringing attention to this issue in the Jain Community. A few years ago I was in Bangladesh and saw first hand the cattle bought in from India. On Eid, the streets literally flow with blood - I had to stay locked up in our apartment for days to avoid seeing the carnage. The vast majority of these were males. On the whole, these are unwanted "less commercially viable" animals, produced in the Indian dairy sector. According to FAO's 2011 Food Outlook (page 60)

www.fao.org/docrep/014/al981e/al981e00.pdf. "In Asia, India, now the fifth largest beef producing country, has benefited from adequate supplies of cattle for slaughter, partly due to development of the country's dairy sector which has resulted in a growing number of male animals". India will not face "Cattle bankruptcy", at least not from the dairy perspective, all that will happen on legalising the exports, is that Indian beef prices will rise. Is it not better to legalise and control the trade? Please don't misunderstand me, I am not advocating beef consumption. I am merely pointing out that we are the cause of the hinsa. There is no dignity in the dairy industry, what is there to plunder? Jains worldwide are coming to the conclusion that dairy consumption does not meet our ahimsa values and are giving it up altogether. In Ahimsa, Sanjay Jain, Washington DC, E-Mail: sanjayjainuk@yahoo.co.uk

## DEVLOK

### DIGAMBAR MUNI SHRI NIRVAN SAGARJI LEAVES FOR DEVLOK AT THE AGE OF 106



In the late evening of 11th June 2014, the great & senior most Munishree Nirvana Sagarji Maharaj of Digambar Jain Sect left for Devlok at the age of 106 years in District of Khaniyadhana, Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh.

Rajendra Jain 'Mahavir' quoted, Munishri Ji in his entire lifetime never used any pen, spectacles and Microphone.

Information source: Sh. Rajendra Jain, Sanavad, E-Mail : rjainmahaveer@gmail.com, Mob: 9407492577.

## OBITUARY

### JAIN PHILANTHROPIST SHRENIK KASTURBHAI PASSES AWAY

June 19, 2014, Gujarat has lost one of its greatest institution-builders. Shrenik Lalbhai, 88 the father of Arvind Ltd. CMD Sanjay Lalbhai passed away at 7.35 am in the morning on June 19th at Ahmedabad after year long illness. He had been suffering from myasthenia gravis, a condition in which muscles progressively weaken. His body was kept at his bungalow at Koteshwar, near Narayani farms, opposite Apollo hospital, Bhat(Ahmedabad-Gandhinagar highway) where hundreds of prominent Jains from all over the country visited for his last Darshan.



Sanjay Lalbhai shares details of Shrenikbhai's last one year, "He suffered diverticulitis rupture a year ago and was operated in emergency. Later he was suffering from Myasthenia gravis. But he was in good health during last year and was working from home. In last month his health deteriorated. He was admitted to Apollo hospital for first five months and later when his health improved he started working from home.

Gandhian values, simplicity and service to society was his main motive. He worked a lot for Jain community. He is known as prominent leader of Jain community. Shrenikbhai was into social work for last fifteen years. Prior to that he was contributing in the areas of finance and overall strategy. All present companies of Lalbhai Group - Arvind, Atul, Anil Starch were started by his father Kasturbhai Lalbhai, and now they are prospering with fourth generation.

His activities contributing to education, religion, art and museums, charitable institutions will be continued and made proper in future.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi also offered condolences to the departed soul. Offering his condolence, Prime Minister Narendra Modi tweeted, "Shri Shrenik Lalbhai left a distinguished mark through his service to society. May his soul rest in peace. Offered condolences to his family." Gujarat Chief Minister Anandiben Patel expressed grief and sorrow on sad demise of well known educationist Shri Shrenik Kasturbhai. Congress leader Ahmed Patel, Gujarat BJP President Shri R. C. Faldu, Leader of opposition in assembly Shri Shankersinh Vaghela, Gujarat Congress president Arjun Modhwadia, President of Ahmedabad Congress Chetan Raval expressed grief over Shri Shrenik Kasturbhai Lalbhai's departure.

Business background :- Mr. Shrenik Kasturbhai Lalbhai served as the Chairman of Deepak Nitrite Ltd. until 1998. Mr. Lalbhai served at Lalbhai Group of Companies for many years. He was a financial expert and known for upholding the highest virtues. Mr. Lalbhai had been a Director of Nirma Limited Anukul Investments Pvt. Ltd., Able Investments Pvt. Ltd., Animesh Holdings Pvt. Ltd. and Sonalank Investment & Trading Pvt. Ltd. Mr. Lalbhai served as a Director of Deepak Nitrite Limited until May 25, 2011. Mr. Lalbhai was a well known Industrialist and earned an MBA from Harvard University.

Head of Anandji Kalyanji Pedhi :- Shrenikbhai was final decision maker and head of Anandji Kalyanji Trust which is the largest and the oldest Jain trust. The original charitable trust is said to have been founded somewhere in decades of 1630-40 AD by Shantidas Zaveri to manage the Shatrunjaya Palitana temples and is running under name & style of Anandji Kalyanji ni Pedhi of Anandji Kalyanji Trust since decade of 1720. The available documentation takes the history of the trust to samvat 1777 (1720 AD. The name 'Anandji Kalyanji' refer to the role of the trust bringing pleasure and bliss to the Jain pilgrims. A sister organization, Seth Kalyanji Parmanandji Pedhi of Sirohi manages temples at Mt. Abu at Delwada, Bamanvad and Mundalstha. The trust spends more than Rs 15 crore every year in repair works of various Jain temples. The trust members meet twice a year.

Kasturbhai Lalbhai headed the trust for 50 years, followed by Shrenik Lalbhai for 30 years. Samveg Lalbhai now heads the trust. The trust manages the following tirthas or temples. Shatrunjaya, Ranakpur, Girnar, Kumbharia, Taranga (hill shared with Digambaras ), Maksi (shared with Digambaras), Sherisa, Muchhal Mahavir Temple, Chittorgarh Sattavis Dehra Temple, Sammet Shikhar (shared with Digambaras ), Vamaj, Banaras Kothi, Rikhabdeo (shared with Digambaras and Hindus), Shrenikbhai was final decision maker in Ahmedabad's LD Institute of Indology too.

Members and Trustees of Ahimsa Foundation pay respect to the departed soul and offer their condolences. May Shri Shrenikbhai's soul rest in eternal peace and may the Jain community and all loved ones find the strength to bear this personal loss.

## JAIN CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2014

VIR SAMVAT 2540 JAIN CALENDAR VIKRAM SAMVAT 2070

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### ASHADH - JULY 2014 - SHRAVAN

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	
	1 Sud Choth	2 Sud Pancham	3 Sud Chhath	4 Sud Satam	5 Sud Aatham	6 Sud Nom	<b>AVOID GREEN &amp; ROOT VEGETABLES</b> Date : 2   5   8   11   14   16   19   22   25   29
7 Sud Nom	8 Sud Agiyaras	9 Sud Baras	10 Sud Teras	11 Sud Chaudas	12 Sud Poonam	13 Vad Ekam	<b>AVOID ROOT VEGETABLES</b> Date: 3   5   12   13   18   20   30 <b>JAIN FESTIVAL</b> Date: 11 - Chaumasi Chaudas Date: 12 - Guru Purnima
14 Vad Bij	15 Vad Choth	16 Vad Pancham	17 Vad Chhath	18 Vad Satam	19 Vad Aatham	20 Vad Nom	<b>AUSPICIOUS DAY</b> Date : 03 - Mahavirswami Chavan Kalyanak Date : 05 - Neminath Nirvan Kalyanak Date : 11 - Vasupujyu Nirvan Kalyanak Date : 13 - 20 Viharmans Bhagwans Chavan Kalyanak Date: 14 - Shreyansanath Nirvan Kalyanak (Vad Trij) Date : 18 - Anantanath Chavan Kalyanak Date : 19 - Naminath Janma Kalyanak Date : 20 - Kunthunath Chavan Kalyanak Date : 29 - Sumatinath Chavan kalyanak Date : 30 - 20 Viharmans Bhagwans Nirvan Kalyanak
21 Vad Dasam	22 Vad Agiyarsa	23 Vad Baras	24 Vad Teras	25 Vad Chaudas	26 Vad Amas	27 Sud Ekam	
28 Sud Ekam	29 Sud Bij	30 Sud Trij	31 Sud Choth		ASHADH: 1 TO 26 JULY SHRAVAN: 27 TO 31 JULY		

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