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Pious Chatur Maas began from the pious day of Ashadh Sud-11 Ekadashi. Bhagwan Shree Swaminarayan has shown us simple and easy way for performing special Bhakti. By performing Mala, Kirtan, Bhakti, reading of the scriptures, Sastang, Dandwat Pranam etc. any one from the eight rules should be vowed. All these rules are not very difficult because Bhagwan has granted them in very simple forms. This time there would be Adhik Bhadarva Purushottam Maas and thereby we would get one more month to perform special Bhajan and Bhakti. Fortunately we have got divine Satsang.

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, Adhik Bhadaravo Purushottam Maas would be celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupur, Ahmedabad, in the pious company of Shree Narnarayandev. So all the devotees and Haribhaktas may avail the benefit of this divine occasion.

Editor Mahant Swami Shastri Swami Harikrishn

Devotees rendering services as Host during the pious Adhik Purushottam Maas

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, beautiful arrangement of celebration of all Utsav has been made during the pious Adhik Purushottam Maas (Adhik Bhadarvo) in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupur, Ahmedabad, in the pious company of Shree Narnarayandev. So the devotees desirous of rendering their services as hosts of these Utsav, may register their names in Kothar Office.

-Kothari Swami

Our Future Festivals

Shravan Sud-8: 26/07/2012 Thursday, Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Delhi.

Shravan Vad-5: 07/08/2012 Tuesday, Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan

temple, Jaipur.

Shravan Vad-8: 10/08/2012 Friday, Shri Krishna Janmastmi, Samaiyo of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Muli.

Appointment Diary of H.H. Acharya Maharaj 1008 ShriKoshalendraprasadji Maharajshri



29th May to 12th June 2012
Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, New Jersey
(America) (first temple of I.S.S.O.) on the occasion of
Rajat Jayanti Mahotsav.

(June-2012)

- 13-14 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Anjar (Kachchh) on the occasion of Patotsav.
- 15. Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Khokhra, on the occasion of Patotsav.
- 16. Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Vadnagar, on the occasion of Patotsav.
- 18. Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Mota Dharoda (Panchmahal) on the occasion of Satsang Sabha.
- 21. Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Dangarva.
- 22. Graced the house of the devotee Shri Jigarbhai Dipakbhai, village Kubadthal.
- 22-23-24 Graced Satsang Shibir in Mumbai organized by Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal (Rajasthan).
- 26. Performed Shodasopchar Abhishek of Shree Narnarayandev in Shree Swaminarayan Museum organized by the devotee Shri RAtibhai Khimjibhai Patel (Trustee).
 - Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Sanand, on the occasion of Patotsav.

New Address to send articles, news, photographs for 'Shree Swaminarayan' Magazine shreeswaminarayan9@gmail.com

For 24 hour live *Darshan* of Shree Narnarayandev WWW.SWaminarayan.info www.swaminarayan.in

Aarti Darshan (Indian Standard time) _ Mangala Aarti : 5.30 hours Shangaar Aarti : 8.05 hours Rajbhog Aarti : 10.10 hours Sandhya Aarti : 19.00 hours Sayan Aarti : 20.30 hours

Shikshapatri

The Epistle of Precepts

(based on Shatanand's Shikshapatri Arthadipika)

By Pravin S. Varsani

Text -67

My disciples shall take care o their servants with regards to food and clothing to the best of their abilities.

Shatanand explains additionally that although servants are specifically mentioned here, in actual fact the Shloka is aimed at all that are under your care or shelter. Those it is your duty to support should be cared or to the best o one's ability. These are explained in Kashi Khanda:

Mata Pita Guruha Patni Chapatyani Samashritaha | Abhyagataha Prapanogniha Poshyavargaa Ami Nava ||

'Mother, father, Guru, wife, children, those that are under your care or shelter, those that are under your protection, a guest or visitor and fire; these are the nine Poshya-Vargas.' They are to be supported in every way and taken care o with one's wealth; providing or them good, clothing, shelter etc. They should be satiated daily and never made to suffer - Na Tu Keshaniyaha.

Skanda Purana explains, 'One should always take care of the Poshya-Vargas. Those who do not are sinners.' Similarly, 'Those who feed and support others are truly alive and conscious. However those that think only of themselves by filling only their own stomach are considered as mere corpses.'

'Speaking the truth, giving to others, forgiving, being compassionate, having children from one's own wife only, cleanliness, not offending, tenderness,

supporting one's servants and refraining from anger; these are the ten basic duties for all.'

The fundamental principle of goodness and kindness to all is once again put in the spotlight here. It is one's duty to properly look after and care for one's servants, family members etc. Servants should never be exploited or over worked, and they should always be treated fairly and with respect. We briefly touched on service to one's parents that will be discussed in full later.

Text -68

A person should be addressed according to their status, taking into consideration the time and place, but not otherwise.

Those that are of great qualities and of a nature beyond comparison, who are learned and from a reputable family and who are renowned for their penance and Yoga, should always be respected, duly addressed and given seat without thought.

Shatanand explains that even one's student (Shishya) should be given such honour if he displays such qualities (just as Swami Ramanand did with Swami Sahjanand).

Smruti explains, 'Those with defect (blind, disabled, ill unattractive) should never be ridiculed and called names which are inappropriate.'

Shatanand further explains that the way in which a person is addressed in private should never be used in public. If one calls another by a nickname in private then it should not be used in public as this is degrading. He should always be called in a proper manner.

Indeed all should be respected regardless of background qualities, education etc. For this is a great quality in man. They should never be verbally trodden upon as this could unintentionally hurt the person on the receiving end. It will also reflect on your own qualities as a person, undoubtedly leading to your unpopularity.

MUKTARAJ BORSALI

- Sadhu Purushottamprakashdas (Jetalpurdham)

Reading or listening of divine Leela of Bhawan Shree Swaminaryaan either through Kirtans of our Nand saints or through divine Vani of Shree Hari is a rare and divine experience for all of us. Nobody in this world is able to comprehend the Form of Shree Hari. And therefore Vedas have uttered the words 'Neti Neti'. Even with thousands mouths divine Form of Shree Hari cannot be described. And therefore, fortunate are those who could perform divine Darshan of Shree Hari when Bhagwan incarnated alongwith five hundred Paramhamsas. There are certain Muktas in our Sampradaya who are always present; however we are not able to perform their divine Darshan. These divine Muktas are in the form of trees situated at the places of pilgrimage of our Sampradaya.

Tree of Borsali is one of such divine Muktas, who is situated on the bank of Dev-Sarovar in Jetalpurdham. This divine tree of Borsali has cherished and relished the divine company of Shree Hari, Premanand Swami, Brahmanand Swami, Brahmanand Swami, H.H. Shri Ayodhyaprasadji Maharaj and many other saints. Shreeji Maharaj has conducted a number of Satsang Sabha under this pious tree of Borsali in Jetalpurdham.

It is believed that whosoever devotee performs divine Darshan of this Tree of Borsali and tree of Ambli, his desires and wishes are fulfilled. His all the sins are washed off. And all the noble Sankalps are fulfilled.

Flowers of this divine tree of Borsali has been accepted by Shree Hari on number of times. Even today, any devotee offers a garland made of the flowers of this tree of Borsali to Baldevjibapa, his all desires and wishes are fulfilled. It appears as if Shree Hari Himself is accepting the garland of the flowers of this divine tree of Borsali. However, very few of the lacs of devotees and Haribhaktas coming on every pious day of Poonam for divine Darshan of Baldevjibapa, may have performed divine Darshan of this Muktaraj Borsali, which is situated in Vadi of Prasadi.



In Gadhda Middle Chapter-13, Shreeji Maharaj has stated, "Place where Bhagwan is present is divine. And all other persons rendering their services to Maharaj with clothes, vehicles, ornaments get divine element. And anyone who has known Maharaj, will remain free from the captivity of five senses and would be independent." In Vadtal-12 Chapter, Shree Hari has stated, "Dhanya Vrindavanvasi Vadni Chhaya Re, Jyan Hari Besata." Furthermore in Gadhda Last Chapter-22, Shree Hari has stated, "Shape is formed as per wish of Shree Hari, and services are in the form as per the availability of services to the devotee."

Accordingly, Muktaraj Borsali has been granting us divine Darshan to all the devotees and Haribhaktas while remaining in Jetalpurdham the pious place of pilgrimage of our Sampradaya. Another Mukta has been granting us Darshan in the form of Tree of Ambli in Jetalpurdham.

Our Aadi Acharya H.H. Shri Ayodhyaprasadji Maharaj has created many Kirtans describing Leela of Shree Hari. Among such Kirtans, Pad-4 of 'Hari Mile Borsali Ki Chhaiya' are very famous in our Sampradaya.

Even the modern Science says that, by sitting under the tree of Borsali, our mind gets serenity and all mental diseases are cured off.

BLESSINGS OF H.H. SHRI ACHARYA MAHARAJ

- Compilation - Gordhanbhai V. Sitapara, Hirawadi, Bapunagar

In the Sabha organized on 01/03/2012 on the occasion of 7th Patotsav of Bapunagar (approach) temple, H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj blessed the devotees as under:

"There have been great Rishis and seers in the ancient times, they performed very hard and difficult Tapa-Sadhana and obtained blessings of Bhagwan and emancipation in their life. But this difficult task has been made very easy by Shree Hari through Satsang. By remaining under the directions of Maharaj, even an illiterate farmer can ensure his emancipation very easily.

If one wants to obtain pleasure of Maharaj, then one has to leave his own pleasure and has to do such things which give pleasure to Maharaj. So when we go to the temples to perform Darshan, then we have to leave our temperament and typical specialties outside the gate of the temple. Thereby we would become very light and they we can get divine Darshan of Bhagwan in the idol images of the temple. If we do not keep aside our temperament, our pride, our selfish motives, and our worldly affairs, then we would get Darshan of idol images but we will not get divine Darshan of Bhagwan in these idol images. We would see only people in the temple and we will not be able to see ardent worship of the devotees being offered in the temple.

Once a Guru asked his disciples to fill up a utensil with sand. The disciple did as directed and filled up the utensil with the sand. Then Guru asked the disciple to fill up the same utensil with the meals. The disciples refused and saying that, 'There is already sand in the utensil and now it is full so now I cannot keep the meals in the utensil." Similarly, we have to create space in our mind and in ourselves so that we can receive the noble words of preaching of the saints and preserve them in our mind and heart. If our mind and heart are already full with the thoughts of worldly affairs



then there is no space which can accommodate the words of divine preaching. Then our listening to Katha would also be in vain. So we should participate in all the activities of our Satsang and Sampradaya with utmost faith and devotion.

Time and again we remember Brahmanand Swami, Dada Khachar, Parvatbhai etc. saints and devotees. Why? The reason is that, once they achieved Maharaj, then they have not kept anything else with them. They offered themselves to Maharaj keeping the only goal of obtaining the pleasure of Maharaj. Brahmanand Swami had come to show Maharaj his erudition and wealth of ornaments. But he went by offering everything he had and became ardent devotee and great saint of our Sampradaya. Sometimes it is difficult to get rid of our temperament. But offering our eccentric nature is our real devotion.

If we talk about Dada Khachar, then all the time Maharaj stayed in Darbar of Dada Khachar and did not choose any other place. Then the question arises, what was there in Dada Khachar that, Maharaj stayed in his Darbar all the time? The reason is Dada Khachar and his family offered everything to Maharaj and lived their lives as per the desire and wish of Maharaj.

Now just think for a while. Alongwith

Maharaj, five hundred Parmahamsa and Parshad and Haribhaktas were also residing there. Even if we count only four disciples of these five hundred Paramhamsas, then it would come to two thousand saints. And there were thousands of other devotees and Haribhaktas coming regularly to perform divine Darshan of Maharaj. Thus, Darbar of Dada Khachar, which was his residence, always remained busy with the hustle and bustle of the devotees and saints. They had their own temperament, their own taste of food; and everything was being taken care of by Dada Khachar personally. And yet have you heard Dada Khachar becoming angry or losing his temper? This is the greatness of the great devotee and that is due to his ardent devotion and Bhakti.

So we have to learn to tolerate, to bear all difficulties from the life of great devotees like Dada Khachar. We have to develop the feeling

and temperament of let go. We have to learn to be generous towards all. We have to learn to mould our mind as per the desire and wish of Maharaj. These great saints and devotees were able to understand wish and desire of Mahraraj even without a single utterance of Shreeji Maharaj.

These are all general talks. So nobody should take them personally. All of you have rendered your services during Rajat-Suvarna Jayanti and in each big utsav and Mahotsav and have rendered your ardent services. May Ghanshyam Maharaj grant all of us wealth and happiness. Minimum requirements of life are provided to all by Maharaj and nowadays to be rich and wealthy is not a big thing. But what is worth nothing is our inner wealth, to render our services as devotee, as host during Patotsav and all other Utsav. May Shree Narnarayandev grant strength to all of us to render such services."

BHAKTI ANURAGRUPA

- Sadhu Devswaroopdas (Jaipur)

Real Bhakti of Bhagwan is like Kamdhenu. By performing ardent Bhakti, one gets complete satisfaction of his mind and heart. The heart of an ardent devotee is always generous and kind. His behavior and words are transparent like the serene water of the river. Just like the pious river Ganges, Bhakti has ensured emancipation of thousands of human beings. Bhakti is like Kalp-vriksha and by sitting under this divine tree one gets serenity and divine Shitalata. It is truly stated:

या प्रीतिरविवेकानां विषयेष्वनपायिनी।

त्वामनुस्मरतः सा मे हृदयान्माडपसर्पतु ॥

When our affections are diverted towards Bhagwan then it becomes Bhakti. We cherish affection towards our body, woman, our children, money, fame etc. and when we get any or all of them then we feel very happy and

deprivation of any of them gives us tremendous unhappiness. But essentially relation between Bhakta and Bhagwan is like a fish and water. Just as a fish cannot live without water, a Bhakta cannot live without Bhagwan. So our ardent love and affection towards Bhagwan is our real Bhakti. Such type of Bhakti was cherished by Gopies of Vrindavan towards Bhagwan Shree Krishna.

Our ardent devotees Motiba and Laduba also cherished such type of ardent Bhakti towards Maharaj. In fact there was healthy competition between these ladies devotees. at last Maharaj distributed days as per Tithi Vriddhi and Tithi Kshaya among them so that there was no issue. But there were instances, when both these Motiba and Laduba used to excel each other in rendering their services to Maharaj. And Maharaj used to relish their ardent Bhakti.

So like Motiba and Laduba, we should also offer our ardent Bhakti and services to Maharaj. Then one day our worship will certainly become an effective means to get emancipation in our life.

SHREE SWAMMARAYAM

TOWNSHIP OF WEEHAWKEN HUDSON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The International Swaminarayan Satsang Organisation a national charitable organization that builds, looks after and advances the Nar Narayan Dev Satsang outside of India; and

WHEREAS, The Weehawken Temple, the first Shri Swaminarayan temple to be inaugurated in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The Weehawken Temple has participated in 9/11 relief efforts through donations and participation in ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, The Weehawken Temple is an integral part of our multicultural community; and

WHEREAS. This year marks the 25th Anniversary of the Weehawken Shri Swaminarayan temple; and

WHEREAS, It is the purpose of The International Swaminarayan Satsang Organisation Its prime objective is "to advance the Sanatan Dharma, in accordance with the principles and teachings of the Swaminarayan Sampraday; and

NOW THEREFORE, I Richard F. Turner, Mayor of Weehawken on behalf of the Township Council, commend the members of this organization and extend our grateful appreciation for the fine example set by them in contributing to the building community spirit in our Township.



Richard F. Turner, Mayor Township of Weehawken DATED: June 2nd 2012

ન્યુજર્સી વિહોકનના મેચરે ૫.પૂ. મોટા મહારાજશ્રીને ન્યુજર્સી મંદિરના રજત જયંતી પાટોત્સવ પ્રસંગે ઉપરોક્ત સન્માનપત્ર અર્પણ કર્યું હતું.



Shree Swaminarayan Museum

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लिखादितंसामीश्री 9 महनानं रने महा राननतश्री अमराबादमध्येसाधुसर्वता नंदनीत्यामकस्पनंद नाराय्णनं न नोबिन्द्र पवाकार ऐत्मळे ने श्री उंगरपर धितम् उपरबज्जीन्त्रादेतीतमो संपैया २०० बसो सधीनीतमो शका रिदेनोने परेन्य त्रमबाय नपनीत्तमेकेशोती त्रम्स्वास न्रतमोक ज्यानेक गीती अवश्रयोध्याप सीर्नेपरसं संबत् १८ ४८६ नारोप बर्री । १ ज्बितंत्रकम्तिनानारायणवाचन भ बिनुकेसरबीकारसुध्धन देवसेवामा कामन्त्रावे एवं चहकी हार सेर् भोक जनाजरुरमाकलनानेतेनासवे यान रजाधायते ज्यामा क्जानप्रातिन त्रतन्त्रपाव्या। बिन्हाकेसरकोर्शर कार दरबार मोहिमाण्स इते ने देवासा रूपगायं समाणमी।।।बिन्निन कारानेरसामितमायात्व समस्तिनी न्याचाराधायमितात्रारीका न्त युड मनेतातनासक रावी नेनहरमांक नुञ्जमारेन्त्रवस्य गर्त्राग्कीम्बनारः

ાાશ્રીાા

લિખાવિતં સ્વામી શ્રી સહજાનંદજી મહારાજ જત શ્રી અમદાવાદ મધ્યે સાધુ સર્વગ્નાનંદજી તથા ભક્ત રૂપચંદ નારાયણ વાંચજો. બીજું લખવા કારણ એમ છે જે શ્રી ડુંગરપુરથી તમ ઉપર હુંડી આવે તો તમો રૂપિયા ૨૦૦ બસો સુધીની તમો સ્વીકારી દેજોને અત્ર જવાબ લખજો. તે તમે કહેશો તો અમદાવાદ તુરત મોકલશું ને કહેશો તો અત્ર અયોધ્યાપ્રસાદને ભરશું સં. ૧૮૮૬ ના ષોષ વદા ૧૧ લિખિતં શુક્રમુનિના નારાયણ વાંચજો.

બીજું કેસર શ્રીકાર સુધુધજ દેવસેવામાં કામ આવે તેવું ચટકાદાર સેર ૧ મોકલજો. ને તેના રૂપિયા જેટલા થાય તે લખી મોકલજો. લખશો તેને તુરંત અપાવશું. બીજું કેસર કોઈ સરકાર દરબાર મોટું માણસ છે તેને દેવા સારુ મગાવ્યું છે તે જાણજો. બીજુ નિર્વિકારાનંદ સ્વામી તમો યાગ્નવલ્કય સ્મૃતિનો આચારાધ્યાય મિતાક્ષરા ટીકા યુક્ત શુધ્ધ મળે તો તપાસ કરાવીને જરૂર મોકલજો. એનું અમારે અવશ્ય કામ છે માટે લખ્યું છે.

ઉપરોક્ત પત્ર શ્રી સ્વામિનારાયણ મ્યુઝિયમમાં હોલ-૧ માં રાખવામાં આવેલ છે.

Introduction of Things of Prasadi LETTER OF SHREEJI MAHARAJ

The above letter in preserved in Hall No.1 of Shree Swaminarayan Museum. This letter is dictated by Shree Hari to Sadguru Shri Shukanand Muni. This letter is written few months before Swadham-gaman of Shree Hari. Sadguru Sarvagnanand Swami was Mahant of Shree Narnarayandev temple, Ahmedabad. Details of payment to be made on credit-letter in lieu of the idol images brought from Dungarpur, are found in the letter. Moreover, in the above letter, Shree Hari has also asked for Kesar for the use of services of inner temple and Commentary of Yagnavalkya Rishi. It appears that, Shree Hari insisted for purity in both these matters. Shree Hari was vigilant in the matters of purity and sanctity of the Things to be used in the services of the deities.

The original letter of Prasadi of Shree Hari is preserved and kept for Darshan of devotees in Hall No.1 of Shree Swaminarayan Museum.

(Prof. Hitendrabhai Naranbhai Patel)

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SHREE SWAMMARAYAN

List of Host devotees who availed the benefit of Abhishek of Shree Narnarayandev in Shree Swaminarayan MuseumJune-2012

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01/06/2012	Dineshbhai Nathabhai patel,		Through Mukeshbhai patel, Maulik
	Rajubhai Nathabhai Patel-		Mpatel, Janardan Patel
	Dangarvawala	26/06/2012	Patel Ratibhai Khimjibhai (Trustee,
16/06/2012	Manjibhai Shivjibhai Hirani-Kachchh		Shree Swaminarayan temple,
17/06/2012	Padyatra of Shree Narnarayandev		Kalupur) through Ketan and Kapish.
	Yuvak Mandal, Kalol, from Kalol to	27/06/2012	Swaminarayan temple, Nikol.
	Shree Swaminarayan Museum.		Through Mahila Mandal

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List of devotees who rendered their services under Shree Sv	waminarayan Museum Maintenance <i>Bhet Yojna</i> June-2012
 Rs.1,38,830-40 Charan Bhet of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj on the occasion of Rajat Jayanti Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, New Jersey, America. Rs.1,01,000/- Premjibhai Bhimjibhai Pindoriya, Smt. Kantaben Premjibhai Pindoriya- Vekra (Kachchh) Rs.1,00,000/- Vanisha Kantilal Halai- London-Kera (Kachchh). Rs.1,00,000/- Arvindbhai R. Donga-Bapunagar. Dharmprasad Manilal Shukla, Ahmedabad. Rs.11,000/- Rs.11,000/- Punambhai Maganbhai-Ahmedabad. Rs.11,000/- Samuben Lalji Harjibhai Rabadiya-Sukhpur. Dhirajbhai K. Patel-Ahmedabad. Rs.11,000/- Chavda Manjibhai Mohanbhai-Ambli with the inspiration of Hajuri Parshad Vanraj Bhagat. 	 Rs.10,000/- Rs.5,100/- Rs.5,100/- Rs.5,100/- Rs.5,001/- Rs.5,001/- Rs.5,001/- Rs.5,001/- Rs.5,001/- Rs.5,001/- Rs.5,001/- Rs.5,001/- Rs.5,000/- Rs.5,000/-

H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj gracing the houses of Vali (Rajasthan) of Shree Narnarayandev Diocese in Mumbai

Many Haribhaktas of Vali and nearby villages of Rajasthan have settled in Mumbai due to their occupation and business. With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj Shree Narnarayandev Satsang Mandal (Vali- at present Mumbai) was established before three years. On completion of three years and accepting the ardent invitation of these devotees, H.H. Shri Acharya maharaj graced Mumbai on 22/06/2012 alongwith the saints and on 23/06/2012 graced the houses of 25 devotees and Haribhaktas from morning till late evening. With the inspiration of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, Satsang Sabha is organized on every Sunday.

In the Satsang Sabha organized on 24/06/2012, Shasti P.P. Swami (Mahant of Naranghat temple) and Shastri Swami Vishwaswaroop Swami, J.K. Swami and Shastri Muni Swami delivered their inspirational speeches and asked the devotees to cherish ardent faith and Bhakti towards Shree Narnarayandev Diocese. At last H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj blessed all the devotees and Haribhaktas. Parshad Vanraj Bhagat had rendered Hajuri service to H.H.Shri Acharya Maharaj. (Shree Narnarayandev Satsang Mandal, Vali (at present Mumbai)

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LACK OF UNITY IS REASON FOR DESTRUCTION

- Shastri Haripriyadas (Gandhinagar)

Once Shreeji Maharaj graced the village Karjisan from Vadnagar-Visnagar after Katha and preaching to the devotees of Dandhavya Desh. Accepting the ardent invitation of the devotees and Haribhaktas, Maharaj stayed there and promised to celebrate Janmasmi Utsav.

Accordingly, devotees of Karjisan village prepared the invitation cards and distributed among all the Haribhaktas of Dandhavya Desh and other devotees of our Sampradaya. Accordingly, large number of devotees and Saints performing Vicharan under the directions of Shree Hari, also came there in Karjisan to participate in Janmastmi Utsav. On the pious day of Janmastmi, from morning till evening Bhajan-Bhakti-Katha-Varta were performed and at midnight 12.00 hours Krishna Janmotsav was celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm. The next day in the morning, outstation devotees stared preparing to return. At the time of their departure, Shreeji Maharaj preached them the sermons, "Devotees, if you want to be happy in your life, then you should remain united. Never guarrel among yourselves. Lack of unity has uprooted many kings and their kingdoms. Quarrel on trivial issue can destroy the peace and happiness of the whole family. Carefully listen to this story:

There was one king. There was a very big stable in the palace of the king wherein there were many trees with beautiful fruits and flowers. The king was very generous and nobody in his kingdom was unhappy.

SATSANG BALVATIKA - Compiler Shastri Harikehsavdasji (Gandhinagar)

A maidservant and a lamb were residing in the stable. They hated each other. Therefore, as and when opportunity would come, they would try to beat each other.

Once 40-50 monkeys came to the stable. The monkeys were happy to watch shady trees with fruits. The monkeys started eating the fruits. They also jumped from one branch to other branch of the trees and enjoyed their time. Then they quenched their thirst with fresh and cold water. The leader monkey asked other monkeys to move to some other place. But these monkeys refused as they liked the place very much. The leader monkey warned them that it is not safe to stay there anymore as there is disunity between the lamb and the maidservant residing in the stable. In future they may create a situation wherein they cannot escape from the place. Some of the monkeys understood the implications of the warning and followed the leader monkey and went away to other place; whereas some of the adamant monkeys stayed there in the stable and enjoyed the fruits.

One night, the maidservant was walking carrying the fire on her head. The lamb pushed from behind and she fell down. The fire dropped on the dry hay and it caught the fire suddenly. The horses kept in the stable were burnt. The specialists were called for to cure the injuries of the

horses. They advised if the skin of the monkeys would be applied as medicine then recovery of the injury of the horses would be faster. At that time, some of the servants informed the king that, from some time, monkeys were residing in the stable and they were damaging the trees by plucking the flowers and fruits. The king ordered to bring the skin of the monkeys. Immediately the servants went to the stable shot the monkeys with their guns. However, some of them were successful in escaping from the place. They ran away and went to the leader monkey and narrated everything. Then they acknowledged that, the leader monkey had given true advice. Lack of unity even on the small or trivial issue can cause great harm or damage."

Shreeji Maharaj himself has narrated the above story to the devotees of Karjisan. Then Shreeji Maharaj advised the devotees to remain united. Then Shreeji Maharaj blessed all the devotees. So little friends! Did you understand what we have to do? We have always to remain united. And lack of unity among us can put us in great difficulty. So be careful. Solve all the problems with unity then Shreeji Maharaj would be very happy with us.

SUDDHAY NAMAH: (JANMANGAL) - Sadhu Shree Rangdas (Gandhinagar)

Shuddha: is name of Bhagwan. Shuddha means pious. It is always pure. It is an innocent form and can make others so.

अपवित्रो पवित्रोवा सर्वावस्थांगतोपिवा । यःस्मरेत् पुंडरीकांक्षं सबाह्मभ्यांतरः शुचिः ॥ One may be pious or not, but if one performs ardent Bhakti of Bhagwan, then he becomes pure. By taking bath, our body is cleaned. And by performing Bhakti of Bhagwan our mind becomes pure.

Once Shreeji Maharaj was performing Vicharan alongwith Kathi Parshads. Shreeji Maharaj used to grace the villages with these Kathi Parshads. One day, Maharaj went to a lake to take bath. Maharaj told that first of all, He would go and would take bath, and would also measure the depth of the lake. Thereafter the Kathi Parshads may take bath. Shreeji Maharaj took bath and came out and then directed all other Kathi Parshads to take bath in the lake. They all relished the bath in the fresh and cold water of the lake.

Shreeji Maharaj was sitting under a tree and watching them enjoying their bath. After some time all Kathi Parshads returned. Then Shreeji Maharaj asked them whether they took bath in water or cold because they had not performed Smaran of name of Bhagwan. Then Shreeji Maharaj asked them to go again and take bath. Kathi Parshads again went to the lake, and performed Snan while chanting Shree Swaminarayan Mahamantra.

Then the Kathi Parshads returned, and Shreeji Maharaj told them that, now it was their real bath. So without chanting the name of Bhagwan our bath is not considered to be pure bath. If we take bath while chanting the name of Bhagwan, then we get fruits of taking bath at the place of pilgrimate. And therefore, name of Bhagwan is Shuddhay Namah:

FROM THE BLESSINGS OF H.H. SHRI GADIWALA 'BHAKTI-MARG IS THE EASIEST ONE IN KALIYUG'

- Compilation: Kotak Varsha Natvarlal-Ghodasar

Primarily there are three ways to achieve Parmatma. 1) Gyan Marg 2) Karm Marg and 3) Bhakti Marg. It is very difficult to follow Gyan Marg in this Kali Yug. Why? For that one needs very strong Vairagya in his life. There should be no rather trivial importance of five senses. But man cannot do so in Kali Yug because there are a number of obstacles in his life which prevent him to do so. As regards Karm Marg, one has to follow the righteous path and always he has to perform noble deeds such as Tapa, Anusthan, Yagna Karma etc. but today man is encircled by Vasanas (pleasures of five senses) and therefore he has no time in his life to perform such noble deeds. And even if he does them, there is always selfish motif behind such Karmas. For instances, one has the purpose of earning money; others may have the purpose enjoy various types of pleasures and to get happiness. Now these trivial or selfish purposes do not allow a man to perform Nishkam Karma, which is the first and foremost condition in Karm Marg. Therefore Karm-Marg is also very difficult for a man in this Kali-yug.

Whereas in Bhakti-Marg, when a man performs his ardent worship with honesty and sincerity of his mind and efforts, then Bhagwan helps him. Bhagwan helps His Bhakta. And gradually all the trivial purposes and craving for sensual pleasures of five senses get weakened and removed from his life. With the pious



company of Bhagwan the poison of his life transforms into nectar through true and ardent worship. But while doing so Bhakta has to ensure his continuity with Bhagwan and anyhow he has to maintain his spiritual relations.

This Bhakti is based on three things: 1) Ananyata 2) Tanmayata 3) Vyakulata. These three in essence means that a Bhakta has to render his devout services. he has to perform ardent Bhakti. He has to absorb himself completely in his Bhakti of Bhagwan. That is called Ananyata and Tanmayata. He has to involve his mind and body in his worship. He has to continue his worship day and night. He has to cherish ardent eagerness and craving for achieving the pious company of Bhagwan. Like great Bhakta Shabari towards Bhagwan Shree Rama in Ramayan, a Bhakta should always think "When I will get divine Darshan of My Bhagwan?" and for that one should cherish eagerness like a disciple. Once a disciple asked his guru who was a saint, "Please help to get divine Darshan of Bhagwan." Guru took him to a river and asked him to dip his head into the water. The moment the disciple dipped his head into the water, Guru pushed and held his head into the water for awhile. The disciple was struggling to come out of the water to breathe air. Then Guru removed his hand and disciple came out. He shouted, "Do you want to kill me? Do you

know how I was struggling for breathing inside the water?" Immediately Guru replied, "In the same way you should crave and struggle for achieving Bhagwan in your life; and one day you will get divine Darshan of Bhagwan."

During the earlier times, one had to go to the forest to perform Bhakti and to get divine Darshan of Bhagwan. But in Kali Yug, one need not go in the forest. One can go to the temple and perform ardent Bhakti. But for that one has to get rid of his Ahmkara i.e. pride and he has to offer his everything. Then he would easily get divine Darshan of Bhagwan. Thus through Bhakti Marg one can get Bhagwan.

IMPORTANCE OF TULSI-JAPA MALA - Sankhya Yogi KokilabaSurendranagar

Mala is considered to be a very strong base for chanting the name of Bhagwan. Besides Hindu Dharma, tradition of performing Mala is found among all the major religions of the world. Just like the wheel, all the organs of the body remain connected with the heart which is in the centre and which is the place of residence of Parmatma. There are three important things to be performed in our life. 1) Mala (Japa) should be made part of life. 2) Tala (lock) should be made part of life and 3) Shala (school) should be made part of life. Japa is the best means to remove internal infirmities and weaknesses. By performing Japa many benefits are availed.

- 1) By performing one crore Japa, our body is purified.
- 2) By performing two crore Japa, we get wealth.
 - 3) By performing three crore Japa, we

get name and fame.

- 4) By performing four crore Japa, we get Gyan.
- 5) By performing five crore Japa, our internal enemies are destroyed.
- 6) By performing six crore Japa, man gets happiness of wife and woman gets happiness of husband.
- 7) By performing seven crore Japa, one avoids accidental death.
- 8) By performing eight crore Japa, we get divine glimpse of Bhagwan.
- 9) By performing ten, eleven and twelve nine crore Japa, our Sanchit, Prarabdha and Kriyaman Karmas are destroyed.

10)By performing thirteen crore Japa, we get divine Darshan of Bhagwan.

Bhagwan Sahjanand Swami has stated, "To perform Upasana of Bhagwan and to perform chanting of the name of Bhagwan and to remain under one's own religion and thereby one should ensure emancipation of one's life. This is not very difficult. It is like crossing the ocean by sailing in the boat." (Vachnamrit Gadhda Middle Chapter).

Shree Hari himself used to keep Tulsimala in His hand. There are various types of Mala. Mala of wood, Rudraksh, Sukhada, Tulsi, Kamal-Bij, Darbha etc. among them Tulsi-mala is considered to be the best one. According to the scriptures, it is best and pious. Tulsi symbolizes Samarpan (offering). So we have to cherish the feeling of offering everything through this Tulsi-Mala.

There are 108 beads in one Mala. A man breathes for 6 times in one Pala. And 2|| Pala = one minute. Thereby, a man breathes 15 times in a minute and for

21,600 times in 24 hours. Now as per scriptures, if Upanshu Japa is performed then one gets 100 times result of each Mantra. And therefore, by performing one Mala of 108 beads, one gets the result of 100 times the number of beads. Thus, Japa-Mala is means of getting emancipation. It stabilizes not only the mind but also grants serenity which is essential to get divine Darshan of Bhagwan. And therefore, every devotee should perform Japa-Mala.

PAKSHA

- Sankhya yogi Kundanba Guru Sankhya Yogi Kanchanba-Meda

In Vachanamrit-60 of Gadhda Middle Chapter, Shreeji Maharaj has stated, "Like our relatives and our parents, we should keep Paksha of Bhaktas of Bhagwan. However, it is difficult one but if we understand the real importance of the saints, Bhagwan and their ardent devotees then it becomes easier." It is stated in the scriptures that, if any devotees gets himself injured or dies in protecting other devotee then he gets emancipation in life and all his Prarabhda Karmas are burnt and he gets place in Akshardham. There are number of incidents about such brave devotees who have taken Paksha of the devotees even at the risk of their life. Here is a story about one such brave devotee.

Jadavjibhai was an ardent devotee of Dhari of Sorath region. He was a bania by caste and was a big businessman. There

were two partners in his business. After some time, they incurred loss in their business and there was huge government debt upon them. They could not repay the debt despite disposal of all the properties. So they were captured by the police and they were kept in the jail. When this message spread in the village, some bania people, who hated our Sampradaya, came to the jail and released another bania partner by paying the penalty. But for releasing Jadavjibhai, they put a condition that, he has to give away his Kanthi and has to leave Swaminarayan Dharma. But Jadavjibhai refused to do so. He had ardent faith in Bhagwan. There was one devotee among the villagers. He returned home and told everything to his elder brother, who was also an ardent devotee. Both these brothers decided to sell of one third of their property and to release Jadavajibhai. They not only released Jadavjibhai but also lent him money to start his business afresh. When Shreeii Maharaj heard about this incident, He was very much happy with both these brothers. During Samaiya, Shree Hari honoured them by offering them garlands and at last took them to Akshardham.

Oh devotees! there have been many such devotees in our Sampradaya who have kept Paksha of our devotees even at the risk of their life. So we should learn a message from them and should render such services as and when such occasion arises in our life...

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Shree Hari Antardhan Tithi and Rathyatratotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupur

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadi Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj and with the inspiration of Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji and under the guidance of Kothari Parshad Digambar Bhagat, Kirtan and Katha etc. were performed on the occasion of Shree Hari Antardhan Tithi on Jeth Sud-10 in Sabha Mandap of Prasadi in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupur, Ahmedabad. Thereafter Rajbhog aarti of Thakorji were performed and at last all the saints and Haribhaktas had availed the benefit of divine Darshan of Thakorji and had accepted Prasad.

On Jeth Sud-3 22/06/2012, Brahmchari Poojari Swami Rajeshwaranandji and the saints had performed Rathyatratotsav to Thakorji in front of Shree Narnarayandev. Thereafter aarti of Thakorji was performed, Prasad was distributed and Padas of Rathyatra were performed by Shree Narnarayandev Aucchav Mandal in front of Thakorji.

(Shastri Narayan Muni Swami)

Mahotsav of Invocation of idol images in Aadraj

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadi Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and with the inspiration and guidance of Sadguru Swami Ramkrishnadasji, grand Haritemple was developed in village Aadraj.

Accordingly, from 20/05/2012 to 24/05/2012, Shrimad Bhagwat Dasmskanda Parayan was organized. Sadguru Shastri Swami Harikeshavdasji (Gandhinagar) and Sadguru Shasti Swami Nirgundasji were the spokespersons of this Parayan. Sadguru Shsatri Swami Haripriyadasji (Gandhinagar) was the co-spokesperson of this Parayan. Moreover, Tridinatmak Vishnu Yaag, 11 Samhita Path, series of religious lectures by the saints, Chhapanbhog Annakutotsav etc. were performed by Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal, Zundal. H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj inaugurated the Mahotsav by lighting the lamp which was followed by poojan of the elder spokesperson-saints. On this occasion

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inauguration of eight pillared marble carved umbrella and release of Aadraj Leel book were performed in the memory of Sadguru Muktanand Swam, Sadguru Brahmanand Swami, Sadguru Nityanand Swami and Sadguru Shamaliya Chaitanyanand Swami. The donor devotees were honoured by H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj. On the next day, H.H. Shri Gadiwala graced the occasion and blessed all the ladies devotees. the concluding ritual of Mahotsav was graced and performed by H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj.

At last H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj blessed the whole sabha organized on the occasion. The village Dhamasan rendered the services for kitchen. The devotee Shri Naryanadas Khushaldas Patel family (Mokhasan) through Rameshbhai, Vinodbhai and Ashwinbhai had rendered the services as the chief-host of this Utsav. The devotee Shri Patel Ishwardas Amichand Das family (Mokhasan) thorugh Mahendrabhai and Shaileshbhai (U.S.A.) had rendered their services for the idol images and throne.

Sadguru Swami Ramkrishnadasji and Sadguru Swami Ravhivircharandasji and Sadguru Swami Rajendraprasaddasji had provided guidance and inspiration during the whole Mahotsav. The Sabha was conducted by Shastri Swami Satyaprakashdasji (Muli). (Ghanshyambhai Patel, Uvarsad & Mahotji Thakore-Aadraj)

Celebration of Patotsav of Shree Ghanshyam Maharaj in Vadnagar temple

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadi Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Narayanvalabhdasji, 51st Patotsav of Shree Ghanshyam Maharaj in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Vadnagar was celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm. Akshar Nivasi devotee Kantilal Kachralal Bhavsar family (Vadnagar) through their sons

devotees Shri Anilabhai and Shri Sanjaybhai rendered their services as the host of this Patotsav.

On the pious day of Jeth Vad-12 16/06/2012, H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performed Shodasopchar Abhishek of Shree Ghanshyam Maharaj in Vedic tradition. On this occasion, Shree Hari Aaishwarya Darshan Panchany Parayan was performed by Shastri Swami Abhishekprasaddasji. Devotees Shri Natvarlal and Shri Gunvantlal Bhavsar, sons of the devotee Shri Bhavsar Govindlal Tarachand, rendered their services on this occasion.

On this pious occasion, the host families of Patotsav and Parayan performed poojan, archan, aarti and obtained the blessings of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj. Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal, Vadnagar, offered the garland of lotus, performed aarti and obtained the blessings of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji, Mahant Shastri PUrnaprakashdasji of Dholka temple, Shastri Swami Harijivandasi (Himatnagar), Mahant Swami Narayanprasaddasji (Mahesana) and Shastri Swami Yagnaprakashdai (Kankaria) delivered their inspirational speeches on Gadi, Dev, Acharya, Saint and importance of Vadnagar temple and Patotsav. At last, H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, while explaining the duty of this human life and importance of Vadnagar, blessed all the devotees. On this occasion, Poojari Shastri Abhishekprasaddaji of Vadnagar, Swami Ghanshyamprakashdasji (Kalyanpura), Swami Chandraprakashdasji, Swami Balmukunddasji and Shastri Vishwaswaroopdasji had rendered their beautiful services. The Sabha was conducted Mahant Shastri Swami Narayanvallabhdasji.

(Navinchandra M. Modi- Vadnagar) Shree Swaminarayan temple, Mahesana

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadi Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Swami Narayanprasaddasji, Vagha of Chandan were offered to Thakorji from Vaisakh Sud-3 to Jeth Sud-15. On the pious day of Jeth Vad-1,

Abhishek Snan was offered to Shree Hari whose darshan was performed by many devotees and Haribhaktas. Under the guidance and inspiration of Sadguru Shastri Swami Atmaprakashdasji an Sadguru Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji, various activities are going on in the temple. Accordingly, Satsang Sabha is organized on every Thursday at night from 8.00 to 11.00 hours, Bal Kishor Satsang Sabha is organized on every Sunday from 9.00 to 11.00 hours, Bal Satsang Sabha is organized in the noon from 3.00 to 6.00 hours in temple of Karsanpura village and General Satsang Sabha is organized at night from 8.00 to 11.00 hours in Mahesana temple, whose benefit is availed by many devotees and Haribhaktas.

(Sadhu Premprakashdas- Mahesana)
Celebration of 98th Patotsav of Shree
Swaminarayan temple, Ayodhya

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadi Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Sadguru Swami Devprasaddasji Guru Sadguru Swami Jagatprakashdaji, 98th Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Ayodhya was celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm on the pious day of Ashadh Sud-4 23/06/2012. Akshar Nivasi Sanakalchand Umedas Patel family of Mansa viz., their sons Pravinbhai Patel and mother Raiben and Paliben etc. family rendered their services as the host of this Patotsav.

On this occasion, Sadgur Swami Jagatprakashdasji of Ahmedabad, Mahant Sadguru Brahmchari Swami Vasudevanandji of Chhapaiya temple, Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Narayanvallabhdasji of Vadnagar temple, Poojari Swami Keshavprasaddasji, Swami Vishnuprasaddasji, Swami Ajay Prakashdasji (Muli), Sikandar Bhagat (Isand), Bhupendra Bhagat and Sumit Bhagat had remained present. The saints had explained the importance of Ayodhya and Chhapaiya. Services of Poojari Swami Keshavprasaddasji and host families of Patotsav were also praised on this occasion. The host family had performed Abhishek and Shangaar Aarti of Thakorji and Annakut Darshan. With the directions of H.H.

Shri Acharya Maharaj and H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, modern residential facilities were developed in the temple premises under the guidance of Devswami which were praised by all the devotees and Haribhaktas.

Host devotees of Patotsav, devotee Shri Rameshbhai, Shri Ashwinbhai and Shri Bipinbhai, Utsav, Pathik, Poojan, Dashrathbhai Sankalchand Patel, Vihar and Dasrhrathbhai P. Patel, Jayantibhai P. Patel and Vishnubhai P. Patel availed the benefit of Patotsav and performed poojan of saints with the garlands. Mahant Swami Devprasaddasji of Ayodhya temple had delivered the vote of thanks and had praised the services of all the saints and Haribhaktas. The Sabha was conducted by Vadnagar Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Narayan vallabhdas Guru Swami Vishnuprasaddasji)

Celebration of 7th Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Bopal

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadi Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, 7th Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Bopal was celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm on Vaisakh Sud-7 28/04/2012. Devotee Shri Kaushikbhai Chandrakantbhai Joshi family had rendered the services as the host of Patosav. On this occasion, H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performed Khat Muhurt and Pooja ritual of the land of vacant plot adjoining the temple for construction of a hall wherein the host devotee and Dr. K.R. Patel had rendered their services. Thereafter, H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performed Annakut aarti.

On this occasion Mahant Sadguru Shastri Harikrishnadasji of Ahmedabad temple, Mahant Shree Dev Swami of Naranghat temple, Krishnavallabh Swami (Surendranagar), Haricharan Swami (Dholera) etc. saints delivered their inspirational speeches. At last H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj blessed all the devotees and Haribhaktas. Many devotees had remained present during Patotsav availed the benefit of rendering their services for construction of hall. Services of devotee Shri Ratibhai Khimjibhai Patel (Trustee), devotee Govindbhai Khimjibhai Patel, Kothari Shri Amrutbhai, Shri

Jagdishbhai, Shri Arvindbhai Patel and Shri Rajubhai Patel were inspirational during the while Patotsav. (Pravinbhai Upadhyay)

Detailed Report of 31 Satsang Sabha

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadi Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, 31 Satsang Sabhas were organized in the villages on the occasion of 31st Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Gavada.

Aajol- 5th Satsang Sabha

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, 5th Satsang Sabha was organized in village Aajol on 19/05/2012. Devotee Shri Prahladbhai Jivanlal Patel family rendered their services as the host of this Sabha. On this occasion, Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami P.P. Swami (Naranghat), Sadguru Shastri Swami Ramkrishnadasji, Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji (Koteshwar), Shastri Swami Kunjviharidasji had performed Katha-Varta and Kirtan-Bhakti.

(Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji)

Rajpura- 6th Satsang Sabha

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Sadguru swami Devprakashdasji and Sadguru Shastri P.P. Swami (Mahant of Naranghat temple), 6th Satsang Sabha was organized in village Rajpura on 26/05/2012. Devotee Shri Hargovindbhai Chaturbhai Patel (Shahi Baug) family rendered their services as the host of this Sabha. On this occasion, Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami P.P. Swami (Naranghat), Sadguru Shastri Swami Ramkrishnadasji (Kotheswar), Shastri Swami Kunjviharidasji had performed Katha-Varta and had explained the importance of Sampradaya and Dharmkul.

(Shri Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal)

Hirawadi, Bapunagar- 7th Satsang Sabha

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Sadguru swami Devprakashdasji and Sadguru Shastri P.P. Swami (Mahant of Naranghat temple), 7th Satsang Sabha was organized in Hirawadi, Bapunagar on 02/06/2012. Akshar Nivasi Dahiben Purushotamdas Patel family members devotee Shri Maheshbhai and Pareshbhai rendered their services as the host of this Sabha. On this occasion, Sadguru

Mahant Swami Devprakashdasji, Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami P.P. Swami (Naranghat), Shastri Swami Kunjviharidasji, Purani Swami Dharmjivandasji had performed Katha-Varta and had explained the importance of Bhagwan Shree Swaminarayan and Dharmkul. (Shastri Kunjviharidas)

Meghaninagar (Tatanagar)- 8th Satsang Sabha

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with blessings of the whole Dharmkul, 8th Satsang Sabha was organized in Meghaninagar (Tatanagar). Devotees Shri Mangaldas Ramdas Patel, Ishwarbhai Ramdas Patel, Sueshbhai Shankarbhai Patel and Pareshbhai Shankarbhai Patel rendered their services as the host of this Sabha. On this occasion, Mahant Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji (Kalupur) Sadguru Mahant Swami Devprakashdasji, Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami P.P. Swami (Naranghat), Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji and Sadguru Swami Dharmjivandasji had performed Katha-Varta and had explained the importance of Bhagwan Shree Swaminarayan and Dharmkul.

(Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji)

Charada- 9th Satsang Sabha

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Sadguru swami Devprakashdasji and Sadguru Shastri Swami Puroshottam Prakashdasji (Mahant of Naranghat temple), 9th Satsang Sabha was organized in village Charada on 17/06/2012. Devotee Shri Rameshbhai (Laxmi Dairy-Viratnagar) rendered their services as the host of this Sabha. On this occasion, Sadguru Shastri Swami Mahant Purushottamprakashdasji (Naranghat), Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji, Shastri Swami Kunjviharidasji, Swami Chandrapakashdasji, Shastri Bhakti Swami (Mansa) had performed Katha-Varta and had explained the importance of Bhagwan. (Shastri Divyaprakashdasji)

Sokhda- 10th Satsang Sabha

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Sadguru Mahant Swami Devprakashdasji and Sadguru Mahant Shastri P.P. Swami (Mahant of Naranghat temple), 10th Satsang Sabha was organized in village Sokhda on 23/06/2012. Devotee Shri Joitabhai Keshavlal Patel rendered their services as the host of this Sabha. On this occasion, Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji, Shastri Swami Kunjviharidasji and Swami Divyaprakashdasji had performed Kathamrit.

(Kothari Narayanvallabhbhai)

Divine Satsang Sabha in Chandkheda

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Sadguru Mahant Swami Devprakashdasji and Sadguru Mahant Shastri P.P. Swami (Mahant of Naranghat temple), grand Satsang Sabha was organized in Hiramoti society area of Chandkheda on 10/06/2012. On this occasion, Sadguru Mahant Shastri P.P. Swami (Mahant of Naranghat temple), Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji and Shastri Swami Kunjviharidasji had performed Kathamrit and had narrated Leela-Charitra of Bhagwan with illustrations whose benefit was availed by many devotes of Chankheda area.

(Chimanbhai Patel-Chandkheda)

H.H.Shri Acharya Maharaj in Mota Gharoda (Panchmahals)

H.H. Shri Acharva 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj graced the village Dharoda and then villagers performed grand Shobha-yatra under the guidance of Shri P.P. Swami of Jetalpurdham. Beautiful Sabha was also organized on this occasion wherein Shri P.P. Swami, Shyam Swami, Shastry Yagnaprakashdasji of Kankaria and Kothari J.K. Swami had explained the importance of Shree Narnarayandev Diocese and performed Katha-Kirtan etc. about 50 villages obtained Guru-Mantra and about 40 hours of the villagers were graced by H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj. At last, H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj blessed all the devotees and Haribhaktas.

(Shastri Bhaktinandandas-Jetalpur)

Yatra from Trent-Patdi to Pulhashram and Rajopchar of Thakorji

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj, H.H. Shri Laxmiswaroop Gadiwala, H.H. Shri Laxmiswaroop Mota Gadiwala and with the inspiration of Mahant Shastri Swami

Atmaprakashdasji (Jetalpurdham) and with the efforts and inspiration of Sankhya Yogi Shantaba (Patdi), Satsangibhushan Panchanh Paryan and Rajopchar of Thakorji were performed from 10/05/2012 to 14/05/2012 in Chhapaiyadham. On this occasion Sangh of 500 Haribhaktas of Patdi-Trent reached Ayodhya from Ahmedabad Railway Station alongwith Sadguru Shyam Charan Swami of Shastri Uttampriya Swami, Jetalpurdham, Shree Prakash Swami, Shastri Bhaktinandan Swami and joined Pagpala Sangh from Ayodhya to Chhapaiya on 09/05/2012. In Chhapaiyadham, Satsangibhushan Katha was performed by Sadguru Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji and Shastri Swami Bhaktinandandasji whose benefit was availed by thousands of devotees and Haribhaktas.

All the festivals of Katha such as Shree Ghanshyam Janmotsav, marriage of Rampratapbhai, Gadi Abhishek, Annakut Utsav were celebrated by the host devotees.

On 11/05/2012, H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj graced the occasion in the noon alongwith Sadguru Shastri Swami Atmaprakashdasji and the saints and Parshads. In the evening H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj performed Group Sandhya aarti at Narayan Sarovar alongwith the saints. The devotee Shri Babubhai Patdiwala rendered the services as the host of this Group Sandhya Aarti. On 12/05/2012, first of all Shodasopchar of Balswaroop Ghanshyam Maharaj in Vedic tradition was performed by H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj. Thereafter, Annakut Aarti and Vagha, Alamkara, Chhatra, Chamar, Chhadi, Mugat etc. ornaments were offered to Thakorji. Thereafter, H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj graced the Sabha wherein the host families performed poojan, archan and obtained the blessings of Dharmvanshi. On 14/05/2012 concluding ritual of Katha was performed Mahant Śwami Bramchari Vasudevanand and Shastri Swami Atmaprakashdasji of Jetalpurdham. On this occasion devotees had rendered their services.

Shastri Bhaktinandandasji and Shastri Swami Brahmchari Hariswaroopanand, Brahmchari Shastri Pavitranandji conducted the Sabha organized on the occasion. With the directions and blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, 60 Haribhaktas performed divine pilgrimage of Pulhashram alongwith Shastri

Swami Atmaprakashdasji from 15/05/2012 to 20/05/2012. Shyam Charan Swami and Shastri Uttam Swami had also availed the benefit of divine Darshan on this occasion. (Narayanbhai Talati-Patdi & Govindbhai-Trent) 2nd Grand Sabha in Ghatlodiya (New Area)

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Mahaaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, grand Satsang Sabha was organized in Dev City Bungalows (Common Plot) at Ghatlodiya at night from 8.00 to 11.00 hours on 03/06/2012. Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji of Ahmedabd temple, Sadguru Shastri Swami Purushottamprakashdasji (Naranghat), Shastri Chaitanyaswaroopdasji had narrated Katha. Moreover, Dhoon Mandals of Ghantlodiya, Naranpur and Memnager temples had performed Shree Swaminarayan Mahamantra Dhoon. The Sabha was conducted beautifully by the devotee Shri Ashokbhai Naranbhai. All Haribhaktas of Dev City had rendered their services as the hosts of this Satsang Sabha.

Shree Narnarayandev Swaminarayan Satsang Mandal has been conducting Satsang Sabha on every Sunday and on every pious day of Ekadashi at night from 8.30 to 10.30 hours at Ganeshpark Complex Vibhag-1, near Gokul Dairy, I.D. Patel Schol Road, Ghatlodiya. So all the devotees of Ghatlodiya, Sola and Chandlodiya area may avail the benefit of this Satsang Sabha. Contac: Rameshbhai P. Patel-9586422601, Bholabhai C. Patel-9925805463. (Rameshbhai P. Patel)

Satsang activity in Kaliyana village

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and with the inspiration of Shastri Swami Atmaprakashdasji and Shatri Swami P.P. Swami of Jetalpurdham, reading of Vachnamrit, Kirtan Bhakti etc. are regularly performed by the devotees and Haribhaktas of Kaliyana village. Devotees Shri Dahyabhai Chelabhai Butiya and Hirabhai are source of inspiration for all the devotees of the village.

(Pathabhai Malubhai)

Aaroda (Juna) Patotsav

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri

under the guidance of Mota Maharaj and Mahant Swami Jagdishprasaddasji, 5th Patotsav of Juna Aaroda temple of Idr Desh was celebrated on 22/04/2012 with great fervor and enthusiasm. H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj graced this occasion, as also the house of the host devotee Shri Dineshbhai Kachrabhai Bhagat family. In the temple, H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performed Abhishek of Thakorji and Annakut aarti. In the Sabha organized on the occasion, the host family had performed aarti and had offered Bhet-pooja to H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj. On behalf of the saints, Kothari Satyasankalp Swami and Shastri Shreejiprakashdasji (Sokli) had offered the garlands to H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj. On this occasion, Sadguru Raghivir Charanswami (Sokli), Vasudevcharan Swami, Shastri Vishwavallabhdasji had delivered their inspirational speeches. At last H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj blessed the whole Sabha. Mahant Shastri Harijivandasji of Himatnagar temple had conducted the Sabha. Saints from Torda, Laloda and Ahmedabad had also arrived on this occasion. (Kothari)

Rajat Jayanti Mahotsav of Martoli temple

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Shastri Swami Harikeshavdasji and under the guidance of Mahant Swami Jagdishprasad Swami, Rajat Jayanti Mahotav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Martoli was celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm.

On this occasion, Satsang Sabha and cultural programmes were also organized wherein large number of devotees participated. On 01/05/2012, H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj graced the occasion, and all the Haribhaktas performed grand Samaiyo of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj. The host devotee Shri Natubhai Chelabhai Patel was honoured with garland by H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj. Shastri Swami Harikeshavdasji delivered inspirational lecture on this occasion. Saitns of Sokli, Torda, Idar, Himatnagar, Ahmedabd had blessed all the devotees. At last H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj blessed the whole Sabha. Shastri Shreejiprakashdasji (Sokli) and Kothari Satyasankalpdasji had rendered their beautiful services during the whole Mahotsav. Shastri Haripriyadasji (Gandhinagar) had conducted the Sabha.

(Kothari) Bhagwat Parayan in Amrapura (Khar) in Mansa region

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmkul, beautiful Bhagwat Katha was organized. Shastri Swami Ghanshyamprakashdasji was the spokesperson of this Parayan. Devotees and Haribhaktas of Alaiya, Bapupura, Manekpur, Mansa and Kharna villages had availed the benefit of this Parayan. Villagers and devotees of the village had rendered their beautiful and inspirational services. Chandrapraksh sWami, Madhda Swami and Bharat Bhagat had also rendered their services.

(Vijay Swami- Jamiyatpura)

Katha-Parayan in Vasai (Dabhla)

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharva Maharaj and with the blessings of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj and with the inspiration of Sadguru Shasti Swami Atmaprakashdasji (Jetalpurdham), Shrimad Bhagwat Panchanh Paryaan was organized in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Vasai. Devotee Shri Chavda Vikramsinh Narayansinh rendered the services as the host of the Parayan. Devotees of Soja, Mansa, Ahmedabad, Vasai and Zundal had rendered their services as hosts of Bhojan-Prasad etc.

H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, H.H. Shri Mota Mahraj, H.H. Shri Laxmiswaroop Gadiwala had graced the occasion and had blessed Haribhaktas and ladies devotees, services of Haribhaktas and Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal of Vasai were inspirational. The Sabha was conducted by Parshad Bharat Bhagat.

(Anirudhddhsinh Chavda)

Shree Swaminarayan temple, Demai

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmvanshi, Satsang Sabha was conducted in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Demai. Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal and Bal Mandal had performed Bhajan-Kirtan-Katha on this Shastri Swami occasion. Ghanshyamprakashdasji (Mansa) had narrated beautiful Katha. Devotees Rameshbhai, Dineshbhai and Japanbhai had arrived from Bayad and had availed the benefit of Sabha. Kothari Dahyabhai of temple and

Haribhakta Rameshbhai had made beautiful arrangements.

(Sadhu Chandraprakashdas-Mansa)

MULI DESH SATSANG NEWS

Satsang Sabha by Muli temple

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj, Mahant Swami Shyamsundeardasji of Muli temple and Kothari swami Krishnavallbhdasji o Surenderanagar nad Shastri sWami Satyasankalpdasji and the saints had organized Satsang Sabha in Rampara, Jiragadh, GAdhdiya, Haripar, Methan, Tavi, Bhadreshi villages of Muli Desh.

(Shailendrasinh Zala)

Katha-Parayan in Surendranagar temple

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharva Mahraj and with the inspiration of Mahant Swami Sadguru Premjivandasji of Surendranagar temple, and with the noble vow of devotee Shri Mahendrabhai Shah (Mumbai), Shrimad Satsangibhuan Panchanh Parayan was organized from 21/05/2012 to 25/05/2012. Shastri Swami Shreejiprakashdasji (Muli) and Shastri Swami Satyasankalpdasji were the spokespersons of this Parayan. H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj had graced the Parayan on 21/05/2012, inaugurated Shree Brahmanand Yatrik Bhuvan and had praised the services Swami Krishnavallabhdasji. Every night cultural programmes were also organized. On 25/05/2012 H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj graced the occasion and inaugurated the golden gate of the inner temple of the deities. H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj also honourd the host family. Saints from Ahmedabad and Muli Desh had arrived on this occasion. The Sabha was conducted by Shastri Swami Premvallbhdasji. Shastri Swami Suvratswaroopdasji was the spokesperson of Samhita Path. Services of Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal were inspirational. (Shailendrasinh Zala)

Shree Swaminarayan temple, Limbdi

With the directions and blessings of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Sadhu Bhakta Vatsaldas, 12 hour Akhand Dhoon was organized on Jeth Sud-10 Antardhan Tithi of Shreeji Maharaj. Poojari Vandanprakash and Bal Mandal had performed Kirtan-Bhakti. (Narendrabhai Soni)

Shree Swaminarayan temple, Charadva

Beautiful Chandan Vagha were offered to Shree Radhakrishnadev Harikrishna Maharaj, Balswaroop Shree Ghanshyam Maharaj from Vaisakh Sud-3 to Jeth Sud-15. With the inspiration and guidance of Sadguru Mahant Swami Uttampriyadasji and Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Brahmviharidasji, poojari saints had offered beautiful Vagha of Chandan to Bhagwan. On 05/06/2012 Kesar-Snan Darshan was wonderful. Devotee Shri Pravinbhai Sureliya had rendered the services as host of Kesar-Snan. Devotees and Haribhaktas of village Charadva had availed the benefit of divine Darshan.

(Shastri Swami Satyaprakashdasji)

OVERSEAS SATSANG NEWS

Celebration of Rajat Jayanti Patotsav of Mahotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, New Jersey

With the directions and blessings of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, 25th Patotsav of our first ever I.S.S.O. temple of Weehawken, New Jersey in America was celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm from 18th May 2012 Monday to 3rd June 2012 Sunday in the pious presence of Dharmkul saints and Haribhaktas of various countries.

Utsav began with gracing of temple by H.H. Shri Mota Gadiwala. H.H. Shri Gadiwala blessed all the ladies devotees on this pious occasion. Invocation of the idol images of this temple was performed on 24th May 1987. So when H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj graced the temple during Mahotsav on 24th May 2012, all the devotees and Haribhaktas were very much enthusiastic.

From early morning there was exuberance among the devotees on Monday 28th May 2012. When Memorial Day was being celebrated in America, grand Pothiyatra was organized in our temple in the evening at the beginning of Satsangibhushan Parayan. On this occasion, Mr. Turner, the Mayor of Weehawken City, Mr. Sosa the Councilor inaugurated the Katha by lighting the lamp alongwith H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj. Shastri Swami P.P. Swami of Jetalpurdham was the spokesperson of this Parayan.

On 1st June 2012, H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj graced the occasion performed the ritual of Shree Hariyaag. In the evening from 3.00 to 5.00 beautiful Satsang Sabha of ladies devotees was organized in the pious company of H.H. Shri Gadiwala and H.H. Shri Mota Gadiwala. In the evening children of Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal performed beautiful cultural programme. On Saturday 2nd June 2012, Mahapooja was organized wherein large number of Haribhaktas participated and availed the benefit of Prasad on the bank of river Hudson. Beautiful Nagar-Yatra was also organized in Bulleword East which was joined by Mayor and Councilors of Weehawken City, Mayor of West New York and band of students of school. Devotees were performing Garba, Bhajan-Kirtan, Dhoon etc. in the Shobha-yatra, and memorable moments of this divine Shobha-yatra were being captured by many devotees in their cameras. When Shobhayatra reached the temple premises, H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performed the ritual of Dhwajarohan. In the evening at 7.00 hours, all the devotees and Haribhaktas thronged together in the Hall which was graced by Dharmkul. Presidents of each Chapter were present right from the beginning. The former Presidents of the Chapters were also honoured alongwith guests and host devotees on this occasion. Mayor of Weehawken city, Councilor and other Members honoured H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj with letter of appreciation on behalf of the whole city.

Ritual of Rajat-Tula of Shree Harikrishna Maharaj was also performed by H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj whose benefit was availed by the host devotees. The Sabha was concluding by the Amrut-vani of the saints and the blessings of Dharmkul.

On 3rd June 2012 Sunday, right from the early morning, devotees and Haribhaktas thronged together in the temple. All the Three Other Forms of Shree Hari performed Shodasopchar Mahabhishek ritual of Shree Harikrishna Maharaj whose divine Darshan was performed by all the devotees through televisions, too. Furthermore, invocation ritual of Shree Ganapatiji Maharaj and Shree

Hanumanji Maharaj and five deities including Mahadevii and Survanarayandev was also performed. H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj performed invocation ritual of deities in our first I.S.S.O. temple of America. In the Sabha organized on the occasion, H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj blessed all the devotees. Then all the Haribhaktas availed the benefit of divine Darshan of Annakut Darshan and Mahaprasad. Mahant Shastri Swami Hariomprakashdasji of Naranpura temple organized the whole Mahotsav. Mahant Shastri Swami Madhavprasaddasji of New Jersey, Mahant Swami Krishnaprakashdasji (K.P. Swami) of Jetalpur, Poojari Brahmchari Swami Purnanandji of Jetalpur and Mahant of all our temples rendered their inspirational services. Services of Haribhaktas and devotees of New Jersey were also praiseworthy.

(Bhaktibhai S. Patel- President)

Shree Swaminarayan temple, Colonia

With the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, Mahant Swami Gyanprakashdasji and Narnarayan Swami of Ahmedabad had performed Katha-Varta-Kirtan in the Sabha organized in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Colonia. Throne of Bhagwan was decorated very beautifully. The saints had asked all the devotees to avail the benefit of Darshan, Kirtan, Nitya-Niyam and reading of Vachanamrit in their daily life. At last aarti-thaal of Thakorji were performed. Information about the Shibir scheduled to be organized under the auspices of H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj in the month of July next year was furnished to all the devotees.

(Pravin Shah)

Shree Swaminarayan temple, Stredham

With the directions and blessings of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj, all the festivals and Utsav are celebrated with great fervor and enthusiasm in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Stredham whose benefit is availed by large number of devotees.

On Jeth Sud-15 Monday, Mukutotsav and Jal-Yatra were organized. Shastri Swami Vishwaviharidasji performed Abhishek of Thakorji and narrated Katha of Jal-yatra and Mukutotsav. Here Satsang Sabha is organized on every Sunday. Moreover Satsang Classes of

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two hours for young and children devotees are also organized. (Stredham temple)

Swaminarayan Bhagwan's 8th heir's Satsang Yatra to the USA

From 22nd May to 6th June 2012, H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj 108 Shri Vrajendraprasadji Maharaj blessed the Satsangis of the United States during the first extensive Vicharan. During the Vicharan, H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj graced Shree Swaminarayan temples at Chicago and Atlanta. Then H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj also graced Byron ISSO Chapter and visited the site of the new ISSO temple which is at present under construction.

Thereafter, H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj joined H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj and H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj in Weehawken, New Jersey and graced 25th Patotsav of the first Swaminarayan temple in America. H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj

performed Kesar Snaan. Thereafter H.H. Shri lalji Maharaj graced the houses of the devotees of Washington D.C., where preparations are going on for another ISSO temple.

Following the footsteps of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj also spent many days on the road, gracing the houses of the devotees and Haribhaktas in Illinois, Georgia, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and Washington D.C.

H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj directed the devotees to perform ardent Bhakti and render devout services towards Bhagwan Shree Swaminarayan and also encouraged the Satsangis to improve their quality of Bhakti rather than its quantity and blessed them for nourishment of Satsang. The guidance and inspiration of H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj was beacon for the youths of Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal in the United States.

Shri Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal)

AKSHARVAAS

Ahmedabad: Devotee Kundanben Chimanbhai Kothari (age: 80 years) passed away to Akshardham on 05/05/2012, Vaisakh Sud-15, while chanting the name of Shree Hari.

Ahmedabad - Devotee Kantaben Dahyabhai Thakkar (Shree Narnarayan Ayurvedic Pharmacy) passed away to Divine Abode of God on 14/05/2012, Vaisakh VAd-9, while chanting the name of Shreeji Maharai.

Ahmedabad - Devotee Kantaban Himmatbhai Shah (Ranpurwala) passed away to Akshardham on 27/05/2012, Jeth Sud-6, while chanting the name of Shri Hari.

Dholka - Devotee Thakkar Kantaben Dhanjibhai Chakubhai passed away to Divine Abode of God on 26/05/2012 while chanting the name of Shri Hari.

Vadu (Tal. Kadi) - Devotee Kalidas Shivdas Patel (former Kothari of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Vadu) passed away to Akshardham on 02/06/2012 while chanting the name of Shri Hari.

Kothamba (Panchmahal) - Devotee Subhashchandra Vadilal Kachhiya (age: 55 years) passed away to Divine Abode of God on 09/05/2012 while chanting the name of Shreeji Maharaj.

Visatpura - Devotee Narayanbhai Patel (father of the devotee Shri Kantibhai Patel) passed away to Akshardham on 25/05/2012 while chanting the name of Shri Hari.

Bavla - Devotee Bhailalbhai Laljibhai Thakkar (elder brother of the devotee Shari Ratilal Laljibhai Thakkar) passed away to Akshardham on 29/05/2012 while chanting the name of Shri Hari.

Kediyasan - Devotee Danubhai Devabhai Mori passed away to Divine Abode of God on 12/05/2012 while chanting the name of Shreeji Maharaj.

Bayad- Devotee Ramanbhai S. Patel (Dhansura) (uncle of the devotee Shri Dineshbhai K. Patel) passed away to Divine Abode of God on 02/06/2012 while chanting the name of Shreeji Maharaj.

Bayad- Devotee Bahecharbhai Gokalbhai (father of the devotees Shri Rameshbhai and Nareshbhai) passed away to Divine Abode of God on 10/05/2012 while chanting the name of Shreeji Maharaj.

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