



JAIN AHIMSA TIMES

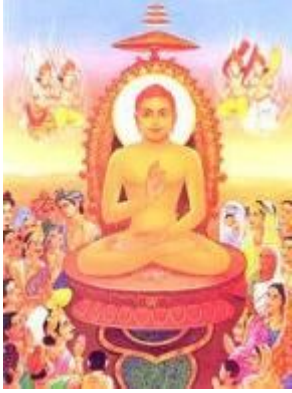
IN COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR 14 CONTINUOUS YEARS
THE ONLY JAIN E-MAGAZINE • WORLD OVER + 100000 READERSHIP



Volume : 135

Issue No. : 135

Month : October, 2011



¤ . . . » * * **Happy Diwali** ** « . . . *¤*

"May the festival of lights be the harbinger of joy and prosperity. As the holy occasion of Diwali is here and the atmosphere is filled with the spirit of mirth and love, here's hoping this festival of beauty brings your way, bright sparkles of contentment, that stay with you through the days ahead.
Best wishes on Diwali and New year".



DIWALI IN JAIN MYTHOLOGY

Diwali is an important Hindu festival although it is observed by the Jains, Sikhs and Buddhists as well. Referred to as the "festival of lights," Diwali marks the triumph of good over evil, and the lighting up of lamps is a custom that stands for celebration and optimism for mankind. Lights and lamps, specifically conventional diyas are an important aspect of Diwali celebrations. Fireworks are connected with the festival almost in every region of India.

Diwali is of great significance in Jainism since on this day Lord Mahavira, the last of the Jain Tirthankaras, achieved nirvana at Pavapuri. As per Jain custom, the principal follower of Mahavira, Ganadhar Gautam Swami, as well achieved absolute wisdom on this same day. Diwali is originally stated in Jain books as the date of the nirvana of Lord Mahavira. The earliest use of the word Diwalior Dipavali appears in Harivamsha Purana composed by Acharya Jinasena, written in Shaka Samvat 705.

How is Jain Diwali Different from Hindu Diwali? The manner in which Jains commemorate Diwali differs in several ways from the one celebrated by the Hindus. There is an element of plainness in whatever the Jains do, and the festival of Diwali is different. The Jains observe Diwali in the month of Kartik for three days and all through this period Jains indulge in fasting and recite the Uttaradhyayan Sutra, in which the final pravachans of Lord Mahavira, are present. They reflect upon his teachings. The Jain year commences with pratipada subsequent to Diwali. Jain businessmen conventionally launch their accounting year from Diwali. Diwali illuminates the temple of heart and reveals the horizon of inner heart. It is Diwali which drenches all living beings with love. Diwali has been observed for fairly a great period of time. But Jains observe it since it marks the Nirvana Kalyanaka of Lord Mahavir. Gautam Swami, the principal Ganadhar, had performed the actual worship of Lord Mahavir. He obtained the Omniscience or the definitive wisdom after the Nirvana of Lord Mahavir. In Mahavir Swami's absence, he grieved to such an extent that his soul became liberated from all the bondages of Karmas. This day is regarded as the 'New Year Day' in a worldly sense. It can also be described as the new beginning in one's life. This festival is observed on the ultimate day of the month of Ashwin. The first day of the month of Kartik, or the subsequent day after Diwali is referred to as the New Year Day.

On the day of the Niravana Kalyanaka of Lord Mahavir, the Jap or chant of 'Shri Mahavir Swami Sarvgnaya Namh' is performed at night and at midnight the Jap or chant of 'Shri Mahavir Swami Parangataya Namh' is performed by the people belonging to the Jain sect. Early in the morning of the New Year Day, the Jap or chant of 20 Navakarvalis or string with

beads is performed. The verse is 'Shri Gautam Swami Sarvgnaya Namh'. The ceremony and meditation should be performed with utmost dedication in order to eliminate the difficulties of life and finally help the soul to attain Moksha.

JAIN TEMPLE NEWS

INAUGURATION OF NAVKAR TEERTH, DELHI SCHEDULED FOR 11TH DECEMBER 2011



The construction of this unique structure, popularly known as Navkar Teerth is in the final stage of completion. This project is completed with the blessings and guidance of Up pravataak Saint Rajendra Muni of Sthanakwasi Jain sect. Upadhyaya Ramesh Muni, Shri Surindera Muni and Deepesh Muni of Sthanakwasi community have also been source of regular inspiration and support for the community members in completing this project. On 11th December 2011 (9.00 AM) the inauguration programme will take place in the auspicious presence of Acharya of Sthanakwasi Sect Dr. Shiv Muniji Maharaj Saheb and his fellow saints.



The programme is expected to be attended by the dedicated followers of Dr. Rajendra Muni and group from all over the country. On this occasion Dr. Shiv Muni and all other saints present will also offer Badi Diksha to a group joining the saint order. Besides several other programmes and medical camps have been organized for the welfare of the local people living around. All guests coming from other cities will be accommodated. If you desire to participate in this process through your contributions, please contact Muni Shri Rajendraji Maharaj Saheb through Mr. Mahendra Doshi, (Treasurer) Mobile No. 9810186553. Address Navkar Teerth - Atishay Kshetra, Ghevra Mor, Rohtak Road, Delhi. (Telephone No's. 9999100877, 9312005891)

MAHAMASTAKABHISHEKA AT VENUR

The Mahamastakabhisheka offering to Shri Bahubali's monolithic statue at Venur will be held from January 28 to February, 2012. A preparatory meeting of the organizing committee was held in Shri Bahubali auditorium in Venur with Shri Kshetra Dharmadhikari Dr D Veerendra Heggade in the chair. Shri Bhattaraka Charukirti Panditacharyavarya Swamiji of Moodbidri Jain Math, scion of Aladangadi Timmannarasa ruling family Dr Padmaprasad Jain, state government's special representative in Delhi and former union minister V Dhananjaya Kumar, Moodbidri MLA and opposition chief whip K Abhayachandra Jain, SCDC Bank chairman M N Rajendra Kumar and others took part in the deliberations and contributed useful inputs and counsel. The Swamiji of Moodbidri Math invoked blessings pointed out that the Mahamastakabhisheka event signified sacrifice. He also said that the shortfalls which might have occurred during the events in the past will not be repeated and gave a call to build a strong society. Courtesy:Yashwant Malaiya, E-Mail: ymalaiya@yahoo.com

सम्मद शिखरजी में होगा 108 इन्द्र -इन्द्रानियों द्वारा सिद्धचक्र महामंडल विधान

परम पवन, महामहिमाशाली, शाश्वत सिद्धक्षेत्र श्री सम्मद शिखरजी (मधुवन) में दिनांक 03 नवम्बर से 11 नवम्बर 2011 तक सातिशय पुण्यार्जन हेतु श्री विद्याभूषण सन्मति सागर जी, श्री संभव सागर जी, श्री चन्द्र सागर जी महाराज मंगल आशीर्वाद एवं परम श्रद्धेय धर्मयोगी संत श्री योगभूषण जी महाराज के सम्प्रेरणा / सान्निध्य में रोग -शोक -भय नाशक, सुख- शांति - समृद्धि प्रदायक श्री 1008 सिद्धचक्र महामंडल विधान महाराधना एवं विश्व शांति कल्याण कमाना नवरत्नीय महायज्ञ का एतिहासिक आयोजन होने जा रहा है. जिसमें पूरे विश्व से 108 जोड़े सम्मिलित होंगे .

आप यथायोग्य सहयोग प्रदान कर " तीर्थ बचाएं - धर्म बचाएं - पुण्य कमायें " के राष्ट्रीय अभियान में शामिल होकर सातिशय पुण्यार्जन करें.. विधान में सम्मिलित होने वाले समस्त इन्द्र -इन्द्रानियों के लिए पूजन सामग्री /वस्त्र , आवास , भोजन की निशुल्क व्यवस्था दानवीर महानुभावों के सहयोग से की गयी है ! विधान में सम्मिलित होने हेतु 09719967108, 09548797918 , पर संपर्क कर अपना पंजीकरण कराके सहयोग करें ! प्रेषक : सतीश सरल , (प्रवक्ता :धर्मयोगी संत श्री योगभूषण जी महाराज) E-Mail : dharmayog999@gmail.com

SAINTS

ACHARYA DR. SHIV MUNI HONOURED WITH TITLE OF "YUG PRADHAN ACHARYA"

On the occasion of his 70th birth day of Shwetambar Sthanakwasi Shraman Sangh Acharya Dr. Shiv Muni was conferred with the title of "Yug Pradhan Acharya" by all the eminent devotees, namely, Shri Dileep Gandhi, M.P., Shri Rajnath Singh

past President of B.J.P., Shri Keasi Mal Ji Burad, national President of Shwetambar Sthanakwasi Jain Conference, Shri Sumati Lal Karnawat, adviser, Shri Rajendra Prasad, national Secretary, Shri Madan Lal JainRaj Kumar Jain, Shri Subhash Oswaland and many other prominent persons, participating in the function. Many devotees, saints and sadhwi, present on the auspicious occasion, expressed their views. Others honoured on this occasion were Dr. Ajit Jain, eminent heart specialist, who had organised the large camp for blood donation, health and heart check-up and Shri Anil Jain, who had performed the 31 days Aimbil tapasya.

पुष्कर जन्मोत्सव समारोह सम्पन्न. 16 प्रांतों के 5 हजार श्रद्धालुओं ने भाग लिया



सूरत, 09 अक्टूबर 2011 हजारों श्रद्धालुओं की आंखें मंच के पार्श्व में लगी विश्व संत उपाध्याय पुष्कर मुनि के विशाल चित्र पर टिकीं थीं। यह अद्भुत नजारा था दिनांक 09 अक्टूबर 2011 को गुजरात के सूरत शहर के श्री महावीर भवन के सन्निकट राजकीय प्राथमिक विद्यालय का। समारोह में प्रातः 8 बजे से ही उपाध्याय पुष्कर मुनि के जयकारे के साथ श्रद्धालुओं का आवागमन प्रारंभ हो गया। समारोह में मेवाड, मारवाड तथा सूरत, गुजरात, सौराष्ट्र, मध्यप्रदेश, पंजाब, दिल्ली, कर्नाटक, हरियाणा, उत्तरप्रदेश, जम्मू कश्मीर, महाराष्ट्र, चंडीगढ़ इत्यादि 16 प्रांतों के 5 हजार से अधिक श्रद्धालुओं ने भाग लिया। समारोह को संबोधित करते श्रमण संघीय

सलाहकार दिनेश मुनि ने कहा कि आज मैं जो कुछ हूँ गुरु पुष्कर की देन हूँ। जो भी श्रद्धालु उनके सम्पर्क में आया उसे उन्होंने रज से रतन बनने का सदुपदेश दिया। वे जप एवं तप के महान आराधक थे। उनकी सबसे बड़ी विशेषता नवकार मंत्र का आमजन को मंगलपाठ देना रहा जिसके कारण अनेक लोग शारीरिक एवं मानसिक रोगों से मुक्त हुए। उनका जबर्दस्त प्रभाव यह रह कि वे जहां भी गए जैनेत्तर लोग भी बड़ी संख्या में उनके भक्त बन गये।

पुष्पेन्द्र मुनि ने कहा कि गुरु की गरिमा हिमालय से उच्च और उज्ज्वल होती है। गुरु पुष्कर ऐसे मुनि थे जो भौतिकता की चकाचौंध से परे आध्यात्मिक उन्नयन की साधना में निरत रहे। उन्होंने जैन एकता के लिए भरसक प्रयत्न किया और बेहतरीन शिष्यों की देन दी। डॉ. द्वीपेन्द्र मुनि ने गुरु बिन घोर अंधार की व्याख्या करते हुए पुष्कर मुनि को सभी विपत्तियों का समन करनेवाला आराधक बताया और कहा कि सच्चा सम्मान भौतिक सम्पदा वालों का नहीं होकर आध्यात्मिक शक्ति सम्पन्न व्यक्तियों का होना चाहिए और वे ही काल के इतिहास में अमर बने रहते हैं। राजस्थान के पूर्व गृहमंत्री व वर्तमान विधायक गुलाबचंद कटारिया ने कहा कि पुष्कर मुनि ने अपने जीवनकाल में साधना को सर्वोच्च प्राथमिकता दी।

इसका प्रभाव यह रहा कि दिल्ली में राष्ट्रपति ज्ञानीजेल सिंह की उपस्थिति वाली धर्मसभा को भी वे ऐन वक्त छोड़ कर साधना में चले गये और घंटे भर बाद पुनः उस सभा में आकर अपनी उपस्थिति दी। वे सच्चे साधक थे। मैंने भी राजनीति में बेदाग जीवन जीने का जो उनसे आर्शीवाद लिया वह अब तक फल रहा है। उन्होंने कहा कि अब हर जगह बोलने वालों की धूम मची रहती है किन्तु देश वाणी के सौदागरों से नहीं बल्कि पुष्कर जैसे संतो के आदर्श से चलता है। समारोह मध्य उपाध्याय पुष्कर मुनि द्वारा रचित 'जैन धर्म में दान' ग्रन्थ का लोकार्पण पूर्व गृहमंत्री गुलाबचंद कटारिया के सहयोग के साथ श्री आनंद कुमार जैन, जवाहर लाल लुंकड व विजय मुणोत परिवार द्वारा किया गया तथा पुण्य पुरुष पुष्कर के विमोचनकर्ता लुधियाना के उद्योगपति विजय जैन व सूरत के उद्योगपति श्री तिलक मादरेचा ने किया।

जैन मुनियो, द्वीपेन्द्र मुनि व पुष्पेन्द्र मुनि के साथ 126 जनों ने सूरत शहर में रक्तदान किया



संघीय सलाहकार दिनेश मुनि ने स्वेच्छिक रक्तदान को मानवता का सबसे बड़ा पुण्य का कार्य बताते हुए कहा कि रक्तदान करने के लिए युवाओं को प्रोत्साहित करना चाहिए ताकि वे प्रेरित होकर रक्तदान करने को स्वेच्छा से आगे आ सकें। सलाहकार दिनेश मुनि रविवार को सूरत शहर के भटार रोड़ स्थित महावीर भवन के 'गुरु पुष्कर देवेन्द्र दरबार' में श्री वर्धमान स्थानकवासी जैन श्रावक संघ, भटार रोड़ द्वारा उपाध्याय पुष्कर मुनि के 102 वें जन्म जयन्ती समारोह के अन्तर्गत आयोजित स्वेच्छिक रक्तदान समारोह में उपस्थित रक्तदाताओं को संबोधित कर रहे थे।

उन्होंने रक्त की प्रत्येक बूंद को मानव जीवन में आशा का संचार करने वाली बताते हुए कहा कि रोग, आकस्मिक दुर्घटना, ऑपरेशन आदि के इलाज में किसी भी व्यक्ति को रक्त की कभी भी आवश्यकता पड़ सकती है। सलाहकार दिनेश मुनि ने रक्तदान के प्रति समाज में व्याप्त भ्रान्तियों को दूर कर लोगों को रक्तदान महादान से जोड़ने की दिशा में आवश्यक प्रचार प्रसार के जरिए लोगों में जनजागृति लाये जाने की आवश्यकता पर बल दिया ताकि अधिक से अधिक लोग स्वेच्छिक रक्तदान के लिए पहल कर सकें। उन्होंने उपाध्याय पुष्कर मुनि का स्मरण करते हुए कहा कि पुष्कर मुनि ने जिस तरह से लोक कल्याण के लिए अपना सर्वाधिक समय व्यतीत किया और जप, तप एवं अध्यात्म से अनगिनत लोगों को स्वस्थ किया उसी तरह हमारा भी दायित्व है कि हम उन गुरु की पवित्र स्मृति में अधिकाधिक रक्तदान कर मानवता की सेवा करें। नवकार महामंत्र की स्तुति से प्रारंभ हुए इस शिविर में दो जैन मुनियो द्वीपेन्द्र मुनि व पुष्पेन्द्र मुनि के साथ 126 जनों ने रक्तदान किया। उल्लेखनीय है कि जैन इतिहास में इन्हीं संतो के नाम दर्ज हैं जो पूर्व में अब तक चार बार रक्तदान कर चुके हैं।

आचार्य श्री विद्यासागर जी तथा ज्ञानमती माता जी का जन्म दिवस शरद पूर्णिमा के शुभ अवसर पर धूमधाम से मनाया गया वाराणसी, श्री दिगम्बर जैन मंदिर नरिया में 108 आचार्य श्री विद्यासागर जी महाराज तथा 105 गणिनी प्रमुख ज्ञानमती माता जी का जन्म दिवस शरद पूर्णिमा के शुभ अवसर पर बड़े धूमधाम से मनाया गया जिसमें भगवान महावीर के समक्ष 108 मंगल दीपों से महाआरती की गई तथा दोनों पूज्य गुरुओं की दीर्घायु की मंगल कामना की गई। इस अवसर पर काशी हिन्दू विश्वविद्यालय के प्रोफेसर कमलेश कुमार जैन ने विचार व्यक्त करते हुए आचार्य श्री की तपस्चर्या एवं जिनधर्म प्रभावना तथा ज्ञानमती माताजी के लेखनकार्य, जम्बूद्वीप रचना एवं तीर्थकरों की जन्मभूमि उद्धार कार्यक्रम पर प्रकाश डाला। बुन्देली कवि श्री बाबू लाल जैन शसुधेश् ने आचार्य श्री के बचपन का नाम शतोताश् तथा ज्ञानमती माताजी के बचपन का नाम शमैनाश् को उद्धृत करते हुए जीवनवृत्तांत पर आधारित शतोता-मैनाश् कविता सुनाई। कार्यक्रम का संचालन तथा आयोजन डा० विवेकानन्द जैन, उप ग्रन्थालयी, काशी हिन्दू विश्वविद्यालय ने किया। इसी अवसर पर भजन संध्या का भी आयोजन किया गया जिसमें महिलाओं एवं बच्चों ने आचार्य श्री तथा जैन धर्म से सम्बन्धित भजन सुनाये। उपस्थिति प्रमुख व्यक्तियों में श्री जय प्रकाश जैन, श्री संजय गर्ग, डा० मनोरमा जैन, श्रीमती शशि जैन, श्री शीलचन्द्र मोदी, श्री अप्पू जैन, श्री आदीश जैन, श्री प्रकाश जैन, श्रीमती जयमाला जैन, कुसुम जैन, लता जैन, प्रीति जैन आदि ने भजन सुनाकर तथा जयकारा लगाकर जैन धर्म की प्रभावना बढ़ाई। कार्यक्रम के अन्त में जिनवाणी स्तुति की गई। From: Vivek Anand Jain, E-Mail : vivek_digora@rediffmail.com

PATTABHISHEKA MAHOTSAVA OF HUMCHA'S NEW BHATTARAKHA FROM 14-17TH NOV

The Pattabhisheka Mahotsava of Vichara Patta Kshullaka Sri Dharmakeerthi Swamiji as the new pontiff of Sri Devendrakeerthi Peetha of Sri Kshetra Humcha will be held from 14th-17th November 2011. This was announced by Sri Vasantha Hombanna a senior member of the Sangami family of the Humcha Jain Mutts tradition at a religious function held at Shravanabelagola under the presence of His Holiness Swasti Sri Charukeerthi Bhattarakha Swamiji of Shravanabelagola Jain Mutt. Latter a formal invitation was offered to Sri Dharmakeerthiji by keeping a tilak on his forehead and a letter stating his appointment as the new Bhattarakha of Sri Kshetra Humcha was handed over to him. Sri D Surendra Kumar of Dharmasthala who happens to be the working president of Sri Kshetra Humcha informed that Sri Dharmakeerthiji will start from Shravanabelagola and reach Humcha on 14th November. His Pura Pravesha to Humcha (entry to Humcha) will be held on 14th November followed by certain religious rituals and the Pattabhhisheka on 17th November. The Pattabhisheka Mahotsava will be held in the presence of Sri Charukeerthi Bhattarakha Swamiji of Shravanabelagola Jain Mutt.

Speaking on the occasion Sri Charukeerthiji said that "for any task to be completed its management is very important. Good people will be able to do good work." Further he blessed Dharmakeerthiji all the success in his role as the new Bhattarakha of Humcha. Speaking on the occasion Sri Dharmakeerthiji "thanked the members of the Jain samaj for choosing him unanimously as the new Pontiff of Humcha". Further, he said that - "he needs the cooperation of all the members of Jain Samaj for the over all development of Sri Kshetra Humcha". Sri S Jitendra Kumar, president of Karnataka Jain Association delivered the welcome address. It can be recalled her that the announcement to anoint Sri Dharmakeerthiji as the new pontiff of Humcha has been made as the seat had fallen vacant since July 14, 2010 owing to the death (samadhi) of its previous Bhattarakha Sri Deevendrakeerthiji Bhattarakha Swamiji.

About Humcha - Humcha or Hombuja or Hunchadakatte is the well known Padmavathi shrine in Karnataka. It is at a distance of 55 Kms from Shimoga the nearest district centre. It can be rated as the most popular abode of all the Padmavathi shrines in the world. Source : Nitin H.P. E-Mail : nitinhp@gmail.com

CONFERENCES & OTHER EVENTS

THE INSTITUTE OF JAINOLOGY LAUNCHES THE JAINPEDIA BETA SITE

The Institute of Jainology launched the beta version of the new JAINpedia website on 14th October at Mumbai's Gallops Banqueting Hall, Mahalaxmi Race Course.

ABOUT JAINPEDIA - The JAINpedia project was created by the IoJ following the successful launch of its publication 'The Catalogue of the Jain Collection at the British Library by the Prime Minister of India Dr. Manmohan Singh in Delhi and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh, at Buckingham Palace. The ambitious JAINpedia project was launched by the IoJ in 2009 to make the Jain manuscripts in major UK collections more accessible through exhibitions, events, and a digitally rich website featuring over 5,000 folios and contextual material. The project has been supported by the Jain community worldwide and the Heritage Grant Fund. It has three main aims; firstly to spread the knowledge of Jainism, secondly to improve community connections, and finally to aid academic research and teaching.

ABOUT THE WEBSITE - This digitally rich website has taken over three years to build, and is the only one of its kind bringing ancient wisdom and teachings of Jainism into the 21st century, ready for consumption world-wide. It not only features over 5,000 universally accessible pages of rare and sacred manuscripts held by the British Library, Victoria & Albert Museum, Bodleian Library and the Wellcome Library in the UK, but also showcases contextual materials; over 10,000 pages of original articles edited by Prof. Nalini Balbir, back issues of the Jain Spirit magazine, a large wealth of images, translations, transcriptions and other resources – making JAINpedia the most authoritative website on Jainism on the net. It will also feature two subsites: Learn Jainism, a dedicated educational interface designed for schools and learners and Jain Spirit a site for the community with articles and event updates of the Project.

In October 2009, an outline presentation of JAINpedia and what it planned to be was given to about 5,000 people at the Yogi Sahbhagruh of Swaminarayan Temple in Dadar. Thereafter, HRH Prince Charles visited the JAINpedia exhibit and saw a demonstration of the site in November, 2010. Since then, the project has grown from strength to strength, with exhibitions at the Victoria & Albert Museum, the British Library and the development of resources helping implement Jainism for school programmes in the UK. For more information on JAINpedia, E-Mail : info@jainpedia.org or contact Mr. Nemu Chandaria, E-Mail : nemuc@hotmail.com

BLOOD DONATION CAMP ORGANISED BY JAIN SAMAJ IN BANGALORE



Bangalore, 17 October 2011: A mega blood donation camp, aimed at creating awareness among society about the importance of donating blood, was organised on Sunday 16th October 2011, by Bangalore Khandelwal Digamber Jain Samaj at Wilson Garden Jain Temple. More than 100 units of blood was collected during the campaign and would be distributed in hospitals across the city. Chief guest of the function Shri Bherulal Ji Gangwal (President Khandelwal Jain Samaj), Shir Mahendra ji Manout (Maruti Medicals) has shown a tremendous gratitude towards the social branch of Khandelwal digamber Jain Samaj for organizing and making it a successful event. Pradeep Dhakara and Abhinav Jain from Jain Samaj gave the vote of thanks for all the donators and Organizers. The camp was being organised to create an awareness among the society on blood donation which was vital to save

precious lives, which were being lost for want of blood. Noting that there has been increase in fatalities due to road accidents, Shri Mahendra Ji said there was great demand for blood in various hospitals. The one-day mega camp was organised to address this issue. All the Donators were thoroughly screened and their hemoglobin count was recorded before they were allowed to donate blood. Dr. said a person could donate blood about four times a year.

PUNE TO HOLD JAIN DOCTORS CONFERENCE

The Jain Doctors' Federation, Pune, will conduct the seventh Jain Doctors' Conference, which will cover topics ranging from "medication to meditation". The two-day conference starting from 22nd October at the Ganesh Kala Krida. According to Dr. Ramesh Ranka, organising chairman of the conference, "The theme of the conference is 'modern medicine and science with spirituality for global health and peace'. Discussions will mainly revolve around the major strengths of modern medicine, its capacity to grow, adapt and accept ideas from other areas of healthcare, including acupuncture, hypnotherapy, homeopathy, ayurveda, nutritional medicine and pirituality." About 2,500 doctors are expected to attend the conference.

JAIN NRI PARICHAY SAMMELAN BY BHARATIYA JAIN SANGHATANA, PUNE

Bharatiya Jain Sanghatana is conducting a Parichay Sammelan for Non Resident Indian marriageable Boys and Girls of the Jain community, on 25th December, 2011 from 9.30 am onwards at "The O Hotel" North Main Road, Koregaon Park, Pune-1. This will provide a common platform for a number of candidates to interact with each other on a single day. It is a social service for Jain youth of marriageable age. Please contact us for any additional information. Bharatiya Jain Sanghatana is a non profit, non political social organization with a National footprint and International recognition, established in 1985 under the leadership of Shri. Shantilal Muttha (Founder and National President, BJS). BJS operates in three major domains of Education, Social Development and Disaster Management and has a large network pan India. Please visit our website www.bjsindia.org to know more about us. Bharatiya Jain Sanghatana, Level 8, Muttha Chambers II, Senapati Bapat Marg, Pune(India)-411016, Website: www.bjsindia.org, E-Mail :: info@bjsindia.org

LONDON, INSTITUTE OF JAINOLOGY CELEBRATES AHIMSA DAY AT THE HOUSE OF COMMONS



London, UK: The Institute of Jainology held its eighth annual Ahimsa (non-violence) Day at the House of Commons. This annual event, sponsored by the Labour, Lib-dem and Conservative 'Friends of India' groups, is attended by MPs, Ministers, Lords, the Jain community and others and celebrates the central Jain tenet of 'non-violence' as a means to peace positivity and prosperity. This year, Mr Phil Wynn Owen: Director General, International Climate Change & Energy Efficiency in the Department of Energy & Climate Change delivered the Keynote on the title: Climate Change & the Contemporary World. Dr Mehool Sanghrajka, Director of Education at the Institute of Jainology responded with the Jain view on Climate Change and

the Contemporary World, signifying that the philosophy of Lord Mahavir directly addressed the problem and its solution, 2500 years ago. The Ahimsa Award for 2011 was given to Mr Nitin Mehta of Croydon, UK, for his contribution to Vegetarianism and compassion for animal life. He is the founder of Young Indian Vegetarians society as well as an active resident of the Croydon Council. The Award was presented by Lady Dholakia on behalf of the Institute.

About IOJ - The Institute of Jainology promotes Jain philosophy and its values of compassion and non-violence towards all living beings through art, culture and education. The Institute has many years of experience in delivering national and international Jain projects. These have included major exhibitions at the V&A (1995), publications of Jain sacred literature with contemporary English commentaries (Tattvartha Sutra, Harper Collins 1994) and an annual Ahimsa (non-violence) Day at the House of Commons. In 2007, HRH Prince Philip launched the Catalogue of Jain Manuscripts of the British Library which was compiled by the Institute over a 12 year period. The Institute also launched Discover Jainism in 2007, a book for teaching Jainism within the English National Curriculum. In 2008, the Institute launched JAINpedia, supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund, to digitise important Jain collections in the UK at the British Library, Wellcome Trust Library, V&A and the Bodleian Library (Oxford) and contextualise them to create a rich online resource for students, scholars and the general public. The online resource will be promoted for 4 years through local and regional exhibitions, school INSET days and events at Jain temples around the UK.

About Ahimsa Day - Ahimsa Day is an annual event at the House of Commons, held in October, which celebrates the central Jain tenet of 'non-violence'. The event, now in its 6th year, attracts MPs, Lords and Ministers who use the day to discuss how current world issues can be considered from an alternative 'compassionate' perspective.

About the Ahimsa Award - The IoJ launched the Ahimsa Award in 2007 after the United Nations declared Mahatma Gandhi ji's birth anniversary as International Ahimsa Day. The award is given to persons who have lived a life exemplifying non-violence and compassion. The first award was jointly awarded to HH The Dalai Lama and Dr Nelson Mandela. HH The Dalai Lama collected his award during his recent visit to London, details here: www.jainology.org From : Jaysukh Mehta, Trustee, Institute of Jainology, E-Mail : jaysukhmehta@googlemail.com, www.jainology.org

WORKSHOP ON CONSERVATION OF TEXTILE MANUSCRIPTS

L. D. Institute of Indology is organising a workshop on "Conservation of Textile Manuscripts", in association with National Mission for Manuscripts, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, New Delhi. Applications are invited from eligible candidates for participating to the Workshop to be organized from Wed. 6 th December to Sun 11th December 2011. Contract for further details, Dr. Dipti Tripathi, Dr. J. B. Shah, Director, National Mission for Manuscripts, L. D. Institute of Indology, 11, Mansingh Road, Near Gujarat University, New Delhi 110001, Ahmedabad, 380009, www.namami.org, www.ldindology.org, E-Mail : director@namami.org, E-Mail : ldindology@gmail.com

MUMBAI TO HOLD ADVOCATE'S JAIN CONFERENCE

Shri 1008 Chandraprabh Digambar Jain Mandir Chaturmas Samiti, 161 Bhuleshwar Road, Mumbai is organising 3rd All India Jain Advocates Conference on the theme " Role of Advocates in Development of Society and Protection of Jain Religion on Sunday , 2nd October 2011. The venue of conference would be Hindi Vidya Bhavan, 79, Marine Drive, F Road, Mumbai - 400020. Contact for more information CS Praveen Kumar Jain, E-Mail : jain_praveen108@yahoo.co.in

SPECIAL HONOUR RECIPIENTS OF THE MONTH

FOREVERMARK ANNOUNCES SACHIN JAIN AS NEW MANAGING DIRECTOR FOR INDIA



Forevermark, a wholly owned subsidiary of the world's largest diamond group, De Beers, announced the appointment of Sachin Jain as Managing Director of the company. Jain replaces Binita Cooper as Forevermark's Managing Director for India, the company said in a statement. Commenting on the development, Forevermark CEO Stephen Lussier said: "Binita Cooper's management experience, passion and professionalism have played a key part in creating the strong, creative and vibrant business that she now hands to Sachin Jain." "We have ambitious plans for Forevermark in India, through 2012 and beyond and Sachin has been instrumental in laying the foundations for them, hence our absolute confidence in him to lead the brand forward," Lussier added.

CAMPAIGN NEED COMMUNITY SUPPORT

SHOW YOUR OPPOSITION TO BRAI BILL - Neha Saigal , Sustainable Agriculture Campaigner, Greenpeace India



Efforts are on to genetically modify our food crops by inserting alien genes from bacteria, viruses etc. which are potentially dangerous for our health and environment. Instead of safeguarding our health, the government is coming up with the Biotechnology Regulatory Authority of India (BRAI) bill, to ease the entry of these genetically-modified (GM) crops into our country.

Over one lakh people have already shown their opposition to this bill, which was represented by the World Record making baingan bharta, in Delhi last month. The bill can be come up anytime in the next Parliament session. We need to strengthen the opposition to this bill to keep our food safe. You should add your signature to the petition asking the Prime Minister to stop the BRAI bill because it threatens our food safety. www.greenpeace.in

Public opposition helped get a moratorium on GM Bt brinjal last year. We can do this again. Lakhs of people opposing the BRAI bill will help put pressure on the PM to act. If created, BRAI will become the sole approver of GM crops in the country. The body cannot be questioned under the Right to Information act, so we'll never find out what goes in our food.

There are 74 GM crops under various stages of research and the BRAI will ease their passage. Show your opposition to the BRAI bill now. www.greenpeace.in

DONATION APPEAL : Greenpeace is independent organisation funded by individuals like you. Your contribution will help further the struggle to save our food. You will also get a Greenpeace organic cotton grocery bag to carry your non-GM, organic groceries as a thank you for your contribution. Click here to chip in. Neha Saigal, E-Mail : Greenpeace.india@mailing.greenpeace.org

REQUEST TO INDIAN RAILWAYS FOR SEPARATE COACHES FOR VEGETARIANS - Pls take some action if your organisation is existing or else ignore this email. While Ticketing in Railway booking through Electronic Computerised booking system we request through our suggestions that vegetarians must be provided reservation in separate coaches. All vegetarians must tick there food choice in reservation forms like senior citizen or lower birth or birth selection options. This way vegetarians can maintain their religious sentiments while traveling in trains like Rajdhani ,Shatabdi and Duronto trains etc... where food and catering is provided. A Vegetarian cannot eat his veg food served sitting side by side along with a Non Veg food eater. From: Vikas Jain, A. P, E-Mail : settlementmaster@rediffmail.com

VEGETARIANS, PLEASE SUPPORT MY VEGGIE FOOD LABELING CAMPAIGN IN THE UK

I'm trying to contact as many vegetarians as possible, to garner support for my recently launched campaign to improve food labeling in the UK. Basically, the idea is to introduce a labeling scheme which would classify all food, drink, and medicines as either non-vegetarian, vegetarian, or vegan. The scheme is inspired by the Indian system of labeling food with either a red dot (non-veg), or a green dot (veg). Whilst traveling in India, it occurred to me that this system is much better, as there is no room for ambiguity and it protects vegetarians from accidentally buying / consuming non-veg food. Central to the campaign is a petition on the government's e-petitions website. I'm hoping to get 100,000 signatures as this will secure a debate in the House of Commons! I would be most grateful if you would support the campaign, and encourage your members to sign the petition. For more information, and a link to the petition itself, please visit: www.veggiefoodlabelling.org If you would be willing to add a link to your site, I'd be happy to reciprocate! With a view to gaining support from the religious groups mentioned above, I would also appreciate any advice or assistance you could give in terms of reaching the wider Asian community. Thanks and Regards, Mark Williams.

स्वामी श्रीरामसुखदासजी महाराज का गोरक्षा के संबंध में देश के संत-महात्माओं से एक निवेदन

सभी साधु-संतोंसे मेरी प्रार्थना है कि अभी गायों की हत्या जिस निर्ममता से हो रही है, वैसी तो अंग्रेजों व मुसलमानोंके साम्राज्यमें भी नहीं होती थी। अब हम सभीको मिलकर इसे रोकनेका पूर्णरूपसे प्रयास करना चाहिये। इस कार्यको करनेका अभी अवसर है और इसका होना भी सम्भव है। गाय के महत्वको आपलोगोंको क्या बतायें, क्योंकि आप तो स्वयं दूसरोंको बतानेमें समर्थ हैं। यदि प्रत्येक महंतजी व मण्डलेश्वरजी चाहें तो हजारों आदमियोंको गोरक्षा के कार्यहेतु प्रेरित कर सकते हैं। आप सभी मिलकर सरकार के समक्ष प्रदर्शन कर शीघ्र ही गोवंश के वध को पूरे देशमें रोकनेका कानून बनवा सकते हैं। यदि साधुसमाज इस पुनीत कार्यको हिन्दू-धर्मकी रक्षाहेतु शीघ्र कर लें तो यह विश्वमात्रके लिये बड़ा कल्याणकारी होगा। अभी चुनावका समय भी नजदीक है। इस मौकेपर आप सभी एकमत होकर यह प्रस्ताव पारित कर प्रदर्शन व विचार करें कि हर भारतीय इस बार अन्य मुद्दोंको दरकिनार कर केवल उसी नेता या दलको अपना मत दे जो गोवंश-वध अविलम्ब रोकनेका लिखित वायदा करे तथा आश्वस्त करे कि सत्तामें आते ही वे स्वयं एवं उनका दल सबसे पहला कार्य समूचे देशमें गोवंश-वध बंद करानेका करेगा। देशी नस्लकी विशेष उपकारी गायोंके वशंतकके नष्ट होनेकी स्थिति पैदा हो रही है, ऐसी स्थितिमें यदि समय रहते चेत नहीं किया गया तो अपने और अपने देशवासियोंकी क्या दुर्दशा होगी? इसका अन्दाजा मुश्किल है। आप इस बातपर विचार करें कि वर्तमानमें जो स्थिति गायोंकी अवहेलना करनेसे उत्पन्न हो रही है, उसके कितने भयंकर दुष्परिणाम होंगे। अगर स्वतन्त्र भारत में गायोंकी हत्या-जैसा जघन्य अपराध भी नहीं रोका जा सकता तो यह कितने आश्चर्य और दुःख का विषय होगा। आप सभी भगवान् को याद करके इस सत्कार्यमें लग जावें कि हमें तो सर्वप्रथम गोहत्या बंद करवानी है जिससे सभीका मंगल होगा। इससे बढ़कर धर्म-प्रचारका और क्या पुण्य-कार्य हो सकता है।

पुनः सभी से मेरी विनम्र प्रार्थना है कि आप सभी शीघ्र ही इस उचित समय में गायोंकी हत्या रोकनेका एक जनजागरण अभियान चलाते हुए सभी गोभक्तों व राष्ट्रभक्तोंको जोड़कर सरकारको बाध्य करके बता दें कि अब तो गोहत्या बंद करानेके अतिरिक्त सत्तामें आरूढ़ होनेका कोई दूसरा उपाय नहीं है। साथ ही यह भी स्पष्ट कर दें कि जनता-जनार्दनने देशमें गोहत्या बंद करानेका दृढ़ संकल्प ले लिया है।

गाय के दर्शन, स्पर्श, छाया, हुंकार व सेवासे कल्याण, सुखद अनुभव, सद्भाव एवं अन्तःकरणकी पवित्रता प्राप्त होती है। गायके घी, दूध, दही, मक्खन व छाछसे शरीरकी पुष्टि होती है व निरोगता आती है। गोमूत्र व गोबरसे पञ्चगव्य और विविध औषधियाँ बनाकर

काममें लेनेसे अन्न, फल व साग-सब्जियोंको रासायनिक विषसे बचाया जा सकता है। गायोंके खुरसे उड़नेवाली रज भी पवित्र होती है; जिसे गोधूलि वेला कहते हैं, उसमें विवाह आदि शुभकार्य उचित माना जाता है। जन्मसे लेकर अन्तकालतक के सभी धार्मिक संस्कारोंमें पवित्रताहेतु गोमूत्र व गोबरका बड़ा महत्व है। गायकी महिमा तो आप और हम जितनी बतायें उतनी ही थोड़ी है, आश्चर्य तो यह है सब कुछ जानते हुए भी गायोंकी रक्षामें हमारे द्वारा विलम्ब क्यों हो रहा है? गायकी रक्षा करनेसे भौतिक विकासके साथ-साथ आर्थिक, व्यावहारिक, सामाजिक, नैतिक, सांस्कृतिक एवं अनेकों प्रकारके विकास सम्भव हैं, लेकिन गायकी हत्यासे विनाशके सिवाय कुछ भी नहीं दिखता है। अतः अब भी यदि हम जागें तो गोहत्याको सभी प्रकारसे रोककर मानवको होनेवाले विनाशसे बचा सकते हैं। गो-सेवा, रक्षा, संवर्धन तथा गोचर भूमिकी रक्षा करनेसे पूरे संसारका विकास सम्भव है। आज गोवध करके गोमांस के निर्यात से जो धन प्राप्त होता है उससे बुद्धि भ्रष्ट हो जाती है। इसलिये ऐसे गोहत्यासे प्राप्त पापमय धनके उपयोगसे कथित विकास ही विनाशकारी हो रहा है। यह बहु तही गम्भीर चिन्ताका विषय है।

अन्तमें सभी साधुसमाजसे मेरी विनम्र प्रार्थना है कि अब शीघ्र ही आप सभी और जनता मिलकर गोहत्या बंद करानेका दृढ़ संकल्प लेनेकी कृपा करें तो हमारा व आपका तथा विश्वमात्रका कल्याण सुनिश्चित है। इसीमें धर्मकी वास्तविक रक्षा है और धर्म-रक्षामें ही हम सबकी रक्षा है। पढ़ें, पढ़ायें, आगे बढ़ायें। प्रार्थी - स्वामी रामसुखदास From: Sojanya Goel, E-Mail : sojanyaqoel@gmail.com

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS CLIPPINGS

STOLEN TIRTHANKAR IDOLS SEIZED

Chennai, September 30, 2011: The Chennai police arrested four men and seized 15 panchaloha idols stolen from a Digambar Jain temple at Ethanemili village, in Villupuram district, on August 29 this year. The idols date back to 1834. Police said on information, a special team nabbed four people waiting near the northern entrance of the Koyambedu bus stand in the city. Police used decoys to keep a tab on suspects and recovered 11 idols on searching their bags. During interrogation, they confessed to have buried four more idols in a farmland in Ethanemili. The idols seized were of Nemi Theethangarar, Vishaya Theerthangarar, Santhi Theerthanayanar, 24th Theerthanayanar, Thagubali Theerthanayanar, and 10 small ones. The arrested were identified as Sundarraj, 25, Murugan, 25, Bagyaraj, 24, and Shanmugam, 28, all from Tindivanam.

EIGHT SILVER IDOLS OF JAIN TIRTHANKARS STOLIN FROM A JAIN TEMPLE AT JAIPUR

JAIPUR, September 24, 2011: Burglars decamped with eight silver idols of Jain deities from a temple in the city. The temple is situated a few kilometers from Sadar and Vidhayakpuri police stations. However, the burglars did not touch the antique idols and other important idols in the temple. It appears the burglars were not professional thieves.

VALUABLES LOOTED AT HISTORIC PARSHWA NATH TEMPLE AT BHADAWATI

In a daring act, burglars targeted the historic Parshwa nath Jain temple in Bhadrawati and decamped with goods worth Rs 26 lakh on the night of 26th July. The theft came to notice on when chief pujari Pundalik Chavarol opened the main door of the temple only to find that one of the side doors was damaged and locks broken. The gold ornaments on Parshwa nath Swami's idol and silver canopy over it were missing. The donation box was also broken and the cash inside was stolen. The alarmed pujari immediately informed the matter to the trustees of the temple, who in turn intimated Bhadrawati police. Sniffer dogs were pressed into action by the police, while finger print experts were called in. It appeared that the thieves had also severed the cables of CCTV installed inside the temple. According to police, the thieves decamped with goods collectively worth Rs 25.97 lakh from the temple. It included gold ornaments (935 grams) worth Rs18.70 lakh, silver canopy weighing around 11 kg worth Rs 5.57 lakh and cash from donation box amounting to Rs 1.70 lakh. The thieves however left several valuables including silver wares, some ornaments installed with gems. Bhadrawati is a holy town having revered Jain, Buddhist and Hindu temples. The Parshwa nath temple targeted by the thieves is over a century old, while the idol of Parshavanath Swami is believed to be over 2,700 years old. Devotees of both Swetambar and Digambar sects of the Jain community revere the place. The police are investigating the case from all possible angles.

AHMEDABAD CRIME BRANCH ARREST TEMPLE THIEVES

Ahmedabad, October 19, 2011 : Crime Branch officials arrested a man who was in the city to sell precious metal artifacts stolen from the Jain temple in Pamol village, Vijapur taluka. The man identified as Naresh Parmar, 27, is a resident of Poojanagar Society, near Narol court of the city. The police recovered a bag containing artifacts worth Rs 90,000 which were stolen from the temple. The DCB received a tip-off informing them of Parmar's whereabouts near Narol Circle. The cops rushed to the area to catch hold of the man before he was able to sell the stolen works of art. In the theft which took

place at the temple earlier in July, artifacts worth Rs2.4 lakh were stolen, of which objects worth Rs 90,000 were recovered by DCB.

POLICE RECOVERS STOLEN IDOLS FROM AN INDORE FLAT

Indore, October 12, Police recovered six idols, believed to have been stolen from various Jain temples, from a flat in Mahesh Yadav Nagar area of the city and have detained two persons in this connection. According to police, the idols were recovered when they were conducting a search operation for stolen gold in another case. Police said the idols were stolen from Jain temples in Ujjain last month when curfew was in place during the communal unrest.

DACOITS LOOT JAIN PILGRIMS WHILE RETURNING FROM KSHTRA KUND

Eighteen Jain pilgrims returning from Kshtriya Kund, the birth place of 24th Tirthankar, Bhagwan Mahavir were stopped on the way, while passing through a deep jungle, in their vehicles and looted by armed dacoits, who ran away with their cash, gold ornaments, mobile phones, watches and other belongings worth about Rs. four lakh. The pilgrims belonged to Hyderabad, Nagpur, Jodhpur and Chennai. The dacoits beat the drivers of the vehicles as well as the pilgrims.

BOOKS ON JAINISM

SACHITRA JAIN DARSHAN - The book Sachitra Jain Darshan authored by Praveen Jain Kochar is being launched on 16th October at Pune in the holy presence of Maharajsaheb Param Pujya Naypadmasagar ji, the founder, mentor and conceptualiser of JITO on special occasion of the conference of International Jain Doctors Federation. The book is available online on the following link www.jainastrology.com, Source : Dr Praveen Jain Kochar, 099999-22277

VYAVAHARA BHASYA PITHIKA - BY Professor Willem Bollée, Prakrit text in Roman + English translation, commentary and notes Edited, translated and annotated by Willem Bollée, Pandit Nathuram Premi Research Series Volume 4, First printed in 2006, reprinted in: 2012 22 x 17 cm 132 pages , ISBN 978-81-88769-70-4 Paperback Rs. 500.

This is a masterpiece from Professor Willem Bollée. In this masterly translation, Bollée brings to light the "Vyavahara Bhasya", a Jain canonical work dealing with monastic jurisprudence and code of discipline. The edition is richly annotated and copiously supplemented with extracts from Malayagiri's "Vivarana" on "Vavahara" and annexed with a glossary of selected words; padas and thematic indices. The Sramanas or Nirgranthas shared a number of features with Buddhists and Ajivikas. Jains examined the ethical and eschatological implications of all human activities of mind, speech and body and developed elaborate rules regulating every aspect of the behaviour of monks and nuns. These rules depended upon the ascetic lineage, [guru parampara], socio-political conditions of the time and local influences. These rules were given the shape of fixed codices and became central to Jain monastic discipline and jurisprudence. It is a part of the 'Cheda Sutra' of the Shvetambara canon. Cheda Sutras are usually six in number and comprise of: Nishitha Sutra, Mahanishitha Sutra, Vyavahara Sutra, Acara Dasha, Brhat Kalpa and Jita Kalpa. Cheda Sutras are normative texts that prescribe rules for monastic behaviour covering all possible transgressions. They are supposed to be studied by advanced monks and not novices. The present text deals with diverse aspects of monastic conduct, rules of circumspection and self-control providing a scriptural framework for the conduct of a Jain monk's life.

HEALTH CARE

RAW VEGETABLES AND FRUIT 'COUNTERACT HEART RISK GENES



Experts recommend eating at least five portions of fruit and veg a day for good health. People who are genetically susceptible to heart disease can lower their risk by eating plenty of fruit and raw vegetables, a study suggests. It says five or more daily portions should be enough to counteract culprit versions of a gene on chromosome 9, thought to be possessed by a fifth of people of European ancestry. Healthy diets appeared to weaken its effect. The US researchers investigated more than 27,000 people for their work. The findings were published in Plos Medicine journal. These participants came from around the globe, including Europe, China and Latin America. The results suggest that individuals with high risk 9p21 gene versions who consumed a diet packed with raw vegetables, fruits and berries had a similar risk of heart attack as those with a low-risk variant of the same gene. Continue reading the main story Five a day, Foods that count:

- Fresh fruit and vegetables
- Frozen fruit and vegetables
- Dried fruit, such as currants, dates, sultanas and figs
- Tinned or canned fruit and vegetables
- Fruit and vegetables cooked in dishes such as soups, stews or pasta dishes
- A glass (150ml) of unsweetened 100% fruit or vegetable juice
- Smoothies
- Beans and pulses; these only count as one portion a day, no matter how many you eat

Researcher Prof Sonia Anand, of McMaster University, said: "Our results support the public health recommendation to consume more than five servings of fruits or vegetables as a way to promote good health."

The scientists, who also included staff from McGill University, say they now need to do more work to establish how diet might have this effect on genes. Judy O'Sullivan of the British Heart Foundation said the findings should serve as a reminder that while lifestyle and genes could increase heart risk, the way the two interacted with each other was also very important.

"The relationship between the two is often very complicated and we don't yet have all the answers, but the message appears to be very simple - eating lots of fruit and vegetables is great news for our heart health." From: Dr. Sulekh Jain, E-Mail : scjain@earthlink.net

BEWARE: EXCESS PARACETAMOL MAY LEAD TO CANCER

Scientists working at the well-known Hachison Cancer Research Centre at Seattle in USA have established that the commonly used medicine as a pain reliever, Paracetamol, which contains 'Acetaminophen' may lead to blood cancer. The study carried out on 65 thousand persons during the last ten years have shown the symptoms of blood cancer on 577 patients. This study has given a new turn in the field of cancer research.

DANGEROUS CHEMICAL USED TO PROCESS SOY

A new report from the nonprofit Cornucopia Institute finds that many veggie burgers, meatless chicken patties and soy-based snack bars contain a dangerous neurotoxin called hexane. The report says food manufacturers bathe soy in this poison to help separate it into oil, protein and fiber. And this chemical can linger right up to the point where you bite into your flavorless, meatless nuggets. Yum, yum - hungry yet? The hexane itself actually comes from petroleum, so you know it must be tasty and healthy. The Environmental Protection Agency considers hexane to be a hazardous air pollutant. That's right - forget eating it, you shouldn't even inhale the vapors. It's so toxic that the Nazis actually injected a related chemical, benzene, into concentration camp victims. Soy is bad enough for you... it mimics estrogen so well that the body actually thinks it's getting an extra hormone boost. And believe me, you don't need it. It's making women sick and turning men into weepy, boob-growing shemales. Add hexane to the mix, and you don't have a meal. You have a death wish. If you're really craving a burger, skip the soy and come back to the real thing. You can't beat it for taste and health, and most vegans know it - even if they won't admit it. Why else would they put so much time and effort into trying to recreate it? Source : Mr. Satyesh Bhandari, E-Mail : Satyesh.Bhandari@ril.com

READERS NOTES', (We do not edit this section - Editor)

RESTRICTION ON NIGHT FOOD AT RELIGIOUS PLACES

Dear Sir, I am making a humble request to your foundation to publish article or spread news to all our jain religious organisation to stop night food at least at all religious places. Slowly and gradually we are loosing our culture of jainism. If any organisation celebrate their night food after sunset, we should agitate or oppose their thoughts. We should approach and request to all our saints or dharma guru to elaborate this matter in such a way that a Jain can understand the dignity of Jainism. Whether its Digamber or Swetamber or Terapanth, we should unite on this point that we shall not eat in night after sun set at least in any religious place. Every man has his own opinion and he can proceed accordingly, but as a group at religious places, we should understand our culture and gravity of Jainism.

At present whole world is changing dramatically. And our coming generation are not aware sincerely with our culture and gravity of Jainism because of their studies. But if, we at least say them that they care about not to eat in night at any religious places, whether its a celebration by any organisation or individual. I, believe that our coming generation will honour our words to them. And every time they will take care whenever they are going to any religious place. Religious

places are made purely for peace and honesty. If a person start to follow at least of these things, it means he has accepted jainism in his mind. I hope, you will help our societies by spreading and publishing such messages to save the purity and dignity of our religious places. Pradip Kochar, 9433056054, Member: Jain Swetamber Mitra Mandal, Shree Mahaveer Jain Mandal, Trustee: Bhomiaji Bhawan (Jain Swetamber Shree Sangh), E-Mail : faexim@yahoo.co.in

DEVLOK GAMAN

Shwetambar Sthanakwasi Jain Sadhwi Shri Sumati Kunwar Ji Maharaj, aged 86 years, disciple of Sadhwi Shri Yash Kunwar Ji Maharaj left for her heavenly abode on the 15th October, 2011 at Bhilwara in Rajasthan. She had accepted Jain santhara 33 days back. During the funeral procession, her body was carried in a decorated 'baikunthi' in a sitting posture so that the devotees could easily pay their homage and pray. The procession moved through the streets of Bhilwara town with the devotees chanting Namokar Mantra and religious slogans. At the front end band played Jain prayers and hundreds of devotees, along with horses, elephants and camels formed the procession.

SAD DEMISE

Mr. Bal Patil left for havenly abode on 7th October after prolonged illness at Mumbai. He was crusader of Jain Community and its causes. As a trustee and advisor of Ahimsa Foundation / Ahimsa Times, he provided valuable guidance, support and direction to the foundation. In his death the Jain Community has lost a precious gems stone. His scholarly knowledge and community service will be missed for a very long time. He was the man behind the Jain minority cause. We pray for the departed soul. For a brief glimpse of his life, please look up www.en.wikipedia.org

BAL PATIL

19th November, 1932 - 07 October, 2011



Born 19th November, 1932 at Sangli. Graduated with Honours in English literature and German as Second language. Writer, Researcher, Social Activist & Journalist since 1960. Reviewer & contributor to The Indian Express, The Times of India, The Economic Times. Interviewed by The Times of India for its Sesquicentennial (150th Anniversary) Special Issue on his Letters to the Editor, published in The Times of India from 1954 to 1988.

Was Secretary in charge of Publications Committee constituted under the Chief Editorship of Dr. A. N. Upadhye, internationally eminent Prakrit Jain scholar and a former President of the All-India Oriental Conference on the occasion of the Bhagwan Mahavira 2500th Nirvana Anniversary in 1974 in the Government of India National Committee with the then Prime Minister, Indira Gandhi as the President. The Editorial Board consisted of eminent Jain scholars, Dr. Mohanlal Mehta, Dr. Nathmal Tatia, Pt. Dalsukh Malvania, Dr. Nemichandra Shastri and Pt. Kailashchandra Shastri. The collection of articles by Indologists, Jainologists of international and national eminence was published as Mahavira and His Teachings.

His translation from Hindi into English Dr. Hiralal Jain's (a former General Editor of Bharatiya Jnanapitha with Dr. A. N. Upadhye) Yugon Yugon men Jain Dharma as Jainism Through the Age is due for publication. JAINISM (published by Macmillan in 1974) which he has co-authored with Dr. C olette Caillat, Member of Institut de France, Paris and Dr. A. N. Upadhye, a former President of the All-India Oriental Conference consists mainly of his translation from French of Dr. Caillat's monograph on Jainism is due for reprint by M/s. Munshiram Manoharlal, Delhi.

Bal Patil was invited to attend the 12th Biennial JAINA (Jain Associations of North America) Convention on Art of Living held at Cincinnati, Ohio, USA from 3-6th July, 2003 to speak on Jain Minority Status in India Participant and speaker in the 7th Jaina Studies Workshop at SOAS on 17-18.3.2005 on Jaina Law and Jaina Community, Faculty of Arts and Humanities,

Department of the Study of Religions, Centre for Jaina Studies, SOAS, University of London, & Department of Indic Religion, Centre for theology and Religious studies, University of Lund.

Participated and presented a paper on the Evolution of the Sramanic Jain Tradition and Its Impact on Indic Civilisation & Religious Fundamentalism in the XIXth World congress of the International Association for the History of Religion, Tokyo, Japan, 24-30 March, 2005.

His English translations of Dr. Ludwig Alsdorf's German Beitrage zur Geschichte von Vegetarismus und Rinderverehrung in Indien and French Les Etudes Jaina, Etat Present et Taches Futures are presently being edited for publication by Dr. Willem B. Bollee, Indologist. His book Jaya Gommatesha! was published recently by Shri Manish Modi of Hindi Grantha Karyalaya Mumbai. The Foreword is by Prof. Colette Caillat, Membre de l'Institut de France. The book gives a general view of the beginnings of the Shramanic Jainism, essential tenets its doctrine, in particular, of ahimsa, the Jain Tirthas and the Tirthankars, of old canonical texts. Jaya gommatesh manily focusses on Shravana Belagola, on the history of Gommateshvara and the colossal statue of Gommateshvara (Bahubali) the first Mahamastakabhisheka in the 21st century is being celebrated in February 2006. The book has been published with the blessings of Sri Jagadguru Krmayogi Swastishree Charukirity Bhattaraka Swamiji of Shravana Belagola who released it formally on 13th February, 2006.

His booklet Supreme Court's volte face On Constitutional Amendment was published by the Government of Maharashtra in 1980. My researches on abolition of capital punishment are noted by the 150-year old Howards League for Penal Reform, London, and the Amnesty International, as also by eminent British jurists Lord Justice Scarman and Dr. Sir Leon Radzinowicz, an eminent criminologist and a former Director of the Institute of Criminology, Cambridge, and the mss remains unpublished.

Was the first non-medical President of the National Society for the Prevention of Heart Disease & Rehabilitation, Mumbai. Was the Jt.Hony. Secretary and Founder-Member of the Committee for the Advancement for Legal Literacy formed under the auspices of the High Court at Bombay under the Presidentship of Justice P.B. Sawant, retired Supreme Court Judge and ex-Chairman of the Press Council of India. This Committee published a series of five booklets on Women and Law in English, Marathi and Gujrathi aided by the Government of India Legal Aid Scheme.

Was a Member of the Legal Cell to Supervise Important Litigation constituted by the Government of Maharashtra 1981-82. Was a Member of the Media Expert Committee on Health & Family Welfare of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India during 1994-96. Honoured with the prestigious Karmaveer Bhaurao Patil Award in 1995 for social service by the premier social and religious Jain organisation Dakshin Bharat Jain Sabha. He is now the Chairman of the Jain Minority Status Committee, Dakshin Bharat Jain Sabha.

He is pursuing Jain Minority Status Petition in the Supreme Court of India for the recognition of Jain religious minority status on par with Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist and Zoroastrian (Parsi) as per the Government of India Notification under the National Minority Commission Act 1992 as recommended twice by the National Minorities Commission, Government of India. Presently a Member of the Maharashtra State Minorities Commission, Government of Maharashtra representing Jain community in Maharashtra State. Thanks to his sustained efforts as a Member of the Commission The Govt. of Maharashtra declared Minority status for the Jain community in Maharashtra State.

Address : 54, Patil Estate, 278, Javji Dadaji Marg, Mumbai-400007. India, Tel:Res.91 022 23861068, (o)91 022 23893030, Mobile 91 022 98692 55533, E-Mail : balpatil@globaljains.com

JAIN FESTIVALS

NOVEMBER 2011 - DR. RAJENDRA MUNI, NEW DELHI



S. No.	Date	Parv	Hindi Dates
1	07.11.2011	Arah nath Kewal Gyan Kalyanak	Kartika sudi - 12
2	08.11.2011	Amrit sidhiyog	
3	10.11.2011	Chaturmas Samapan	Kartika sudi- 15

4	10.11.2011	Veer Loka Shah Jyanti	Kartika sudi- 15
5	10.11.2011	Pakshik Parva	Kartika sudi - 15
6	12.11.2011	Amrit sidhiyog	
7	14.11.2011	Amrit sidhiyog	
8	16.11.2011	Suvidhi nath Janm Kalyanak	Margashirsawadi- 05
9	17.11.2011	Suvidhinath Diksha Kalyanak	Margashirsawadi-06
10	20.11.2011	Mahavir Swami Diksha Kalyanak	Margashirsawadi- 10
11	21.11.2011	Padam Swami Moksh Kalyanak	Margashirsawadi - 11
12	24.11.2011	Pakshik Parva	Margashirsa wadi-14

SAD DEMISE

KARNATAKA MUSIC ERA OF SURESH JAIN ENDS

Noted Jain Kannada film personality, Suresh Jain passed away at 52. He died at his residence around in Kathriguppa due to kidney ailment. A struggler for achievement Suresh Jain underwent heart surgery a few years back and he was down physically from the time he started 'Chiru' Kannada film. He owned Jhenkar Audio and Mars Recording Studio for last 30 years. He has left behind his wife, two sons and a daughter. His business owns hundreds of Kannada films audio rights and basic programs. He has produced Kannada films like Pritislebeku, Ninagoskara, Mussanje Mathu (super hit film starring Sudeep and Ramya) and recently he made 'Chiru'. Always going in for new style and system Suresh Jain made a strong foothold in the audio business. The cremation was performed as per Jain rituals and traditions in Bengaluru. We deeply mourn the demise of Suresh Jain.

DISCLAIMER - Although AHIMSA TIMES NEWS uses its best efforts to ensure the accuracy of the content on the site, sometimes, errors, mistakes or inaccuracies may creep in inadvertently. We make no guarantees as to the accuracy, correctness or reliability of the contents. We may also change the content of this site, at any time, without prior notice. In no event shall Ahimsa Times be liable to anyone for any damages of any kind arising out of or in connection with the use of this service. You agree to indemnify and hold Ahimsa Times harmless from any and all claims, liabilities, damages, costs and expenses including lawyer's fees, arising from any use of any information from this. We also request all over readers to inform us of any inaccuracies, omissions and errors etc. noticed by them so that necessary corrections can be timely incorporated.

WE HEARTILY WELCOME FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS WHO HAVE JOINED WWW.JAINSAMAJ.ORG DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2011

1. Bhuvnesh Kumar Jain, Digambar, Tonk, Service
2. Ashish Jain, Digambar, Lalitpur, Uttar Pradesh, Business
3. Anil Kumar Kothari, Swetambar, Guwahati, Assam, Student
4. Bijay Singh Shyamsukha, Swetambar, Durgapur, West Bengal, Business
5. Vikas Jain, Digambar, Newai, Rajasthan, Service
6. Paras Nandram Dhoka, Digambar, Lambodi, Rajasthan, Business
7. Kamlesh Amarchand Sethiya, Swetambar, Nashik, Maharashtra, Service
8. Dr. R. K. Jain, Swetambar, Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Medical
9. Chintan Kumar Sheth, Swetambar, Mumbai, Maharashtra, Business

World Jain Directory
Place request to add
your free listing in
World's largest Jain
Directory on
www.jainsamaj.org
Click here to submit
FORM

10. Kamallesh Khicha Jain, Swetambar, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, Business
11. Poonam Chand Kocheta, Swetambar, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, Socialwork
12. Sanjay Jaskaran Anchalia, Swetambar, Pune, Maharashtra, Business
13. Pyare Lal Vaya, Swetambar, Kota, Rajasthan, Scientist
14. Rajesh Kumar Bucha, Swetambar, Guwahati, Assam, Finance
15. Tarun Sancheti, Swetambar, Koshi, Nepal, Business
16. Surendra P. Lodha, Swetambar, Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Management
17. Anil Kumar Gang, Swetambar, Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Service
18. Suresh Kumar Jain, Digambar, Mysore, Karnataka, Industrialist



BRIDES

1. Rangoli Jain, 31, Digambar, Bina, Madhya Pradesh, Computer
2. Shobha Jain, 41, Swetambar, Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Divorcee
3. Aastha Parakh, 42, Swetambar, Ajmer, Rajasthan, Service
4. Ruchi Bhandari, 30, Swetambar, Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Service
5. Tanu Sankhla, 23, Swetambar, Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Service
6. Richa Jain, 23, Swetambar, Mumbai, Maharashtra, Engineering
7. Sweetly Jain, 24, Swetambar, Bhilwara, Rajasthan, Divorcee
8. Stuti Jain, 24, Digambar, Jagdalpur, Chhatisgarh, Others
9. Priya Jain, 24, Digambar, Agra, Uttar Pradesh, Engineering
10. Harsha Surana, 24, Swetambar, Surat, Gujarat, Engineering
11. Hansika Jain, 22, Swetambar, Faridabad, Haryana, Engineering



GROOMS

1. Cma Abhishek Jain, 25, Swetambar, Pune, Maharashtra, Service
2. Jitendra Sancheti, 29, Swetambar, Aurangabad, Maharashtra, Engineering
3. Kamlesh Sethiya, 31, Swetambar, Nashik, Maharashtra, Service
4. Kamesh Shah, 23, Swetambar, Godhra, Gujarat, Computer
5. Abhishek Kumar Jain, 26, Digambar, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh, Business
6. Amit Kumar Jain, 34, Digambar, Dehradun, Uttarakhand, Business
7. Ankit Jain, 29, Digambar, Fort Kochi, Cochin, Business
8. Neeraj Jain, 32, Swetambar, Ludhiana, Punjab, Service
9. Anil Kumar Jain, 29, Swetambar, Pune, Maharashtra, Business
10. Atul Kumar Shah, 40, Swetambar, Bhavnagar, Gujarat, Business
11. Girish Kumar Jain, 49, Digambar, Ajmer, Rajasthan, Engineering
12. Ritesh Kumar Jain, 31, Swetambar, Shakarpur, Delhi, Service
13. Paras Jain, 36, Digambar, Nowgaon, Rajasthan, Business
14. Avinash Mehta, 30, Swetambar, Bhilwara, Rajasthan, Others
15. Bhawesh Shah, 28, Swetambar, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, Business
16. P. C. Jain, 29, Swetambar, Ludhiana, Punjab, Service
17. Amit Kumar Jain, 31, Digambar, Kurawali, Uttar Pradesh, Others
18. Manish Jain, 39, Swetambar, Houston, Usa, Business
19. Shailesh Mandesa, 33, Swetambar, Bhayander, Maharashtra, Service
20. Naval Kumar Jain, 26, Swetambar, Patiala, Punjab, Others
21. Prashant Maloo, 27, Swetambar, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, Service
22. Rahul Jain, 27, Swetambar, Kota, Rajasthan, Engineering
23. Narendra Jain, 27, Swetambar, Barmer, Rajasthan, Computer

Jainsamaj Matrimonial Database

For widest matrimonial choice
add. your profile on
www.jainsamaj.org
for Rs. 850/-for one year.
Click here to submit profile
FORM

24. Viral Shah,32,Digamber,Ahmedabad,Gujarat,Service
25. Rakesh Kumar Jain,30,Swetamber,Jagraon,Punjab,Business
26. Akshay Kiran Shah,23,Swetamber,Pune,Maharashtra,Engineering
27. Rohit Jain,26,Swetamber,Chickmagalore,Karnataka,Business
28. Rahul Chhajer,30,Swetamber,Jaipur,Rajasthan,Industry
29. Hardik Shah,29,Swetamber,Surat,Gujarat,Service
30. Mukesh Kumar Kukada,32,Swetamber,Rawatbhata,Rajasthan,Widow
31. Prateek Dharmawat,26,Swetamber,Udaipur,Rajasthan,Others
32. Bhaskar S.Roy,51,Digamber,Kolkata,West Bengal,Service
33. Mohit Jain,22,Swetamber,Bhilwara,Rajasthan,Service
34. Davendra Jain,42,Swetamber,Ajmer,Rajasthan,Others
35. Tushar Jain,29,Digamber,Faridabad,Haryana,Others
36. Lokmani Jain,30,Digamber,Firozabad,Uttar Pradesh,Computer
37. Rakesh Jain,22,Digamber,Bhilwara,Rajasthan,Engineering

JAIN BUSINESS DIRECTORY -WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS – OCTOBER 2011

1. Durga Fine Chem,Secunderabad,Andhra Pardesh,Chemicals
2. Jain Sweet House,Ghaziabad,Uttar Pradesh,Food
3. Navkar Travels,Mumbai,Maharashtra,Travel
4. Vimalnath Auto Parts,Ahmedabad,Gujarat,Trading
5. Only Heaters Mumbai,Maharashtra,Household Items
6. M/S Kavita & Co.,Jodhpur,Rajasthan,Food
7. Skarb & Skarb,Raja Naagar,Delhi,Air Charters
8. Sancheti Tea Industry,Koshi,Nepal,Industry
9. Kreative,Bhopal,Madhay Pradesh,Entertainment
10. Tushar Jain & Associates,Faridabad,Haryana,Chartered Accountants
11. Navkar Travels,Mumbai,Maharashtra,Travel
12. Shah Brothers,Mumbai,Maharashtra,Miscellaneous

Promote and Inter Society Business
Jain World Business
Directory
www.jainsamaj.org
Free Business Listing only for Jain
Organizations Around The World
Click here to submit your company
profile
ENTRY FORM

Advertisement Tariff - "AHIMSA TIMES"



MAIL YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS FOR FREE COPY OF "AHIMSA TIMES" AND OTHER JAIN CIRCULARS

